

## The Cure for Sin

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### Introduction

1 John 1:5-2:6

1. Sin is man's greatest problem.
2. Salvation from sin is man's greatest need.
3. The long promised Savior because a reality when Jesus came to earth Gen 3:15; Luke 2:11
4. Let us consider some words that describe the cure for sin

### II Discussion

1. Regeneration Titus 3:5

- a. Means: a re-creation or a new birth
- b. John 1:12-13; 3:3-5
- c. 1 Peter 1:23

2. Redemption

- a. Means: to buy back; especially of purchasing a slave with a view to his freedom
- b. 1 Peter 1:18
- c. Romans 6:16-18
- d. Colossians 1:13

3. Atonement Romans 5:11

- a. Means: reconcile, propitiation. This describes the meaning (in and through the person and work of the Lord Jesus Christ, in His death on the cross by the shedding of His blood in His vicarious sacrifice for sin) by which God shows mercy to sinners.
- b. Background Leviticus 16, 17
- c. Corresponding word is propitiation see below
- d. 1 John 2:2; 4:10

4. Justification Romans 4:25; 5:16, 18

- a. Means: the act of pronouncing, righteous, Acquittal. All that was necessary on God's part for our justification had been effected in the death of Christ
- b. Romans 3:24-26; 5:1

5. Reconciliation 2 Corinthians 5:18-19

- a. Means: To change from enmity to friendship between God and man. This is what God accomplished. To bring into agreement those who have been estranged, to cement broken friendships
- b. Isaiah 59:1-2; Colossians 1:19-22

6. Conversion Matthew 18:3

- a. Means: to turn; a military term and indicated a turning or wheeling about
- b. Acts 3:19; 1 Thessalonians 1:9; James 5:19

7. Forgiveness Romans 4:7

- a. Means: the deliverance of the sinner from the penalty; complete removal of the cause of offense, such remission is based upon the vicarious and propitiatory sacrifice of Christ
- b. Colossians 3:12-14; Ephesians 4:32; 1 John 1:9; 2:12

8. Salvation Luke 1:77

- a. Means: to rescue one from danger and destruction and to keep him safe; deliverance; of the spiritual and eternal deliverance granted immediately by God to those who accept His condition or repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus, in whom alone it is to be obtained Acts 4:12

- b. Philippians 2:12; Hebrews 2:3; Jude 3; Romans 1:16; 10:10; 2 Corinthians 6:2; 2 Timothy 3:15; Hebrews 5:8-9

### III Conclusion

1. Salvation is of God, as it respects the source and supreme agency. If man is to enjoy salvation thus provided he must acquiesce to the divine arrangement
2. Obedience to Christ's laws brings us into contact with the blood which will cleanse from all sin. Col 1:13-14; Romans 6:3-4

Source: Another hundred sermons by Leslie Thomas p.22-23; One hundred sermon by Leslie Thomas p. 71; Vine's Expository Dictionary of New Testament Words; Logos.