4—The Plan of Redemption

"What We Believe" Pastor Mike Cooke

"We believe that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us,¹ the Just for the unjust;² freely, and by divine appointment of the Father,³ taking the sinner's place, bearing his sins,⁴ receiving his condemnation, dying his death,⁵ fully paying his penalty,⁶ and signing with His life's blood, the pardon of every one who should believe upon Him;⁷ that upon simple faith and acceptance of the atonement purchased on Mount Calvary,⁸ the vilest sinner may be cleansed of his iniquities and made whiter than driven snow." — Compiled by A. S. McPherson

1. Romans 5:8

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

2. 1 Peter 3:18

For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God.

3. John 10:18

"No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have authority to lay it down and authority to take it up again. This command I received from my Father."

4. 2 Corinthians 5:13

God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

5. Isaiah 53:5

But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed.

6. Leviticus 16:30

"Because on this day atonement will be made for you, to cleanse you. Then, before the Lord, you will be clean from all your sins."

7. Hebrews 9:12

He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

8. 1 John 4:10

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

9. Isaiah 1:18

"Come now, let us settle the matter," says the Lord. "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool."