The Relevance of The Cross



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Hebrews 10:10 By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

¹¹ And every priest stands daily ministering and offering time after time the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins;

¹² but He, having offered one sacrifice for sins for all time, sat down at the right hand of God,

¹³ waiting from that time onward until His enemies be made a footstool for His feet.

¹⁴ For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

¹⁶ "This is the covenant that I will make with them After those days, says the Lord: I will put My laws upon their heart, And upon their mind I will write them," *He then says*,

¹⁷ "And their sins and their lawless deeds I will remember no more."

¹⁸ Now where there is forgiveness of these things, there is no longer *any* offering for sin.

¹⁹ Since therefore, brethren, we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus,

²⁰ by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh,

²¹ and since *we have* a great priest over the house of God,

²² let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled *clean* from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.

²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful;

²⁴ and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds,

²⁵ not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging *one another*, and all the more, as you see the day drawing near.

²⁶ For if we go on sinning willfully after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

²⁷ but a certain terrifying expectation of judgment, and the fury of a fire which will consume the adversaries.

²⁸ Anyone who has set aside the Law of Moses dies without mercy on *the testimony of* two or three witnesses.

²⁹ How much severer punishment do you think he will deserve who has trampled under foot the Son of God, and has regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace?

³⁰ For we know Him who said, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay." And again, "The Lord will judge His people."

³¹ It is a terrifying thing to fall into the hands of the living God.

Hebrews 2:17 ... He had to be made like His brethren in all things, that He might become a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

¹⁸ For since He Himself was tempted in that which He has suffered, He is able to come to the aid of those who are tempted.

1 John 4:9 By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

¹¹ Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

Colossians 1:21...although you were formerly alienated and hostile in mind, *engaged* in evil deeds, ²² yet He has now reconciled you in His fleshly body through death, in order to present you before Him holy and blameless and beyond reproach--

²³ if indeed you continue in the faith firmly established and steadfast, and not moved away from the hope of the gospel that you have heard

Romans 3:23 ... all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

²⁴ being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

²⁵ whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was* to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;

²⁶ for the demonstration, *I say*, of His righteousness at the present time, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷ Where then is boasting?

Acts 2:21 ... it shall be, that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

²² "Men of Israel, listen to these words: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know--²³ this *Man*, delivered up by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and put *Him* to death.

²⁴ "And God raised Him up again, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its power.

The Cross

Luke 23:32 And two others also, who were criminals, were being led away to be put to death with Him. ³³ And when they came to the place called The Skull, there they crucified Him and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left.

³⁴ But Jesus was saying,

"Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."

And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves.

³⁵ And the people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him, saying, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is the Christ of God, His Chosen One."

³⁶ And the soldiers also mocked Him, coming up to Him, offering Him sour wine,

³⁷ and saying, "If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!"

³⁸ Now there was also an inscription above Him, "THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS."

³⁹ And one of the criminals who were hanged *there* was hurling abuse at Him, saying, "Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!"

⁴⁰ But the other answered, and rebuking him said, "Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?

⁴¹ "And we indeed justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong."

⁴² And he was saying, "Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!"

⁴³ And He said to him,

"Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise."

John 19:25 ...there were standing by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the *wife* of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

²⁶ When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing nearby, He said to His mother,

"Woman, behold, your son!"

²⁷ Then He said to the disciple,

"Behold, your mother!"

And from that hour the disciple took her into his own *household*.

Mark 15:33 And when the sixth hour had come, darkness fell over the whole land until the ninth hour. ³⁴ And at the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice,

"Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?"

which is translated, "My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?"

John 19:28 After this, Jesus, knowing that all things had already been accomplished, in order that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said,

"I am thirsty."

²⁹ A jar full of sour wine was standing there; so they put a sponge full of the sour wine upon *a branch of* hyssop, and brought it up to His mouth.

³⁰ When Jesus therefore had received the sour wine, He said,

"It is finished!"

Luke 23:45 ... the veil of the temple was torn in two.

⁴⁶ And Jesus, crying out with a loud voice, said,

"Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit."

And having said this, He breathed His last.

⁴⁷ Now when the centurion saw what had happened, he *began* praising God, saying, "Certainly this man was innocent."

⁴⁸ And all the multitudes who came together for this spectacle, when they observed what had happened, *began* to return, beating their breasts.

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