## "CHRIST, OUR SUBSTITUTE"

I John 2:2



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# JESUS IS THE PROPITIATION...

- What does it mean? It's not a word we use today.
- It's only used 4 times in the Bible in the noun form.
- John uses it 2x here in 1 John (here & 4:10).
- John uses it here to explain
- what he has been talking about (1:8-10 & 2:1).
- And Answers: How is this forgiveness possible? For all? LET'S EXPLAIN THE WORD PROPITIATION:

#### I. The problem on humanity

- A. Our sin
- B. God's wrath is on man
- II. The provision of payment
  - A. God's wrath on Jesus / rather than you!

#### $I\Lambda A \Sigma M O \Sigma - PROPITIATION$

- Present tense
- Substitute! Acceptable substitute
- Jesus took our place! Paid the great penalty
- John means sin has been expiated (to atone, make payment for, make amends for)
- It's penalty has been removed; and God's wrath has been propitiated (turned away).
- It brings about a change in God's attitude so that He moves from being at enmity with us to being for us! [illustration]

#### CHRIST DID HIS WORK ON THE CROSS TO PLACATE THE WRATH OF GOD

1 Thessalonians 1:10 – "And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which **delivered us** from the wrath to come."

Jesus constantly warned about the wrath to come and said "I am come that you might have life...

Colossians 1:14 – "In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins."

Christ did for us what we could not do for ourselves!

- B. Sin's penalty removed
- Jesus took our place!
- Pictured in the Old Testament (Lev. 3:7-8,12-13; 4:4, 15, 24, 29, 33)
- They laid hands on the animal
- Now picture you coming for a sin offering...

### CONCLUSION:

- Jesus is your substitute.
- Have you received forgiveness?
- Have you received the substitute?
- Christ is the only way to escape God's wrath

#### HIS ROBES FOR MINE

**Verse I**: His robes for mine: O wonderful exchange! Clothed in my sin, Christ suffered 'neath God's rage. Draped in His righteousness, I'm justified. In Christ I live, for in my place He died.

**Chorus:** I cling to Christ, and marvel at the cost: Jesus forsaken, God estranged from God. Bought by such love, my life is not my own. My praise—my all—shall be for Christ alone.