

Saved to the Uttermost

4. Reconciliation: Once Enemies . . .

Selected Scriptures

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Recap and Introduction

- Atonement - Heb. *Kippur*) Appease; make amends. Think of it as 3ish words: “At-one-ment.” It speaks of a _____ of estranged parties, or a bringing back together of those who were separated.
- _____ – in the place of another; acting or serving in the place of another.
- Another term we use for Christ's sacrifice on our behalf is “_____ Substitutionary Atonement,” meaning that Christ bore the penalty, or the punishment of our sin – the wrath of and justice of God.
- **Colossians 2:13** *And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses,*
Colossians 2:14 *by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the _____.*
- Reconciliation – Restoration to divine _____ (NSDGHW)¹

I. A Beautiful Display of God's _____ and _____

- [Those who do not recognize Christ's sacrifice satisfied God's wrath on our behalf are] missing some key truths of the Gospel:

¹ James Strong. *New Strong's Complete Dictionary of Greek and Hebrew Words*. Thomas Nelson. Nashville, TN. 1996. Accessed digitally via Logos on 10/04/2025.

- God's perfection in all of His _____
 - The _____ and cost of our sin
 - The divine purpose of the sacrifice of Christ on our _____
 - This was all done out of the divine love of our _____ God
 - He is both perfectly loving and perfectly just. Therefore, our sin and the guilt associated with it must be dealt with for there to be _____ reconciliation.
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II. The Problem — Our Enmity with God (Romans 5:10)

- Ultimately, the problem that caused our need for justification is the same as the problem that caused our need for reconciliation — _____.
 - **Isaiah 59:2** *but your iniquities have made a _____ between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.*
 - **Romans 5:10a** *For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, . . .*
 - Sin is not a small offense or a mistake; it is _____ against the authority of our Creator.
 - Before reconciliation can happen, because God is perfectly just, His holy _____ must be addressed
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III. The Provision — Propitiation and Expiation through Christ (Rom. 5:8-10)

A. Propitiation — God's Wrath _____

- Concerning God's judgment of our sin, Christ left nothing undone. His sacrifice completely met all the terms and requirements so that we are now _____ from sin's penalty.
- He did not die to convince God to love us — He died because God already loved us and was willing to satisfy His _____ through His Son. This is God's grace in action!

- **Psalm 2:12** *Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and you perish in the way, for his wrath is quickly kindled. Blessed are all who take _____ in him.*
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B. Expiation — Our Sin _____

- **Psalm 103:12** *as far as the east is from the west, so far does he _____ our transgressions from us.*
 - This scapegoat pointed directly to the One who would come to fulfill all the Law and Prophets, the One who would be the Lamb of God that _____ the sins of the world.
 - So, propitiation answers the question: *What about God's _____?*
Expiation answers the question: *What about my _____?*
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IV. The Product — Reconciliation and Joy in God (Romans 5:10–11)

- **Rom 5:10** *For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.*
Rom 5:11 *More than that, we also _____ in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.*
- The brokenness of our relationship with God because of our sin is gone! His wrath against us because of our sin is no more! _____ has been made.

A. A _____ Savior

- Because Jesus lives forever, our peace with God is _____ forever.

B. A _____ Response

- The believer who has been reconciled _____ in the One who loved him enough to make peace at such a cost.
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Conclusion: Peace at Great Cost

- God did not overlook sin — Christ _____ it.
- You have peace — not a fragile truce, but a blood-bought, eternal _____.