

Christ Died for Our Sins According to the Scriptures  
(1 Corinthians 15:1-4)

Introduction:

1. In these verses Paul referred to the Gospel he had preached in Corinth.
2. Part of his message was that "*Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures*" (vs.3b).
3. In our lesson we are examining 3 passages from the Old Testament that showed how Jesus would die for our sins.
4. Our study will reinforce the point we made this morning -- "Jesus' death reflects the value of your soul."
5. Let us begin with . . .

Discussion:

- I. A PASSAGE FROM THE LAW OF MOSES (Genesis 3:15)
  - A. The serpent tempted Eve to eat the forbidden fruit, she ate it, and Adam ate it.
  - B. At this point sin entered the world, and God punished everyone involved.
  - C. As God punished the serpent He foretold what would happen to the woman's seed.
    1. He would suffer a temporary wound [His heel would be bruised].
    2. He would also deliver a fatal wound to the serpent by bruising his head.
  - D. In connection with this verse, let us examine Galatians 4:4-5.
    1. When the time was right, "*God sent forth his Son, made of a woman*" (vs.4).
    2. (vs.5) By suffering as the woman's seed, Jesus made it possible for us to be redeemed and become God's children.
  - E. Let us next examine . . .
- II. A PASSAGE FROM THE PROPHETS (Isaiah 53)
  - A. In this chapter Isaiah wrote about "God's suffering servant."
  - B. We know from Acts 8 that Isaiah wrote about Jesus and His suffering.
  - C. Isaiah emphasized how Jesus would suffer for our sins.
  - D. Through His suffering Jesus would provide some special blessings: spiritual healing, justification, and intercession.
  - E. Isaiah also showed how God would prolong the days of His suffering servant.
  - F. Let us turn our attention to . . .
- III. A PASSAGE FROM THE PSALMS (Psalm 22)
  - A. In this psalm David wrote about some difficulties He was facing (vs.1-2).
  - B. David also wrote about Jesus and His suffering (vs.7-8, 13-18).
  - C. David mentioned something that Jesus would do with His followers after He suffered (vs.22; Hebrews 2:9-12).

Conclusion:

1. How valuable is your soul?
2. It is so valuable that Jesus died so your soul can be saved.