

Savior - cont.

We proclaim his death when we partake of the Lord's supper each week. Paul wrote:

"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink the cup, ye proclaim the Lord's death till he come" (1 Corinthians 11:26; see also 10:16).

We can draw upon his death in time of need and in prayer. The author of Hebrews wrote:

"For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succor them that are tempted" (Hebrews 2:18; see also 4:15-16).

The Death of Jesus

Friends, Jesus died a suffering death, a saving death, a sample death, and a sermon death. Are you now willing to apply the blood of Jesus' death in order to be saved? You can apply that blood by being baptized if you are a lost sinner (Romans 6:3-4), or by confessing your sin in prayer (with repentance) if you are an erring saint (1 John 1:7-9). Please obey today so that Christ will not have died in vain for you (Galatians 2:21; Hebrews 10:29).

- Chris Reeves -

- Scripture of the Week -

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek. ." - Romans 1:16

The gospel, or good news, is so powerful. It has the power to forgive sin, to keep one from temptation, and to help one get to heaven. Why not obey it today!

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

Why Did My Savior Come to Earth? - Part 2

(continued from last week)

II. A Saving Death

Jesus died to bring mankind together with God and each other in the Lord's church. Paul wrote:

"But now in Christ Jesus ye that once were far off are made nigh in the blood of Christ" (Ephesians 2:13; see also Colossians 1:14,20,22; 2:14).

Jesus died to purchase a church (people) that is holy. Paul wrote:

"yet now hath he reconciled in the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and without blemish and unrepveable before him" (Colossians 1:22; see also Ac. 20:28; Ephesians 1:4; 5:27; Hebrews 2:11)

Jesus died to dedicate a new covenant (law) that must be followed. Jesus said:

"for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many unto remission of sins" (Matthew 26:28; see also Heb. 9:12-22; 10:19; 12:24; 13:20).

Jesus died to destroy the Devil and his power over death. The author of

Hebrews wrote:

"Since then the children are sharers in flesh and blood, he also himself in like manner partook of the same; that through death he might bring to nought him that had the power of death, that is, the devil" (Hebrews 2:14; see also 1 Corinthians 15:54-57).

III. A Sample Death

Third, the death of Jesus was a sample death. He died to show us that we must die spiritually speaking. We must separate ourselves from sin and worldliness.

We must die to self and put Jesus first. Paul put it this way:

"I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I that live, but Christ lives in me: and that life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith which is in the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself up for me" (Galatians 2:20; see also (John 12:24-26; Phil. 3:10; Colossians 2:20; 3:3; 2 Timothy 2:11).

We must die to sin and leave it behind. Paul put it this way:

"God forbid. We who died to sin, how shall we any longer live therein?" (Romans 6:2; see also Galatians 5:24).

We must die daily and regularly sacrifice for the Lord. Paul put it this way:

"I protest by that glorying in you, brethren, which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily" (1 Corinthians 15:31; see also 2 Corinthians 4:10-12; 5:14-15; 6:9).

We must take up our cross daily and follow Jesus. Jesus put it this way:

"And he said unto all, If any man would come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me" (Luke 9:23; see also Matthew 10:38; 16:24; Mark 8:34; 10:21; Luke 9:23; 14:27; Galatians 6:12-14; Philippians 3:18).

IV. A Sermon Death

Fourth, the death of Jesus is a sermon death to be preached to others so that they can be saved.

We preach his death to others so that they can know they have a savior from sin. Paul wrote:

"but we preach Christ crucified, unto Jews a stumbling-block, and unto Gentiles foolishness" (1 Corinthians 1:23; see also 2:2).
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