

Hebrews

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- [0 : 00] I direct your attention this evening seeking the Lord's help to the 10th chapter of the Epistle of Paul to Hebrews and the 12th verse.
- Chapter 10 and verse 12. But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of God.
- But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever, sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.
- The Epistle to the Hebrews emphasizes both the deity of Christ, his Godhead and also his humanity, lays great emphasis upon both.
- And our text this evening lays great emphasis upon both. The man who sat down at the right hand of the throne of God in the heaven.
- [1 : 14] We would desire to look at both of these glorious truths as they relate to our soul's salvation.
- Both are absolutely vital. We should never be saved without either of these two truths. truths. Here is our whole salvation in the God-man, the incarnate Son of God.
- We see in his deity the power, the holiness, the purity, so vital in the offering of that sacrifice in order that it might be acceptable to his father.
- No other sacrifice would ever do or satisfy his father. And equally we see here and it is put very clearly in the second chapter of this epistle of Paul to the Hebrews a vital necessity of his humanity.
- It became him, we read, in bringing many sons unto glory that is God the Father. It became him in bringing many sons unto glory to make the captain of their salvation perfect through suffering.
- [3 : 02] And the Lord Jesus Christ came down here into this world to walk out the footsteps of the flock. The election of grace. He came to enter into their pathway and to feelingly now in heaven the right hand of his father be able made perfect through suffering to enter into the sufferings of his dear church.
- in all her temptations and trials and sorrows and so much more her suffering her pain her weakness her fears her prayers he has walked the whole pathway and finally he has passed through death itself for his dear church.

Oh the mystery we read of this great is the mystery of godliness god manifest in the flesh he preached in the world and he was raised up to glory says the apostle and so he did and we desire now for a few moments to attempt to look at this simple word this man here the apostle concentrates on the one who met him on the road to Damascus but his thoughts are now on his humanity here in this world and our mind rested upon that word in this chapter here which the apostle penned himself sacrifice and offering thou wouldst not but a body hast thou prepared me that precious body was prepared of god the holy spirit in the womb of the virgin mary body has thou prepared me for a blessed truth that is this man perceived under the overshadowing of the holy spirit in the womb of the virgin we see here this blessed truth that the lord jesus christ entered into this world under the fulfillment of that word of prophecy long ordained regarding this body he came here into this world and there was the fulfillment of that truth of the virgin and the virgin shall be with her child and bear a son and they shall call his name immanuel which being interpreted is god with us all the creator came to this world came into the womb of the virgin and was born in the manger of

Bethlehem and there took into union with his deity a glorious perfect holy body and soul united as one and this same dear man in heaven now reigns he has ascended to glory the foundation of your hope and mine is that empty tomb in the garden an empty tomb is the foundation of the hope of his dear church that he now reigns in glory above in that same body the tomb is empty this man who walked this earth who was seen here of angels and by precious faith has now left this world and ascended to glory but he lives he is approachable his people draw near to him they know him they know his strength they know the path of prayer and they have from time to time a little fellowship with him in their realization given to them that their pathway is understood by him he knoweth the way that

I take say the children of God when he has tried me I shall come forth as gold this man how vital to your salvation and mine that this truth be here in the scriptures of truth and we would desire to look for a moment at this word we see Jesus or do we who was made little lower than the angel for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor oh how we are brought to see him here he suffered and died there he lives to intercede and plead that precious blood which he shed in the courts of heaven above we see

[9 : 13] Jesus who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man oh what a truth that is do we see him I do ask you here tonight what do you know of his precious blood what do you know of that fountain which he opened on the cross at Calvary what do you know of the path he walked when here in this earth or can I put it another way what has he led you into how far has he brought you in his divine teaching and revelation in your soul what has he opened to you because the principles of this knowledge that open the door of truth in the hearts of his dear church is this flesh and blood has not revealed this unto thee but my father which is in heaven what has the father which is in heaven revealed in your pathway in your heart and in mine how far has he led you into these sacred truths what has he done for you in bringing you into fellowship with him in his suffering how far has he brought you what have you tasted of that cup which he drank up he calls his dear people to come and taste of that cup and he leads them into sweet fellowship with him in his suffering we see

Jesus the apostle could well say that he could well speak in that vein made a little love to the angels for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor he was brought to know that Jesus Christ had tasted death for him he was brought into that sweet revelation when he came to preach Christ and how vital this is when he came to preach Christ he preached him out of his own knowledge of him and of what he had been made to him and what had been revealed to him in his own soul what he had known of that suffering that Christ had passed through for him what fellowship he had had he prayed for this that he might enter into fellowship with this man in his life here below that

I might know him he prayed in his letter of the church of Philippi and the power of his resurrection having fellowship with him in his suffering being made conformable unto his death and this was the prayer that the Lord prayed for his dear church that they all may be one even as we are one I in them and thou in me that they may be one in us and it is the Lord's desire that his church might be brought into an understanding of his path when he walked here below for them that they might enter in feelingly into his suffering that they might know somewhat of his sorrows and enter into his crucifying sorrows sometimes it is the Lord's set purpose to lead his people into his physical suffering in the fellowship with him sometimes into his bitter sorrows when he was forsaken sometimes into his bitter sorrows when he was mocked and despised all the sufferings that he passed through we're told think it not strange concerning the fiery trial think it not strange we're told this and I love that word here consider here it comes in the 11th chapter

I believe it is in the 12th chapter it comes here in the 12th chapter for consider him this man that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself the Lord calls his dear church to look up to him in heaven and view him this man the pathway he walked in his humanity as he walked this earth with that one intention of going to Calvary to die for his church and all that it cost him view him in his condescension how he descended from glory here in this world and how he permitted himself to be spat upon and abused and mocked and derided and view him in this silence when he was reviled he reviled not again view him in this falsely accused yes indeed he was in the judgment hall the accusation was that he makes himself the son of

God and he was indeed the son of God it was a false accusation he was the son of God he did not have to make himself the son of God all how his pathway was a pathway of bitter sorrows bitter suffering and even at Nazareth there he walked out the pathway this man of what it was to be a prophet not without honour save amongst his own people all the solemnity of their attitude not only outside but inside Nazareth he was to them the son of Joseph but he was the eternal son of

[16 : 20] God this man and you see there's a glory in this truth that there was no other man like him that this world has ever seen who could calm the wind who could raise the dead who could heal the sick who could open the eyes of the blind but when we go further dear friends who could raise his dear church body and soul sin pardoned and put away forever to glory none this man could he is able to do more abundantly and we can even ask all things consider him oh consider this man who died and rose again consider this man who said I no man taketh my life from me

I lay it down that I might take it again and take it it is when his disciples on the road to Emmaus were so amazed oh fools and slow of heart to believe all the prophets have spoken or not Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into his glory and suffer them he did and enter into his glory he did and when he came to the cross to die we see the absolute fulfillment of everything in the scriptures of truth regarding this man right down to the words they parted my garments among them and for my vesture did they cast lots but here he moved in this earth his glory hidden from the eyes of the wise and prudent they saw him not the fulfillment of that scripture when we shall see him there is no beauty that we should desire him and that blessed word of the 53rd of

Isaiah where it speaks of the Lord Jesus Christ as a root out of a dry ground he shall grow up as a tender plant and as a root out of a dry ground he hath no form nor comeliness and when we shall see him there is no beauty that we should desire him and yet the prophet goes on in that lovely chapter surely he this man has borne our grief and only as the God man is he able to do it the griefs that are caused by sin he is carried and this man we read in the letter of the apostle Peter who his own self bore our sin in his own body on the tree here we see the great emphasis on the humanity this man the body of

Christ the eternal God in his incarnation bearing the sins of his dear people upon the tree and when he came to the cross of Calvary oh the mystery the deep deep mystery of how by imputation he bore the sin of his whole church this man the wrath of the father we read this in the words of John he is the propitiation for our sins all the truth that lies there the wrath of the father rested on the son as he there bore the sins of the church he is the propitiation and the propitiation is one that having borne the wrath removes it from the church

Christ bore it the church no longer bears it the wrath of God in his just anger and vengeance against sin is removed from the body of Christ the church because the head himself this man bore our sins in his body in the punishment of them upon the cross he is the chastisement the chastisement of our peace that is the punishment which produced which removed our the anger of God against us and produced our peace was upon him the chastisement of our peace was upon him and with his stripes the stripes that he suffered as the wrath of the father rested upon him as he bore the sins of the church we are healed oh this man blessed truth if we are brought to rest our hope of heaven on this man this

[22 : 14] God man this perfect spotless man described in this epistle as holy harmless sinless undefiled separate from sinners and made higher than the heavens and you see it became him in bringing many sons unto glory to make the captain of their salvation perfect through suffering only in his humanity could he be made perfect through suffering and what is the perfection the perfection is this and what a glorious perfection it is that he is touched lovingly touched with the feeling of the infirmities of his dear people and their deepest sorrows and suffering look at him upon earth and how this man stood to the humblest the poorest the most broken there was none too low for him to come to consider him and all he did when here in this earth demonstrate that he stood to the very lowest in love to lift them up to glory and so a woman with five husbands was not beneath him he looked down upon her in love and mercy behold they said he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners oh the scorn what company but no this man he walked that way and you know equally he did not stop to deal with the proud are you marking some had such pride that they couldn't be seen talking to him so they came at nine dear

Nicodemus did so fearful and he didn't come out immediately and own him because there were so many things that clogged his poor steps but there came a day when Jesus so wrote in his heart that he brought him to the cross to take the body of this man down dealt with he didn't mind then who saw or what they thought he was ready to own this man and he was sad in his heart that he left it so long but there have been many who have left it to a dying bed to own this man and have said on a dying bed if I rise from this bed I'll come forth but they've left it so long you've often heard me tell you of the story of dear old Mr. Stride a policeman in the new forest all his days he never came forward always felt that the work was in his heart on his deathbed

I went with my father and stood and listened to the conversation between the two of them I was only quite young I always remember it and I heard from his own lips he said to my father if I get up from this bed I'll come I'll own him this man well we left the house my father looked at me and said he's baptized he never got up from his bed the next thing he did was lay him in the tomb but he was baptized this man he was brought to own him and so did Joseph Arimathea the Lord worked by mighty power blessed power and the Lord caused his dear church only into the footsteps steps of Christ so you are called to do nothing that he has not done before you and this man went down into Jordan flood and John the Baptist had such a sight of his glory and of the shoes latchet which he was unworthy to undo let alone baptizing but Jesus said suffering to be so now and he rested in

John's arms while he took him beneath the waters of Jordan that Christ might show his church in his own humanity as a divine example the way he would have them to go that they also might confess him buried with Christ in baptism as he had been and raised with him to newness of life and he calls his church into that sacred simple blessed ordinance and says this is the way follow me I have set the pattern in my humanity I have walked this way I call you to nothing exalted or high I call you to this humble path and you know it is a blessed example of death and resurrection of a hope in


Christ who died and rose again it is a sacred testimony of your faith in one who is able to save you from death and gather you to heaven and when the church of God witnessed that blessed ordinance going down into those waters it is to demonstrate their peace in the blood of Christ forgiveness of their sins and their hope of eternal glory through his work in his humanity this man that is their confession as they follow him in those sacred footsteps and equally there follows his table so blessedly connected in scripture this man fulfilled his father's holy law ended all the patterns that were set the figures we read in the scriptures of these precious figures that are here and the apostle speaks it was necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these that is the shedding of blood in the old order of the

[29 : 46] Passover it was necessary God had set these excellent God ordained patterns of things in the heavens and it was necessary for teaching of the truth but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these things for Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands which are figures of the true but into heaven itself now to appear in the presence of God for us and we brought to sea in the Lord Jesus Christ as he brought his dear church to that point in time he brought her to the last Passover and the first Lord's Supper and there in the midst he finished one and opened another and all he has laid before the church that blessed ordinance himself and performed that first ordinance only one never do we read he did it again he break bread with those disciples on the road to Emmaus but we see it here blessed ordinance as he sat with his disciples he break bread and he gave them the cup and he instituted that simple ordinance to speak of his death upon the cross to the church his broken body this man his shed blood this man oh dear friends we see

Jesus do we who was made little out of the angels of the suffering of death crowned with glory and honour that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man that is the whole election of grace every one of them not a hoof to be left behind but this man after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever we would move on one sacrifice for sins forever and offered lovely word the only right use of the word offer in the scripture christ offers himself a sacrifice for sins god's servants do not offer christ there is not a single place in scripture where it ever says such a thing the lord said to me and i could take you to the very spot in st hampton something like twelve years before i went to preach the lord said to me with great power preach the word and in that word when he spoke it to me i knew what i had to do that is to seek the anointing of the spirit to preach and present and proclaim these glorious doctrines but never to offer christ to ungodly men but he offered himself he did indeed and there's something glorious in that you see to offer christ to ungodly men is to cast pearls before swine but when he offered himself to his father oh what an acceptable sacrifice it was it was ordained in the purposes of god the lamb slain before the foundation of the world and he offered himself and it speaks to us of the absolute willingness and readiness how ready was jesus to die he said his face is a flint to go to jerusalem to enter into his suffering that he might save his church and the lovely words of the prophet he shall see of the travel of his soul we see the outward sufferings of his body but what of the travel of his soul he who was holy harmless spotless undefiled separate from sinners and made higher than the heavens then to bear the sin of his church but you know he bore it and is the propitiation for our sins and we cannot fathom the glorious finished work of christ in the salvation of every sinner throughout the whole of time from adam to the end of time of how he bore that sin in his body on the tree but be certain of this if ever a sinner enters glory every single sin of thought word and deed was laid on christ of that sinner at calvary it was and i believe this that when the precious blood of christ is revealed in the heart there is peace known in the peace speaking blood of jesus christ i do believe that one sacrifice for sins forever and you know the apostle can't emphasize the once enough he says as it is appointed unto men once to die there is only that one that is the comparison once to die and after

this the judgment so christ was once offered the poor roman church teaches in her mass that the sacrifice takes place on every altar in every country throughout the whole world that every so called romish priest who has been blessed through some succession of bishops who have been blessed by the popes for generations back they turn the wafer the bread and wine into the body and blood of christ and they then perform the actual sacrifice and when you eat the bread and the wine and i've seen this in hospitals where the wafer has been given to dying men and women and one priest actually went to the one aircraft that crashed at london airport and put the wafer in the maze of all the dead passengers blasphemy absolute mockery one sacrifice for sins forever christ was once offered it was done on that cross at calvary and all my dear friends the blood of christ cleanses us from all sin do you know i believe i've known and to be able to say jesus thy blood and righteousness my beauty are my glorious spread older now it is to be known and here is this glorious truth proclaimed in the word of god this man after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever never to be repeated ever lovely words of jesus in that hour when he died he said it's finished it is finished whenever i quote those words my mind goes back to mr frost pastor of swindon bournemouth chapel good friday 1955 54 it is finished year before he died never forget that day if ever i saw the glory of those words i saw it at that anniversary it is finished all his work was done there and then and the truth that came from the cross of christ was this the blood of jesus christ cleanses us from all sins and john the divine was speaking because he had known that precious blood himself as it is appointed unto men once to die but after this judgment so christ was once offered to bear the sins of many and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself oh may these sacred truths sink deep into your heart not in the theory but in the practical experience relating to your your your your own soul that you may be able to come in with dear john and say the blood of jesus christ cleanses us me from all sin and you've heard me say this many times before but i repeat it tonight heaven's anthem is this unto him that loved us and washed us you'll never sing that anthem unless you've known that atoning blood here below one sacrifice for sin forever this man after he had offered one sacrifice for sin forever sat down on the right hand of god from hence forth expecting that his enemies be made his footstool for by one offering one offering there on the cross of calvary one offering he hath perfected forever oh what a word he did they're ready

for heaven washed in the blood of Christ closed in his spotless obedience the last thread of that obedience was this he was obedient unto death even the death of the cross and that is their obedience that is their obedience and so we read regarding him by one offering he hath perfected forever them that are sanctified that is prepared for heaven lovely word sanctified by the which will we read it in the chapter tonight we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Christ of Jesus Christ once for all or as we are united to him by precious faith which is his divine gift we shall receive those glorious benefits which he obtained on the cross of calvary for his dear church that is the atonement the reconciliation we shall be reconciled to his father as we are united to

Jesus the vine says to him life health and righteousness too and as united to him we shall be prepared for glory and he who brings us through this time state will take us through the Jordan of death and land us in that glorious heavenly city where there is no sin no sorrow no suffering no grief no separation no going out for they go in never to go out again and God himself we read regarding that blessed city will wipe away all tears from their eyes the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared to the glory which shall be revealed in us in his dear children whom he has eternally loved and for whom he died but this man after he had offered one sacrifice for sins forever sat down on the right hand of the majesty on high it only ng i i