The Divine Exchange: 9 Aspects of the Cross: Lesson 2

A. Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering He has perfected for all time those who are sanctified.

B. 3 Things:
1. The death of Jesus on the cross was a sacrifice, ordained by God in which Jesus as priest offered Himself on behalf of the entire human race to God the Father
2. This was a perfect sacrifice. Nothing was omitted. Nothing will ever have to be added. Every need of every descendant of Adam has been totally provided for through that one sacrifice of Jesus on the cross
3. The cross is the center of all God’s provision. The whole gospel is centered on the cross.

C. What is our problem? Isaiah 53:4-6 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried ; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities ; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed. All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way ; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all To fall on Him.
   1. Iniquity: Rebellion. All of us – no one is excluded
   2. The Good News. God has laid on Jesus the iniquity, the rebellion of us all. All people, of all races, of all ages. Our iniquity, our rebellion came upon Jesus as He hung on the cross
   3. The Hebrew word for iniquity is avon. It means not only rebellion, but all the evil consequences of rebellion; the punishment of rebellion and all that rebellion brings on those who are guilty
   4. The Lord laid on Jesus the rebellion of us all, the punishment for our rebellion, and all the evil consequences of our rebellion.

Divine Exchange: At the cross of Jesus an exchange took place, divinely ordained and predicted by God. Very simple, but the most profound event in the universe. All the evil due, by justice, to come to us came on Jesus so that all the good due to Jesus earned by His sinless obedience might be made available to us.

Nine specific aspects of the divine exchange:

1) Jesus was punished that I might be forgiven
   Ephesians 1:7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our
trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

2) Jesus was wounded that I might be healed
Isaiah 53:4-5 Surely our griefs He Himself bore, And our sorrows He carried ; Yet we ourselves esteemed Him stricken, Smitten of God, and afflicted. 5But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities ; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.
1 Peter 2:24 and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness ; for by His wounds you were healed

3) Jesus was made sin with my sinfulness that I might be made righteous with His righteousness
2 Corinthians 5:21 He made Him who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.
Isaiah 61:10 I will rejoice greatly in the LORD, My soul will exult in my God ; For He has clothed me with garments of salvation, He has wrapped me with a robe of righteousness, As a bridegroom decks himself with a garland, And as a bride adorns herself with her jewels.

4) Jesus died my death that I might share His Life
John 10:10 "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy ; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.
1 Corinthians 15:45-47 So also it is written, "The first MAN, Adam, BECAME A LIVING SOUL." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit. However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural ; then the spiritual. The first man is from the earth, earthy ; the second man is from heaven.

5) Jesus was made a curse that I might receive the blessing
Galatians 3: 1 You foolish Galatians, who has bewitched you, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was publicly portrayed as crucified ? 13-14 Christ redeemed us from the curse of the Law, having become a curse for us-for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO HANGS ON A TREE "- 14 in order that in Christ Jesus the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we would receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.
Genesis 24:1 Now Abraham was old, advanced in age ; and the LORD had blessed Abraham in every way.

6) Jesus endured my poverty that I might share His abundance
2 Corinthians 8:9 For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though He was rich, yet for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich.
2 Corinthians 9:8 And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that always having all sufficiency in everything, you may have an abundance for every good deed ;

7) Jesus bore my shame that I might share His glory
Isaiah 53:5 But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities ; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.
Hebrews 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things, and through whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to perfect the author of their salvation through sufferings.
Hebrews 12:2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God

8) Jesus endured my rejection that I might have His acceptance
John 1:11 He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him.
Ephesians 1:3-6 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

9) My old man was crucified in Him that the new man might come to life in me
Romans 6:6-11 knowing this, that our old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin; for he who has died is freed from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, is never to die again; death no longer is master over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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