

Day 3: Only One Could Pay the Price

Devotional

Imagine being buried in a debt so large that no amount of work, savings, or sacrifice could ever pay it off. Now imagine someone stepping in and paying every single cent, not because they owed it, but because they loved you. That is a picture of what Jesus did on the cross.

The New Covenant required a perfect sacrifice. Not an animal. Not a religious ritual. Not a lifetime of good behavior. It required sinless blood, and only one person in all of history could offer that. Jesus Christ, fully God and fully man, gave Himself as the final and complete payment for our sin.

This is why He is the only way to the Father. It is not an arbitrary rule. It is simply the reality of how the covenant works. Someone had to pay, and only He could. That is not a limitation on God's love. It is the fullest expression of it.

Because of what He did, you are not defined by your past. You are not stuck in your shame. You have been redeemed, completely and permanently, by the only One who had the power to do it.

Bible Verse

"And he took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to them, saying, 'This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.' And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, 'This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood.'" - Luke 22:19-20

Reflection Question

Knowing that Jesus paid a price you could never pay, does that change how you view your own failures and shortcomings?

Quote

"There's no other way to get to him except through Jesus Christ. He's the only one that could shed the blood. He's the only one that could pay the price."

Prayer

Lord Jesus, I am humbled by the price You paid for me. Help me never to take Your sacrifice for granted, and remind me daily that my freedom was bought at great cost. Amen.