WHY JESUS DIED (VARIOUS LENSES)

Pagan lens: Pagans believe the gods are angry and must be appeased of their anger by a sacrifice so that their wrath will cease. FALSE

Roman Catholic lens: The debt for sin had to be paid and Jesus paid the debt. FALSE

Greek Orthodox lens: Jesus died not to satisfy an angry Father's demand for blood or legal punishment, but to heal human nature, destroy the power of death and corruption, and reveal God's pure, self-emptying love. NOT COMPLETE

Protestant lens: God had to punish Jesus in our place so that justice could be satisfied. FALSE

Scriptural view of the cross of Jesus: Jesus died to condemn and defeat sin, death, and Satan. Jesus' sinless death and His resurrection gave Him the right as Man to change believers into new creations whereby He defeats sin, death, and Satan in their life. God's demonstration of His love and forgiveness toward us at the cross should motivate us to trust Him and receive life "in Christ." Romans 5 and 8
The goodness of God leads us to repentance. Romans 2:4 Our unholy fear of an angry God does not lead to repentance. God satisfies justice by changing the believer into a new creation who is blameless in His sight. Ephesians 1 Jesus is not punished to satisfy God's justice and Jesus did not pay a debt to anyone on our behalf. Jesus paid the price of shedding His sinless blood so that He would have the right as last Adam to take away sin from all of creation and especially believers who put their trust and faith in Him. Jesus died for our sin removal. Without the shedding of Jesus' blood there is no remission. Remission in Hebrews 9 and 10 is the release of the Old Covenant and the inauguration of the New Covenant in His blood.
God freely forgives sin. The New Covenant gives Jesus the authority to make "new creations" of believers in Him. All authority in heaven and earth belongs to Jesus. Matthew 28:18
The sinless blood of Jesus was shed to take away our sins. John 1:29