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## Twisted – Things Jesus Didn't Say: “That's What You Get”

*“Two other men, both criminals,  
were also led out with Him to be executed.  
When they came to the place called the Skull,  
they crucified Him there,  
along with the criminals—one on His right,  
the other on His left.”  
Luke 23:32-33 (NIV)*

This message is for 3 groups of people:

1. Those living for God. ENCOURAGEMENT
2. Careless Christians. WARNING
3. Those far from God. DIRECTION

### I. Because of Jesus, we don't get what we deserve.

*“One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at Him: ‘Aren't You the Messiah? Save Yourself and us!’ But the other criminal rebuked him. ‘Don't you fear God,’ he said, ‘since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.’ Then he said, ‘Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.]’ Jesus answered him, ‘Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise.’” Luke 23:39-43 (NIV)*

*“...Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath. But because of His great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions...For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.”*

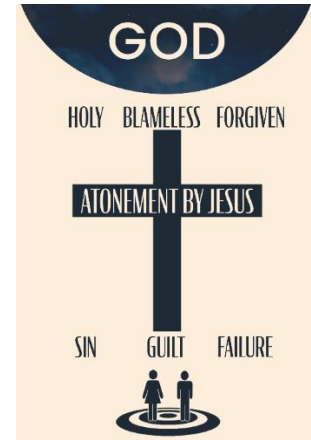
*Ephesians 2:3-5, 8-9 (NIV)*

*“He does not punish us for all our sins; He does not deal harshly with us, as we deserve. For His unfailing love toward those who fear Him is as great as the height of the heavens above the earth. He has removed our sins as far from us as the east is from the west.” Psalm 103:10-12 (NLT)*

## II. How Does It Work?

*“Yet now He has reconciled you to Himself through the death of Christ in His physical body. As a result, He has brought you into His own presence, and you are **holy** and **blameless** as you stand before Him without a single fault.” Colossians 1:22 (NLT)*

*“But you must **continue to believe** this truth and stand firmly in it. Don’t drift away from the assurance you received when you heard the Good News...” Colossians 1:23a (NLT)*



### Atonement means COVERING.

1. We **GET** under the Covering by REPENTING OF OUR SINS AND FOLLOWING JESUS.
2. We **STAY** under the Covering by OBEYING AND WANTING TO PLEASE GOD.
3. We **MOVE** out from under the Covering by REBELLION AND IDOLATRY.

*“For God so loved the world that  
He gave His one and only Son,  
that **whoever believes in Him**  
**shall not perish but have eternal life.**  
For God did not send His Son into the world  
to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.  
Whoever believes in Him is not condemned,  
but whoever does not believe stands condemned already  
because they have not believed  
in the name of God’s one and only Son.”  
John 3:16-18 (NIV)*

### **Keep the Conversation going...**

#### Small Group Discussion Questions

1. Describe a way that Jesus’ atonement has blessed your life.
2. Why is it so important for us to get under, and stay, under Jesus’ covering?
3. Read Hebrews 9:11-10:18.
  - a. How was the sacrifice that Jesus made different from the sacrifice of others?
  - b. What did Jesus’ sacrifice achieve?
4. Read Romans 3:21-26. Why was Jesus’ sacrifice necessary?
5. What does it look like for you to live “in Christ”?