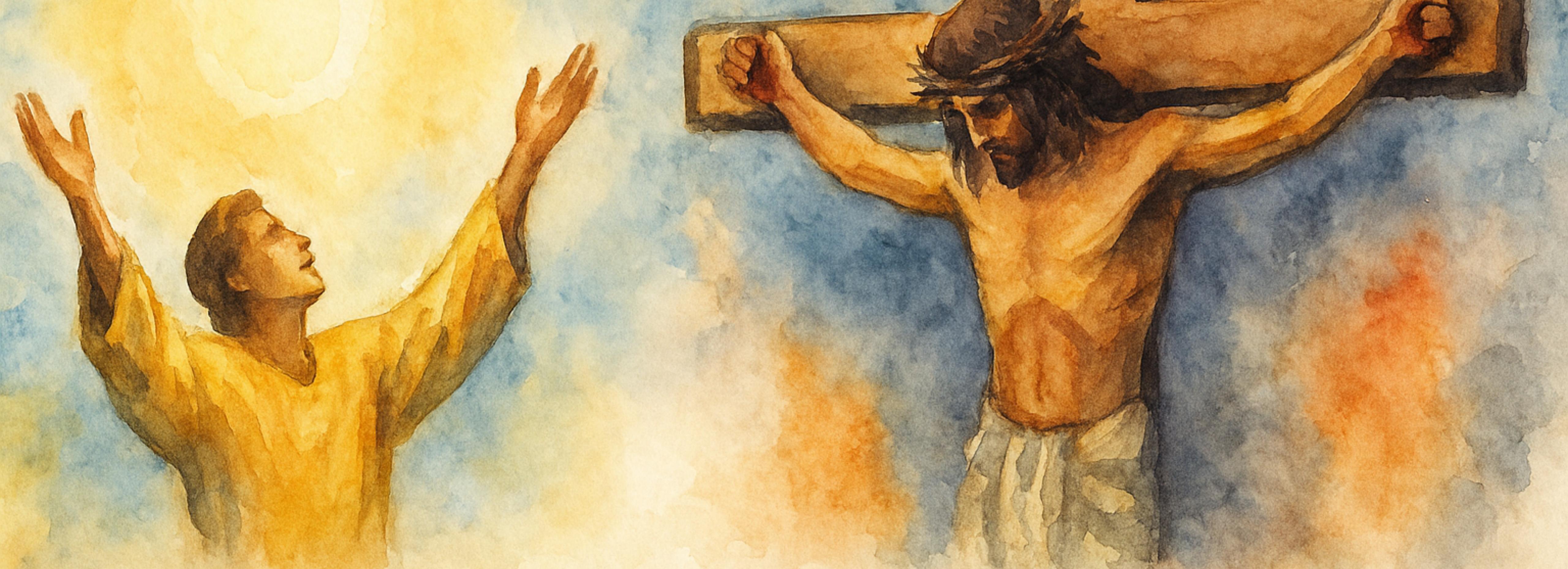


# DEEPER THINGS



# SUBSTITUTIONARY ATONEMENT

# Key Terms

**1. Substitution:** Taking something or someones place.

- Example: “I’d like to **substitute** chicken for beef.”
- Example: “Mrs. Johnson isn’t here today. I’m her **substitute**.”

**2. Atonement:** Making amends for a wrongdoing.

- Example: “I’m sorry I broke your window. Let me **pay** for a new one.”
- Example: “I didn’t mean to hurt you when I said that. What can I do to **make it right**?”

**3. Righteousness:** Perfect moral, ethical, and legal standing before God.

# Substitutionary Atonement

## Definition

*Jesus Christ willingly took our place on the cross, receiving the punishment and wrath that our sins deserved, so that we might receive the righteousness and good relationship with God the Father that only He deserves.*

# Substitutionary Atonement

## The Problem: Our Sin

### What does our sin deserve?

Our sin separates us from a holy God and deserves his righteous judgment. We are guilty before God and cannot save ourselves.

**Biblical Evidence:** *Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23, Isaiah 59:2*



# Substitutionary Atonement

## The Solution: Christ's Substitution

### What did Jesus do for us?

Jesus, who was perfectly sinless, took our place on the cross. He received the punishment we deserved so we could receive the good relationship with the Father that only he deserves.

**Biblical Evidence:** *2 Corinthians 5:21, 1 Peter 3:18, Isaiah 53:6*



## THE GREAT EXCHANGE

### What Jesus took **FROM** us

1. Our Sin
2. Our Guilt
3. Our Shame
4. Our Punishment
5. God's Wrath against our sin.



## THE GREAT EXCHANGE

### What Jesus gave TO us

1. His Righteousness
2. His perfect record
3. His relationship with the Father
4. His eternal Life
5. The right to be called children of God.



# Why Does “Substitutionary Atonement” Matter?

1. **Because Jesus took our place**, we can pray to God with the confidence and closeness of Jesus himself!
2. **Because Jesus took our place**, God looks at us as His beloved children, just like Jesus is!
3. **Because Jesus took our place**, we aren’t judged on our sins but on Christ’s righteousness, so we no longer must fear hell!
4. **Because Jesus took our place**, we are being made more like Him.
5. **Because Jesus took our place**, we can participate in the work He is doing here on Earth!