

Why Did Jesus Have to Die?



John 11:50; Romans 5:6-11;
2 Corinthians 5:21; Hebrews 2:17

Foundations

STUDIES IN BAPTIST DOCTRINE

of our Faith

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Jesus Died for Our Sins

Jesus Rose From the Dead

Jesus Lives in Believers

**Jesus Works Through
His Church**

Jesus is Coming Again



2 Corinthians 5:21

"For our sake he (God) made him (Jesus) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him (Christ) we might become the righteousness of God."



2 Corinthians 5:21

21 (TLB) For God took the sinless Christ and poured into him our sins. Then, in exchange, he poured God's goodness into us!



1. Jesus had to die to fulfill all righteousness.



Matthew 3:13-15

“...Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan to be baptized by him. And John tried to prevent Him, saying, ‘I need to be baptized by You, and are You coming to me?’ But Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.’ Then he allowed Him.”



Romans 1:17

"...a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: 'The righteous will live by faith.'"



2. Jesus had to die to pay our ransom.



Matthew 20:28

“just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”



1 Timothy 2:5–6

"For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, who gave himself as a ransom . . ."



3. Jesus had to die to purify us from our sins



1 John 1:7

"But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin."



1 John 1:8-9

8 (NKJV) If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us *our* sins and to cleanse (**purify**) us from all unrighteousness.



Hebrews 7:25

25 (NKJV) Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession for them.**



4. Jesus had to die to justify us before a Holy God.



Galatians 2:16

"a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified."



5. Jesus had to die to reconcile the world to Himself.



2 Corinthians 5:19

*That is, that God was in Christ **reconciling** the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of **reconciliation**.*



6. Jesus had to die to gain victory for us over the powers of sin and death.



Matthew 12:20

*20 (NKJV) A bruised reed He will not break, And
smoking flax He will not quench, Till He sends forth
justice to victory;*



1 Corinthians 15:54

So when this corruptible has put on incorruption,
and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall
be brought to pass the saying that is written: "*Death
is swallowed up in victory.*"



7. Jesus had to die that we might have eternal life.



John 3:16 NIV

“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.”



John 11:25-26 (NKJV)

"I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. ²⁶ And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"

Jesus gave His life freely

John 10:18

"No one takes My life from Me. I lay it down of My own accord."



John 10:17-18

"Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again. No one takes it from Me, but I lay it down of Myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This command I have received from My Father."

Revelation 13:8

*the Lamb that was slain
before the foundation of the world."*

**We need to remember
that sinful humans
killed Jesus not God.**



Isaiah 53:4-12

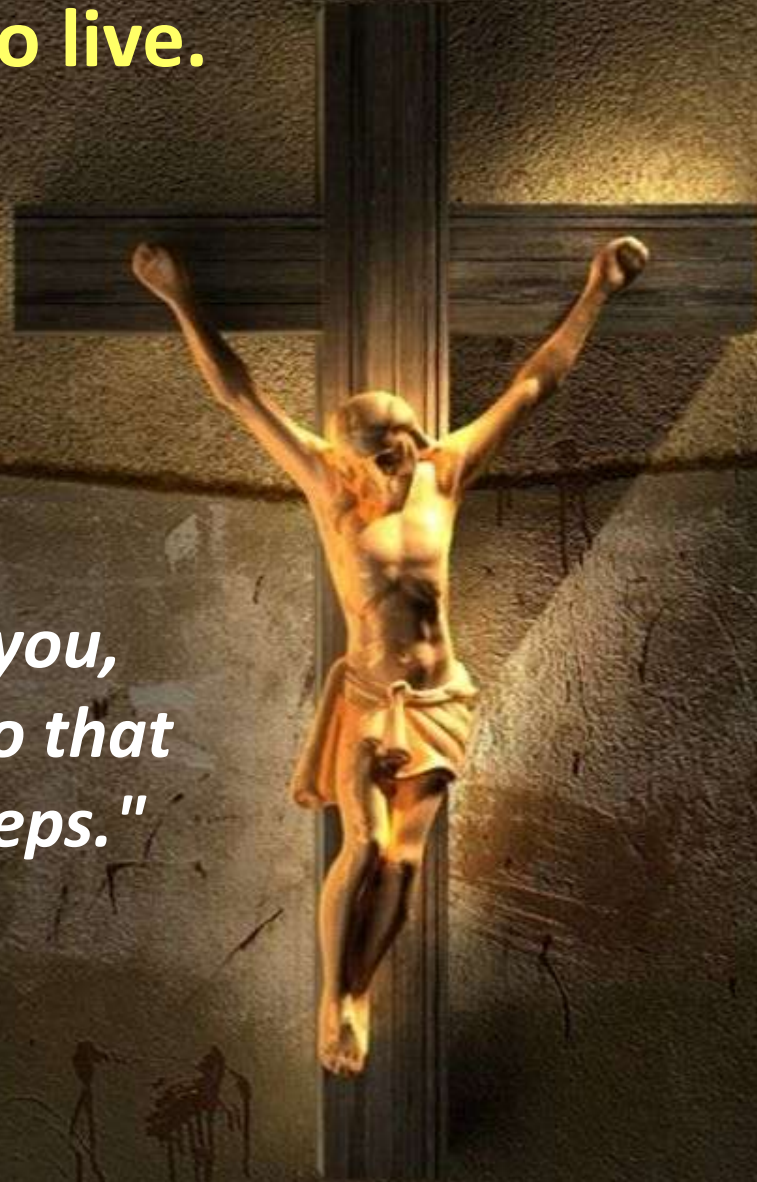
⁴Surely he took up our infirmities and carried our sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. ⁵ But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. ⁶ We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ⁷ He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. ⁸ By oppression and judgment he was taken away. And who can speak of his descendants? For he was cut off from the land of the living; for the transgression of my people he was stricken.

⁹ He was assigned a grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death, though he had done no violence, nor was any deceit in his mouth. ¹⁰ Yet it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life a guilt offering, he will see his offspring and prolong his days, and the will of the Lord will prosper in his hand. ¹¹ After the suffering of his soul, he will see the light [of life] and be satisfied; by his knowledge my righteous servant will justify many, and he will bear their iniquities. ¹² Therefore I will give him a portion among the great, and he will divide the spoils with the strong, because he poured out his life unto death, and was numbered with the transgressors. For he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Jesus chose to die as an example to us of how to live.

1 Peter 2:21

“Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you might follow in his steps.”



Today is the day of
SALVATION





Psalms 14:1a

¹ The fool has said in his heart,
"There is no God."

**The real fool
and not just on April 1
is the one who says
there is no God!**