

# He Became Sin on Our Behalf

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“Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a New Creation; old things have passed away; and behold, all things have become new. And all things are of God (the Father), who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world (all people) unto Himself, not imputing their trespasses (sins) unto them (us); and has committed unto us the word of reconciliation. Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us; and we implore you on behalf of Christ, be you reconciled to God. For He (the Father) Made Him (Jesus) who knew no sin, (to be) Sin on Our Behalf; so that We might become the Righteousness of God in Him (in Christ Jesus).” ([2 Corinthians 5:17-21](#))

**Sin:** from the Greek word *hamartian* a noun which means: a sin, a fault, a failure; in the sense of missing the mark of God's perfection and holiness; thus a forfeiture because of missing the mark; in an ethical sense: a sinful deed; or self caused sinfulness; whether it occurs by omission or commission, in thought and feeling, or in speech and action. In context: Jesus took this kind of sinfulness – our sinfulness - upon Himself for our salvation!

**Our:** from the Greek word *hemon* (first-person plural pronoun) which means: our, or us; in context: Jesus received our sins upon Himself for our eternal behalf !

**Behalf:** from the Greek word *hyper* (or *huper*) which means: over, or beyond; or above what is expected. Figuratively: for the behalf of, for the sake of, for the benefit of, for the betterment; to extend benefit that reaches above and beyond a present situation. In context: the 'forfeiture' of Eternal Life because of our sinfulness was restored to us through Jesus when He bore our sins upon Himself upon the Cross!

“For He (the Father) Made Him (Jesus) who knew no sin, (to be) Sin on Our Behalf.”

It is as the prophet Isaiah prophesied:

Surely He (Jesus) has Borne our griefs, and Carried our sorrows; yet we did esteem Him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; and with His stripes we are healed. All of us like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and He was afflicted, yet He opened not His mouth; He is brought as a Lamb to the slaughter, ... and He was numbered with the transgressors; and He bore the Sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors. ([Isaiah 53:4-7, 12](#))

In the Book of Isaiah it is also written:

“Behold, the LORD'S hand is not shortened, that it cannot save; nor is His ear heavy, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid His face from you, so that He will not hear (or listen).” ([Isaiah 59:1-2](#))

So also when our Lord Jesus was crucified upon the Cross, and all the sin of all people were placed upon Jesus, so also there was a brief separation made between God the Father and His beloved Son Jesus! This is when Jesus cried out in anguish, as it is written:

“And at the ninth hour Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, 'Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani?' which is, being interpreted, 'My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?' And some of those who stood by, when they heard it, said, 'Behold, He calls Elijah.' And someone ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed, and gave to Him to drink, saying, 'Let alone; let us see whether Elijah will come to take Him down.' And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up His Spirit.” ([Mark 15:33-37](#))

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It was Our iniquities placed upon Jesus that separated Jesus from His beloved Father! We can only wonder: did God the Father briefly **hide His face from Jesus**, not listening to His anguished cry as He bore our sins and suffered as the sacrificed Lamb of God – our Sin Offering - upon the Cross?

“For He (the Father) **Made Him (Jesus)** who knew no sin, **(to be) Sin on Our Behalf.**”

The Law of Sin offerings, set forth in the Law of Moses, had clear parallels to what Christ Jesus Has done for those who put their faith in Jesus. Please consider the following from the Book of Leviticus:

“Thus shall Aaron come into the holy place, with a young bullock for a sin offering,... . And he shall take from the congregation of the children of Israel **two kids of the goats for a Sin Offering**, and one ram for a burnt offering. Aaron shall offer his bull of the sin offering, which is for himself, and make an atonement for himself, and for his house. And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And Aaron shall cast lots for the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the **scapegoat**. And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell, **and offer him for a Sin Offering.** But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the **scapegoat**, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with it, and to let it go as a scapegoat into the wilderness. ... Then shall **he (Aaron) shall kill the goat of the Sin Offering**, that is for the people, and bring his blood within the vail, and do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat: And he shall make an atonement for the holy place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins: and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness. ... And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat (the scapegoat), and confess over it all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness. And the goat shall bear upon itself all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited; and he shall let the goat go in the wilderness.” ([Leviticus 16:3, 5-10, 15-16, 21-22](#))

Jesus was the Sin Offering, like goat, that was sacrificed unto death as an offering for the forgiveness of sin. And He was also like unto the scapegoat that bore upon itself all the iniquities and sins of the congregation of Israel, which were then removed far from the presence of the people never to be seen again. The root meaning of the Hebrew word for 'scapegoat' is 'goat of departure' and carries within it's contextual meaning the 'entire removal' of all the people's sins. This is the same contextual concept that we who put our Faith in Jesus have: both as our Sin Offering, and as our Scapegoat, for the entire removal and forgiveness of our sinfulness.

Thus the Father **Made Jesus** who knew no sin, **to be Sin on Our Behalf !!**

**Whose sin was placed upon Jesus? The answer is:**

All people !! as it says, “For **All have sinned** and fall short of the Glory of God.” ([Rom. 3:23](#))

His People !! As it says, “You shall call His name JESUS; for He shall save His people from their sins.” ([Matthew 1:21](#))

And again, as it says, “For we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that they are All under sin.” ([Romans 3:9](#))

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**Why was our sin placed upon Jesus? Please consider the following Benefits:**

- So that **All** might become the Righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. ([2 Cor. 5:21](#))
- So that **All** might have redemption and forgiveness of sins through Jesus. ([Eph. 1:7](#))
- So that **All** might be blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavens in Christ. ([Eph. 1:3](#))
- So that **All** might be restored into access and fellowship with the Father. ([Eph. 2:6](#))
- So that **All** might together become the dwelling place of God the Father. ([Eph. 2:22](#))
- So that **All** might be made perfect and holy and blameless in Christ Jesus. ([Eph. 1:4](#))
- So that **All** might be adopted as children of God through Christ Jesus. ([Eph. 1:5](#))
- So that **All** might be sealed with the Holy Spirit of Promise. ([Eph. 1:13](#))
- So that **All** might be raised up and seated in the heavens with Christ Jesus. ([Eph. 2:18](#))
- So that **All** might know the Love of Christ Jesus which surpasses knowledge. ([Eph. 3:19](#))

But do **All** receive all these Benefits? Yes for some! And no for others! It is as it says:

“For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world (all people) through Him might be saved. **He who believes on Him (Jesus)** is not condemned. **but he who does not believe is condemned already**, because he has not believed in the Name of the only begotten Son of God. And this is the condemnation, that Light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than Light, because **their deeds were evil**. For every one who does evil hates the Light, nor comes to the Light, lest his deeds should be reprov'd. But **he who does truth** comes to the Light, so that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.” ([John 3:17-21](#))

“Therefore, there is now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has made me (and us) free from the law of sin and death. For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God did, by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh.” ([Romans 8:1-4](#))

## Jesus Became Sin on Our Behalf

**For our sins Jesus became our Sin Offering and our Scapegoat !!**  
**Jesus bore our sins upon the Cross of Calvary!**  
**He became sin so that we might become new creations in Christ Jesus !**  
**He became sin so that we might become the Righteousness of God !**  
**He became sin so that we might be delivered from condemnation !**  
**Near the end, while on the Cross, Jesus said ...**  
**... “It is Finished” - It is Accomplished !**  
**Our Salvation !!**

**All Praise and Honor and Glory and Blessings is Yours Lord Jesus !!!**  
**Thank You for our Redemption, Forgiveness, and Salvation !!!**

**Come soon Lord Jesus !**  
**Amen & Amen !**

