

## What Did Christ Do? Lesson 3 – The Nature of the Atonement: Christ’s Sufferings

### Introduction:

- The atonement is the work Christ did in His life and death to earn our salvation.

#### 1. Christ’s obedience for us

#### 2. Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_ for us

#### A. Christ’s sufferings for His \_\_\_\_\_.

- Jesus endured tremendous suffering during Satan’s \_\_\_\_\_ in the wilderness.

***Heb 4.15*** For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, **but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin.**

- He suffered in growing to \_\_\_\_\_.

***Heb 5.8*** Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he **suffered**.

***John 11.35*** Jesus wept.

- He suffered the intense opposition from Jewish leaders during His \_\_\_\_\_.

***Heb 12.3*** Consider him who **endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.**

***Isa 53.3a*** He was despised and rejected by men;  
**a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief;**

#### B. Christ’s sufferings that climaxed in the \_\_\_\_\_ of the cross

***Matt 26.38*** Then he said to them, “My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me.”

- \_\_\_\_\_ pain and death
  - The sufferings of the cross were intensified by the \_\_\_\_\_ from the sleepless night before He died.

**Luke 22.44** *And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly; and his sweat became like great drops of blood falling down to the ground.*

- They arrested Him took Him to the house of the High Priest, where they questioned Him and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

**Matt 26.66–67** *What is your judgment?” They answered, “He deserves death.” 67 Then they spit in his face and struck him. And some slapped him.*

**Luke 22.63–65** *Now the men who were holding Jesus in custody were mocking him as they beat him. 64 They also blindfolded him and kept asking him, “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?” 65 And they said many other things against him, blaspheming him.*

- Early in the morning they took Jesus to Pilate, who severely \_\_\_\_\_ Him before crucifying Him.

**Matt 27.26** *Then he released for them Barabbas, and having scourged Jesus, delivered him to be crucified.*

- They put a crown of \_\_\_\_\_ on His head.

**Matt 27.29** *and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on his head and put a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, “Hail, King of the Jews!”*

- They \_\_\_\_\_ on Him and \_\_\_\_\_ His head with a stick.

**Matt 27.30-31** *And they spit on him and took the reed and struck him on the head. 31 And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him and led him away to crucify him.*

**Isa 50.6** *I gave my back to those who strike,  
and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard;  
I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting.*

- They made Him \_\_\_\_\_ His own cross to the execution site.

**John 19.17** *and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called The Place of a Skull, which in Aramaic is called Golgotha.*

**Luke 23.26** *And as they led him away, they seized one Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, and laid on him the cross, to carry it behind Jesus.*

- They \_\_\_\_\_ Him as a criminal.

**John 19.18** *There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them.*

**Luke 23.34a** *And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."*

- The pain of bearing the \_\_\_\_\_ of sin

- The more we grow in holiness, the more \_\_\_\_\_ we feel sorrow and disgust over our sin.
- Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ holy.
- But out of love and \_\_\_\_\_ to His Father, Jesus took all our sins upon Himself.

**Isa 53.6b** *the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.*

**Isa 53.12b** *because he poured out his soul to death and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many,*

**2 Cor 5.21a** *For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,*

- Those verses indicate that it was \_\_\_\_\_ who put our sins on Christ.
- Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ took our guilt and punishment upon Himself.

**Luke 22.42** *not my will, but yours, be done."*

**Phil 2.8** *And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.*

**1 Pet 2.24a** *He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree,*

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- As Jesus went to the cross, He was abandoned by His closest \_\_\_\_\_.

**Mark 14.34** *And he said to them, "My soul is very sorrowful, even to death. Remain here and watch."*

**Matt 26.56b** *Then all the disciples left him and fled.*

- **As Jesus bore our sins on the cross, He was abandoned by His \_\_\_\_\_.**

**Matt 27.46** *And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, “Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?” that is, “**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**”*

- **Bearing the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

- **God had been \_\_\_\_\_ up His vengeance against sin since the beginning of the world.**

**Rom 3.25b–26** *this was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. 26 It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.*

- **Jesus became the object of God’s intense \_\_\_\_\_ of sin.**

**Rom 3.24–25a** *and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood,*

- **Jesus became the sacrifice that bore God’s wrath to the \_\_\_\_\_ extent.**

**Rom 8.1** *There is therefore now **no condemnation** for those who are in Christ Jesus.*

- **By dying for us, Jesus changed God’s wrath toward us into \_\_\_\_\_.**

**1 John 4.10** *In this is love, not that we have loved God but that **he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.***

**Conclusion:**

- **The primary influence of Christ's work of redemption is not on us, but on \_\_\_\_\_.**
- **Before the atonement could have an effect on us, it first had an \_\_\_\_\_ on God.**
  - **Jesus lived perfectly for us, in order to satisfy God's demands.**
  - **Jesus died for us, in order to take God's wrath and punishment on our sins.**
  - **In doing that for us, Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ our salvation with the Father!**