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## **2013 Basic Doctrines (26)** (Demonstration of God's Love)

Today Doctrinal Studies Bible Church is celebrating its 39<sup>th</sup> annual Agape Feast. The Agape Feast was modeled after Jesus' Last Supper (Matt.26:20-30; 1 Cor.11:17-34).

In our lesson text, Paul points out that Christ died for both the UNGODLY AND SINNER.

A question often asked: "How is it possible for a righteous and holy God to offer His perfect love to the ungodly and sinner?"

**Ungodly:** "For while we were still helpless (asthenon), at the right time **Christ died** (apothneskob / a.a.ind.3ps) **for** (huper +ablative of substitution) **the ungodly** (asebes)." (Rom.5:6)

**Sinner:** "But God demonstrated (sunistemi / p.a.ind 3ps) [to place together] **His own love towards us** in that while we were yet **sinners** (hamartolos), **Christ died for us**." (Rom.5:8)

## This lesson will examine <u>five reasons</u> that God Demonstrated His love through the death of Jesus Christ for the world.

1. Paul's answer to the previous question was that God crucified His only begotten Son as a substitute for the ungodly and the sinner to save them from the condemnation of Adamic Sin. (Rom.5:21-21; 1 Cor.15:22)

(Rom.5:6) "For while we were **still helpless**, at the right time Christ died **for** (huper+ablative of substitution) the ungodly."

(Rom.5:8) "But God demonstrated His own love towards us, in that while we were yet sinner, Christ died **for** us."

2. In our lesson text, Paul listed 2 of the 13 Judicial Charges of Adam's Original Sin (AOS) (ungodly and sinner). However all 13 are removed by the death of Jesus Christ as a demonstration of His love (Rom.5:6-8).

You are not ungodly or a sinner because man says so, but because God says so! Jesus rebuked the Pharisees for classifying certain members of the human race as unworthy for salvation (Luke 7:39; 13:2-5). They failed to acknowledge that ALL members of the human race are under the 13 judicial charges of AOS <u>including</u> themselves (Rom.3:10, 23; 5:12-21; 6:23).

3. When any member of the human race responds to God's demonstration of His love by believing that Jesus Christ died for his sins, was buried and raised from the dead for his eternal life, his status is changed from ungodly to godly (2 Pet.3:11) and from sinner to saint (Phil.4:21-22).

ALL members of the human race **are powerless or helpless** to release (save) themselves from the consequences of Adamic Sin (AOS)

(Rom.5:8b) "For while we were **still (eti)** helpless (asthenon) [powerless]." (Rom.5:6a) and "While we were **yet (eti)** sinners, Christ died for us."

(Rom.1:16) "For I am not ashamed of the gospel. for **it is the power of God** for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jews first and also to the Greek." (1 Cor.15:3-4; Eph.2:8-9)

4. At the moment a person believes the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Holy Spirit takes up residence in his body and pours the love of God into his heart (Rom.5:5; 1 Cor.6:19-20).

(Rom.5:5) "And hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured pout within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

(1 John 4:9) "By this the love of God was manifested in us that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him."

5. At the moment a person believes the gospel of Jesus Christ, the believer <u>becomes the object of God's</u> maximum love and God becomes his Father, Daddy (Rom.8:15-17; Gal.4:4-7).

(1 John 3:1) "See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.".

In same moment, the status privilege title, **beloved**, is bestowed upon him. It is 1 of the 20 status privileges titles of grace salvation. <u>50 Things Free</u>.

(1 John 4:10) "In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. **Beloved**, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."