

Because of the Cross

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Genesis 22:7-8 (approximately 2000 BC)

7... "The fire and wood are here," Isaac said, "but where is the lamb for the burnt offering?" 8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." ...

Exodus 12:13 (approximately 1400 BC)

13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you...

Isaiah 53:7 (approximately 700 BC)

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.

John 1:29

29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"

Because of the Cross...

1. OUR SIN HAS BEEN EXPOSED

Isaiah 53:6

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.

Romans 3:10

10 As it is written: "There is no one righteous, not even one"

Romans 3:23

23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

2. OUR SIN HAS BEEN PAID IN FULL

Isaiah 53:5

5... 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.

2 Corinthians 5:21

21 God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

1 Peter 1:18-19

18... you were redeemed... 19... with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect.

Galatians 2:21

21 I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!"

Romans 8:1

1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

John 19:30

"It is finished".

3. GOD HAS PROVEN HIS GREAT LOVE FOR US

Isaiah 53:6, 10

6... the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. 10... it was the Lord's will to crush him and cause him to suffer, and though the Lord makes his life a guilt offering...

Mark 10:32

32 (Jesus and His disciples) were on their way up to Jerusalem, with Jesus leading the way, and the disciples were astonished...

John 10:14-18

14 "I am the good shepherd... 15 ... I lay down my life for the sheep. 16... 17 The reason my Father loves me is that I lay down my life — only to take it up again. 18 No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord..."

Romans 5:8

8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.