

GOD HATES SIN TOO

I hate many of the things which God allows in our world today. But we cannot have free-will unless we have free-choice. Freedom to do right and freedom to do wrong are options in life today. We have inherited the knowledge of good and evil. We have inherited a world where bad things happen to us and to those we love. We choose God or we choose sin.

We cannot experience love to the greatest degree without experiencing hate. We cannot experience joy without experiencing fear or trials. We cannot experience peace without experiencing conflict or war. We cannot experience patience without experiencing strife.

I still believe that God loves humanity, that God loves us. God has demonstrated His love toward us in that while we are sinners God has sent Jesus to die for us and God has given us the opportunity to cooperate with Him and experience new life “in Christ” which enjoys love, joy, peace, patience, and kindness. And life “in Christ” is an eternal life in which we get to continue a fellowship of knowing God.

We cannot appreciate, to the greatest extent, our new life “in Christ” without first experiencing our sinful condition and the freedom to make wrong choices.

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. John 3:16

Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures and He was buried, and He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures. 1 Corinthians 15:3,4

If you believe in Jesus and that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. Rom. 10:9

Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. Romans 10:13

The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and self-control. Galatians 5:22,23

God hates sin, but He allows sin so that we can choose to be rescued from sin.

THE WICKED DECEPTION OF PENAL SUBSTITUTIONARY ATONEMENT THEORY (PSA)

PSA IS DIFFERENT FROM ORTHODOX SUBSTITUTIONARY WORK OF JESUS ON THE CROSS. PSA teaches that God the Father punished Jesus so that He could forgive sin, so that justice is satisfied, and so that He is appeased of His wrath toward believers. The orthodox view is that Jesus died a physical death (shed His blood) so that sin is defeated, so that humanity doesn't have to be separated from God, so that believers can be rescued from sin, and so that believers can have an abundant relationship with God "in Christ".

PSA uses one key verse of Scripture to support its view. 2 Corinthians 5:21 says, "For He made Him who knew no sin, to be sin for us, that we may become the righteousness of God in Him." The basis for PSA is the phrase, "to be sin for us". This phrase was misused by Martin Luther, R.C. Sproul, David Platt, and others. This is the foundation for teaching that the Father punished Jesus in our place.

In contrast, Paul and Jesus teach that on the cross Jesus became the offering for sin's defeat and for the rescue of all those who believe and receive Jesus. In John 3:16, God gave His Son as a sin offering. In Romans 8:3, God gave His Son as an offering for sin and God condemned sin in the flesh by subduing it and overcoming it in the person of His own Son. Read: Ephesians 5:2

In 2 Cor. 5:21, Paul is referring to the sin offering of Jesus when he says God made Him to be sin for us.

No where in Scripture does it say that God the Father punished Jesus in our place. Isaiah 53:5 is referring to Jesus learning obedience explained in Hebrews 5:8. Matthew 27:46 is explained in Psalm 22:24 and in Isaiah 53:6 and 11. Jesus allowed sin to kill His physical body so that sin is condemned to extermination for doing the most atrocious thing it ever did.

2 Corinthians 5:19 "God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not counting men's sins against them."

Jesus is God. God forgives sin the same way He requires us to forgive sin. God freely forgives sin without any payment for sin. God has no needs. God's wrath is perfect and does not need to be appeased. Ephesians 4:32 Ephesians 1:4

Justice is satisfied by changing the believer into a holy and blameless new creation. Justice is not satisfied by changing God's attitude toward us by punishing Jesus in our place. God does not change.

PSA contributes to false assurance of salvation in people who have believed in a false Jesus. PSA teaches that Jesus produced a transaction between God and believers at the Cross. This unscriptural transaction included payment for sins committed, payment of penalty, and payment for a debt of sin. A transaction was not what occurred at the Cross. Praying to a false Jesus will not save you. Jesus did pay a high price for defeating sin. But no transaction toward the account of sinners took place.

Jesus gained the right for personally removing sin. Jesus is the Second Adam who takes away the sin of the world. Jesus makes new creations out of cooperating, repentant sinners.

PSA contributes to failed lives of people who were truly regenerated. Believing that Jesus was punished for sins committed, even subconsciously, contributes to a believer's compromise with sin. Believers suffer the consequence of personal sin in this life and in eternity. "Loss of reward" refers to consequences of sin regarding eternity future.

God did not save us by punishing Jesus. God saved us by sending Jesus to defeat sin, death, Satan, and demonic powers. The physical death of Jesus made our salvation possible. The infused resurrected life in the believer makes our salvation a reality. John 1:29 Colossians 2:15 Romans 5:10

God was in Christ on the Cross. Christ died a physical death. Jesus shed His blood to defeat sin. Jesus did not die a spiritual death. There was no separation of the Father from the Son. They were in perfect unity at the Cross. God watched over Jesus not allowing even a single bone to be broken. God did not turn His back on Jesus (Psalms 22:24).

I believe that PSA is a wicked deception and very offensive to God.