

## **THE NATURE OF THE ATONEMENT**

### ***The Suffering of Christ***

*“Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures”*

*1 Corinthians 15:3*

*I. Sacrifice ~ We deserve to die as the penalty for sin. (Heb. 9:11-28)*

*II. Propitiation ~ We deserve to bear God’s wrath against sin. (Rom. 3)*

***III. Reconciliation ~ We are separated from God by our sins. (2 Cor. 5)***

*IV. Redemption ~ We are in bondage to sin and to the kingdom of Satan. (Eph. 1)*

### **PASTOR’S PRAYER**

*Almighty God, I pray earnestly this morning asking that I may so preach as to be a faithful ambassador for Christ, so it will be as if You are making your appeal through me to this congregation. Imploring each of us on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. Convince each of us of your reconciling work in us and the reconciling ministry you have given to each of us that we may trust Christ, our sin bearer for the righteousness of God that only He can accomplish. Amen & Amen.*

### ***Central Sermon Truth***

*In Christ God Reconciles us to Himself.*

### ***Central Sermon Aim***

*I want SGBC to be reconciled to God through Christ.*

### **OUTLINE**

1. Reconciliation is “*from God*” : the author (v. 18)
2. Reconciliation is “*in Christ*”: the ministry (v. 19)
3. Reconciliation is “*through us*”: the messenger (v. 20)
4. Reconciliation is “*for our sake*” : the message (v. 21)