



G R E A T B I B L E W O R D S

Atonement

Introduction: We are studying great Bible words. One of the topics submitted for this series was atonement. You can't study this word without recognizing that it is about AT-ONE-MENT with God, meaning God meant for us to be ONE with Him! What do we know about atonement? What does the Bible have to say about it? Let's study together...

Discussion:

I. The Specifics of Atonement

- A. God required a perfect sacrifice (**Exodus 12:5, John 1:29**).
- B. God required blood for our atonement (**Leviticus 17:11, Hebrews 9:19-22**).
- C. God required a regular remembrance (**Leviticus 16:1-34, 1:3-4, 4:13-20, 5:5-10**).
- D. God required His Son to be the last atoning sacrifice (**Isaiah 53:3-12, Romans 3:23-25**).
- E. God required reconciliation with His people (**Isaiah 6:7, Isaiah 27:9, Daniel 9:24**).

II. The Selflessness of Christ's Atonement

- A. His sacrifice was for our atonement (**Luke 4:18-19, I Peter 1:18-19, 2:21-25**).
- B. His sacrifice was willingly offered in our place (**John 10:17, 15:13, I Peter 3:18**).
- C. His sacrifice secured our salvation (**Acts 20:28, Colossians 1:13, Ephesians 2:13**).
- D. His sacrifice was for our sins (**Ephesians 1:7, I Corinthians 15:3, Isaiah 53, Hebrews 9:22**).
- E. His sacrifice was for our glory (**Romans 3:25, I Corinthians 5:7, Hebrews 9:12-14, 9:28, I John 2:2, 4:10**).

III. The Significance of Christian Atonement

- A. We are purified/cleansed of sin (**I Corinthians 7:23, Ephesians 1:7, Titus 2:14, I John 1:7**).
- B. We are freed from the weight of sin (**Romans 3:23, 6:23, Revelation 1:5**).
- C. We are redeemed/reclaimed/reconciled (**Romans 3:24-25, 5:9-10, I Peter 1:18**).
- D. We are given everlasting peace (**Colossians 1:20, Ephesians 2:14-17, Philippians 4:7**).
- E. We are released from the power of death (**Colossians 2:15, Hebrews 2:14, Romans 6:1-10**).

Conclusion: Have you ever lost something? Was it restored to you? Remember the story of Deb Savely and her restored treasure. YOU are the lost treasure of God! God wants to make you ONE with Him! He wants you to find your way back home! He wants you to feel His presence in your life! We need to seek atonement with God. Do you have it? Do you need it? Are you sharing it? The Bible is full of stories about lost things. This will be the theme of our VBS this year: Lost in Space = The Parables of Lost Things (lost sheep, lost coin, lost boy, and lost talent). Why do we have these stories in the Bible? To help us see that God is seeking us out... One lost treasure at a time. Let's share this wonderful word!