Penal Substitution of Lord Christ for His Body

- ** Beginning Remarks
- ** Scripture Reading: Mat 26:57-27:26
 - 1. Atonement of the sinless lamb
 - 1) In the OT, there is a foreshadowing of atonement of Jesus Christ.
 - woman's offspring, clothes made of animal skin /blood sacrifice of Abel, Noah, and Abraham /blood of Israel on the night of the Passover /Israel's blood sacrifice in the Tabernacle / 《Lev 1:4, 17:11》 Atonement of the lamb for the unrighteousness of the people of God ...
 - 《Isi 53:4-6》 Surely he took up our infirmities and carried sorrows, yet we considered him stricken by God, smitten by him, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was upon him, and by his wounds we are healed. We all, like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. ...
 - 2) What Jesus Christ's judgment has testified to =the Lamb of God

He did not open his mouth nor answer -- \lceil He was oppressed and afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; he was led like a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. \rfloor 《Acts 8:32,Isi 53:7》

The righteous with no sin -- \lceil I am innocent of this man's blood, he said. It's your responsibility \rfloor 《太 27:24》

He admitted that he was \[\son of God, the Christ, and King of the Jews \]
He also said, \[\[\square \] you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Mighty One and coming on the clouds of heaven \]

- 3) The Lamb of God representing all the people of God who have been called and accomplishing the work of the atonement
 - In history he physically suffered the most severe punishment, complete death and burial for three days. Thereafter he was raised from the dead.
- Need to confirm that I endure with Christ judgment, suffering, death, burial and resurrection...
 - 2. Without shedding of blood there is no forgiveness. <Heb 9:22>
 - 1) We have to know what it means to be bound by "the law of sin, the law of death and the law of condemnation".
 - We cannot free ourselves from the power of Satan; "He who does what is sinful is of the devil, because the devil has been sinning from the beginning." <1Jn 3:8>
 - We cannot free ourselves from the power of condemnation; "because the prince of this world now stands condemned." <Jn 16:10>
 - We cannot free ourselves from the power of death; "for when you eat of it you will surely die." <Gen 2:17>/ "for the wages of sin is death." <Rom 6:23>
 - We cannot free ourselves from the fate of condemnation; "Because you have done this, cursed are you." <Gen 3:14>

- ** all the problems of man come from sin = sinning/there's no solution
- ** All men live in bondage to the prince of this world, Satan, i.e., ruler of the kingdom of the air (rulers, authorities, the powers of this world)...
- Regions, nations, and generations that have not been reached all practice idol worshipping, demon worshipping and dragon worshipping.
- # Fortune tellers say that man is controlled by 13000 fates (fate of longevity, health, marriage, heir and business...)
- When a man believes in I Ching, Taiji, Yin Yang, Ba Zi (Chinese Astrologic Chart), Bagua (map), Tiangan Shi Er Zhi (ten elements and twelve celestial trunks), Feng Shui (the law of heaven and earth) and fortune telling, he will be bound by what he hears.

historical evidence/problems plaguing religious people and their families as well as regions where religions are in practice

- 2) Only by Christ's atonement will man be freed from bondage of all kinds.
- * hardening of Pharaoh's heart←> release on Passover night=hardening of Satan←>Atonement of Jesus Christ
- All God's people were bound by Egypt and this world until they heard the gospel of Jesus Christ
- 3) "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death." <Rom 8:1-2>
- * At the moment one understands and believes the gospel of Jesus Christ, Satan's deception, lies and accusations lose their power...
- How does Satan deceive us: God is a terrible judge/you can only be saved by good deeds/you have to worship idols, demons and false gods to receive blessing.
- * The law of sin and death binds man in the old way of the written code (the law), causing man to become increasingly powerless, sin and feel accused. <Rom 7:18-25>
- 4) What is the law of the Spirit of life? <Rom 5:1-8; 6:1-14; 7:6; 8:1-39; 9:15; 10:13-17; 12:1-2>
- -> God is a loving and holy father/only the children of God who are called can be blessed and saved.
- -> only the children of God who are called have the opportunity to hear the gospel, believe upon hearing, and change upon believing because they are humble in heart, mourn, are meek, hunger and thirst for righteousness, are merciful, pure in heart and peacemakers, and love the righteousness of the kingdom of heaven.
- -> firmly believing that I am the beloved child of God and that God will forever love me, lead me and bless me.
- -> Therefore I am able to understand the mystery of the Word becoming flesh in Jesus Christ, his death and resurrection, and his reigning on the throne and to receive born again life.
- -> Therefore, I firmly believe God has prepared for me the eternal promise and inheritance (four evangelizations and his presence).
- → All of God's given eternal promise and inheritance is hidden in my conditions. Therefore, I need to strive to find "God's good will" in order to

follow him.

- → To pray everyday and for everything in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests and to follow the leading of the Lord (to glorify God, build up man and establish kingdom)
- 3. To live a life in Christ Jesus, more than that of a conqueror, in accordance with the law of life and the H.S.
 - 1) Jesus Christ persevered in his physical suffering for all of his body so that they could live a full and happy life more than that of a conqueror.
 - 2) How can I enjoy the eternal blessing for the rest of my life that Lord Christ has prepared for me in his suffering and death?

Confirmed evidence: beloved forever, complete freedom, absolute answer, the biggest success, the law of life and the H.S.

- in the entire Bible, God continues to emphasize "remembrance" (do not forget) /notice the emphasis in the first chapter of each of the books in the Bible
- maintain: peace with God the Father = test and approve God's good will in order to follow him /cleanse that which is unrighteous and keep holy /rid all the accusations of the enemy
- God always emphasizes that, 「you have to live a life focusing on the Altar, the Tabernacle and the Temple (prayers)」/「offer sacrifices morning and evening and examine ourselves」/「cleanse ourselves of unrighteousness」/「Do not give the devil a foothold, drive out the demons」/「guard our hearts and mind」...

expect and grow: firmly believe in God's eternal promise /live a vision-driven life/also believing that tomorrow will be better/ready to face faithfully what is given us at any time with the mindset of "Each day has enough trouble of its own"/give thanks for having seen what we hope for is being accomplished

-But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem... to the ends of the earth/God will finish what he has started/God will accomplish what you can imagine and pray for...

- 3) More terrible than sinning is not knowing how to reconcile to God.
 - God has prepared for us the Fellowship Offering for he knows our weakness.
- Blessed is he whose transgressions are forgiven, whose sins are covered. <Ps 32:1>/If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. <1Jn 1:9>
- And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. <Rom 8:28>
- If God is for us, who can be against us? Who will bring any charge against those whom God has chosen? It is God who justifies. Who is he that condemns? Christ Jesus, who died-more than that, who was raised to life-is at the right hand of God and is also interceding for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? <Rom 8:31-39>

- ** Prayer Topics of the Week
- 1. At the moment one understands and believes the gospel of Jesus Christ, Satan's deception, lies and accusations lose their power: Have I had such experience? In what area does Satan deceive me? Before I heard the gospel, what was my life like?
- 2. What is the law of the Spirit of Life and the Holy Spirit? Do I know that I have received a new life in the law of the Spirit of life and the Holy Spirit? Do I know the mysteries of how, in all my conditions, to test and approve God's good will and walk with God, to have a positive view about myself and to love others? What is my procedure for all this?
- 3. How can I enjoy my whole life the eternal blessings that Lord Christ has prepared for me in his suffering and death? Have I had a firm grasp of the secrets of "confirming, maintaining, hoping and growing" outlined in 3(2) above? At present, am I completely reconciled to God my Father?