

CHRISTOLOGY 101: SCOPE AND EFFICACY

Jesus Accomplished Reconciliation

By his perfect obedience and sacrifice of himself, which he offered up to God through the eternal Spirit, the Lord Jesus has

- fully satisfied the justice of God [32](#)
 - obtained reconciliation
 - and purchased an everlasting inheritance in the kingdom of heaven for everyone whom the Father has given to Jesus [33](#)
32. Hebrews 9:14, 10:14; Romans 3:25-26
33. [John 17:2](#); [Hebrews 9:15](#)

Jesus Is Also the Savior of Old Testament Saints

The price of redemption was not actually paid by Christ until after his incarnation. However, the virtue, effectiveness, and benefit of it was applied to the elect throughout all of history, from the beginning of the world. This was done through the promises, types, and sacrifices which revealed him and demonstrated that he would be the seed that would bruise the serpent's head [34](#) and the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. [35](#) He is the same yesterday, today, and forever. [36](#)

34. [1 Corinthians 4:10](#); [Hebrews 4:2](#); [1 Peter 1:10-11](#)

35. [Revelation 13:8](#)

36. [Hebrews 13:8](#)

As mediator, Christ acts according to both natures. Each nature does what is proper for that nature. However, because the two natures are unified in one person, the Bible sometimes attributes what is proper for one nature to the other nature in the one person. [37](#)

37. [John 3:13](#); [Acts 20:28](#)