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“The Lamb of God”

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John 1:29 & Selected

“The next day he (John the Baptist) saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!’”

John 1:29

“Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins.”

Hebrews 9:22

I. God created us to live among us!

“Then God said, ‘Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.’” Genesis 1:26

- **God assigned tasks for Adam’s fulfillment.**

“The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.” Genesis 2:15

- **God defined parameters for an ongoing relationship.**

“And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, ‘You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.’” Genesis 2:16-17

- **God lived among His creation.**

“And (Adam & Eve) heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day.” Genesis 3:8a

II. God lived among us until the filthy intrusion of sin!

“So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.” Genesis 3:6-7

“...and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.” Genesis 3:8

- **God mercifully sacrificed animals to cover Adam & Eve.**

“And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.” Genesis 3:21

- **God mercifully drove them from His presence.**

“He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life.” Genesis 3:24

III. God demanded a bloody sacrifice as payment for entering His presence again.

Bloody Sacrifices...

- **Are seen throughout the Old Testament.**

Abel (Genesis 4:1-7); **Noah** (Genesis 8:20-9:1); **Abraham** (Genesis 22); **Jacob** (Genesis 35:7); **Hebrew People** (Exodus 12)

- **Are the central feature of the Tabernacle and both Solomon and Herod’s Temple in Jerusalem.**

- **Demand the willing surrender of the very best to God.**

"Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male a year old. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats, and you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month, when the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill their lambs at twilight."

Exodus 12:5-6

- **Provided a temporary covering for the sins committed.**

"For it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins." Hebrews 10:4

IV. God's eternal plan provides the permanent solution for sin so that He might live with His creation forever!

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Jesus, the Lamb of God...

- **Is the only solution for the problem of sin in this world!**

Jesus, *"takes away the sin of the world!"* John 1:29

- **Is the perfect solution for the problem of sin in this world!**

"He (Jesus) committed no sin, neither was deceit found in His mouth." 1 Peter 2:22

- **Is the Father's solution for the problem of sin in this world!**

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life."

John 3:16

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by His grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by His blood, to be received by faith." Romans 3:23-25

"For our sake He (God) made Him (Jesus) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in Him (Jesus) we might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21

- **Is the final solution for the problem of sin in this world!**

“But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God, waiting from that time until His enemies should be made a footstool for His feet. For by a single offering He has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.” Hebrews 10:12-14