

The Work of Christ

- Man's Need for Christ's work
 - Rom. 3:10-12; man is guilty of a number of things
 - Not being righteous
 - Not understanding
 - Not seeking God
 - Gone out of the way
 - Unprofitable
 - Not doing good
 - Man is a slave to sin (Jn. 8:34)
 - The result of sin is death (Jms. 1:15)
 - Were the children of disobedience (Eph. 2:1-3)

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 - God will not tolerate sin
 - God asserts His holiness and demands conformity to it
 - We are faced with:
 - Sin (Rom. 3:23)
 - Having God as an enemy (Jms. 4:4b)
 - Subjection to the power of Satan (1 Jn. 5:19)
 - Being helpless to save himself (Rom. 5:6)
 - Death (Rom. 6:23)
 - Condemnation and eternal separation from God (2 Thess. 1:9)

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- The Cost of Christ's Work
 - From Phil. 2:7-8, Jesus
 - Made Himself of no reputation
 - Took on the form of a Servant
 - Was made in the likeness of men
 - Jesus humbled Himself through being obedient unto death
 - In Isa. 55:3, Jesus
 - Was rejected
 - Despised
 - Acquainted with grief

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- The Cost of Christ's Work
 - The forgiveness of sins required the shedding of blood (Heb. 9:22)
 - This cost Jesus His life (1 Pet. 1:18-19)
 - Jesus becoming sin meant He was forsaken by the Father (Mt. 27:46)
 - God laid the iniquity of us ALL on Jesus (Isa. 53:6)
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 - Reconciled us to God (Rom. 5:10)
 - Made us the righteousness of God (2 Cor. 5:21)
 - Delivered us from this present evil (Gal. 1:4)
 - Redeemed us (Eph. 1:7)
 - Freed us from sin (Rom. 6:6-7)

Jesus: The Answer to ALL Man's Problems

<u>Man's Problem</u>	<u>The Solution in Christ</u>	<u>Scripture</u>
A. Guilt before God 1. Not righteous	"Through obedience of the One many will be made righteous"	Rom. 5:19
2. Not understanding	"The Son of God has come, and has given us understanding"	1 Jn. 5:20
3. Not seeking God	"The Son of Man has come to seek and save that which was lost"	Lk. 19:10
4. Turned away from God	"You were...straying...but now you have returned to the Shepherd"	1 Pet. 2:25
5. All have become useless	"These qualities...render you neither useless...nor unfruitful in... Christ"	2 Pet. 1:8
6. No good works	"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works"	Eph. 2:10
B. Slavery to sin	"Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and of death"	Rom. 8:2
C. Facing death	"He who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life"	Jn. 5:24
D. Facing the wrath of God	"Justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him"	Rom. 5:9

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- The Motive for Christ's Work
 - So that we would not perish (Jn. 3:18; Rom. 5:8)
 - Love and mercy of God (1 Pet. 1:3)
- Resolution and Continuation of Christ's Work
 - Christ was declared the Son of God with power according to the spirit of holiness (Rom. 1:4)
 - He is highly exalted (Heb. 1:3)
 - We are now alive (1 Cor. 15:21-22)
 - He is our Mediator (1 Tim. 2:5)
 - He will come again (Jn. 14:3)