## He Made Purification of Sins Through Himself

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"God, who at various ways and in diverse manners spoke in times past unto the fathers by the prophets, Has in these last days spoken unto us in His Son (Jesus), whom He (the Father) has appointed <u>Heir of All Things</u>, through whom (speaking of Jesus) also He (the Father) made the ages (the universe); and who (Jesus) being <u>the Brightness of His (the Father's) Glory</u>, and the Express Image of His (the Father's) person, and <u>Upholding All Things by the Word of His Power</u>, and <u>Having Made Through Himself Purfication of Sins</u>, He sat down on the Right Hand of the Majesty on High." (Hebrews 1:1-3)

Having Made: from the Greek word *poiesamenos* which means: <u>having-made</u> (past tense); from *poieo*: to make, to do.

**Through:** from the Greek word <u>*di*</u>(*dia*) a preposition, which means: <u>through</u>; in the sense of - across to the other side; via some instrument, conduit, or in context a person: through Jesus!

**Himself:** from the Greek word <u>autou</u> (autos) which means: <u>himself;</u> him, (the personal pronoun: him, he, himself...) In context: Jesus, the Son, by Himself <u>alone</u>!

**Purfication:** from the Greek word <u>*katharismon*</u> which means: <u>purfication</u>; a cleansing, a purifying, either literal, ceremonial, or moral; (a masculine noun derived from *katharíz*è, "to purge, to wash off"); a ritual purgation or washing. Examples: the washings of the Jews before and after their meals (John 2:6), of baptism - a symbol of moral cleansing (John 3:25), a cleansing from the guilt of sins worked by baptism (2 Peter 1:9), of women after childbirth (Luke 2:22), of lepers (Mark 1:44, Luke 5;14), (smiler to the purfication of the Levites in Numbers 8:5-22). In context of Hebrews 1:3 - by the atoning sacrifice of Christ Jesus on the Cross for the cleansing-purfication of sins.

**Sins:** from the Greek word <u>hamartion</u> which means: <u>sins</u>; from hamartia: <u>a sin</u>, a failure; (derived from "a" meaning 'not' and "meros" meaning 'a part' – thus "not a part of" because not hitting <u>the target</u>; that is missing the target of God's standards of upright faith and living. Thus sin is unrighteous living, characterized by evil deeds, and rebellion against God's plan of salvation through faith in Jesus the Christ-Messiah. Sinning occurs by omission or commission, in thought and feeling or in speech and action.

The purification, or cleansing, of our sins is accomplished **by means of the shedding-of-blood atoning sacrifice of Christ Jesus Himself**, <u>alone</u> dying on the Cross; and works <u>simultaneously</u> with <u>the forgiveness</u> of sins. (Forgiveness being God's pardon, absolution, exoneration, and remission of sins, based on His mercy and grace towards us). Consider the following quote from Leviticus 17:11: "For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I (God) have given it to you upon the altar <u>to make an atonement</u> for your souls; for <u>it is the blood</u> (now today, of Christ Jesus) that makes an atonement for the soul."

Purification results from the Father and Son's <u>action of love</u> towards us! It is as it says:

Jesus said "As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, **even so must the** <u>Son of</u> <u>Man</u> (Jesus Himself) be lifted up; so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God <u>so loved</u> the world, that He gave His Only Begotten Son, so that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved." (John 3:14-17)

"In this **was manifested the love of God toward us**, that God sent His Only Begotten Son into the world, so that we might live through Him. **Herein is love**, not that we loved God, **but that He loved us**, <u>and sent **His Son to be the propitiation for our sins**.</u>" (1 John 4:9-10)

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Forgiveness results from the Father and Son's <u>action of pardon and mercy</u> towards us! It is as it says:

The God of our fathers raised up Jesus, whom you slew and hanged on a tree. Him (Jesus) has God exalted with His Right Hand to be a Prince and a Savior, so as to give repentance to Israel, **and forgiveness of sins**." (Acts 5:30-31)

"Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, to the praise of the glory of **His grace**, wherein **He has made us accepted in the Beloved (in Jesus)**; in whom **we have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of sins**, according to the riches of **His grace**" (Ephesians 1:5-7)

"But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and **the blood of Jesus Christ His Son** <u>cleanses-purifies</u> us <u>from all sin</u>. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <u>If we confess our sins</u>, **He is faithful and just** <u>to forgive</u> us our sins, and to <u>cleanse</u> us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:7-9)

Our purification of sins by the shed blood of Jesus results in our sanctification, and the purification of our conscience, and our receiving of the promise of eternal inheritance. It is as it says:

"But Christ has come as a High Priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect Tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; nor by the blood of goats and calves, <u>but by His own blood</u> He entered in once into the Holy Place, <u>having obtained eternal redemption for us</u>. For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, <u>sanctifies</u> to the <u>purifying-cleansing</u> of the flesh; How much more shall the Blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, <u>purge-cleanse</u> your conscience from dead works to serve the living God? And for this cause He (Jesus) is the <u>Mediator of the New</u> <u>Covenant</u>, that by <u>means of death</u>, for the redemption of the transgressions that were under the first testament, those who are called might <u>receive the promise of eternal</u> <u>inheritance</u>." (Hebrews 9:11-<u>14</u>-15)

The purification of our sins by the shed blood of Jesus was accomplished by Christ Jesus Himself "<u>once</u>" and for all time for our eternal salvation! It is as it says:

"For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the Law, he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people, Saying, 'This is the blood of the covenant which God has **commanded** you. Moreover he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle, and all the vessels of the ministry. And almost all things are by the law **purged-cleansed** with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission (forgiveness). It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purfied with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ has not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the True; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; nor yet that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters into the holy place every year with blood of others: for then must He often have suffered since the foundation of the world; but now once in the end of the world has He appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of **Himself**. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment; so Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto those who look for Him, <u>He</u> shall appear the second time without sin unto (our) salvation. (Hebrews 9:19-28)

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Without the purification from sins, which comes only through Jesus Christ Himself, there is no hope for salvation, or eternal life! Consider the following:

"Therefore, as by one man (Adam) **sin entered into the world**, **and death by sin**; and <u>so death passed upon all men</u>, for **all have sinned**. ... But the free gift is not like the offense. For if through the offense of one many died, much more has the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is through <u>one man</u>, Jesus Christ, <u>abounded unto many</u>. And the gift is not like that of the one who sinned; for judgment came by the one unto <u>condemnation</u>; but the free gift arose because of many offenses unto justification. For <u>if</u> by one man's offense death reigned by one; much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness **shall reign in life by** <u>One</u> - Jesus Christ. Therefore as by the offense of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of <u>One</u> the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of <u>One</u> many shall be **made righteous**. Moreover the law entered, so that the offense might abound; but where sin abounded, grace did much more abound; so that **as sin has reigned unto death**, even so might **grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord**." (see Romans 5:12-21)

"... so now yield your members slaves to righteousness unto holiness. For when you were the slaves of sin, you were free from (without) righteousness. What fruit had you then in those things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death. But now being made free from sin, and having become slaves to God, you have your fruit unto holiness, and the end result - everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:19-23)

Finally, consider the following:

"Therefore Jesus also, <u>so that He might sanctify the people with His own blood</u>, suffered outside the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, **the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His Name**." (Hebrews 13:12-15)

"For <u>the grace of God that brings salvation</u> has appeared to all men, teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world; looking for that blessed hope, and **the glorious appearing of the Great God and our Savior Jesus Christ**; who gave Himself for us, so that He might <u>redeem us from all iniquity</u>, and <u>purify</u> unto Himself a special people, <u>zealous of good works</u>." (Titus 2:11-14)

#### Jesus Made Purification of Our Sins Through Himself

Only through Jesus alone may <u>we</u> be purified of sin! Jesus purifies and cleanses <u>us</u> from all unrighteousness! <u>We</u> have redemption through His Blood, the forgiveness of sins! Jesus purges <u>our</u> conscience from dead works to serve the living God! Jesus purifies <u>us</u> unto Himself as a special people, zealous for good works!

Therefore, in Christ Jesus, let <u>us</u> offer sacrifices of praise to God continually! Let the fruit of <u>our</u> lips offer thanks to His Name always and always!.

Thank You for sanctifying <u>me</u> through your own blood – through Your death on the Cross! To You Lord Lord Jesus be all the Glory, and Honor, and Praise forever and ever! Thank you purifying <u>us</u> from all unrighteousness!