CTRL-ALT-DELTE Part 5: Paid in Full

Objective: To help us recognize that Jesus has paid our debt to God and to encourage us to live like that debt has been paid.

"Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the wilderness, so the <u>Son of Man</u> must be <u>lifted up</u>, 15 that <u>everyone who believes may have eternal life in him</u>." For God so <u>loved</u> the world that he <u>gave</u> his one and only Son, that whoever <u>believes</u> in him shall <u>not perish</u> but <u>have</u> eternal <u>life</u>.

John 3:14-16

- Have you ever had a relationship that was broken so badly that it was beyond repair?
 How did that impact you?
- Have you ever owed someone money but you couldn't pay it back right away? How did that make you feel around that person? How did that impact your relationship with them?
- What are some ways people you know (or maybe you yourself) have tried to "pay God back?"
- As you think of your relationship with Jesus, have you tended to live out more of a "believe that" or a "believe in" kind of faith? Why?
- If your focus has been to "believe that" what can you do to actually start believing in?

Consider this week:

- God has already pressed CTLR-ALT-DELETE for us. He has paid your debt in full.
- What can you do to start living like that debt is paid? How will that impact the way you handle your relationships?

Final Thought: God has already paid our debt to him. We need to stop trying to win his approval and start trusting that he has forgiven us. This will allow us to graciously forgive others.

