

## **JESUS DIED FOR OUR SINS HAS A CORRECT BIBLICAL MEANING**

**"Jesus died for our sins" has a correct biblical meaning. Jesus died a sinless death, killed by sin, and this condemned sin in the courtroom of Heaven to eventual extinction. Jesus arose with all authority in heaven and earth to judge all things. Jesus, the Man, gained the right to reverse all that Adam caused by his one sin. Jesus did one act of righteousness which gained Him this right. The one action was that Jesus died a sinless death.**

**Jesus' death for people means that Jesus has the right to make the believing sinner into a new creation, eventually take away all his sin, progressively produce righteous works in him, immediately indwell him with the Holy Spirit, and eventually restore him to glory.**

**There are many descriptions of the internal workings of new birth in the believer at the moment of belief: Indwelled by the Holy Spirit, infused with the spiritual blood of Christ, the resurrected life of Christ in the believer and the believer "in Christ", regeneration, justification, born again, conversion, etc.**

**The Apostle Paul uses the term "in Christ" to denote the person who has been made a new creation. A person must be "in Christ" before God chooses to make him holy and blameless. A person must be "in Christ" before God determines to give him an inheritance as a son of God.**

**According to Ephesians chapters 1 and 2:**

**To be "in Christ" is:**

**to be the faithful, to be blessed in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing,**

**to become chosen for holiness and blamelessness,**

**to become predestined to adoption as His sons through Jesus Christ,**

**to be given grace in Christ, to have release from bondage of sin in Christ,**

**after having believed the gospel you became "in Him" having been sealed by the Holy Spirit,**

**guaranteed an inheritance, access to the Spirit of wisdom and revelation that you may know God**

**better, to know the riches of your glorious inheritance, to know the resurrection power of His mighty**

**strength, to know the exaltation of Jesus to all power and authority, to be made alive in Christ, saved**

**by His grace, to see the riches of His grace and the kindness to us in Christ, after having believed to**

**receive the gift of God's salvation, to do good works which God prepared for us in advance,**

**to be one in Christ with all who believe, to be reconciled to God, access to the Father by one Spirit,**

**fellow citizenship with God's people and members of God's household,**

**to be indwelled by the Holy Spirit.**

We are “in Christ” after we believe. Christ’s resurrection life comes to live in us after we believe. After we believe, we become the elect, the chosen. We are chosen to receive God’s full salvation. We are chosen to become holy and blameless. After we believe, we are predestined to adoption as sons of God through Christ. Believing Christ comes before receiving Christ. Receiving Christ comes before being elected and chosen for the riches of God’s grace. Election is to joyful service after we believe. For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believes...

“Jesus died for our sins” always pertains to Jesus taking away sin.

**Galatians 1:4** Jesus gave Himself for our sins to rescue us.

**John 1:29** Jesus takes away the sin of the world.

**1 John 4:10** Jesus died as a sacrifice to take away our sins.

**Colossians 2:14** Jesus cancelled for believers the governance of the law of sin and death over their lives.

**Ephesians 2:15-16** Jesus abolished the sacrificial system with its rituals and regulations.

**Romans 4:25** Jesus was delivered up for our sins and raised for our justification.

**1 Peter 2:24** Jesus bore our sins. He was lifted up to defeat sin and condemned it to removal.

**Hebrews 9:24-26** Jesus put away sin by bearing the sin of the people exposing sin to its ultimate condemnation.

**Romans 8:3,21** Jesus died for sin as a sin offering to condemn sin to ultimate removal from all creation.

**Romans 3:25,26** Jesus was the mercy seat and by the sacrifice of His blood God is just in being the justifier of all who believe and put their faith in Jesus.

#### **ATONEMENT IN THE NEW TESTAMENT IS A MISNOMER**

The death of Jesus in itself made no person at one with God. The sacrificial death of sinless Jesus was the Mercy Seat by which through His physical death, God “provisionally reconciled” humanity to Himself, defeated sin and Satan, and shouts to humanity, “cooperate with Me, repent, believe, and receive Jesus as your “judicial reconciliation”.” People who receive Jesus are saved by His resurrection life and not by His death alone. Jesus’ sinless death enables salvation for those who believe. His life in

us makes salvation a reality. “Christ in us the hope of glory.” We are “in Christ” and Christ is in us.

Colossians 1:27

God sent Jesus, the person who is the Mercy Seat by which our sins may be taken away. 1 John 4:10 God was in Christ, “provisionally reconciling” the world to Himself, not counting people’s sins against them. 2 Cor. 5:19 Not counting people’s sins against them means that God holds no one back from cooperating with Holy Spirit conviction and receiving the resurrected life of Jesus as their “judicial reconciliation.”

For if, while we were God’s enemies we were “provisionally reconciled” to God by the death of His Son, how much more, now that we are “judicially reconciled”, shall we be saved by His life. Rom. 5:10 Jesus bore our sins in His body upon the cross so that we can be dead to sin and live to righteousness. By His stripes we are healed. 1 Peter 2:24 The LORD laid on Him the iniquity of us all. Isaiah 53:6 These verses mean that all humanity’s sin came against the sinless Jesus and killed Him, thus condemning sin to removal from all creation and from “born again” believers in particular. Romans 8:3

For God presented Jesus as the Mercy Seat, the sinless sacrifice for sin’s removal, and people are made right with God when they believe and receive Jesus, and thus God demonstrated His righteousness in His forgiveness and sin removal in men who believed His Promise throughout time. Romans 3:25

Atoning sacrifice of Jesus is a misnomer anyway you look at it. His death alone did not make anyone at one with God. His death was not a covering for sin. Jesus’ death did defeat sin, and Jesus has the right as the God-Man to take away the sin of the world. All “Atonement Theories” have a false foundation because Jesus’ death “alone” saves no one. Penal Substitutionary Atonement is especially offensive to God. Atonement is not an appropriate word to describe the death of Jesus. The word “atonement” is never found in the Greek New Testament in regard to the death of Jesus. Jesus takes away sin.

John 1:29 See: [tomwhedbee.com](http://tomwhedbee.com) 2021