

7) We're saved by faith alone.

8) We're saved by faith alone in Christ alone.

CONCLUSION—ONE MORE SACRIFICE?

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Class 7: The Story of the Sacrifice

INTRODUCTION

What did Christ's sacrifice accomplish? What was he doing on the cross?

STORY OF SACRIFICE

1) Cain and Abel in **Genesis 4**: an offering, a gift, a tribute.

2) Noah in **Genesis 8**: a gift that has an effect on God.

"The Lord smelled the pleasing aroma [of the sacrifice, he] said in his heart, 'Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done.'"

3) Abraham in **Genesis 22**: a test of devotion and a substitute.

4) Passover in **Exodus**: for a representative firstborn, a spotless lamb, and a set apart people.

5) The repeated sacrifices of **Leviticus**:

- Clean animals without defect.
- Every first-born Israelite, who represents the nation as whole, must be redeemed with a sacrificial substitute.
- The shedding of a blameless victim's blood.
- Substitution: "He is to lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it will be accepted on his behalf..." (Lev. 1:4)
- Endless repetition.
- The Day of Atonement: to make atonement for sins.

6) **Christ:** Christ fulfilled everything the OT sacrifices meant, and accomplished what they were unable to do.

PATTERNS IN THE STORYLINE

1) The first pattern to notice is the pattern itself—the pattern or typology of sacrifice.

2) Discontinuity

- No longer endless repetition
- Not just for one nation

3) Promise/fulfillment.

What's the purpose in pointing out these patterns? They are instrumental in helping us to understand who Jesus is, what his sacrifice accomplished, and why we need his sacrifice.

SYSTEMATIZING IT ALL

1) *The fundamental problem with the world and humanity is our sin and the guilt it incurs.*

2) *Christ came to die as a substitute*

3) *Christ came to die as a penal substitute.*

4) *Christ came to die as a penal substitute to propitiate the wrath of God.*

5) *Christ came to die as a penal substitute to propitiate the wrath of God and make atonement for his people.*

6) *Christ came to die as an effective penal substitute to propitiate the wrath of God and make atonement for his people.*