

Our Master's Suffering in Death Atoned for our Sins

“Can our Father demand spiritual suffering in death, if our Master's suffering was only on the cross?” Can our Father send those who reject Messiah or break the everlasting covenant (the second covenant after Adam sinned) to the second death, or to the eternal lake of fire, if Messiah has not suffered in their place in death as a substitutionary sacrifice? His was a *substitutionary sacrifice*, which can sound like a religious term, but it simply means that He suffered on our behalf. Will the fact that He suffered on the cross pay the death penalty for humans?

The wages of sin is not *dying*, but *death* (Rom 6:2-5). Our Master physically died on the cross. He certainly suffered much pain. He was beaten, lashed, mocked, had His beard pulled out, a crown of thorns pushed on His head, and He was crucified, with two others on either side of Him. Will that alone atone for our sins?

His suffering on the cross was a means to an end. A lamb, in order for it to atone for your sins (as a substitute, looking forward to our Master), had to die. You were still guilty of your sins until all the blood drained out of the lamb. Then, the lamb died. It was still alive until all the blood drained out.

You will see when we kill some of our cattle, sheep, or goats, to feed ourselves. If we do it right, having a good relationship with our animals, the goat or cow or lamb will be looking right at you and won't even know it is bleeding, and will just “go to sleep.” It hardly even knows it is dying.

Certainly, an animal can't go into death and pay for your sins, but it looked forward to our Master's death. It showed what a sacrifice was. For the person who really, truly, laid his hands on that sacrifice, it would count for him when our Master did come, even if it was a thousand years later. That is, if he had really sacrificed his best animal and was totally remorseful for his sins.

A lot of people think that our Master didn't go into death. They think that He just suffered on the cross and that was all it took. Some people say that since we are saved by His blood, when it drained out of Him, that was all it took. But that was a means to an end, for His blood had to drain out of His Body in order for Him to die and go into death. There are so many places where it talks about our Master's suffering in death, where He would be in death, in the center of the earth, for three days and three nights (Mt 12:40).

Acts 2:24 says that He suffered "pangs" in death, and that death couldn't hold Him. When He had paid for our sins He came forth, and life was breathed back into Him. He was an immortal living being then, as we will be immortal someday. Our spiritual life is immortal, of course, but then our body will never be able to die. He can't die again and we will never be able to die again.

It was His death – not just His dying. He had to die in order to go to death, like we would have. If people are dying every day and going to death, how could just His dying pay for sins? It can't. He had to be a substitute on our behalf. He went into death on our behalf. He had to suffer *in death*.

Death is a Place

Death is not dying. Death is a place you go after you die. Death is a place for disembodied spirits. It is a chamber. After you go into it, there is no way out until you pay the last cent, if you can. There can't be any pardon at all. It is age-lasting if a person can pay for his sins in death. The wages of sin is death, whether you can pay for it or not, making it a temporary or eternal death. Death is death and it is the most horrible thing you can imagine. There is nothing you can even compare with it. That is what we are saved from, through our Master, as 2 Cor 5:15 says (it is one of our favorite verses).

"He died for all." He died, yes. You have to die before you can go to death. They get that mixed up. There are so many places where it talks about suffering in death, how

He went to death for us, on our behalf, “that we would no longer live for ourselves, but for Him who rose again *from* death.”

Shemiyah – He ascended and led forth the captives (Eph 4:8-10). He bound the strong man and then plundered his goods (Mt 12:29). He had to go into his house to do that.

There was no substitutionary type of sacrifice until Abraham established the nation. I guess you might say that until Abraham that there were only two eternal destinies. After Abraham established the holy nation there were three, and his was the third category — the holy.

Our Father told Adam, “In the day you eat of that tree, you will die.” Therefore, he died spiritually in Gen 2:17, but he didn’t die physically until he was nine hundred and thirty years old. Then, where did he go? He went into death. It is just according to how he lived his life, whether he will go to a second death or not. Gen 2:9,17 only means the *first death*. If they have enough human worth left in them, they can pay for their sins in death. Otherwise, they will go to the second death, and that is eternal.

Our Master suffered and died. He was mistreated in every way. We are not belittling that at all. It is marvelous and wonderful how He suffered under the cruelty of humans. But then, on the cross, at the time He was about to die, our Father had to forsake Him. He went into death after that. Our Master asked, “Why have You forsaken Me?” He forsook Him because He took all of our sins upon Himself. That is when our Father had to turn His face from Him. He had to take our punishment, that we deserved, upon Himself, and go into death and pay for it, and rise again. Then He would never die again. There is a lot to this, and it needs to be elaborated on so that others can see it.

Confessing Him as Lord

Most people only receive Him as Savior, or receive *a Jesus* as a Savior, but never could confess, or even consider what confessing Him as Lord really means. If you confess with your mouth and believe in your heart (Rom 10:9-10) you will be saved. If you don’t

confess Him as your Sovereign, you are not saved. If you just think He is going to take you to heaven because He is your Savior and you have asked Him to come into your heart or something, you are in for a rude awakening. That is *not* confessing Him as *Sovereign*. He has to be the Sovereign of your life, meaning that you live no longer for yourself but for Him (2 Cor 5:15).

We are baptized into His death, totally identifying with Him, as Rom 6 says:

Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it? Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Messiah Yahshua were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Messiah was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection. (Rom 6:2-5)

He was raised from the dead. Life was breathed into Him. Life was breathed into us when we were born, or reborn. It is a great mystery and our Father has to reveal it to us.

Can our Father demand spiritual suffering for man in death if His Son's suffering was only on the cross? The suffering on the cross was great and awesome, but it's not as if other people haven't gone through similar suffering. This is not to take away from His suffering on the cross. A lot of true disciples will suffer, and have suffered in the past. Our Master had to go to death. Our Master couldn't pay for my sin without going to death. My death would have to do it, if it could, unless He experienced it for me.

When you say "the blood" it always means every ounce and drop of His blood was shed because you are alive until the blood drains out of your body. On the cross, the sin of the world came upon Him and our Father turned His face from Him and He went into death, as a man. Only a man can substitute for another man. God sent His Son to the cross. As a matter of fact, after He rose from the dead, He was declared the Son of God (Rom 1:4).

He sent the Word into the world to dwell in that human spirit of our Master, being one with Him. When the sin of the world came upon Him, when our sins came upon our Master, that divinity had to depart, and as it says in 1 Tim 2:5, it was the *man* Yahshua who paid for our sins. It was not the God, Yahshua. In Lk 1:35 they say the Holy Spirit imparted the divine Spirit into the womb of Mary and therefore this human came out. That is how they think, but it was not that way at all.

The Holy Spirit imparted a *preserved human seed* to Miriam, but it was not from Adam. God, who created man and breathed into him a human spirit and soul, imparted all the DNA of a human being without sin to Miriam. And to Miriam was born a human being. It had to be a human being, or He couldn't have atoned for our sins. It had to be another human being atoning for our sins. He paid the price. He is the second Adam, but He didn't sin.

1 Tim 2:5 – “For *there is* one God and one Mediator between God and men, *the Man* Yahshua.” That is the humanity who sacrificed, who paid the price, who didn't sin, even though He was tempted more so than we are individually. Yahshua was a man. But He was the incarnation of God, or the Word, which is divinity. Divinity never came into being, but the human, Yahshua, came into being. He was born in Bethlehem. A lot of people say that Jesus Christ was always with the Father, from the beginning.

Yahshua was reunited with the divine Word when He was resurrected from the dead, the divine Word came to His human spirit and soul and would never, ever depart again. He would never die again, it says.

Shemiyah – It says in Col 1:19 that, “It was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him” – for all the fullness of the Godhead to dwell in the man, Yahshua.

It is the same with us. We are the same as He. The Spirit dwells in us. The Spirit dwells in Him. He had to be exactly like we are going to be, or He couldn't have been

our substitute and He couldn't be our brother. We have to understand that. They say, "Hail Mary, the mother of God," but she wasn't the mother of God.

Miriam was the mother of the man, Yahshua. God was never born. He came into the world in the man, Yahshua, as He said, "For this cause I came into the world, for this cause I was born" (Jn 18:37). He was born as a man, but the Word came into the world to dwell in Him. So, it's the same with us. When we were baptized, when we surrendered and confessed He was Sovereign, then He came to make His home in us, and that is incarnation. And we no longer lived for ourselves, but for everything He wants us to do.

But we still have that flesh we have to deal with. We still have to overcome. We can stop seeking our Master, and put our mind on the flesh, and start loving the world. All these things are continually before us, as we sang in the song tonight about enduring. It is wonderful that it is that way, isn't it? It wouldn't make any sense if we didn't have to endure for Him and love Him.

It wouldn't make sense if God created Adam and he didn't have any thought about sinning or doing anything. It would have been ridiculous. A lot of people have trouble with God that He allows Satan to tempt them. But He is going to have a universe full of man who is only going to be worthy because he is worthy. He is not going to have anyone there who doesn't love His Creator. There won't be one person who doesn't want to do our Father's will.

There are people in the world who live by their conscience and hate what they do that is bad. Paul actually wasn't talking in Romans 7 about himself at that present time, but how it was before he received the Holy Spirit: "Who will deliver him from this body of death?" Well, he was delivered and set his mind on the Spirit and lived, walked according to the Spirit.

People Sitting in Ignorance (Darkness)

There are a lot of people sitting in darkness. Darkness simply means ignorance. People are sitting in ignorance, and somehow we have to enlighten them. We have to be enlightened ourselves before we can enlighten the people sitting in darkness (sitting in ignorance). Christians are in ignorance. Jehovah Witnesses are in ignorance. Mormons are in ignorance.

We saw a Mormon today who was very old. She is better than a Christian, in regards to the things she said to us that seemed to be what Christians never see, about who we are and what has happened in our lives for the last thirty years. It happened to be ha-êmeq's aunt. She is in the hospital and could die, and her husband, too. She sees the things that we have done. At least she saw something done by the Lord, God, the Creator. She is not a real devoted Mormon. She is just seeking God. She doesn't even go to church anymore. Our Father will have mercy on people like that. They are in ignorance, sitting in darkness.

We were listening to someone who was talking about public radio, and how not too long ago they allowed an influential Christian preacher to talk about church and state. He talked about how four hundred million Christians would disappear off the face of the earth at the Rapture. And then the radio host said he didn't believe it, but thought it would be good if it could happen to get rid of those four hundred million born-again Christians. That just fired those Christians up. The whole Rapture theory says that at any time He is going to come and rapture those four hundred million Christians off the planet earth. And some people would love to see them go. They see that they have caused so much trouble. They have caused all the wars down through the centuries. The blood is on their head (Rev 18:24).

It would have been good if everyone had been Deists. As soon as they become Christians then that's where the killing starts. That demon allows wars. Christians take

up the sword and start killing and say, “We are justified.” Yes, maybe they would be justified if they just believed in the Creator and not in Jesus, for Jesus said not to pick up the sword (Mt 26:52; Jn 18:11). That is the problem right there. We will be talking about this in Open Forums. If you take up the sword, you are totally disobedient as a holy nation of people.

The Word of God

We are the sons of God. He is the Son of God, and we're the sons of God, like He is. Jn 1:1 is speaking about the Word of God, who never came into being. Yahshua, the *man*, came into being, and the Word of God dwelt in Yahshua, the human. They were organically united. He had to keep His communion with the Word of God in Him, the Spirit in Him, in order to carry out His Father's will — what to say and how to say it; what to do, and how to do it. He spoke just what His Father told Him to speak.

His humanity had to respond to the Word within Him. That is why He could be our Savior, because He did that. It wasn't because He was God walking on earth and there wasn't any humanity there, or no submission to divinity within Him. He had to submit to divinity continually, praying to our Father all the time to keep Him without sin. He learned obedience through the things He suffered (Heb 5:8).

Elliot – There had to be an example that a man could do it, so that we could do it.

That is right.

Elliot – That is the whole reason He went to death and was raised, so that when He sent His Spirit there would be a Spirit who enabled other human beings to do all those same things.

Yes. We are going to say, “Yahshua, thank you for doing this. YOU DID IT! You kept Your communion with our Father.” It was not that *God* did it. Of course, God could do it. It would be no trouble for Him to do it. But it was a *human being* who did it, our Master, our brother. We are His brothers. He has many brothers (Heb 2:10-11). That is

why we can love Him for doing this. He made the sacrifice for our sake. We are not taking away anything from Him. We are giving Him everything that He is.

He is portrayed as God walking on earth with this halo around His head. And you would be killed unless you said, "Hail Mary, Mother of God." Really, they used to kill people who wouldn't say that Mary was the mother of God. Can you imagine that? You can see that a demon is working there somewhere, murdering and killing.

Jeremiah – It seems like the way they make Him out to be that there is no reason to appreciate Him. He just floated along. He floated right to the cross and floated right down to death and back up. What you said really spoke to me. He was a man and He did it. It's just like the struggle we have to go through. We have to be one and we have to use our will in tune with our spirit, for our emotions might go the other way. We have to latch onto our Master. I know it is not easy, but it is doable. The grace is there for us to do it. It is only those who are worthy who are going to be there, who love Him. We will love Him all the more the more we understand His sacrifice. We will understand His sacrifice more the more we actually overcome evil, for we will realize what He went through.

An Example for Us

That is right. He did it as an example for us. We have the same source to draw from. We have the same Father we pray to. I know that we are weak. Our flesh is weak, but we don't live by the flesh, but by the Spirit.

When that slave master came to you, what was the slave supposed to do? 1 Pet 2:18 — What are you supposed to do? Treat your supervisors, even your crew heads when they are in the flesh, the same way that slaves were to treat their masters.

Servants, be submissive to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the harsh. For this is commendable, if because of conscience toward God one endures grief, suffering wrongfully. (1 Pet 2:18-19)

Just think how many Châmites are going to be in the nations because they were good people. The majority were good people and the majority of slave masters were good. Certainly, there were bad ones, but the good ones had a good community going

together. They were working. It would be ridiculous for a slave master to go around ruthlessly beating his slaves. That would be the worst thing that could happen. The only reason they would, according to the Bible, is that the slaves weren't doing their part, or they were lazy or rebellious. You can imagine how many former slaves there will be in the nations. Our Father will reward Châm, even though the curse came upon him in the beginning.

For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that you should follow His steps. (1 Pet 2:21)

Shemiyah – It was the compassion and mercy of our Father that Châm had that curse. Those slaves were good people. A man that was born in one of those houses and worked on one of those farms had a good opportunity to be in the nations. The Châmites that are born in Los Angeles, what opportunity do they have to be in the nations? Almost none. They are stuck. It was our Father's mercy toward Châm that they could be slaves.

I hate to say it, but almost the greatest thing that could happen to most babies conceived today would be if they were aborted by their mothers, so they don't have to be raised to be worthy of the Lake of Fire.

If you look at history, when these Europeans went and bought slaves, you will see another picture than the one people have now. Slave means a bought person. The evil connotation of slave is wrong today. You know who they got in Africa? They got the ones who were being mistreated so badly by their other "brothers," being slaves to them. It says, "Cursed be Canaan; a servant of servants He shall be to his brothers." (Gen 9:25)

There were bad circumstances coming across the ocean (for they tried to fit as many people on board as they could), but they delivered them from the HORRIBLE life they had over there. They were sold by their brothers, their Châmite brothers. They were brought to America to live under a civilized people, working on farms and plantations to establish a nation. The servant slaves took care of the master's children. They trained them. They made them obey. They have that in them to do that.

There are so many wonderful good people, like that Châmite you talked to the other day who was humble and submissive. He won your heart. An arrogant Châmite is not so. Wives, submit to your husbands in the same way (1 Pet 3:1), and you will win them. It is an amazing thing that the last will be first. It is going to happen in this age. You are going to see Châm come in. Our Father is not going to forsake Châm. He will bring him into Messiah. He will erase that thing that has been on them from years and years back.

Ha-êmeq – There is not supposed to be disrespect on the earth. It came in through Châm. That had to be done away with. The problem is the disrespect, whether it is from a child to his parents, in a woman towards her husband, or a slave to his master – it doesn't matter – that disrespect has to be cast out. It brings CHAOS into the universe. It breaks up the atoms and undoes the whole good order of the universe, because there is just this person who has exalted himself, saying, "What are you doing, telling me what to do?"

That is it, right there — get it out of here! It is the worst thing that ever happened in the universe. We don't want it here, no matter what. We are all slaves of our Master and we are all submissive. We all submit to one another. We submit to our husbands. We submit to our parents, our crew heads, in the kitchen, on the chore list, all the time. That is it. We are just submissive. We love one another.

Châm, or Canaan, had to win their masters by their respect. That is why so many Châmite slaves loved their masters in the South – 85%. They were loyal to them. It was the 15% that caused all of the ruckus.

Deshe – I was thinking a lot about Châm last night. Who knows who the first Châmite disciple was? Ebed Melech (Joseph Dunklin) – he used to talk to me at the Yellow Deli. He brought conviction to me. Later, he was really going through some of the iniquities of Châm and he convinced us that he needed to go away for a time. We allowed him to go, without a Body meeting or a judgment meeting. We were reprov'd about it and disciplined. We were so sad. We tried to get hold of him to tell him to come back. We lost touch with him for ten or eleven years. Then he called and had been almost killed, almost beaten to death in Minneapolis.

Ebed Melech would tell us, “You fellas think you’re cool, but clothes do not make the man.” I threw away the fancy clothes and said, “Joe is right, this isn’t for believers.”

Ebed Melech grew up in Selma, Alabama, the birthplace of the Civil Rights Movement. He was born in a sharecropper’s cabin. He had nineteen brothers and sisters. He was the first. Look at him, how he serves. Then look at the next — it was the first Châmite family to come in — Lo-Nekar. Then Yochanan Abraham came, and what a struggle he went through. And then Amacyah, the burden of YHWH. He really has the grasp of Châm. Then Ozziel and Habakkuk. Ozziel had to chase Kephir down. Châm is going to be powerful. This is just the beginning.

When we were just a fledgling little people and more and more people were coming in, we would get a house and another house, and we didn’t have any money. Joe came in and we didn’t think he had a dime. He gave us \$1,700, which was a whole lot of money 30 years ago. It was everything he had. He laid it right at our feet and that got us off the ground. Our Father saved him and he gave all he had. He is the steward of the *Avany* now. Everyone loves him.

So, you all write to Joe and appreciate him. He is really a joy. That is how Châm is and was. They are servants. Their masters gave them great authority in the house. Let us pray for Châm. They are in the streets of the big cities, rebellious. That stuff is in them, but in other places you go they are very submissive and humble and will win your heart. Let’s pray for them, for otherwise they are going to the second death. We need them. Châm is essential.