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THE GOOD SHEPHERD

SERIES: WHY DID JESUS DIE?

1. "THE GOOD SHEPHERD GIVES HIS LIFE"

(John 10:11) **"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep"**

(v15) **"... and I lay down My life for the sheep"**

God appears throughout the OT as the shepherd of His people.

(Psalm 23:1, 79:13, 95:7)

"the good shepherd" - one who tends, leads, guides, feeds, protects the sheep; being "good" is in contrast to the "hireling" who flees at impending danger.

(v15) **"and I lay down My life for the sheep"** - Jesus gave His life for us, and He did so voluntarily, sacrificially, and provided what we could not provide for ourselves.

2. "PROPITIATION" - (1 John 2:2) "And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world."

(1 John 4:9-10; 1 Corinthians 5:7; John 1:29)

"Propitiation" - (W.E. Vine) "An expiation, a means whereby sin is covered and remitted. God provided the one and only way whereby eternal life could be bestowed, namely, by the voluntary laying down of His life by His Son."

3. "HE PURCHASED THE CHURCH WITH HIS OWN BLOOD"

(Acts 20:28) **"Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of the Lord and God, which He purchased with His own blood."**

(Ephesians 5:25-27) **"... just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself for her, that ..."**

"Purchased" - to acquire something for a price; signifies to get or gain for oneself.

(1 Corinthians 6:19-20) **"... you are not your own? For you were bought at a price ..."**

(Revelation 5:9) **"... for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nations."**

We have been purchased for a purpose.

4. "GAVE HIMSELF A RANSOM FOR ALL"

(1 Timothy 2:5-6) **"... the man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all ..."**

"Ransom" - to liberate by paying a price; the redemption price for another's life; a means of loosing one held captive; a price paid to retrieve or recover.

(Romans 8:32) **"He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all ..."**

(Ephesians 1:7; Colossians 1:13-14; 1 Peter 1:18-19)

5. "TO OBTAIN SALVATION"

(1 Thessalonians 5:9-10) **"For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us ..."**

(Romans 5:9) **"Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him."**

"Saved" - deliverance from danger, from the bondage of sin, from God's wrath.

(2 Timothy 1:12; Titus 2:11; 1 Timothy 2:3-4)