

THE WORK OF CHRIST IN OBEDIENCE

Concerning the "chastisement" of Isaiah 53:5, consider Hebrews 5:8 where Jesus "learns obedience." Both passages speak of His disciplined life in which each moment He said "no" to temptation and remained sinless. Our peace with God is dependent on Jesus remaining sinless, disciplined, and obedient even unto death. The sinless death of Jesus condemned sin to extermination. The court of Heaven declares Jesus worthy to take away the sin of the world and restore a newness to creation. Jesus arose with the right to take away our sin and make us new creatures in Christ. The work of Christ changes us when we cooperate with His Holy Spirit, allow the Spirit to bring us to believe in Jesus, and receive Him in regeneration. The work of Christ was not to change God's attitude toward us. We are reconciled to God. God is not reconciled to us by the Cross of Jesus.

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. Isaiah 53:5

Even though Jesus was God's Son, he learned obedience from the things he suffered. Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. Hebrews 5:8

Throughout His human life, Jesus was tested every moment as to whether He would remain obedient. The cross was His greatest testing, and through suffering He proved Himself obedient even unto death. The cross defeated sin, death, and Satan.

None of the rulers of this age or world perceived and recognized and understood this, for if they had, they would never have crucified the Lord of glory.

(1 Cor. 2:6-8) Satan thought the crucifixion was his greatest victory. But it was his ultimate defeat. Sin is condemned to the utmost for killing sinless Jesus.

Humans are born into a world of sin and a world strongly influenced by Satan and his works. Humans are born with a nature which is not guilty of sin. But throughout childhood humans corrupt their God-given nature and become sinners because they sin. Jesus was born human with a human nature including mind, body, soul, emotions, and will. But Jesus also brought into His humanity His eternal divine nature. Jesus' eternal divine nature gave Him the power and the willingness to always say "no" to sin and always be obedient to His Heavenly Father. This was not an easy task but a doable task. His greatest test was while on the Cross. Jesus remained obedient and sinless even under this great suffering and torment of the body, mind, soul, emotions, and will. Jesus was totally human but also totally God. Only His human body died at the Cross. It was His physical death, His shed sinless blood, which condemns sin to extermination, defeats sin, defeats Satan, and defeats death. Romans 8:3 1 John 3:8 Hebrews 2:14-15 Romans 5:9-12 1 Peter 1:19 Revelation 5:9

For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ. 2 Corinthians 5:19-21

Jesus died in obedience to the Father and of His own will so that many may be justified. All sin is against God. Jesus bore our sin. The Father laid the sins of humanity upon Christ. He was crushed by sin so that sin is condemned to extermination. He was oppressed and stricken unto death so that our sins may be removed. It was the Father's will that sin would crush Him so that sin could be defeated, He poured out His life even unto physical death, He was pierced to take away our transgressions, He was crushed to take away our iniquities, the chastisement for our peace was upon Him, and by His stripes we are healed.

Galatians 1:4 Isaiah 53:1-6

Jesus died as the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world. All sin will ultimately be judged and removed from the world. The last enemy to be removed from all creation is death. 1 Corinthians 15:26 John 1:29

The creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into glorious freedom. Romans 8:21

And they sang a new song [of glorious redemption], saying, "Worthy *and* deserving are You to take the scroll and to break its seals; for You were slain (sacrificed), and with Your blood You purchased *people* for God from every tribe and language and people and nation. Revelation 5:9

The courtroom of Heaven declares that Jesus is worthy to execute judgment and remove sin from all of creation, and especially remove sin and make righteous all those who will cooperate with Holy Spirit conviction and allow the Spirit to bring them to saving faith in Jesus.

Jesus is the Passover Lamb. Just as in Egypt the passover lamb preserved life. So Christ's sacrificial death rescues us from spiritual death. The blood sacrifices of bulls and goats could never take away sin, so those blood sacrifices do not represent the shed blood of Christ. The first covenant of the Law was confirmed by sprinkling blood upon everything in the tabernacle including people. Without the shed blood of Christ there is no (aphesis) release of the old Covenant and no new Covenant (Hebrews 9:22). The new Covenant was commissioned in Heaven by the blood of Christ. Jesus died to do away with sin by sacrifice of Himself. Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people, and He will come a second time to bring a completed salvation to those waiting for Him. Hebrews 8:7-13; 9:11-28

And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood there is no remission (aphesis: release of the Old Covenant). Hebrews 9:22

