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Memory Verse: And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. Luke 22:41,42

IX. Christ's Sacrifice for Us

50. What is the **greatest** demonstration of God's love for us? **Romans 5:8**

"But God commendeth his _____ toward _____, in that, _____ we were yet _____, Christ _____.

What was the theme of Paul's teaching? **1 Corinthians 2:2** "For I _____ not to know _____ thing among you, save _____, and him _____."

Note: "There is one great central truth to be kept ever before the mind in the searching of the Scriptures – Christ and Him crucified. Every other truth is invested with influence and power corresponding to its relation to this theme. It is **only in the light of the cross** that we can discern the exalted character of the law of God. The soul palsied by sin can be endowed with life **only** through the work wrought out upon the cross by the Author of our salvation." 6BC 1084.8

51. When Jesus came to this earth, what was His main purpose? **Matthew 20:28**

"Even as the Son of man came _____ to be ministered unto, _____ to _____, and to _____ his _____ a _____ for _____."

How did He carry out this purpose?

Luke 9:51 "And it came to pass, when the _____ was come that he should be received up, he _____ set his _____ to go to _____."

What did He tell His disciples? **Matthew 17:22,23**

"And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them,

The Son of man shall be _____ into the hands of men:

And they shall _____ him,

and the _____ day he shall be _____ again. And they were exceeding sorry."

Matthew 20:17-19 "And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them, Behold, we _____ up to _____;

and the Son of man shall be _____ unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall _____ him to _____,

And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to _____, and to _____, and to _____ him:

and the _____ day he shall _____ again.

When it was very near, what did He tell His disciples again? **Matthew 26:2**

"Ye know that after _____ days is the feast of the _____, and the Son of man is _____ to be _____."

52. How did Jesus relate Himself to His soon-coming death and how did He try to prepare His disciples? **John 13:1** "Now before the feast of the _____, when Jesus _____ that

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his _____ was _____ that he should depart out of this world unto the Father,
having _____ his own which were in the world, he _____ them unto the _____."

Luke 22:14-16 "And when the _____ was _____, he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him. And he _____ unto them, With desire I have _____ to _____ this _____ with you before I _____: For I say unto you, I will _____ any _____ eat thereof, _____ it be _____ in the kingdom of God."

John 13:3-5 "Jesus _____ that the Father had given _____ things into his _____, and that he was _____ from God, and _____ to God;

He riseth from supper, and laid _____ his garments;

and took a _____, and _____ himself.

After that he poureth _____ into a bason,

and began to _____ the disciples' _____,

and to _____ them with the _____ wherewith he was girded."

What did Jesus say after He had washed their feet? **John 13:10,11** "Jesus saith to him,

He that is _____ needeth not save to wash his _____,

but is _____ every whit: and ye are _____, but not _____.

For he _____ who should _____ him; therefore said he, Ye are not _____ clean."

Jesus again predicted His betrayal and even pointed out the one who would do it:

John 13:19 "Now I _____ you _____ it come, that, _____ it is come to pass, ye may _____ that I am _____."

John 13:21 "When Jesus had thus said, he was _____ in spirit, and _____, and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you, that _____ of _____ shall _____ me."

John 13:25,26 "He then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him, Lord, _____ is it?"

Jesus answered, He it _____, to whom I shall _____ a _____, when I have _____ it.

And _____ he had dipped the sop, he _____ it to _____ Iscariot, the son of Simon."

Jesus _____ that the T_____ was here for Him to be crucified.

Jesus _____ that the Father had G_____ all things into His hands.

Jesus _____ that He came _____ God and would return _____ Him.

Jesus _____ who would B_____ Him.

Jesus L_____ His disciples unto the end.

Jesus told them that this was the last P_____ with them before He S_____.

Jesus washed their F_____ to cleanse their hearts from selfishness.

All were made clean except the one who would B_____ Him.

Jesus told them that one of them would B_____ Him.

When asked, Jesus gave a sign, and this sign pointed to J_____ who then went out.

53. Even though Jesus willingly went to Jerusalem to sacrifice Himself for our sins, it was still very hard for Him to face. What did He do to gain strength to endure the trial?

Luke 22:41-44 "And he was _____ from them about a stone's cast, and _____ down, and _____, Saying, Father, if _____ be willing, _____ this cup from me:

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nevertheless _____ my will, but _____, be _____. And there appeared an _____ unto him from heaven, _____ him. And being in an _____ he prayed more _____: and his _____ was as it were great drops of _____ falling down to the ground."

He went by Himself to P_____.

He submitted Himself to the will of His F_____.

He prayed so E_____ that His sweat was drops of B_____.

The angel came to S_____ Him for the trial. He did not remove it.

54. What had He told the disciples they should do during this time? **Luke 22:39,40**

"And he came out, and went, as he was wont, to the mount of Olives; and his disciples also followed him. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, _____ that ye enter not into _____."

Matthew 26:41 "_____ and _____, that ye enter not into _____: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

Did they do it? YES NO **Matthew 26:43**

"And he came and found them _____ again: for their eyes were _____."

Jesus was aware of what was coming, but He followed the path to the cross because it was to give His life for sinful humanity that He came to this earth. What did He say?

Matthew 26:46 "Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at _____ that doth _____ me."

How was He betrayed? **Matthew 26:47-50**

"And while he yet spake, lo, _____, one of the twelve, came, and with him a great _____ with _____ and staves, from the chief _____ and elders of the people.

Now he that betrayed him gave them a _____, saying, Whomsoever I shall _____, that same is he: _____ him fast. And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, _____; and _____ him. And Jesus said unto him, _____, wherefore art thou come? Then came they, and laid _____ on Jesus, and _____ him."

Note: "In the scenes that transpired in the judgment hall and at Calvary, we see what the human heart is capable of when under the influence of Satan. **Christ submitted to crucifixion**, although the heavenly host could have delivered Him. The **angels** suffered with Christ. **God** Himself was crucified with Christ; for Christ was one with the Father. Those who reject Christ, those who will not have this man to rule over them, **choose** to place themselves under the rule of Satan, to do his work as his bondslaves. **Yet for them Christ yielded up His life on Calvary.**" 5BC 1108.5

"When Christ bowed His head and died, He bore the pillars of Satan's kingdom with Him to the earth. **He vanquished Satan in the same nature over which in Eden Satan obtained the victory.** The enemy was overcome by Christ in His **human nature**. The power of the Saviour's Godhead was **hidden**. He overcame in human nature, **relying upon God for power**. This is the privilege of all. In proportion to our **faith** will be our **victory.**" 5BC 1108.6

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55. Why did Jesus choose to die? **Hebrews 2:14,15** "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of _____ and _____, he also himself _____ took part of the _____; that through _____ he might _____ him that had the power of death, that is, the _____. And _____ them who through fear of _____ were all their lifetime subject to _____."

He died so that He could D_____ us from D_____. He would do this by D_____ the D_____ who brought D_____ to us through sin and kept us in B_____.

Note: "Under the mighty impulse of His love, He took our place in the universe, and invited the Ruler of all things to treat Him as a representative of the human family. He identified Himself with our interests, bared His breast for the stroke of death, took man's guilt and its penalty, and offered in man's behalf a complete sacrifice to God. **By virtue of this atonement, He has power to offer to man perfect righteousness and full salvation.** Whosoever shall believe on Him as a personal Saviour shall not perish, but have everlasting life." 7BC 924.7

56. What was it like to Jesus when Jesus died?

a. As He entered Gethsemane, what did He say to the disciples? **Matthew 26:38**

"Then saith he unto them, My soul is _____, even unto _____: tarry ye here, and watch with me."

Look upon the scene in lonely Gethsemane. Angels witness with amazement the despairing agony of the Son of God, and nature groans in sympathy with her bleeding, dying Author.

b. How did Jesus feel while He was on the cross? **Matthew 27:45,46**

"Now from the _____ hour there was _____ over _____ the land unto the _____ hour. And about the ninth hour Jesus _____ with a _____ voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say, My _____, my _____, why hast thou _____ me?"

Note: "The **earth** trembles. The **sun** refuses to behold the scene. The **heavens** gather blackness. **The angelic host hide their faces** from the awful sight. The **separation** that **sin** makes between God and man was **fully realized by the innocent, suffering Man of Calvary**. He was **oppressed** by the powers of darkness. Satan declared that Christ was in his hands, and that he was superior in strength to the Son of God, that God had **disowned** his Son. If Christ was indeed in favor with God, why need He die? Could not God save Him from death?" BEcho, September 15, 1892 par. 1

"**Such were the temptations that Satan pressed upon the Son of God**, while legions of evil angels were all about Him, and the holy angels were not permitted to break their ranks, and engage in conflict with the reviling foe. **Christ could not see through the portals of the tomb**. Bright hope did not present to Him his coming forth from the grave a triumphant conqueror, or tell Him of the Father's acceptance of his sacrifice. **All He could realize during this time of amazing darkness was the heinousness of sin that was laid upon Him**, and the horror of its penalty, death. **He feared that sin was so offensive in the sight of his Father that their separation was eternal**. The temptation that his own Father had **forever left Him**, caused that fearful cry from the cross, 'My God, My God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?' " BEcho, September 15, 1892 par. 2

c. How did His life end? **Matthew 27:50**

"Jesus, when he had _____ again with a _____ voice, _____ up the ghost."

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Luke 23:46 "And when Jesus had _____ with a _____ voice, he said, Father, into _____ hands I commend my _____: and having said thus, he _____ up the ghost."

John 19:28-30 "After this, Jesus _____ that _____ things were now _____, that the _____ might be fulfilled, saith, I _____. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is _____: and he _____ his head, and _____ up the ghost.

Note: "But when, in his expiring agonies, **despair pressed upon the soul of the Redeemer**, He relied upon the evidences that had **hitherto** been given Him of his Father's acceptance, and as He yielded up his precious life, **by faith alone He rested in Him whom it had been his joy to obey**. Though all was enshrouded in **gloom**, yet amid the **awful darkness**, which was felt even by sympathizing nature, **the Redeemer drained the mysterious cup to the dregs**. Though He realizes but dimly that He shall triumph over death, He cries with a loud voice, 'Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit.' He is **acquainted** with the **character** of his Father; He **understands** his **justice**, his **mercy**, and his **great love**; in **submission** He commends Himself to God. Amid the convulsions of nature, the amazed spectators hear the dying words of the Man of Calvary, 'It is finished!' " BEcho, 9-15-92 par. 3

d. What happened at the moment of His death? Matthew 27:51

"And, behold, the _____ of the _____ was _____ in twain from the _____ to the _____; and the earth did _____, and the rocks _____."

Note: "The heaving earth, the rent rocks, and the terrific darkness, **proclaimed that it was the Son of God who died**. There was a mighty earthquake. The veil of the temple was rent in twain. Terror seized the executioner and spectators. As Christ commended his spirit into the hands of the Father, the mocking and jeering of the chief priests and elders was hushed. The astonished throng began to withdraw, and in terror grope their way to the city. They smote upon their breasts as they went, and speaking scarcely above a whisper, said among themselves. It is an innocent man that has suffered. What if indeed He were the Son of God?" BEcho, September 15, 1892 par. 4

Jesus did not yield up his life until He had accomplished the work which He came to do, and exclaimed with his expiring breath, "It is finished." **Angels rejoiced as the words were uttered**. They knew that Satan was defeated, his kingdom lost. The great plan of redemption, which was **dependent** upon the death of Christ, had been thus far carried out, and **there was joy in heaven that through faith in Christ the sons of Adam could finally be exalted to the throne of God**." BEcho, September 15, 1892 par. 5

57. What did it mean to Christ to come to this earth and die for us? **Philippians 2:6-8**

"Who, being in the _____ of _____, thought it not robbery to be _____ with _____. But _____ himself of _____ reputation, and _____ upon him the form of a _____, and was made in the likeness of _____: And being found in fashion as a _____, he _____ himself, and became _____ unto _____, even the _____ of the _____."

Note: "Contrast with the **humiliation** and **sufferings** of Christ, the **riches** of glory, the **wealth** of praise, pouring forth from immortal tongues, the **millions** of rich voices in the universe of God in anthems of **adoration**; and **seek to comprehend the magnitude of his love**.

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As a member of the human family, He was mortal; but as God, He was the fountain of life to the world. He **could**, in his divine person, ever have **withstood** the advances of death, and **refused** to come under its dominion; but **voluntarily He laid down his life**, that He might **give life**, and bring immortality to light. He **bore** the **sin** of the world, and **endured** the **penalty**, that rolled like a **mountain** upon his divine soul. He **yielded** up his life a **sacrifice**, that man should not eternally die.

He died, not through being compelled to die, but **by his own free will**.

The **whole treasure of heaven** was poured out in one gift to save fallen man." BEcho, 9-1-92 par. 6

"**Nothing** could have actuated Christ

to leave his honor and majesty in Heaven,

and come to a sinful world, to be neglected, despised, and rejected by those He came to save, and finally to suffer upon the cross,

but eternal, redeeming love, which will ever remain a **mystery**.

O, **what love! what amazing love!** that the Son of God should come to earth to be made sin for us, in order **that we might be reconciled** to God, and **exalted to a place with Him** in the mansions of glory. And O, **what is man** that **such a price** should be paid for his redemption!" BEcho, 9-15-92 pr. 7

58. What does Christ's death mean to us? **2 Corinthians 8:9**

"For ye know the _____ of our Lord Jesus Christ, that, _____ he was _____, yet for _____ sakes he became _____, that ye _____ **his** _____ might be _____."

2 Corinthians 5:21 For he hath _____ him to be _____ for _____, who _____ _____; that _____ might be _____ the _____ of God _____ him.

Note: "When we **more fully comprehend** the **magnitude** and **meaning** of the great sacrifice made by the Majesty of heaven in dying for man, **the plan of salvation will be glorified before us**, and the **thought** of Calvary will **awaken** sacred and living emotions in the Christian's heart. **Praise to God and to the Lamb** will be in our hearts and upon our lips; for **pride and self-worship cannot flourish in the heart that keeps fresh in memory the scenes of Calvary**." BEcho, September 15, 1892 par. 8

"At **what a cost** has salvation been provided!

What will be our portion if we heed not the entreaties of mercy?

What will be the fate of those who profess to be followers of Christ, yet who do not take up the cross as humble disciples?

How many despise the **counsel** of this loving Saviour, and permit selfish interest to close the door against the Son of God!

He was **infinitely rich**, 'yet **for our sakes** He became poor, that ye through his poverty might be rich.'

He was **clothed with light and glory**, surrounded by hosts of heavenly angels **eager to do his pleasure**;

yet He took upon Him the nature of man, and was made 'in the likeness of sinful flesh,' and **became** sin for us, 'that **we** might be made the righteousness of God in Him.' "

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58. What will we do when we begin to understand His amazing sacrifice for us? **1 John**

3:1 "B_____, what manner of _____ the Father hath _____ upon _____, that we should be called the _____ of _____: therefore the _____ knoweth us _____, because it _____ him _____."

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Here is love that no language can express. What will this do for us? **1 John 3:3**

"And _____ man that hath this _____ in him _____ himself, even as _____ is _____."

Note: "He who beholds this matchless love will be **elevated** in thought, **purified** in heart, **transformed** in character, and will go forth to be a **light** to the world, to **reflect** in some degree this mysterious love. The more we contemplate the cross of Christ, the more we shall adopt the language of the apostle when he said, 'I determined not to know anything among you, save Jesus Christ and Him crucified.' 'God forbid that I should glory, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.'" BEcho, 9-15-92 par. 10

59. When Jesus cleansed the temple at the beginning of His public ministry, what did the Jews ask Him? **John 2:18** "Then answered the Jews and said unto him, What _____ shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou _____ these things?"

What was Jesus' answer? **John 2:19** "Jesus answered and said unto them, _____ this _____, and in _____ days I will _____ it _____."

How did the Jews interpret Jesus' answer? **John 2:20** "Then said the Jews, _____ and six years was this _____ in _____, and wilt _____ rear it up in _____ days?"

What was the real meaning of His words? **John 2:21**

"But he spake of the _____ of his _____."

When did the disciples comprehend the real meaning of His words? **John 2:22**

"When therefore he was _____ from the _____, his disciples _____ that he had said _____ unto them; and they _____ the _____, and the _____ which Jesus had _____."

60. Because Christ gave His life to redeem us, what relation should we have to Him?

1 Corinthians 6:19,20 What? know ye _____ that your _____ is the _____ of the Holy Ghost which is _____ you, which ye _____ of God, and ye are _____ your _____? For ye are _____ with a _____: therefore _____ God in your _____, and in your _____, which are _____.

What was this price? **1 Peter 1:18,19** "Forasmuch as ye _____ that ye were _____ redeemed with _____ things, as _____ and _____, from your _____ conversation received by _____ from your fathers; _____ with the _____ of Christ, as of a _____ without _____ and without _____."

Note: "Christ has purchased the entire being, mind, soul, and body. The price of man's redemption has been paid, and all he has and is should be sprinkled with the blood of Christ, dedicated to God; for it **belongs to Him**. Our motto should be, 'I am not my own; for I have been bought with a price.'" ST, August 1, 1900 par. 5

"Jesus came to this world to be our substitute and surety. He is our atoning Sacrifice; for He has offered Himself in our behalf. **With unutterable love He seeks to draw all men to Him**. God has given Him the priceless gifts of heaven to dispense to men. Today He stands before God as the Advocate of the human race, pleading for the beings He has redeemed." ST, August 1, 1900 par. 6

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