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It's good to have you all here uh again first peter chapter 3 We're going to be looking at verse 18 first peter chapter 3 verse 18. I want to thank those who are watching by internet uh What a blessing that have you a lot have this service live streamed and uh those those that couldn't be here i'm thinking of uh You kyle. I know you're home uh watching And uh, of course, uh, also karen we miss you today But if you could please stand first peter chapter 3 verse 18 first peter chapter 3 verse 18 The bible says for christ also has once suffered for sins the just for the unjust That he might bring us to god Being put to death in the flesh but quickened by the spirit let's pray father.

We thank you We thank you for your word We thank you how How much? in one verse you've placed And father, I ask you now lord that you would be with me as I preach your word but father most of all may it be your holy spirit that would Take Charge of this service lord and speak to every every heart here And again, lord, we thank you for the cross we thank you for the resurrection We thank you for the love you showed upon us Through that that cross So I ask you now lord that you would bless your word as it goes out in jesus precious name. Amen Amen you could be seated at this time and just an amazing thing Most of you might not know but Uh at sunset today Is going to be yom kippur And this is one of the most important holy days For israel the nation of israel that the lord god gave them And it's it's called the day of atonement and as I was thinking about Yom kippur I thought about um first peter chapter 3 verse 18 and how First peter chapter 3 verse 18 is not merely a verse It is the heartbeat of the gospel message And this verse tells us plainly what christ accomplished in his death And in one broad statement here peter Explains why christ died And what his death achieves? for sinful man right in this one passage of scripture And uh as you've noticed i've always liked to preach one little scripture Or maybe two or three that's called expository preaching And uh here we're going to be looking at this one passage of scripture Again here peter shows us four Great truths in this one passage of scripture One is christ sacrificed himself for our sins He stood as our substitute And he removed the separation between god and man And then finally he secured our salvation Through his resurrection and we see that all in this one passage of scripture amen So as we look at this First of all We see his sacrifice Again, look at first peter chapter 3 verse 18 We see his sacrifice First peter chapter 3 verse 18. The bible says for christ also had once Suffered for sins the just for the unjust Yes, christ died because man is sinful And guilty before god And that's all of us You know, it's funny because uh, i've met Sweet ladies sweet older ladies and one lady.

I still remember when she says. Oh, I don't sin. I'm not i'm not a sinner And it killed me We're all sinners amen That's the reason for the cross You don't get to heaven because of good works Because none of us have good works to get us in heaven It's all because what jesus did on that cross and it's again it says for christ Has also had once suffered for sins the just for the unjust Our sin demanded judgment And jesus offered himself As a sacrifice that not only covers sin, but removes it entirely

Think of that his one sacrifice His shed blood has forever covered and removes the penalty of sin To those who would come to him by faith though Look at first peter We're in first peter right now.

Look at first peter chapter one in here in first peter chapter one We see how precious this is And first peter chapter 1 verse 18 It says for as much as you know that you were not redeemed With corruptible things as silver and gold from your vain conversation received by the tradition from your fathers And look at verse 19 But with the precious blood of christ as of a lamb without blemish and without spot Isn't that amazing We were redeemed by the blood of jesus and you know, it's amazing because This concept this truth Is all in the old testament And it was by the blood sacrifice the whole concept of the temple And all that the temple that the lord god gave to the to the nation of israel They built a tabernacle in the wilderness and from that tabernacle later on became a temple and it was all the requirements of sacrifices So that they could become close to god And that their sin would be covered And it's amazing when we look at this And as we look at jesus he took our sin and bore our guilt And endured the punishment that you and I deserve because of our sin And as we look back in the old testament, uh, hold your finger in first peter, but turn all the way back to isaiah This is the old testament isaiah 53 And we're going to look at a few verses here in isaiah 53 Beginning in verse 5 look what it says in verse 5 again isaiah 53 verse 5 it says but he and this is who Now this is written before Before jesus was born. This was written about 730 years before the birth of christ But this is pointing to him coming and it says here in verse 5 But he was wounded for our transgressions He was bruised for our iniquities The chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes We are healed verse 6 All we like sheep have gone astray We have turned everyone to his own way And the lord had laid on him the iniquity of us all verse 7 He was oppressed And he was afflicted yet. He opened not his mouth He is brought as a lamb to the slaughter and as a sheep before the shearers is dumb.

He oh So he opened not his mouth He was taken from prison and from judgment And who shall declare his generation? For he was cut off Out of the land of the living for the transgression of my people was he stricken? And he made his grave with the wicked and with the rich in his death Because he had done no violence neither was any deceit In his mouth think of that This was a picture of what jesus would do And he fulfilled all this Not only that if you turn a little further backwards to psalm. Look what it says in psalm 22 Another prophecy of jesus And what he would do As he would sacrifice himself for you and I And here in psalm 22 If I can find it, here we go And i'll just give you a few verses here in psalm 22 now this If you read this to you and I as christians as we read this we look at the new testament when jesus went to the cross And it was right here And this is a description of what he what he suffered on the cross And i'm not going to go through the whole thing, but just look at psalm 22 verse 8 Says he trusted the On the lord that he would deliver him let him deliver him seeing he delighted in him But thou art he that took me out of the womb Thou didst make me hope When I was upon my mother's breast So here he's talking about when when he was on the cross suffering and dying what happened? People walk by and say look at him. He trusted god Let him get off that cross.

Let god bring him off that cross Remember, this is what they were saying. They were marking him also turn to verse 16 And on the cross he says for the dogs have compassed me The assembly of the wicked have enclosed me they pierced my hands and my feet Here's a depiction now. What does it mean dogs?

going You hear the jewish people always say goheen.

That's the gentiles the dogs. That's what they would call us So here we find jesus. What does he say? They pierced my hands and my feet And then one last one verse 18 And they parted my garments among them and cast lots upon my vesture remember that He's on the cross fully naked And they were they were gambling for his clothes As he was dying for the sins of the world And here we find this was written It's just amazing how those scriptures come together I also like what it says in romans chapter 8 verse 3 concerning his sacrifice Says for what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh god sending his own son and the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin condemned in sin Condemned sin in the flesh.

What is it talking about the whole the whole? Sacrificial system did not remove our sin It was only a picture of what jesus would one day do So we see his sacrifice number two. We see our substitute We see our substitute turn back to first peter chapter 3 verse 18 The bible says for christ also once suffered for sin the just for the unjust What a statement there You know, we none of us can stand in front of god saying that we're just Jesus was the only just one he lived and walked this earth without one sin And yet you and I sin every day Yes, i'm looking at you and I our thoughts our actions And even our words and I are sinful There's not one of us can stand before like that lady said without sin So we see our substitute. Yes You know in leviticus chapter 16 god taught israel the pattern of substitution That's what young kupo was amen Today is young kumpo And it's the it's the most holy holiday in israel today right now as sunset Goes you're going to see a lot of the jewish people.

What are they going to do? They're going to begin to fast There's no temple amen There's no temple So they they they come together and they fast And they repent and they read But today back in the in the the day when the temple was there. It was a pattern of substitution And what do I mean by that turn to leviticus chapter 16 And that's in the old testament that's after exodus And here we find The sin offering for the day of atonement leviticus chapter 16 I'm going to i'm going to begin in verse 5 Now this was to aaron He was the high priest And he had to do certain things he first he had atoned to his own sin and his family and then he would have to atone to the whole nation And in verse 5 it says and he shall take of the congregation of the children of israel two kids of the goats for a sin offering And one ram for a bird offering And aaron shall offer his bullet For the sin offering which is for himself and make an atonement for himself and for his house And he shall take of the two goats And present them before the lord at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation And aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats One lot for the lord and the other for the scapegoat And aaron shall bring the goat upon which the lord's lot fell and offer him for a sin offering But the goat on which the lot fell for the to be the scapegoat shall be presented alive Before the lord to make a toll in atonement with him And to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness See what's happening two goats would come And he would put lots which one's going to die on the altar For the sin offering and which one's going to get let go And if you took I want to kind of move quickly, but if you move down to leviticus chapter 20 Look what it says in leviticus chapter 20 and when he had made an end of reconciling the The holy place and the tabernacle of the congregation and the altar he shall bring the live goat So he had already sacrificed the other goat To the lord, but now they bring to him this live goat The one that the lot fell to be Cast down into the

wilderness and look what it says in verse 21 And aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat And confess over him all the iniquity of the children of israel And all their transgressions And all their sins putting them upon the head of the goat and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness We see here the laying on of hands And this is what? this sacrificial animal died instead of the sinner that one And the laying on of hands symbolized the transfer of guilt from the guilty to the innocent victim So when the high priest put his hands he was confessing all the sins And then that goat would go one would be killed And then one would be let free And it's called the scapegoat Azazel, I think I'm not sure how you say in hebrew, but it represented the removal of sin carried away by another This is the substitute It symbolized a transfer A transfer of an obligation to suffer for sin from the offerer to the innocent victim You see what's going on We're guilty before god and if you was an israelite at that time if you was guilty breaking god's laws lying stealing or even the uh, the other laws that they had the dietary laws if you violated any of those things one year You would bring that lamb To be offered for you That lamb would die In your place and for For hundreds and even thousands of years these sacrifices were being done every year For the nation of israel all pointing to jesus Isn't that amazing? And in second corinthians chapter 5 verse 21 The bible says for he had made him to be sin for us Who knew no sin that we might be made the righteousness of god in him What's that talking about? There was a substitute Jesus had to die for you for you For me because we're sinners But it was only one time that he died 2 000 years ago John the baptist saw him. What did he say? Behold the lamb of god that taketh away the sins of the world John the baptist knew why he would come So we see number three we see the separation removed Back in first peter chapter 3 verse 18 the bible says for christ also Had once suffered for sins the just for the unjust and here it is That he might bring to us to god being put to death in the flesh You know christ died And here again again, it says that he might bring us to god But why did he do that because there's a barrier between us and god and what is that? It's it's called sin That barrier of sin the penalty of sin had been had to be taken away Removed and the only thing that could do that was the shed blood of jesus The suffering that jesus did on that cross

Just like that innocent lamb on the day of atonement Had to die for the nation In christ we stand accepted before god not because we're good But because of his shed blood and what he did on that cross The just for the unjust Turn with me to romans new testament romans chapter 5 You know how many times you hear And and You hear people They have no concept of jesus They have no concept of jesus being the lamb of god dying for the sins of the world all they think and been taught And understand in their own mind not scripture that because we're good people Because we believe in god and we're good Listen that's your goodness won't get you to heaven Because of sin someone had to die Someone had to remove the penalty of our sin And push it aside And the only thing that could do that was the shed blood of jesus Look what it says in in romans chapter 5 I love this scripture romans chapter 5 verse 8 Says but god commended his love toward us and that while we were yet sinners christ died for us Do you realize what that means? That means that that cross the suffering that jesus did on that cross Was love for mankind because we were hopeless But yet jesus would go to a cross and die for the sins of the world and it says in romans 5 8 it says But god commended his love toward us that while we were yet sinners christ died for us verse 9 much more than Being now justified by his blood. We shall be saved from the wrath through him For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to god

by the death of his son Much more being reconciled. We shall be saved by his life And not only so but we also joy in god through our lord jesus christ By whom we have now received the atonement See that word atonement.

It's what was happening in the old testament The atonement Reconciliation You realize that listen we can joy In the fact that we've been forgiven That it was christ that would die in our stead also back in second corinthians chapter 5 verse 18 the bible says for all things are of god who reconciled us to himself by jesus christ There's that word again reconciliation Atonement Isn't it a blessing when you see this? When christ died god was in christ making reconciliation Possible removing guilt ending condemnation and restoring fellowship All because of christ died on that cross That's why in romans chapter 5 verse 19 the bible says to wit that god was in christ Reconciling the world unto himself not imputing Their trespasses on them and had committed unto us the word of reconciliation You know, I have the greatest responsibility To preach the word of god But that responsibility rests on me giving the god the word of god It's his job and the sinner's response to the word of god being preached and what what What does it all mean? if we go back to Go back to first peter chapter three again Right where we started first, uh first Peter first peter chapter 3 verse 18 again And we see our salvation obtained Look what it says again For christ also had once suffered for sins Now, what's that? What does that mean? That means his sacrifice The just for the unjust that's his substitution Him being our substitution That he might bring us to god what why how can he do that he removed He removed what? He removed The uh The separation and then now we see Salvation obtained look what it says That he might bring us to god being put to death in the flesh but quickened By the spirit See jesus was put to death in the flesh, but he was quickened by the spirit Quickened by the spirit points to christ's resurrection His resurrection his resurrection guarantees Our what eternal life In romans chapter 8 verse 11 it says but if the spirit of him that raised up jesus from the dead dwell in you He that raised up christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his spirit That dwelleth in you This is the hope that we have And anybody can come to church anybody can have a sunday Christianity but it's more than that it's when you recognize that you're a sinner and that christ died on the cross because God loved you and I And was not willing for us to die with the condemnation of our condemnation of our sin and be cast in out of darkness He removed the penalty of sin so we could have fellowship with him again and only Jesus could do it for you and I Your goodness couldn't do it. Your baptism couldn't do it being a baptist couldn't do it It was only jesus When he died on that cross And his shed blood was spilt He lay three days in the in the in the grave But the third day he rose again He secured our salvation In romans chapter 8 Verse 11, let me read it again But if the spirit of him that raised up jesus from the dead dwell in you He that raised up christ from the dead shall also quicken Your mortal bodies What does that mean? It's the same word in in first peter chapter 3 verse 18 But quicken by the spirit. What does this word quicken mean? And the king james the word The word means made alive quicken made alive and when we read this in romans chapter 8 verse 11, it says but if the spirit Of him raised up jesus from the dead dwelleth in you He that raised up christ from the dead shall also quicken your bodies And you know, it's amazing because when you read this it says but If the spirit, do you know if you read this in the in the hebrew This king james word but can legitimately be understood in the sense of since When you read that but you should read it as it says since the spirit of him that raised up jesus Or you could even use because The spirit of god This is the truth here Since christ was raised up by the spirit You and

I who place our faith and trust in the what christ did on that cross for you and I We also will be raised up with an assurance And how do we have that insurance if the holy spirit is dwelling in you? That's it How many people walk around with just religion and no relationship? This is more than just religion This is a relationship This is because of jesus dying on the cross you and I can have fellowship with god forever Because sin had been removed not because we deserved it but because jesus died For you and I That's what that whole faith is about The fact that the believer possesses the hope of glory only by the spirit of god that indwells him There's where your assurance comes from How many times i've talked to people and say if you died right now, where would you go? You know what? They say? Well, I hope You know, I hope I go to heaven Yeah, I hope And why do they say that they say well i'm a good person I don't I don't cheat on my taxes But if I die right now, I I hope I go to heaven i'm a good person See, they don't have they don't They don't have that assurance romans chapter 8 verse 16 The bible says the spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of god How does that happen when he indwells your spirit when you Recognize That it was jesus dying for you.

Not your good works. Not your baptism Not you because you're on the membership role at some church But because jesus died for you christ died to bring us to god And he rose again to keep us With god forever And because of this truth we cannot treat death Of christ as a some distant doctrine or or some familiar story This is the gospel amen This is the heart of the gospel jesus being our perfect substitute And because of this truth Jesus stood there in front of his disciples in front of them all and in john chapter 14 verse 6 The bible says jesus saith unto them. I am the way I am the truth right and the life And no man coming to the father but by me What was he saying because I would die for the sins of the world you would have to come to me To get to the father How did that happen romans 10 13 says for whosoever Shall call upon the name of the lord shall be saved every one of us Every one of us who's put our faith and trust in jesus and humbly bowed our heart Believing that it was only jesus that could get us was given the holy spirit given eternal life Now if I look around here in this And in this meeting house, I don't know who's saved or who's not I don't know who's watching who's saved or who's not But I know one thing jesus says I am the way the truth and the life.

No man come to the father but by me I know in romans 10 13 it says for whosoever shall call upon the name of the lord shall be saved Well, when you call on him, what do you recognize that you're a sinner That jesus died for you. His blood was shed. He spent three days in the grave, but he rose again the third day And if you believe in your heart And put your faith and trust and what jesus did on that cross.

Yes God will change your life You will turn from religion to relationship and if christ did all this to bring us to god Then the only right response is for us to surrender To his lordship and call him savior And call him king He's savior he saved you from the penalty of your sin, but he's king that means you surrender To his leadership in your life The cross demands that we come to god through one the one Who opened the way? By sacrificing himself for us, isn't that amazing? You know, you can stand here and you can say man, you don't know the sins i've done I don't have to know your sin. I already know my sin. I'm a project kid the things that i've done But you know when I believed That jesus back in 1997 Can't believe how long i've been walking with the lord 1997 august 13th When I bowed my heart and said lord jesus, forgive me He saved me And if he could save a wretch like me he can save

anybody Why don't we stand the question is Have you placed your faith and trust in jesus? Have you recognized that you were an enemy of god because of sin? And that he reconciled you because of the shed blood of jesus someone Had to die and jesus says Let me John the baptist seen seen it He said behold The lamb of god that taketh away the sins of the world Every head bowed every eye closed Fathers, we look at this passage of scripture this one verse so powerful And we see the plan Of salvation for the sinner father.

I pray that you would use this message For those who are confused Who don't know? Who's never heard? Always heard of jesus dying on that cross but never understood why? Father I pray today As we as we today even today is the is the yom kippur day the day of atonement for israel Father let us let the world know that jesus was dying for the world To bring us to you Father that there's one that could be here. There could be two it could be so many out Watching this service by internet father. I pray that you would not let them go Until they call upon jesus until they believe what he's done for each and every one of us God the son walking as a man then dying on the cross And rising again All in the plan to save us for my sin Oh god We thank you We thank you for your love and your mercy In this I pray in jesus name.

Amen