

Psalm 130

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.



He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead.



He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.



I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.



"Is the Christian community a church of the pure (as some called it), or can struggling, weak, and uncertain souls also find a place within that community?"

-Ben Myers

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If we deny sin, we deny forgiveness. If we deny forgiveness, we deny the forgiver. "Until sin be bitter, Christ will not be sweet."

- Thomas Watson





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Romans 6 -> Cruel slave master



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- Luke 5 -> Sickness

- Colossians 2 → Places us under a debt
- Ephesians 2 -> Makes us spiritually dead



This is the great paradox of the Christian life. The world longs for us to run away from our guilt. Guilt is seen as an enemy that must be killed. Self-help books fill the shelves of bookstores as people ruthlessly try to squash the inner feeling of guilt.

For the Christian, however, guilt is a gift. That feeling of unquenchable, unyielding guilt, leads us to the only hope we have. Sinners must embrace the infinite guilt they live in if they are to find the infinite grace of God.

As we embrace our guilt, then and only then can we come to that crimson fount of hope, the blood of Jesus that washes us clean."

- Albert Mohler



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"If you are a preacher of mercy, do not preach an imaginary but the true mercy. If the mercy is true, you must therefore bear the true, not an imaginary sin. God does not save those who are only imaginary sinners.

Be a sinner, and let your sins be strong, but let your trust in Christ be stronger, and rejoice in Christ who is the victor over sin, death, and the world.



It suffices that through God's glory we have recognized the Lamb who takes away the sin of the world. No sin can separate us from Him, even if we were to kill or commit adultery thousands of times each day.



Do you think such an exalted Lamb paid merely a small price with a meager sacrifice for our sins? Pray hard for you are quite a sinner."

-Martin Luther



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