

A scenic landscape featuring a range of snow-capped mountains in the background, a dense forest of evergreen trees in the middle ground, and a calm lake in the foreground that perfectly reflects the mountains and trees. The sky is a clear, bright blue.

SERMON

Romans 3:19-26

¹⁹ Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰ For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹ But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—

Romans 3:19-26

²² the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵ whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶ It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.



THE CROSS

“JESUS - The Substitute”

The Cross - it is everywhere, but is it understood?



Old Testament Sacrificial System

God's Provision - "For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves" – Lev. 17:11

God's Wrath Satisfied - Second, the purpose of these sacrifices was to turn aside the wrath of God for sin through the "pleasing aroma" of the sacrifice (Lev 1:9).

Old Testament Sacrificial System

The Spotless Lamb - Third, in the sacrificial system, the animal to be sacrificed had to be spotless - - without defect (Lev 1:3). It could have no blemishes of any kind.

The Substitute - This symbolized a transfer of guilt from the sinner to the sacrificial animal (Lev 1:3,4). The animal's death was required in order to make atonement (Lev 17:11).

Substitute



Ingredients

2 1/4 cups all-purpose flour

1 teaspoon baking soda

1 teaspoon salt

1 cup (2 sticks) butter, softened

3/4 cup granulated sugar

3/4 cup packed brown sugar

1 teaspoon vanilla extract

2 large eggs

2 cups (12-ounce package)

NESTLÉ® TOLL HOUSE®

Semi-Sweet Chocolate Morsels

Jesus as Substitute

FOR ALL HAVE
SINNED
AND FALL SHORT
OF THE GLORY OF
GOD
ROMANS 3:23



Blessings and Curses

The Lord will establish you as a people holy to himself, as he has sworn to you, if you keep the commandments of the Lord your God and walk in his ways. – *Deut. 28:9*

But if you will not obey the voice of the Lord your God or be careful to do all his commandments and his statutes that I command you today, then all these curses shall come upon you and overtake you. – *Deut. 28:15*

Redemption!

“are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.” - *Romans 3:24*

Redemption - **1** the action of saving or being saved from sin, error or evil
2 the action of regaining or gaining possession of something in exchange for payment, or clearing a debt.

Redemption!

Fanny Crosby



Redeemed how I love to
proclaim it. Redeemed by the
blood of the Lamb. Redeemed
thru His infinite mercy His child
and forever I am.

AZ QUOTES

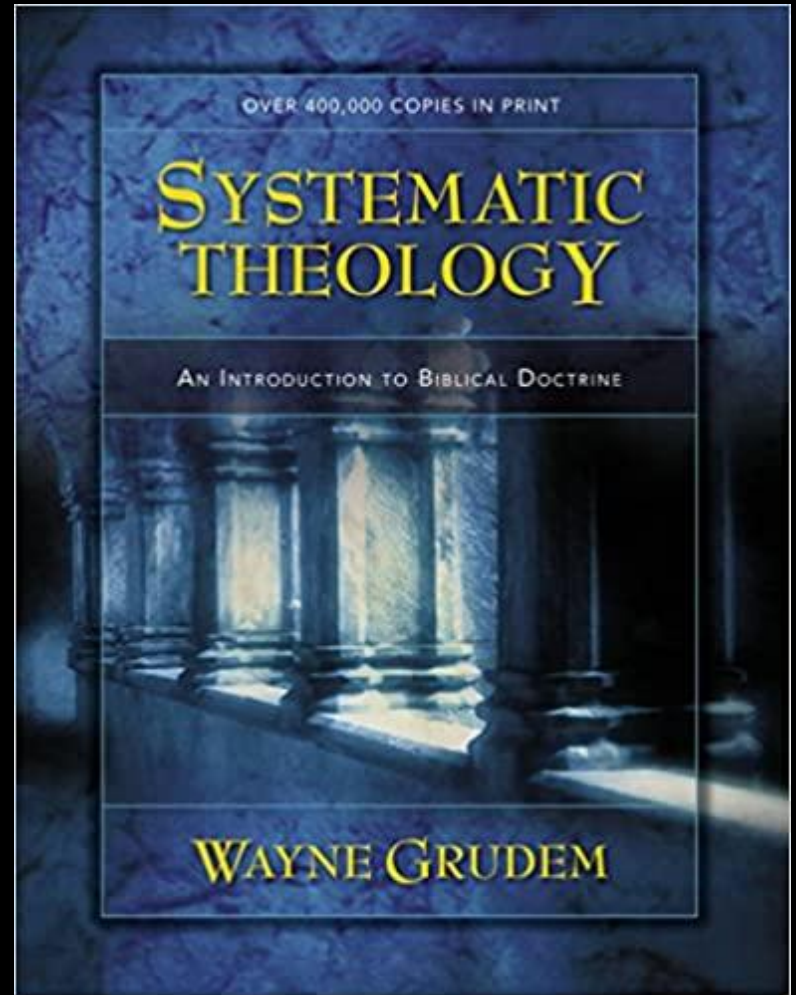
Penal Substitute

This view is called the “penal substitution” view because it emphasizes that the primary aspect of Christ’s death was to suffer the penalty due man because of his sin, and it relates the other benefits of Christ’s death to this aspect. – *Dr. Preston Pearce*



Penal Substitute

“This view of atonement is sometimes called the theory of Vicarious Atonement. A ‘Vicar’ is someone who stands in the place of another or who represents another. Christ’s death was therefore “vicarious” because he stood in our place to represent us. As our representative, he took the penalty that we deserve.” - *Dr. Wayne Gruden*



Jesus the Substitute

“whom God put forward as a **propitiation** by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.” - *Romans 3:25*

Propitiation - Propitiation is that by which God is rendered propitious, i.e., by which it becomes consistent with his character and government to pardon and bless the sinner.

“In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” - 1 John 4:10

Jesus the Substitute



The concept of substitution lies at the heart of both sin and salvation. For the essence of sin is man substituting himself for God, while the essence of salvation is God substituting himself for man.

— *author and theologian
John Stott*

Jesus the Substitute



"Sinner, you became Christ; Christ, you became a sinner!"



"It is not quite the truth; the sinner is treated as if he were Christ, and Christ is treated as if he were the sinner."