

Lord's Supper Class Outline, *The Doctrine of the Nature of the Atonement*

Atonement, understood in the way that usage has determined, is sufficiently inclusive to serve as a general designation for Christ's work culminating in the cross. [Paraphrase of John Murray]

The Atonement Is Defined (Occurs 88x in NKJV, never in the NT)

by Old Testament Practices *Leviticus 4:20, 26, 35; 14:31; 16:30; 17:11*

by the English Etymology At - One - Meut

How do we gain understanding of the Cross as Atonement?

Acts 8:26-35 and Isaiah 53:1-12

The Atonement Is Described According to Several Dimensions

Dimension #1

Is Atonement Necessary? *That is, Can't God cleanse and forgive His people (restore our relationship with Him) without an Atonement? What is it about reality that requires the cross for God to cleanse and forgive His people?*

Genesis 8:19-22

Leviticus 4:31; Ephesians 5:2

Isaiah 43:24

Numbers 25:1-13

Ezekiel 5:13 Thus shall My anger be spent, and I will cause My fury to rest upon them, and I will be avenged; and they shall know that I, the LORD, have spoken it in My zeal, when I have spent My fury upon them. [NKJV]

Thus My anger will be spent, and I will satisfy My wrath on them, and I shall be appeased; then they will know that I, the LORD, have spoken in My zeal when I have spent My wrath upon them. [NASB]

II Chronicles 28:8-13

Deuteronomy 32:4; Job 8:3; Luke 18:1-8

Romans 3:25-26; Colossians 1:20

Hebrews 10:10-11

I Peter 3:18