

. . *Was it for me?*

Tracing the Scarlet Thread,
. . through human history.

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1. The Creation.

Genesis 1:1

In the beginning God
created the heavens and the earth.

Psalm 24:1

The earth is the Lord's and all it contains;
the world, and those who dwell in it

2. The Commandment.

As sovereign ruler, God decreed:

Genesis 2:17

The Lord God commanded the man, saying,
“. . .*but of the tree of the knowledge of
good and evil you shall not eat, for
in the day that you eat
of it you shall
surely die.*”

3. The Choice.

Man will choose either to obey or to disobey
God's sovereign authority and commands.

Psalm 14:1

The fool has said in his heart,
“*There is no God.*”

Have you eaten from the tree,

. . *that I commanded you not to eat?*

4. The Crime.

Adam & Eve chose to disobey God
and broke the one and only law in existence.

Their crime brought fear + death to all their descendants.

Genesis 3:9-11

The Lord God called to Adam, “*Where are you?*”
Adam said. “*I heard Your voice in the garden,
and I was afraid because I was naked;
and I hid myself.*”

And God said, “*Have you eaten from the tree
of which I commanded you that you
should not eat?*”

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5. The Conviction.

Guilty! Sin always produces death.

Death now entered the world and the earth is cursed.

Genesis 3:17

*"Because you . . . have eaten from the tree of
which I commanded you saying,
'You shall not eat of it'"*

The Soul who sins,

. . shall die.

6. The Confirmation of Sentence.

Ezekiel 18:20

. . the soul who sins shall die

The spirit died [access to God severed] immediately
and the body died at a future date.

Holy God, the perfect just Judge, imposed the death sentence
that perfect justice demanded, but, at the same time,
Holy God, the Perfect Compassionate Judge,
issued a stay of part of the sentence.

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Terms of a conditional Pardon are offered.

7. The Conditional Pardon.

Death of the physical body is still required, but a pardon from the penalty of eternal death of the soul, the separation from God forever, is conditionally offered to the convicted criminals and to their descendants who will receive the Terms of the Pardon.

Without the shedding of blood,
. . there is no forgiveness of sin.

Terms of the Pardon:

Saving faith in the life, death + resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's Son.

Hebrews 9:22

. . and without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness (of sin)

Leviticus 17:11

. . for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul

Romans 5:9

. . having been justified by Christ's blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him

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The Scarlet Thread begins:

8. The Covering.
God illustrated the horror of sin, which always results
in death, by a sacrifice of an innocent life.

Genesis 3:21

Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God made
tunics of skin, and clothed them.

The Scarlet Thread, one innocent animal dies,
. . for the sin of one person.

Genesis 3:8-13

And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden
in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves
from the presence of the Lord God among the
trees of the garden.

Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him,
"Where are you?"

So he said, *"I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid
because I was naked; and I hid myself."*

And He said, *"Who told you that you were naked? Have you
eaten from the tree of which I commanded you
that you should not eat?"*

Then the man said, *"The woman whom You gave to be with me,
she gave me of the tree, and I ate."*

And the Lord God said to the woman,
"What is this you have done?"

The woman said,
"The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

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9. The Passover Lamb.

Exodus 12:3-13

Speak to all the congregation of Israel, saying: 'On the tenth of this month every man shall take for himself a lamb, according to the house of his father, a lamb for a household. And if the household is too small for the lamb, let him and his neighbor next to his house take it according to the number of the persons; according to each man's need you shall make your count for the lamb.

Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel of the houses where they eat it.

Then they shall eat the flesh on that night; roasted in fire, with unleavened bread and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. Do not eat it raw, nor boiled at all with water, but roasted in fire—its head with its legs and its entrails. You shall let none of it remain until morning, and what remains of it until morning you shall burn with fire.

The Scarlet Thread, one lamb dies,
. . for the sins of the household.

And thus you shall eat it: with a belt on your waist, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand. So you shall eat it in haste. It is the Lord's Passover.

For I will pass through the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgment: I am the Lord.

Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, I will pass over you; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.

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An Annual Atonement

10. The Day of Atonement Goat & the Scapegoat.

Leviticus 16:15-19,34

Then he shall kill the goat of the sin offering, which is for the people, bring its blood inside the veil, do with that blood as he did with the blood of the bull, and sprinkle it on the mercy seat and before the mercy seat.

The Scarlet Thread, one animal dies,
. . for the sins of the entire nation.

So he shall make atonement for the Holy Place, because of the uncleanness of the children of Israel, and because of their transgressions, for all their sins; and so he shall do for the tabernacle of meeting which remains among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

And he shall go out to the altar that is before the Lord, and make atonement for it, and shall take some of the blood of the bull and some of the blood of the goat, and put it on the horns of the altar all around. Then he shall sprinkle some of the blood on it with his finger seven times, cleanse it, and consecrate it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

This shall be an everlasting statute for you, to make atonement for the children of Israel,

for all their sins, once a year.

And he did as the Lord commanded Moses.

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The Scarlet Thread . . . Completed.
The One Perfect Lamb
for the World

11. Perfect Lamb of God. Jesus Christ became the one lamb who died one time sufficient for the whole world.

The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "*Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*" (John 1:29).

12. Perfect Love Displayed. Jesus voluntarily submitted to being killed to give His life as a sacrifice for the sin of the entire world.

He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before its shearers is silent, so He opened not His mouth (Isaiah 53:7).

While we were still sinners, Christ,
. . the Lamb of God, Died for us!

13. Perfect Punishment Paid. Jesus died on the cross at Calvary to fulfill the requirement that "the soul who sins shall die." (Ezekiel 18:20)
His death was counted by God as the one acceptable substitute for all those who trust in him.

For God made Jesus who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him (2 Corinthians 5:21).

14. Perfect Substitute. Christ died in our place as our substitute.

For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. . . . but God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him (Romans 5:6-9) .

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The Great White Throne Judgment

Revelation 20:11-12

Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.

And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened,

which is the

Book of Life.

And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

Anyone not found written in the,

. . Book of Life . .

Those in Christ are born twice, but only die once. Those who die outside of Christ, are only born once, but must die twice.

Revelation 20:13-15

The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire.

This is the second death.

And anyone not found written in the

Book of Life

was cast into
the lake of fire.

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Only sinners need the shed blood,

. . of the perfect . .

Lamb of God, Jesus.

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The Moral Law of God: Exodus 20:3-17

And God spoke all these words, saying:

1. "You shall have no other gods before Me.
2. "You shall not make for yourself a carved image
— any likeness of anything
3. "You shall not take the
name of the Lord your God in vain,
for the Lord will not hold him guiltless
who takes His name in vain.
4. "Remember the Sabbath day
5. "Honor your father and your mother
6. "You shall not murder.
7. "You shall not commit adultery.
8. "You shall not steal.
9. "You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.
10. "You shall not covet

James 2:10

For whoever shall keep the whole law,
and yet stumble in one point,
he is guilty of all.

Only sinners need a Savior!

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul who sins shall die.

Matthew 22:13 There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Isaiah 59:2

But your iniquities have separated you from your God;
And your sins have hidden His face from you, . .
. . so that He will not hear.

I have broken the Moral Law of God and the just penalty for my willful sin is death.

3. Lord's Name in vain. Using "OMG" or "Jesus Christ" as a swear word, violates His law.
7. Adultery. *"Whoever looks at a woman to lust for her has already committed adultery."*
8. Steal. To steal anything makes me a thief.
9. False Witness. To ever lie about anything, makes me a liar.
10. Covet. To ever desire what someone else possesses makes me covetous.

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Galatians 3:23-28

But before faith came,

we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith
which would afterward be revealed. Therefore the
law was our tutor to bring us to Christ,
that we might be justified by faith.

But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor.

For you are all sons of God through faith in
Christ Jesus. For as many of you as
were baptized into Christ
have put on Christ.

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is
neither slave nor free, there is neither
male nor female; for you are
all one in Christ Jesus.

. . having forgiven you of all trespasses,
. . having nailed it to the cross.

Colossians 2:13-15

And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision
of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him,

having forgiven you all trespasses, having wiped

out the handwriting of requirements that was
against us, which was contrary to us.

And He has taken it out of the way,
having nailed it to the cross.

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2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone
is in Christ,
he is a new creation;
old things have passed away;
behold, all things have become new.

God is urging all people to

. . *come now to Jesus Christ!*

2 Peter 3:9-10

The Lord is . . not willing that any should perish
but that all should come to repentance.

But the day of the Lord will come
as a thief in the night,

in which the heavens will pass away
with a great noise, and the elements
will melt with fervent heat;

both the earth and the works that
are in it will be burned up.

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Acts 16:30,31

“Sirs, what must I do to be saved?”

So they said,

“Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ,

and you will be saved”

Have you heard in your heart the
voice of God,
. . calling you to be saved?

John 10:9

Then Jesus said to them again . .

“I am the door.

If anyone enters by Me,

He will be saved.”

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1. JESUS is GOD.

1 Timothy 3:16

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness:
God was manifested in the flesh, justified in the Spirit,
seen by angels, preached among the Gentiles,
believed on in the world,
received up in glory.

2. ALL SCRIPTURE, in the original languages, is GOD
inspired and nothing can be discarded.

2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is given by inspiration of
God, for reproof, for correction, and
is profitable for doctrine,
for instruction in
righteousness.

1. Jesus is God
2. All Scripture is Inspired

Saving Faith in Jesus Holds These Four Truths:

3. Jesus is Lord and all - sufficient Savior
[Saved by Grace, it is the gift of God, not of our works]
4. Jesus is the only Way to God, the Father

3. JESUS CHRIST is LORD and
requires ALL of one's life
to be given to HIM.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

You are not your own, for you
were bought with a price.
So glorify God in your body.

4. JESUS CHRIST is the Only Way. JESUS CHRIST alone, by Faith alone.

John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that
whoever believes in Him should not perish
but have everlasting life.

John 14:6

Jesus said to him,

*"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes
to the Father except through Me."*

1 Timothy 2:3-6

God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to
the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and
one Mediator between God and men, the
Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself
a ransom for all.

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“Lord Jesus Christ, up until this very moment, all of my life has been completely wrapped up in ‘me’ . . . my wants, my desires, my will, my way, my timing.

I now see that all that produced was sin. I have offended You, Almighty God, and harmed others by my self-centeredness.

I am broken-hearted and devastated by the truth that I have withheld from You what is rightfully Yours, all that I am and all that You have placed in my hands.

I now understand that everything belongs to You for Your control and not for my control.

I have rebelled against Your will and have chosen to take my own way to my hurt and to the hurt of those around me.

I solemnly choose to let go of everything in my life and give all completely to You, the rightful Sovereign Owner.

My Prayer, expressing my desire to say “Yes”

. . .to Jesus calling me to Him!

*Would You please draw me now to Yourself,
forgive me and give me Your life?*

*Please send the Holy Spirit to give me the promised new birth
and seal me as Your child and as Your very own
purchased possession for all eternity.*

*Please give me Your supernatural joy and peace which
You promised and that confirms that You
have accepted my plea.*

*Dear Lord and Savior, I have counted the cost,
knowing this requires all of me forever.*

*I am so very thankful that You are always pleased to receive
and accept any and every person that comes to You
on these terms of absolute surrender of self.”*

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Luke 13:23,24

Then one said to Jesus,

“Lord, are there few who are saved?”

And He said to them,

*“Strive to enter through
the narrow gate,
for many,
I say to you,
will seek to enter
and will not be able.”*

Will you now trust in Jesus Christ

. . and what He did for you?

Acts 4:12

“Nor is there salvation in any other,

*for there is no other name [Jesus Christ]
under heaven given among men by which*

we must be saved.”

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When you have heard God's voice asking as He asked Adam, "*Where are you?*" (Genesis 3:9); when you have been arrested by your conscience and have been convicted by God, the Holy Spirit (John 16:8), of your sin, this page is your declaration of that event.

When God has spoken to you and you have asked Jesus Christ to be the Savior and Lord of your life, you will feel compelled to make it known (Romans 10:9).

Salvation is a Private Event occurring in the heart and no one except you and God can confirm it has happened (cf. Mark 4:13-20).

Even though salvation is a Private Event, being a follower of Christ requires a Public Profession. Jesus makes no option available to His followers to be undercover Christians (Romans 10:9).

"So everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before My Father who is in heaven, but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 10:32).

When you have heard God's voice,
. . *tell somebody!*

Asking Jesus Christ to save you: [or similar words expressed by your own personality].

Lord Jesus, I know I am a sinner, and my sin separates me from God. Because God, the Father, loves me, He sent You to pay the penalty for my sin by dying on the cross to restore me to fellowship with Himself (1 John 1:9).

I ask you to forgive my sins and give me eternal life (Luke 11:13).

It is my deepest desire to love You and obey Your Words (Romans 10:9-10).
Rejoice!

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Tell Somebody!

Name of Person Told:

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*It was for me, Y&S, all for me!
O love of God, so great so free!
O wondrous love, O marvelous grace,
He died for me, He took my place!*

Was it for me, for me alone,
The Savior left His glorious throne,
The dazzling splendors of the sky?
Was it for me He came to die?

Was it for me sweet angel strains
Came floating o'er Judea's plains,
That starlit night so long ago?
Was it for me God planned it so?

Was It For Me?

. . Yes, all for me!

Was it for me the Savior said,
"Pillow thy weary, aching head,
Trustingly on thy Savior's breast?"
Was it for me? Can I thus rest?

Was it for me He wept and prayed,
My load of sin before Him laid
That night within Gethsemane?
Was it for me, that agony?

Was it for me He bowed His head
Upon the cross, and freely shed
His precious blood—that crimson tide?
Was it for me the Savior died?

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