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CALVARY'S LOVE

Romans 5:6-11

It is at Calvary, perhaps more than anywhere else that we hear God saying,

"I love you."

• You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. (5:6)

The righteous Son of God died for the ungodly.

- The "ungodly" was "ME" before I received Christ's forgiveness.
- Praise the Lord. Thank You Jesus for Your forgiveness through Your shed blood at the cross!!
- Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. (5:7)
- It is a rare thing to have someone die for someone else....even for a "righteous" or "good" man.

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. (5:8)

- God "demonstrated", "showed", "expressed" His love for us.
- It was "not just words" but "love in action.
- And God showed this love to us not because we deserved it, not because we were good, not because we were anybody special.

• He showed His love by dying for us ... the RIGHTEOUS ONE

FOR THE UNRIGHTEOUS!!

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

(1 Corinthians 15:3-4) (Isaiah64:6)

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Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! (5:9)

- The "tense" here is "PAST"...it HAS been done!! We HAVE NOW BEEN justified.
- We don't have to "justify" or make excuses for ourselves. We have been justified or made right in God's sight.
- How have we been justified? BY HIS BLOOD!!

- And HOW MUCH MORE shall we be saved from God's wrath.
- Jesus took the WRATH OF GOD upon Himself.....so we wouldn't have to receive God's deserving wrath upon ourselves.

- At the cross of Calvary, God's full wrath against "sin" and "sinners" went upon Jesus!!
- And the temple curtain was torn in two from TOPTO BOTTOM.
- GOD had come DOWN to earth to solve our sin problem once and for all.

- For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! (5:10)
- But Jesus did not stay in the grave or "we" and "our sin" would still be there.
- Our sin was "buried" "with" & "in" Jesus.
- Then He rose from the dead! Saving us through His RESURRECTION LIFE

THE MERCY OF CALVARY Romans 5:11

Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. (5:11)

- We have joy because we have experienced God's mercy through the atonement.
- God has justified us through the blood of His Son!
- We have been reconciled to God..

"Woman," he said, "why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him." (John 20:15)

- After Jesus had been crucified there were many tears shed.
- Mary Magdalene was in tears, not only because of the death of her Lord, but because she thought that someone stole His body.
- The risen Lord comes to Mary and asks. "Woman, why are you crying?"
- Mary didn't need to cry. She had a risen Lord. The TRUTH was He had risen!!

• My question is: WHY AREYOU CRYING?

Jesus Is Risen From The Dead.
 (John 15, 1 Cor.15:3-4)

Your Sins Are Forgiven.
 (Psalm 103:10-14, Colossians 1:12-14)

• You Are God's Child. (1 John 1:12-13)

- WHY ARE YOU CRYING?
- God Loves You. (Romans 8:35-39).
- The Holy Spirit Lives Inside Of You. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20, John 14:16-18)
- Jesus Is Coming Again! (Acts 1:11, 1 Thess.4:13-18)

- You May Be Going Through A Hard Time But Remember, Your Sins Are Forgiven and God Has Given You Eternal Life In Christ Jesus!!
- Everything Else Is "Secondary".
- This Is Of "First Importance".

For What I Received I Passed On To You As Of First Importance: That Christ Died For Our Sins According To The Scriptures, That He Was Buried, That He Was Raised On The Third Day According To The Scriptures, (1 Cor. **15:3-4**)

A.THE GOSPEL IN RELATION TO THE CORINTHIANS (v. 1-2)

• 1. Paul proclaimed it & they received it

Now, brothers, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. (1 Cor.15:1)

• 2. By it they are saved

By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain. (1 Cor.15:2)

B. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOSPEL (v. 3-11)

- 1. Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures (v.
 3)
- For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
- 2. He was buried and rose again the third day according to the Scriptures (v.4)
- that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures,

B. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOSPEL (v. 3-11)

• 3. He was seen by many eyewitnesses (vs.5-7) and that he appeared to Peter, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles,

B. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOSPEL (v. 3-11)

• 4. He was seen by Paul, who by the grace of God was able to preach the gospel.

and last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born. For I am the least of the apostles and do not even deserve to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace to me was not without effect. No, I worked harder than all of them—yet not I, but the grace of God that was with me. (1 Cor.15:8-10)

B. HIGHLIGHTS OF THE GOSPEL (v. 3-11)

• 5. Such was the gospel preached, and the Corinthians had believed it

Whether, then, it was I or they, this is what we preach, and this is what you believed. (1 Cor.15:11)

Foretold by the prophets

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(Psalms 16:10; Acts 13:34-35; Isaiah 26:19)
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Foretold by Himself

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(Matt.20:19; Mark 9:9;
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John 2:19-22)

- Was necessary to: The Fulfilment of Scripture (Luke 24:45-46)
- Was necessary to: Forgiveness of sins (1 Corinthians 15:17)
- Was necessary to: Justification (Romans 4:25; 8:34)
- Was necessary to: Hope (1 Cor.15:19)
- Was necessary to:

A proof of his being the Son of God (Psalm 2:7; Acts 13:33; Romans 1:4)

• He appeared after to:

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Mary Magdalene
(Mark 16:9; John 20:18)
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- He appeared after to: The women (Matthew 28:9)
- He appeared after to: Simon Peter (Luke 24:34)
- He appeared after to: Two disciples (Luke 24:13-31)

- He appeared after to: Apostles, except Thomas (John 20:19,24)
- He appeared after to: Apostles, Thomas being present (John 20:26)
- He appeared after to: Apostles at the sea of Tiberias (John 21:1)
- He appeared after to: Apostles in Galilee (Matthew 28:16-17)

- He appeared after to: About five hundred brethren (1 Cor.15:6)
- He appeared after to: James (1 Corinthians 15:7)
- He appeared after to: All the Apostles (Luke 24:51; Acts 1:9; 1 Cor. 15:7)
- He appeared after to: Paul (1 Corinthians 15:8)

- He gave many infallible proofs of (Luke 24:35,39,43; John 20:20,27; Acts 1:3)
- Was attested by: Angels (Matthew 28:5-7; Luke 24:4-7,23)
- Was attested by: Apostles
 (Acts 1:22; 2:32; 3:15; 4:33)
- Was attested by: His enemies (Matthew 28:11-15)

• The early church used to greet each other in this manner:

HE IS RISEN!

HE IS RISEN INDEED!

- Once, a Yale Law professor criticized Christianity as not being intelligent.
- He was challenged by the students to take the "Laws of Evidence" to the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.
- The professor accepted the challenge, checked the Bible with the Laws of Evidence, and became a Christian!!
 - THE LORD IS RISEN!
 - HE IS RISEN INDEED!