

**FAMILY LIFE CHURCH OF THE VALLEY  
LIFE GROUP - RIVERSIDE COUNTY**

**TITLE: THE SEVEN GREATEST WORDS OF LOVE**

**SESSION FOUR: THE WORD OF SUBSTITUTION**

**KEY VERSE:** At noon, darkness fell across the whole land until three o' clock. At about three o'clock, Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lemasabachtani?" which means, My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

**Matthew 27:45-46 (NLT)**

**WHAT HAPPENED?**

Jesus became my \_\_\_\_\_.

He is the atoning sacrifice for our sins, and not only for ours but also for the sins of the whole world.

1 John 2:2 (NIV)

**ATONEMENT = PAYMENT FOR DAMAGE DONE**

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

2 Corinthians 5:21 (TLB)

**WHAT DOES IT TEACH US?**

**1.) God is \_\_\_\_\_!**

"Holy, holy, holy is the Lord God Almighty, who was, and is, and is to come."

Revelation 4:8b (NIV)

Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrong.

Habakkuk 1:13a (NIV)

**2.) Sin is \_\_\_\_\_ !**

## THE SEVEN GREATEST WORDS OF LOVE SESSION FOUR (Cont.)

- Sin \_\_\_\_\_ me from God

It is your evil that has separated you from your God. Your sins cause him to turn away from you, so he does not hear you.

Isaiah 59:2 (NCV)

- Sin \_\_\_\_\_ me

My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear.

Psalm 38:4 (NIV)

- Sin \_\_\_\_\_ me

God is a righteous judge and always condemns the wicked.

Psalm 7:11 (GNT)

### **RIGHTEOUS = GOD ALWAYS DOES WHAT'S RIGHT**

The wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23 (NIV)

### **3.) Salvation is \_\_\_\_\_**

For God sent Christ Jesus to take the punishment for our sins and to end all God's anger against us. He used Christ's blood and our faith as the means of saving us from his wrath.

Romans 3:25a (TLB)

Christ has rescued us from the curse pronounced by the law. When he was hung on the cross, he took upon himself the curse for our wrongdoing.

Galatians 3:13a (NLT)

## WHAT SHOULD BE MY RESPONSE?

- 1.) \_\_\_\_\_ from my sin and \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus to save me.

We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

Romans 3:22 (NLT)

**THE SEVEN GREATEST WORDS OF LOVE SESSION FOUR (Cont.)**

If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left.

Hebrews 10:26 (NIV)

**2.) Live in a state of \_\_\_\_\_.**

So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

Romans 5:11 (NLT)

**3.) When I'm tempted, \_\_\_\_\_ what my sin cost Jesus.**

For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT)

**4.) Tell others \_\_\_\_\_ !**

[God] is patient for your sake. He doesn't want to destroy anyone but wants all people to have an opportunity to turn to him and change the way they think and act.

2 Peter 3:9b (GW)

**DISCOVERY QUESTIONS:**

1.) Pastor Rick teaches that when we are tempted, we should remember what our sin cost Jesus. How would that help you overcome temptation?

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2.) How would your life look different if you were to live with more gratitude toward Jesus on a daily basis? What are ways you can show your gratitude to Jesus?

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