

JESUS HAD TO DIE ON THE CROSS RATHER THAN SOME OTHER WAY

Sin killed the innocent Jesus. Acts 3:15 Jesus allowed sin to kill Him. John 10:11,17-18

Sin broke the Law of sin and death. Sin executed the only sinless Man (Jesus) who ever lived.

The Law declares that the consequence of sin is death. But Jesus never sinned. Jesus died sinless. Sin killed the innocent Jesus and condemned itself. Through Jesus, the offering for sin,

God caused sin to condemn itself. Romans 8:3 Matthew 21:33-46 (Vineyard tenants kill)

Crucifixion was the only way this condemnation of sin could occur at the time. His death had to be a corporate death by sin. Religious and government officials had to kill Him.

1 Peter 2:24 All sin of all time was thrust against Him. He bore our sin. Jesus had to die on the cross rather than, for example, being murdered by one individual. His death had to be a corporate death by sin of religious and government officials.

Even God allowed all sin to be thrust against the physical body of Jesus while on the cross.

Isaiah 53: 6,10,11 On the cross, God gave the physical mind of Jesus knowledge of all our sin and all sin is against God. All our sin was laid upon Jesus while on the cross. Jesus had to die on the cross, killed by sin, to become the New Man, the successful Second Adam.

Romans 5:10, 15-17; 8:3

God condemned sin by the death of sinless Jesus through the sacrifice of His body. Romans 8:3

Jesus died once to do away with sin by the sacrifice of Himself. Hebrews 9:26 Romans 5:18

Sin, death, and Satan were defeated by the sinless death of Jesus. Colossians 2:14,15

Jesus is given the right to judgment over all creation because of the cross and the shedding of His innocent blood. Matthew 28:18 John 5:26-30

The cross of Jesus has released believers from their sole relationship with Adam. Adam sinned bringing sin to us all and subjection of us all to Satan. The cross of Jesus bought back the right of a Man to remove all sin and death from creation. God is justified in removing all sin and death from creation because of the cross and the shedding of Jesus' innocent blood. Because Jesus made it right for the removal of sin from creation, God has the right to remove sin from those who put faith in Jesus. God removes sin by making the believer a new creation in Christ.

Belief in Jesus as Savior and King (faith in Jesus), is the Way God has chosen to bring us to Himself. God gives us a new birth, makes us a new creation with a new relationship with Jesus Christ, and removes our sin (ultimately). Romans 3:21-26; 5:12; 8:21

Sanctification is the process of God in the believer to make us more like Christ. This process is completed at our physical death in which we retain our new creation and lay down all sin including our nature to sin. The cross of Jesus gave Him the right as the New Man to remove all sin, death, and Satan from creation. Jesus died for all mankind and all creation in order to take away sin. John 1:29 Those who cooperate with conviction of sin and believe in Jesus for sin removal and production of righteousness are made new creations in Christ Jesus. The cross of Jesus Christ has released us and delivered us from the Law of sin and death and Satanic powers. Colossians 2:14,15

New birth removes us from wrath, condemnation, penalty, headship of Satan, and bondage to sin and death. In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood and without the shedding of blood there is no “aphesis” (deliverance). Hebrews 9:22 The shed blood of Jesus delivers us from the Law of sin and death. We are free from the Law of sin and death. Romans 8:2

Sin removal was costly but forgiveness was freely given. Remission of sins means deliverance from sin and not just forgiveness. Acts 2:38 Most translations of the Bible translate “aphesis” as forgiveness. But “aphesis” is much more and greater than just forgiveness. Forgiveness is freely given but sin removal required the shed blood of Jesus on the cross. See these verses and replace forgiveness with deliverance from sins. Ephesians 1:7 Colossians 1:14 Mark 3:29 Acts 26:18

The gospel is much more than forgiveness. The gospel brings new birth to the humble, repentant, and believing sinner by the power of the Holy Spirit. New birth removes the believer from wrath, condemnation, penalty, headship of Satan, and bondage to sin and death. The gospel is the story of Christ and His removal of sin from all creation.