

# Personal Evangelism

John 16:7-11

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## The Message: God's Plan of Salvation, John 16:7-11

**5. DOCTRINE**—Christ made a complete payment for all sin and offers His righteousness.

**2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB)**

<sup>21</sup> He (God) made Him (Christ) who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

Christ never sinned. He lived a perfect life. Yet He took our sins upon Himself and paid for them. He did this so He could give us God's righteousness in place of our sin.

**Isaiah 53:6 (NASB)**

<sup>6</sup> All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.

We are all sinners. We do what *we* want to do. But God allowed Christ to take our sin upon Himself and pay for it **ALL**.

**1 Peter 3:18 (NASB)**

<sup>18</sup> For Christ also died for sins once for all, *the* just for *the* unjust, so that He might bring us to God, having been put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit;

Christ was the Just One, We are the sinners. But He came to earth, took on flesh, died on the cross, and rose from the dead, so that we could live forever in heaven with the Lord.

**1 Peter 2:24 (NASB)**

<sup>24</sup> and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

Jesus paid for our sins by Himself. He needed no help. We were dead spiritually because of our sins; but He died so we could be alive spiritually, because He would give us His righteousness. We are made whole because He took our punishment.

**Colossians 2:13-14 (NASB)**

<sup>13</sup> When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions,

<sup>14</sup> having canceled out the certificate of debt consisting of decrees against us, which was hostile to us; and He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

You were spiritually dead; you became spiritually alive when you trusted His payment for your sin. He then forgave you all trespasses. He can forgive us because He took all our sins and paid for them.

**Titus 2:14 (NASB)**

<sup>14</sup> who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds.

**Acts 13:38-39 (NASB)**

<sup>38</sup> "Therefore let it be known to you, brethren, that through Him forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you,

<sup>39</sup> and through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses.

Keeping the law could not save you. But Christ paid for all sin; so, if you believe in Him, He will forgive you and justify you from all the wrong you have done.

**Hebrews 10:10 (NASB)**

<sup>10</sup> By this will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

**Hebrews 10:14 (NASB)**

<sup>14</sup> For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

It is God's will that we are made pure and holy because Jesus offered Himself for our sins. His ONE payment was sufficient for all sins, of all time, for all people. By this ONE offering we who believe are made perfect forever. We are pure and holy through His death.

Had Christ not *fully* paid for all sin, we could not receive justification and He would not have come back from the dead (**Romans 4:25**).

**Romans 4:25 (NASB)**

<sup>25</sup> He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

Since the payment for sin is death, He would still be in that grave. But Christ is risen from the dead, proving God is satisfied with the payment for sin that Christ made.

The Jews... the Romans... Pilate... who killed Christ? Who is guilty of His death? Jesus Himself told us *no man* TOOK His life. Listen to His words,

**John 10:17-18 (NASB)**

<sup>17</sup> "For this reason the Father loves Me, because I lay down My life so that I may take it again.

<sup>18</sup> "No one has taken it away from Me, but I lay it down on My own initiative. I have authority to lay it down, and I have authority to take it up again. This commandment I received from My Father."

I am as guilty of His death as anyone else. He died for me. He died to pay the price of my sin.

Why did Christ come to earth? To live? Or to die?

**Mark 10:45 (NASB)**

<sup>45</sup> "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."

A ransom is a price paid to free someone from captivity. Christ died to pay the full price of our sin to free us from our captivity to the satanic wages of our sin—spiritual death. Sin is completely paid for.

What do we lack? We lack *righteousness*. God is anxiously waiting to give us His righteousness. God gives His righteousness to whoever accepts Christ's payment for their sin... and He gives His righteousness the moment the person accepts Christ (**2 Corinthians 5:21**).

**2 Corinthians 5:21 (NASB)**

<sup>21</sup> He (God) made Him (Christ) who knew no sin *to be* sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

The righteousness of God is given only by faith—never by works (**Romans 4:5-8; Romans 4:22-24; Romans 9:30-32**).

**Romans 4:5-8 (NASB)**

<sup>5</sup> But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness,

<sup>6</sup> just as David also speaks of the blessing on the man to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:

<sup>7</sup> "BLESSED ARE THOSE WHOSE LAWLESS DEEDS HAVE BEEN FORGIVEN, AND WHOSE SINS HAVE BEEN COVERED.

<sup>8</sup> "BLESSED IS THE MAN WHOSE SIN THE LORD WILL NOT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT."

**Romans 4:22-24 (NASB)**

<sup>22</sup> Therefore IT WAS ALSO CREDITED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS.

<sup>23</sup> Now not for his sake only was it written that it was credited to him,

<sup>24</sup> but for our sake also, to whom it will be credited, as those who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead,

**Romans 9:30-32 (NASB)**

<sup>30</sup> What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is by faith;

<sup>31</sup> but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at *that* law.

<sup>32</sup> Why? Because *they did not pursue it* by faith, but as though *it were* by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone,

**PRESENTATION**—Since this is the heart of the gospel, you should carefully go over the verses teaching Christ paid for all sin. If the person does not accept the teaching of Scripture at first, reiterate trying to make the verses as clear to the person as you can. When the person sees that “Jesus Paid It All,” go on to the next point.