

Sermon Guide

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sermon discussion questions

"The Atoning Work of Jesus"

- What is the most difficult sacrifice or decision that you've ever had to make?
- How did this decision test your faith?
- How did the results of that decision confirm and/or challenge your faith?
- How did Christ eliminate the need for the ritual of sacrifice? Why is this significant to believers?
- To what does "good things" (v. 11) refer? How have you experienced "good things" from Jesus in your life?
- How does Jesus' sacrifice compare to the old system? Why is it superior?
- What are some good things that people have done in efforts to make themselves right before God?
- What about you? Are you ever tempted to try and make yourself right before God based on something you've done? Why do you think we have that tendency?
- List some common religious attitudes or rituals we depend on, thinking they will keep us right with God. How can you lay this aside and trust more fully in Christ?
- How has God's forgiving mercy influenced your walk with Christ? What does God's promise of a new covenant say about His love for you?

preschool
questions

- What is sin?
- Do you sin?
- What does Jesus do with your sin?

student
questions

- How does Jesus' work on the cross "ransom" you?
- How does Jesus' work on the cross "cleanse" you?
- How does Jesus' work on the cross lay a "claim" on you?
- What does it mean for Jesus to pay your debt?

elementary
questions

- Do you sin? Name some specific ways you sin.
- Why is sin a problem?
- Pastor Andrew talked about "atonement." What does that word mean?
- What does Jesus do with your sin?

