

Sin Debt is paid in full

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Let's compile what we have learned thus far from this verse and then take some more steps forward.

We learned that there are two worlds, the lost and the saved; this is clear from the Scriptures. We learned that the vicarious sacrifice of Jesus Christ fully appeased the wrath of God. Jesus Christ is the propitiation for our sins. This is also clear from the Scriptures. The Scriptures make these things clear.

This brings us to the other two questions: Will, or can, anyone whom Christ paid the sin debt of; suffer the wrath of God for all eternity? For whom did Christ suffer and die in the place of?

Since Christ's sacrifice fully satisfied the wrath of God, no one for whom Christ paid the sin debt of will suffer the wrath of God.

I Thessalonians 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Peter 1:18-21

God would be going against His Word if He punished anyone for whom Christ paid the sin debt of. Hebrews 6:18 tells us it is impossible for God to lie. The fact of the Scriptures are is that multitudes are going to be cast into the lake of fire and brimstone to be tormented for all eternity (Revelation 20:11-15). So then it is obvious that the sin debt of these were not paid for. Many people have the mindset that we are all God's children; this is not true. If this was true then we wouldn't have two different worlds.

John 8:44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar and the father of it.

It is clear in John 15 & 17 that there are two different worlds. In Matthew 7:13 & 14 we see two different paths with two different results; in Matthew 7:15-20 we see two different trees with two different fruits; in Matthew 7:21-23 we see two different professors with two different eternities; in Matthew 7:24-27 we see two different foundations with two different endings. There are differences between the saved and the lost; the difference is Jesus Christ.

We have heard for so long that Jesus paid the sin debt of the whole world that we believe it. But if Jesus did pay the sin debt of the whole world, then no one could go to hell.

Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Let's get back to the facts of the Scriptures: multitudes are going to hell.

So then it is obvious that every ones sin debt isn't paid. Whose sin debt is paid? For whom did Christ suffer and die in the place of? Those whom He purposed to save from before the foundation of the world. Jesus Christ is the propitiation, but only for those whom God has preordained to save. Remember that God is a God of order, He is also Sovereign which means He is in total control. Nothing takes God by surprise and neither is God in heaven looking down hoping someone will choose Him. People want to run to John 3:16 and sling the word whosoever; whosoever has nothing to do with the whole world but instead of any ethnic group. John in his writing is telling the Jews that they aren't the only ones that are going to be saved, the Gentiles will also be saved. Paul deals with the same thing in Romans 10. Then we have another verse that is often taken out of context, II Peter 3:9.

II Peter 3:9 The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Who is the usward; the any; and the all? The elect!

In II Peter 3 Peter is exhorting the Christians to steadfastness. Read the whole chapter, you can't build a doctrine from one verse out of context. All whom the Father hath predestined to be saved will be saved.

John 6:37 All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

John 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Read John 5 and John 6. Don't just read these chapters, study them. Don't run from words you don't like, study them.

Romans 8:28-30

foreknow- used of God's eternal counsel it includes all that He has considered and purposed to do prior to human history. In the language of Scripture, something foreknown is not simply that which God was aware of prior to a certain point. Rather, it is presented as that which God gave prior consent to, that which received His favourable or special recognition. Hence, this term is reserved for those matters which God favourably, deliberately, and freely chose and ordained. Used of persons, to approve of beforehand, to make a previous choice of, as of a special people.

Most people look at the foreknowledge of God as God looking ahead and seeing what was going to happen; this is not Biblical. God is Sovereign. God must draw; John 6:44. All whom the Father gives to Jesus Christ will be saved; John 6:37. Ephesians 1:1-13; I Peter 1:1,2.

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The sacrifice of Jesus Christ fully satisfied Gods wrath for all who has been and will be saved.

Salvation is by the grace of God. No one is deserving of salvation. Neither do we know who will be saved and who won't be saved. We are to proclaim Christ to all. We are to pray for souls to be saved. Dear reader, are you saved according to the Bible? Have you trusted Jesus Christ alone? Repeating a prayer cannot save you; joining a church will not save you; being baptized will not save you; having an experience or a rush of feelings will not save you, only Jesus Christ can save you. Have you looked off everything and everyone else and have you looked to Christ? Do you know that your sin debt is paid in full? You can know that you are saved according to the Scriptures.

Next week Lord willing we will get into verse 3. To God be the glory.