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Summary

In this continuation of the "Fragrance of Heaven" series (2 Corinthians 2:14), the Youth Pastor Joshua Andrade traces the Day of Atonement ritual from Leviticus 16 — where two identical goats carried two different assignments, one sacrificed and one released into the wilderness — forward to Matthew 27, where Scripture notes both the condemned prisoner and Jesus shared the same first name. The message argues salvation isn't only about eternity; it's about present-tense freedom from sickness, addiction, shame, and struggle, since Jesus didn't just die for sin but "became" sin so believers could be made new.

Top Points

1. **Salvation is for now, not just eternity.** God doesn't just want believers to survive until they die — He wants to meet real, present needs (sickness, lack, confusion, anxiety) today.
2. **The two goats of Leviticus 16 point to Jesus.** One goat was slain as a sin offering; one — the scapegoat — carried the people's sins away alive into the wilderness. Both were required to look identical.
3. **Barabbas and Jesus shared a name.** Some manuscripts show Barabbas's first name was also "Jesus" — meaning the crowd was choosing between two men bearing the same name, foreshadowing the two goats.

4. **Jesus didn't just die for sin — He became sin.** He didn't only bear the punishment; He took on the identity of the wrongdoing itself, then rose as the spotless Lamb.
5. **Stop holding onto what God already removed.** If sin is "as far as the east is from the west," continuing to relive shame over it is the believer holding onto a memory, not a reality.
6. **Believers are carriers, not just recipients.** Everyone — not just pastors — is called to diffuse the "fragrance" of the gospel in their family, workplace, and community.
7. **Living with integrity is part of the testimony.** The speaker's personal story about refusing to hide cash tips illustrated living "in the world but not of it," even in small, unglamorous choices.

Quotations

- *"There is no more of one foot in, one foot out... today, if there is anybody that needs it, I'm declaring and I'm praying that today you anchor yourself in Jesus."*
- *"Salvation is not only for eternity when you pass from this earth, but salvation is for anything you need saving from right now."*
- *"Stop remembering what he took away. It's not there. You remember. But the sin is no longer in your presence. It's the memory that you're holding on to."*
- *"Some of you were alcoholics in here. Some of you were abusers in here. Some of you were cheaters. I said were. You were. That's not who you are."*