

WHAT HAPPENED WHEN JESUS DIED?

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A Cross-Shaped Rescue, part 3

“For Christ suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.” **1 Peter 3:18**

BIG IDEA: What was God doing through the death of his son, Jesus?

“For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to **reconcile to himself** all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by **making peace** through his blood, shed on the cross. Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior. But now he has **reconciled** you by Christ’s physical body through death **to present you holy in his sight**, without blemish & free from accusation...”
Colossians 1:19-22

¹ RECONCILED—made peace.

“God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people’s sins against them.” **2 Corinthians 5:19**

Come _____.

“When **you were dead** in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God **made you alive** with Christ. He **forgave** us all our sins, having canceled **the charge of our legal indebtedness**, which stood against us and **condemned** us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having **disarmed** the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.” **Col. 2:13-15**

² Made ALIVE.

“As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient.” **Ephesians 2:1-2**

Come _____.

³ FORGAVE our sins.

“Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows... he bore the sin of many” **Isaiah 53:4, 12 ESV**

Come _____.

⁴ DISARMED and Triumphed.

“The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil’s work.” **1 John 3:8**

Come _____.

ACTION:

--Trust Him.

--Receive Him.

--Confess your sins to Him.

--Bring Him your chains.