

Paid in full

Our debt, sin and sins have been paid in full, overpaid. Past, present and future. Hallelujah!

Commonly, most people think that their sins are paid for until the next time they sin.

People, who say these kinds of things don't understand the totality, weight of the price Jesus paid for us.

Text: Acts 20:28 Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

- 1) The Blood of Jesus was $\underline{\text{not just the blood of another man, but}}$ the blood of God.
- 2) This sheds clarity on how powerful His death was and how it had the ability to pay for our sins in FULL.
 - a) Just a single drop of His blood was worth more than the whole creation!!
 - b) It was God Himself who was paying the price-not man.
 - i) His sacrifice was perfect and complete, for all sins of all mankind for all time.

ii) Infinitely greater than our sin.

The Great Overpayment

Isaiah 40:1-2 Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her, that her warfare is accomplished, that her iniquity is pardoned: for she hath received of the LORD'S hand double for all her sins.

- 1) Jesus paid double for our sins. He over paid!
- 2) An average Christian has no understanding that their sins have been PAID FOR IN FULL.
 - a) They know that it's been paid but probably not sure it was paid for in full.
- 3) They believe that <u>if they forgot to confess a certain sin in</u> their life, and God forbid they die, they go straight to hell for that un-confessed sin even if they have been born-again all this time.
 - a) That kind of thinking has a concept that their sins were **ALL** not forgiven yet Jesus paid for them. In the sense, it implies that their sins were not paid for in full.
 - b) So, they keep "applying blood."
 - c) This thinking has a concept of "I have to confess my sins before they are forgiven." They don't understand that their

sins were forgiven before they were committed and before they say confessed.

- 4) There is no suffering that could pay double OR ever much the double payment of our sins
 - a) Even though we spent eternity in hell. That punishment cannot pay double for our sins.
 - b) We can't pay our spiritual sins and transgressions in a natural way!
- 5) Jeremiah 16:18a And first I will recompense their iniquity and their sin double; [because they have sinned] because they have defiled my land, they have filled mine inheritance with the carcases of their detestable and abominable things. (Brackets mine)
 - a) Seen also in Isaiah 40:2 above
 - b) There is no suffering of ourselves that we could ever suffer that could pay double for our sins or say twice as much for our sins
 - c) Jesus suffered twice what our sins deserved.
 - i) He paid double what any of us deserved as punishment. That marked the end of the war on sin. Thank You, Jesus!
 - d) Jesus' suffering and shed blood of God for our sins is a strong assurance that the payment was greater than the offense.

- i) Therefore, sin does not separate us from God anymore. Isaiah 59:1-2. 2Cor 5:19, Luke 2:14.
- e) This passage in Jeremiah was prophetic since Jerusalem had not gone to captivity by this time.
 - i) This was a prophetic reference to Jesus' suffering and death for what our sins deserved.

Your past, present and future sins were all paid for in full (Hebrews 9:12, 15; 10:10, 14; 12:25).

Hebrews 9:12-14 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in <u>once</u> into the holy place, having <u>obtained eternal redemption for us</u>. 13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: 14 <u>How much more shall</u> the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

Hebrews 10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. 14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

1) Jesus will not be dying again for our future sins. If you don't believe God can forgive a sin before it was committed, then consider this:

- a) If you can't be saved because Jesus died thousands of years ago before you were even born—and won't be doing so again—then what hope is there? (Hebrews 9:25-28; 10:9-14)
- b) Jesus came and died before you were born. If He can forgive sins you committed after His death, then He also paid for all your future sins. You better believe it.
- 2) "But how can God forgive a sin before I even commit it?"
 - a) He saw it. God knows the end from the beginning. He knew the sins of the entire world past, present, and future.
 - b) So, Jesus took them all and paid for them in advance.
- 3) Jesus died for all our sins once, 2000+ years ago.
 - a) He hasn't died for any sins ever since. If that one sacrifice covered your sins after they were committed, then it also covers those you haven't committed yet. It's that simple!

Without shedding of blood is no remission

<u>Text:</u> Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.

For remission of sins to occur, there has to be shedding of blood and in this case not the blood of calves and bulls but the blood of Jesus Christ, otherwise it can't happen. (Hebrews 9:22)

- a) It's not confession of our sins that makes them forgiven we confess them because they were forgiven.
- b) What the blood of Jesus never accomplished, confession cannot. I am saying we should not confess that "un-forgiven new sin" so that it can be forgiven but because it was forgiven.
- c) There is no sin that a word sorry can atome for it's got to be the blood of Jesus.
 - i) Saying sorry to God would be useless had not Jesus paid the sins in full.
- d) What the blood of Jesus accomplished can't be added on to!
 - i) It was sufficiently enough.
 - ii) There is nothing you can do or say that could make a full payment of your sin or sins. Jesus paid the debt in full.
- e) Now where the remission of these is, there is no more offering of sin. (Hebrews 10:18). You can't pay for spiritual transgressions and sins in the natural.

(Isaiah 52:13-14; 53:1-12)

Some people have never sat down still and pondered on what a price Jesus paid and the magnitude of His sacrifice (Isaiah 52:13-14; 53:1-12). An understanding of that could revolutionize your life.

Jesus' sacrifice for our sins was infinitely greater than our sin.

- 1) Isaiah 52:14 As many were astonied at thee; his visage was so marred more than any man, and his form more than the sons of men:
 - a) He was marred beyond recognition. He didn't even look human.
- 2) He became sin

2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

- a) He became sin in our place
- b) Gave us His righteousness in return
- 3) Picture of Jesus' suffering

Isaiah 53:3-5 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

a) Despised

- b) Rejected of man
- c) Man of Sorrows
- d) Acquainted with grief
- e) We hid our faces from Him. We never wanted anything to do with Him.

4 Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.

Little did we know that He did all for us not for Him.

- a) Surely (truly)
- b) Borne our griefs and carried our Sorrows
- c) All your griefs and sorrows were carried and borne by the Lord. You should not be carrying them yourself. He did it for you. Cast all of them upon Him.
- d) When we saw Him bore our griefs and carry our sorrows, we thought He was guilty and deserved to be smitten and afflicted of God.

5 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 He suffered was **NOT** because He was guilty to be smitten and afflicted of God:

- a) He was wounded for our transgressions,
- b) He was bruised for our iniquities:
- c) the chastisement of our peace was upon him

He was punished so we could have peace

d) He was punished that we are healed.

He took our sickness and disease of the entire human race - every deformity, tumor and perversion - entered into the physical body of the Lord Jesus Christ. God did this to His son

6 All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all. 7 He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.

a) The Father laid on Him the iniquity of all of us. He took all of our iniquity paying for all of it in full with His blood (life).

Forsaken

Mark 15:34 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 hast thou forsaken me?

1) He did not stop there, He forsook Him! (Psalms 22:1 Mark 15:34).

2) God the father rejected Jesus so that we could be accepted and not forsaken. All this, and some people still believe that Jesus only paid for sin up to a point. Wrong!

God is satisfied

<u>Text</u>: Isaiah 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

- 1) God was satisfied in the price Jesus paid. It was a full price and complete.
- 2) God is not seeking or demanding another payment. The debt is settled, and God fully acknowledges and accepted the price paid.
- 3) God placed ALL our sin upon Jesus. Now Sin is a non-issue with God.
 - a) He is aware of it and will tell you to quit doing it, but not because He's going to reject you.
 - b) He rejected Jesus in your place. This was before you were even born.
 - c) He has already paid for your sin past, present and future. God loves you and knows that Satan will destroy you if you choose to live in that sin. Quit living in sin.

Prior to Jesus' coming;

- 1) People were responsible or accountable for their sins. They paid the price.
- 2) They were judged for their sins.
- 3) Sin separated them from God, it was a barrier (Isaiah 59:1-2). Sin at that time was a barrier between us and God.
- 4) Daily sacrifice for sins which brought a sin conscience in them Hebrews 10:1-2
- 5) Old covenant.
- 6) Couldn't be born again.

After the coming of Jesus;

That has changed since the coming of Jesus. Sin has been paid for - In full to the extent that;

- 1) It doesn't have to paid for again by anyone.
- 2) God is not angry with us anymore. We have peace with God. (Romans 5:1, Isaiah 54:9-10)
- 3) We have been reconciled back to God.
- 4) God is not imputing our sins on us anymore. He imputed our sins onto Jesus (2Cor 5:17-21)
- 5) God doesn't judge us for our sins He judged Jesus. (Isaiah 52:14; 53:10-11), John 12:31 Now is the judgment of this world world to be judged through Jesus.
- 6) God will not remember our sins anymore (Hebrews 10:16-17),
 Hebrews 8:12
- 7) War is over Isaiah 40:2
- 8) New covenant
- 9) Changed the way he relates to us.

Jesus Vs John the Baptist

John's message was - repent from your sins and be baptized.

Jesus' message was - believe on me and you will have eternal life.

Jesus was not majoring His ministry on sin but on receiving and believing in Him. Sin was never the focus. I suppose it's because He was going to pay for it in full, so it was not worth too much the attention. We should amplify the payment or price paid not what was paid for because the price was extremely greater than the commodity.

- a) I have come to learn and conclude that a person who is focused on the problem hardly gets victory and also the more you focus on it, the more it dominates you and affects you.
- b) You don't get victory over something by getting so obsessed about it.
- c) More focus magnifies it, and less focus diminishes it.

People who are always focused on people's individual sins have missed the main point of big the price for that individual's sins was.

- a) If we can only focus on the price paid, our sin stands insignificant.
- b) Sin is no longer a barrier.
- c) The payment exceeded the cost. The payment was way more than the cost itself. Jesus overpaid and He didn't mind, and He is not bothered.
- d) It's like paying for something and telling the servant "To
 keep the change."

Additional Thoughts and explanations:

1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

A casual reading of this scripture begs the questions - If forgiveness and cleansing are conditional on confessing our sins, then what happens if we don't confess our sins? Are they not forgiven? And if they aren't forgiven, then what's the consequence of that?

The strictest interpretation of this scripture would lead to believe that if there is any unconfessed sin in our lives, we would not be forgiven. Although some have interpreted this verse to say just that, this certainly is not what this means.

The word confess was translated from a Greek word: - HOMOLOGEO - it's a compound word made up of two words "HOMOU" and "LOGOS". HOMOU - "the same" and Logos "something said" so Homologeo means "to speak the samething." When we are in sin, we are not saying, thinking or doing the same thing as the Lord. But when we confess (speak the same thing) we are turning from our way of thinking and agreeing with the Lord that we have done wrong.

Our sin doesn't separate us from the Lord as under the O.T (Isaiah 59:1-2). All our sins have already been paid for. But as long as we walk in un confessed sin, Satan has an inroad in our lives (Romans 6:16). We need to confess that sin and walk away from that wrong thinking that got us into the mess, and agree with God that we are wrong or that what we did was wrong. What happens is that the forgiveness that we already have as reality in our spirits

becomes a reality in our physical or flesh. This cleanses us from the attack of the devil that we opened ourselves up to.

Confession shuts the door to Satan out of a believers life and opens a door to God. We can't afford to yield to Satan through unconfessed sin. Our eternal salvation is not based on our confession of our sins but the full price that Jesus paid for us. We were totally forgiven!!

If you think I am making light of sin, the truth is, you are making light of the sacrifice of Christ. Jesus paid such a great and awesome price for you that it forever settled and satisfied the wrath of God. He is not angry with you, neither is He in a bad mood regardless of what you have done. Now, that's good news.

Religion has diminished the atonement of the Lord Jesus Christ. It says that even if you are born-again and made Jesus your Lord, God is still mad at you every time you sin. He won't answer your prayers if there's any un-confessed sin (therefore un-forgiven) in your life. Basically, we have made Jesus a part of the solution, but not the total solution. We have said "yes, you have to have the atonement of Christ, but you also have to repent, feel terrible over your sin, grovel in the dirt, give a sin offering and do all of these things."

They have no security in their salvation. They believe it has to be maintained by their goodness, and Holiness. So, when they mess up they get born-again, again. OR they spend the rest of their day - "beat up" because they sinned. They are so careful not to

sin which is good but the problem is; that attention they give sin, gives it (sin) an edge and it beats them up.

So, this brings about a sin conscience. It makes a believer focused on sin all their life hence making it even harder to overcome. We should be focused - looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith (Hebrews 12:1-2), looking on the things above not on the below (sin) - (Col 3:1-2), looking or focused on eternal things not temporary things (2Cor 4:17). The scripture says that we should have no more conscience of sin (Hebrews 4:16; 9:14; 10:1-2; 10:22).

One thing I have discovered about our minds is that they work like a magnifying glass. Our focus is our magnifying glass. Whatever we focus on becomes bigger and bigger and whatever we don't focus on or magnify shrinks in comparison. Our endurance has a lot to do with our focus and so our victory over sin. If we focus on sin, then believers will struggle with it because that focus - empowers it. It makes it stronger and bigger hence even harder to overcome. It's like people who are always doing "spiritual warfare", they struggle with being so sensitive to God because they are so focused on Satan and hence empowering the demonic realm. They zoom in to the devil. A man's focus is so crucial because it controls a lot of his life.

Conscience = an awareness, sensitivity.

If you are having a sin conscience, you can't come boldly unto the throne of grace, that you may obtain mercy (Hebrews 4:16) - because you will be full of yourself and your failures which will rob your boldness. You should come with a Jesus conscience - praising and thanking God for His love, mercy and grace. A conscience of - "It was paid in full by the precious blood of Jesus."

It also says that sin shall not have dominion over you for you are not under the law but under grace. Romans 6:14. Under the law also

could mean a performance mentality because the law is a performance mentality.