



2 Thessalonians 1:6-10
The Vengeance of the Lord—Part 2
From Sermon 5.8.22

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Review from Sunday's sermon: Last week, we returned to the topic of the Day of the Lord and the wrath of God. Most in the church and world do not believe in this side of God. While Christ's 2nd Coming certainly proves God's holy, righteous wrath, Calvary is actually the best evidence of this divine truth.

1. What is God's standard for man (created in His image)? Be as holy as He is holy.
See *1 Peter 1:16*

2. What are some ways God *Cannot* address our Sin: Various answers. Ignore, "wink" at, brush under the rug, bargain (I'll let it go this time, if you promise to be better), downplay, rationalize, blanked forgiveness, His love nature overriding His holy nature...

3. What is the price of sin [all sin. every sin]? See *Romans 6:23*
Every sin by every person in every time must be fully paid for. That wage is either paid by the sinner (2 Thessalonians 1) or by the exclusive Substitute (as seen in Isaiah 53...to be read in a moment)

3a. Discuss God's Grace nature: He is a God of love and mercy also. Although not required, He allowed/allows for a sin price substitute. In the Old Testament, it was the personal offering and the national day of Atonement. These only demonstrated faith but didn't remove guilt. Later, Jesus would come and pay the full price (wrath) on Calvary. He experienced God's wrath fully poured out.
Read *Isaiah 53:4-6 & 10-11*.

4. What does the word "propitiation" mean and how does it apply to salvation thru Jesus Christ? While it includes the truth that we can't lose salvation, it's best seen as God's satisfaction in the price paid. And, we don't have to pay any price or perform any works to supplement Christ's completed work.
See *Romans 3:25, Hebrews 2:17, 1 John 2:2, & 1 John 4:10*

4a. Note: Jesus did not just die. His was a series of price wrath events. In the Garden: agony. Foreknowledge. Later: Isolation. Trial. Sentence. Torture. Shame. Painful death process (6 hours). Darkness. Unquenchable thirst. Death. [preview: next week—the fate of the lost].
See also *Philippians 2:5-8*

5. Does Jesus' death secure the salvation of all mankind? No. That is what's called universalism = everyone is saved. Scripture states the vast majority of all mankind will face God's Wrath. While His death is sufficient to pay the price of all sin, it is only effective in the elect. This is the doctrine of Limited Atonement.

6. If time allows, discuss: Who killed Jesus? Romans, Jews, Israel, me, sinners, devil?Actually, God.