

JESUS SACRIFICED

Philippians 2:5-11 (NLT)

⁵In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:
⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; ⁷rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross! ⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

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1. Jesus Sacrificed By Leaving Heaven.

Philippians 2:6-8 (NLT)

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2. Jesus Sacrificed For Ministry Preparation.

Luke 4:1-2 (NLT)

Then Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan River. He was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, ²where he was tempted by the devil for forty days. Jesus ate nothing all that time and became very hungry.

Hebrews 4:14-15(NLT)

¹⁴So then, since we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe. ¹⁵This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same testing we do, yet he did not sin.

3. Jesus Sacrificed To Set The Captive Free.

A “sacrifice” is defined as the offering up of something precious for a cause or a reason. “Atonement” is defined as satisfying someone or something for an offense committed.

2 Corinthians 5:21(NLT)

²¹ For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

-Sin Was Defeated

-Death Was Defeated

-Hell Was Defeated

-The Grave Was Defeated

1 Thessalonians 4:13-14, 16-18

¹³ And now, dear brothers and sisters, we want you to know what will happen to the believers who have died so you will not grieve like people who have no hope.¹⁴ For since we believe that Jesus died and was raised to life again, we also believe that when Jesus returns, God will bring back with him the believers who have died.

¹⁶ For the Lord himself will come down from heaven with a commanding shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trumpet call of God. First, the believers who have died will rise from their graves. ¹⁷ Then, together with them, we who are still alive and remain on the earth will be caught up in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. Then we will be with the Lord forever. ¹⁸ So encourage each other with these words.

-Satan Was Defeated

4. Jesus Sacrificed And The Father Exalted Him.

Philippians 4:9-11 (NLT)

⁹ Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name,¹⁰ that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Jesus Sacrificed! Will YOU?