

Series: Types of Christ Series

Title: THE SCAPE GOAT

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On the Day of Atonment all eyes were on the high priest in hopes that God would accept the people through him and the offerings he made. Sinner, that is what you need, for God to accept you. Scripture does not speak of the sinner accepting God but of God accepting the sinner. If God accepts you or I it is because in his Son he fulfilled all that he required so that he can accept us in a holy manner. God makes his regenerated children to behold all the work is finished so that he empties our hands to receive Christ as a free gift. The slain goat and the scape goat represent the one offering of Christ. They show us two aspects of Christ's finished work. Today we look at the scape goat.

I. THE SIN OF HIS PEOPLE WAS IMPUTED TO CHRIST

Leviticus 16: 21: And Aaron shall lay both his hands upon the head of the live goat, and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a fit man into the wilderness:

Isaiah 53:4: Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. 5: But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed. 6: All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.

2 Corinthians 5:21: For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

God made Christ to be sin for his people just as the high priest put all their transgressions in all their sins upon the head of the goat. As the High Priest confessed over the goat all the iniquities of the children of Israel, putting their sin upon the head of the goat, so Christ was willingly made sin for his people, confessing them all to be his own before God.

II. CHRIST JESUS COMPLETELY BORE AWAY ALL THE SIN OF HIS PEOPLE

Leviticus 16: 22: And the goat shall bear upon him all their iniquities unto a land not inhabited: and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness.

Hebrews 9: 28 So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

Those whom God regenerates and calls by his grace receive this wonderful, amazing good news.

A. The guilt of our sin is gone.

Hebrews 10: 14: For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified. (hold place here)

B. The punishment for our sin is gone.

Romans 8: 1: There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

C. And God remembers our sin no more.

Jeremiah 50:20: In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and *there shall be* none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.

Psalms 103:12: As far as the east is from the west, *so* far hath he removed our transgressions from us.

Hebrews 10: 15: Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before, 16: This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them; 17: And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

CHRIST JESUS FINISHED, PERFECTED THIS WORK MAKING AS MANY AS
GOD GAVE HIM ACCEPTED OF GOD.

GOD FREELY GIVES HIS CHILDREN FAITH TO BELIEVE AND REST IN
CHRIST TO HAVE DONE ALL THAT IS REQUIRED.

MAY HE BE PLEASED TO DO SO, TODAY!