

JESUS PERFECTION

Genesis 18:25 - Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?

Psalm 9:7-8 – “He has established His throne for judgment, And He will judge the world in righteousness; He will execute judgment for the peoples with equity”

Last week we talked about God’s justice. God requires perfection from us, meaning that we have to perfectly obey. But we also talked about how the Bible tells us that every person has sinned. We are all born with sin in our hearts (Psalm 51:5).

In the Old Testament God required animals to be sacrificed for people’s sins. Instead of people having to die for their sins, the animal would have to die. But this animal had to be perfect. It couldn’t have a disease, or an injury, it had to be perfect. But guess what? People kept on sinning, and so they had to keep making sacrifices.

But God told His people that one day he would send His Son to be the perfect sacrifice for their sins. And, guess what? He did! God sent His perfect son, Jesus. Jesus’ birth was perfect and sinless, so Jesus was born without any sin. And Jesus lived His life fully obeying the commands of God. He did not sin even once in His entire life. He kept God’s law entirely. Jesus was the first human to ever please God by His own works. God even says about Jesus, “This is my beloved son, in whom I am pleased.” (Matthew 3:17) It is also important for us to remember that while Jesus came as a human, He is also fully God. If He was not, He could not offer us forgiveness for sins. Only God can do so.

Questions:

1. What kind of animal had to be sacrificed for sin?
 - a. A perfect animal. It couldn’t have any spots or deformities.
2. Did Jesus ever sin?
 - a. No. Even though Jesus came as a man, He was still perfect in His obedience to God.