Learn What God Wants You to Know

The Lord's Supper



Jesus Took Away
The Sins of The World!

OUR DAILY BREAD

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SOMETHING YOU MUST KNOW:

God is perfect. He is Holy. We are all sinners. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.

(Romans 3:23a KJB)

None of us could ever make ourselves perfect or holy to be accepted by God. But God loves us all so much, that He gave His only Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to go to the cross and pay the penalty for our sins IN FULL, ONCE and FOR ALL. Jesus died and rose again. Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, God can now make us holy and acceptable to Himself. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit. (1 Peter 3:18 KJB)

Jesus Christ is our ONLY WAY to God and heaven.

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life, no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

(John 14:6 KJB)

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved. (Acts 16:31 KJB)

Without Jesus Christ, you can NEVER be accepted by God or go to heaven. When you believe in Jesus Christ as your Savior, God makes you His child. When you leave this world, you will spend all of eternity with Him! But as many as received him to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name. (John 1:12 KJB) While you are still here on earth, learn His beautiful Word. Believe it and obey it, so you can enjoy all God has done for you.

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom. (Colossians 3:16a KJB)

Once again it is the LORD'S SUPPER celebration here at Grace Christian Fellowship. It is the time we have set aside to REMEMBER the Lord's death on the cross. Did you know that you do NOT have to be present in a "church building" to celebrate the Lord's Supper? Wherever you are, if you are a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, you can celebrate the Lord's Supper.

When Jesus first taught the apostles this special celebration, He did not tell them that they had to celebrate it a certain number of times. He did not tell them that they had to celebrate it in a certain place. He did not tell them how many people should be present when they took part in this important celebration. Jesus DID tell them what to do to celebrate it. Jesus DID tell them what the elements—the bread & the cup—represented as they celebrated it. And then Jesus told them exactly WHAT they would be doing EVERY SINGLE TIME they participated in this special celebration, no matter WHERE or WHEN or WITH WHOM they would celebrate it! Here is what Jesus said:

"For as often as ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew the Lord's death til he come."

1Corinthians 11:26 KJB

Did you read that carefully? The Lord simply said "for as often as you eat the bread& drink the cup—WHENEVER you do this – every single time you eat the bread & drink the cup you will be doing something special! You will SHEW the Lord's death til he come. Do you know what that word

SHEW means?

Shew means "to proclaim, to declare, to preach, to speak of, to teach."

So as we eat the bread & drink the cup no matter when we do this, we are proclaiming, declaring, preaching, speaking of, teaching



"the Lord's death til he come."

The elements—the bread & the cup represent Jesus' BODY & BLOOD. And when we eat & drink as Jesus commanded, those elements help us proclaim, declare, preach, speak of, teach what Jesus did by dying on the cross for us.

And the more you LEARN about the Lord's death as you study God's Word in your King James Bible each day, the more you will not only be able to UNDERSTAND & APPRECIATE what Jesus did for you & for ALL MANKIND by His death on the cross whenever you DO eat the bread & drink the cup, but you will also become more able to PROCLAIM, DECLARE, PREACH, SPEAK OF & TEACH others through WORDS about the Lord's death til he come!

So let us CONCENTRATE very carefully on what we will READ in God's Word today so that we not only can UNDER-STAND & APPRECIATE the Lord Jesus' death each time we celebrate the Lord's Supper & grow to LOVE Him more; but also so that we can tell others about His death, so that they might also come to UNDERSTAND & APPRECIATE His death for them & come to LOVE the Lord Jesus too!

In our Lord's Supper lesson last month, we found out an awesome and amazing FACT about what Jesus

did for the WORLD—for ALL mankind—by His death on the cross. Let's review 3 of the scriptures which tell us EX-ACTLY what Jesus did for the WORLD by His death upon the cross.

"For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that <u>Christ died for our sins</u> <u>according to the scriptures</u>;

And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:"

1Corinthians 15:3-4 KJB

That scripture tells us LOT'S of important FACTS about Jesus' death. But for today's lesson we want to concentrate on the important FACT that Jesus died for OUR SINS & what that means for all mankind! Jesus TOOK OUR PLACE on the cross. There He suffered God's awful wrath & judgment for OUR sins! God's Holy Law says that sin must be punished. Jesus took that punishment IN OUR PLACE! He did that for the WHOLE WORLD! This next scripture tells us that:

"For he (God the Father) hath made him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him"

2Corinthians 5:21a KJB

This next scripture tells us what Jesus did for THE WORLD when He took the WORLD'S sins upon His own body & PAID for them IN FULL! John the Baptist said this about Jesus before Jesus went to the cross. Read it carefully!

"...Behold the Lamb of God, which <u>taketh</u> away the sin of the world." John 1:29 KJB

The words "taketh away" mean to take away, remove, lift, to put away. That scripture tells us that Jesus TOOK AWAY—REMOVED—the sins of the WORLD by His death on the cross. He did NOT leave out one single sin that the world would commit. All mankind owed God a debt for their personal sins. God's Holy Law said so. Read Ezekiel 18:4,20 & Romans 6:23. And God's Holy Law also said that ONLY a SINLESS, PERFECT, HOLY SACRIFICE could PAY THE DEBT & TAKE SINS AWAY. Read Leviticus 17:11 & Hebrews 9:22. So by His spiritual death on the cross, Jesus PAID IN FULL with His BLOOD-HIS PER-FECT, SINLESS, HOLY LIFE—the debt for EVERYONE! By His spiritual death on the cross, Jesus TOOK THE WORLD'S SINS AWAY FOREVER! Read Hebrews 10:11-12. In God's eyes as the Supreme Judge & Ruler of this universe, the entire WORLD'S sins have been TAKEN AWAY. REMOVED FOREVER by Jesus' death on the cross. Here is what Jesus PROCLAIMED from the cross AFTER He com-

pleted TAKING AWAY & PAYING FOR IN FULL

THE SINS OF THE WORLD

"When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said,
It is finished:

and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost."

John 19:30 KJB

Jesus said IT IS FINISHED, He meant that He had COMPLETELY & FOREVER PAID FOR THE SINS OF THE ENTIRE WORLD! In fact, because of Jesus' FINISHED WORK on that cross, the debt that mankind owed God for their PERSONAL SINS—the debt that mankind owed God for the sins

each person freely CHOOSES to commit—has been CANCELLED FOREVER! How do we know this? This next scripture which speaks of Jesus Christ will tell us. Read it carefully now!



"...but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself."

Hebrews 9:25b KJB

Do you know what those words "PUT AWAY" mean? They mean <u>CANCELLED</u>! And what does the world CANCELLED mean? It means to take away or DELETE or REMOVE! The world's debt for sin has been REMOVED, DELETED, CAN-CELLED, TAKEN AWAY COMPLETELY BY THE BLOOD—OF CHRIST FOREVER—by His

FINISHED WORK ON THE CROSS! "It is FINISHED", Jesus said. The world's sin debt has been COMPLETELY PAID & TAKEN AWAY & CANCELLED FOREVER & FOR ALL PEOPLE!

In fact, Jesus ALREADY KNEW that His sacrifice on the cross for the sins of the entire world to take away, to put away, to cancel the world's sins would be so complete that He prayed a SPECIAL PRAYER for the very people who crucified Him. Let's CAREFULLY read the prayer that Jesus prayed when He was first nailed to the cross:

"And when they were come to the place,

which is called Calvary, there they crucified him, and the malefactors, one on the right hand, and the other on the left.

Then said Jesus, Father forgive them;

For they know not what they do. And they parted his raiment, and cast lots."

Luke 23:34 KJB

Do you know what that word

<u>FORGIVE</u> means? In the language in which Jesus spoke those words, the word FORGIVE has a VERY STRONG & IMPORTANT MEANING. Before we find out what Jesus meant by the word FORGIVE, first we'd like you to see what the word FORGIVE means today in our English language. The definition in our dictionary says this:

Forgive: to stop being angry about or resenting somebody or somebody's behavior

to pardon or excuse somebody for a mistake, misunderstanding, wrong - doing

to cancel an obligation such as a debt

Now let's read the meaning of the word FORGIVE that we find in Luke 23:34—the word FORGIVE in the language that Jesus spoke when He said "Father forgive them".

Forgive: to send forth, put away, forgive

What was Jesus saying that His Father should do for those who were crucifying Him? Jesus said FORGIVE THEM! Send forth their sin of crucifying Him. Where would that sin be sent? It would be sent AWAY FROM THEM & ONTO JESUS so that their sin of crucifying Him would also be included when Jesus died to pay for the sins of the WORLD! Imagine! Jesus right there while He was suffering physical agony from the spikes that were driven through His hands & feet said:

Father FORGIVE THEM!

He prayed for those who had crucified Him to be forgiven right while He was on the cross. He prayed that their sin of crucifying Him be sent forth to Him to be paid in full & cancelled along with all the rest of the world's sins! And many of these people would NEVER believe in Jesus Christ! They would never be saved! Who were these people? Were they just the ones who drove the nails into Jesus? As you will find out when you read the following scriptures, there were MANY people whom Jesus said crucified Him & for whom He said:

"FATHER FORGIVE THEM"

Read 1Thssalonians 2:16, Acts 3:13-17, Acts 5:30 & Acts 4:1 -12 to find out who they were.

So as you eat the BREAD & DRINK the cup today, REMEMBER that Jesus Christ TOOK AWAY FOREVER the sins of the WORLD! They were taken AWAY from mankind & SENT FORTH to Jesus who paid for them IN FULL! Jesus SAVED the World from their personal sins. IT IS FINISHED! Now, all a person need do is to BELIEVE IN JESUS to be SAVED from the Lake of Fire. Next month we'll find out WHY this is so! Until then, carefully read John 3:16-18, 36 and John 16:7-11. See if you can tell why!

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- Take Killingly St (Rt. 128) Exit; Right off Exit.
- on Manton Ave; cross bridge.
- Turn Left at light (CVS on corner), and then bear Left at the split. You are now on Woonasquatucket Ave.
- Go about 1 mi.
- **G.C.F.** is on the *Left*.

From Rt. 146

- Mineral Spring Ave Exit in Providence.
- From 146 N turn Left off Exit; from 146 S turn Right.
- Take Killingly to end; *Right* Take <u>Mineral Spring</u> to end and stay Left around the rotary (pass North Providence Town Hall).
 - Take next Right onto Woonasquatucket Ave.
 - Go about 1½ mi.
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