

WHEN THE SON WAS MADE SIN

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1 CORINTHIANS 11:26

Celebrating the Lord's supper is an act of faith intended to impact our thinking in a powerful way. It calls for us to think about the past – the death of our Lord; the present – how His death, burial and resurrection influence how we live daily; and the future – remembering how He said He would come again. Tonight, we are gathered to show forth the death of Jesus until He comes again.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:21

Charles Spurgeon "Prince of Preachers" said this scripture is the very heart of the gospel. It's the gospel in one verse. A verse that should be as well known as **JOHN 3:16**. Together they say God loved the world so much that He placed every sin ever committed on His Son to make it possible for everyone to have eternal life. We call this the doctrine of substitution.

1. His Holy Character – Who knew no sin.

- A. In Heaven, angels cry holy. **ISAIAH 6:3, 1 JOHN 1:5**
- B. The incarnation – Gabriel said He is holy. **LUKE 1:35**
- C. Demons called Him holy. **MARK 1:23-24**
- D. Pilate, Pilate's wife, Herod, Judas, John, Peter, Paul all testify that He was sinless.
- E. Jesus challenged religious leaders to find fault with Him. **JOHN 8:46**
- F. **HEBREWS 4:15** – Jesus was not tarnished by the sin-filled world around Him.

2. His sacrifice – He hath made Him to be sin for us.

- A. Historically, scholars have used two phrases to describe how He was made sin for us.

- First, He took our place, "for us." This is the doctrine of substitution. **ISAIAH 53:1-8**
- Second, He took our penalty – "He was made sin." **ISAIAH 53:9-11** His soul was made an offering for sin. His soul was in travail. He made His grave with the wicked and rich. **LUKE 16:23** The rich man was in Hades. **ACTS 2:23-32** Jesus' soul was not left or forsaken in Hades. Jesus was raised from the abyss. **ROMANS 10:7**, Compare **REVELATION 9:2-3**

3. His gift – That we would be made righteous. **ROMANS 5:19**

- A. This is called the great exchange. Jesus became what we were and suffered what we should've suffered, so that we could have our record cleared and stand righteous, blameless and holy before God.

- He was condemned that we might be justified.
- He was made the curse that we might be blessed.
- He was made sickness that we might be healed.
- He was rejected that we might be accepted.
- He died so that we might live.

CONCLUSION: God only has a plan A for salvation. There is no plan B for those who don't like plan A. Salvation is by grace through faith. It's by faith we exchange our unrighteousness for God's righteousness. There's only one name by which we can make this exchange – **JESUS!**