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The Proof of

GOD'S LOVE

For Sinful Man

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GOD'S ATTRIBUTES

- ◆ **God's Power** – Seen in the creation – (Rom 1:20)
- ◆ **God's wisdom** – Again seen in the creation – and His revelation - (Psalm 19:2; 104:24; Prov 2:6)
- ◆ **God's righteousness and Holiness** – Seen in His judgment on sin – (2 Pet 2:4-9)
- ◆ **God's love MISUNDERSTOOD** –
 - ✦ Why suffering & death, - (Rom 8:18-22; Gen 3),
 - ✦ Why evil, war, injustice?– (Eccl. 4:3; Gen. 3)
 - ✦ Why punish sinners, why hell? – (Rev. 20:8)



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Romans 5:6-8 (NKJV)

⁶ For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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John 3:14-17 (NKJV)

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. ¹⁷ For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

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1 John 4:9-10 (NKJV)

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Greek Words Translated Love

- ◆ **Eros** - carnal or sexual love, motivated by the attractiveness of its object – (*not used in the Bible*)
- ◆ **Storge** - the love of family – (*astorgos – without natural affection – Strong's - <794>*)
- ◆ **Philia** - the love of close friends or brothers – (*Strong's - <5368>*)
- ◆ **Agape** - love which seeks the highest good of others – (*Strong's - <26>*)

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Eros

Love - Of the worthy,
attractive, beautiful

Desire - To possess the
object of one's love

Agape

Love - Given irrespective
of considered merit

Desire - to give to the
object of one's love

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His Deliberate Purpose And Choice

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Ephesians 1:4-6 (NKJV)

⁴ just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, ⁵ having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved.

(cf. 1 Tim 2:4; 2 Pet 3:9)

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Is Undeserved

Ephesians 2:3-9 (NKJV)

³ among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. ⁴ But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

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⁶ and raised *us* up together, and made *us* sit together in the heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus, ⁷ that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in *His* kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. ⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; *it is* the gift of God, ⁹ not of works, lest anyone should boast.

(cf. Titus 3:3-5)

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Romans 8:32 (NKJV)

³² He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?

Ephesians 5:2 (NKJV)

² And walk in love, as Christ also has loved us and given Himself for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling aroma.

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Is Universal

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1 John 2:1-2 (NKJV)

¹ My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. ²

And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.

(cf. Titus 2:11; John 1:9; 1 Tim 2:4-6)

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Is Personal

Galatians 2:20-21 (NKJV)

²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

²¹ I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness *comes* through the law, then Christ died in vain."

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Is Motivational

2 Corinthians 5:14-15 (NKJV)

¹⁴ For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; ¹⁵ and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again.

(cf. Hebrews 12:18-24; 1 John 3:1-3)

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- ✦ **Motivates us to love God** – 1 John 4:10, 17-19; Mark 12:29-31
- ✦ **Motivates us to love our brethren** – 1 John 4:7-11; 5:1
- ✦ **Motivates us to obey God** – 2 Cor, 5:15; John 14:21,23; 1 John 2:5; 3:18-24; 5:3; 2 John 1:6

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Is Trustworthy

Romans 8:35-39 (NKJV)

³⁵ Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? *Shall* tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ³⁶ As it is written: "*For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.*"

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Romans 8:35-39 (NKJV)

³⁷ Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. ³⁸ For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, ³⁹ nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

(cf. Hebrews 13:5; 1 Peter 5:7-11)

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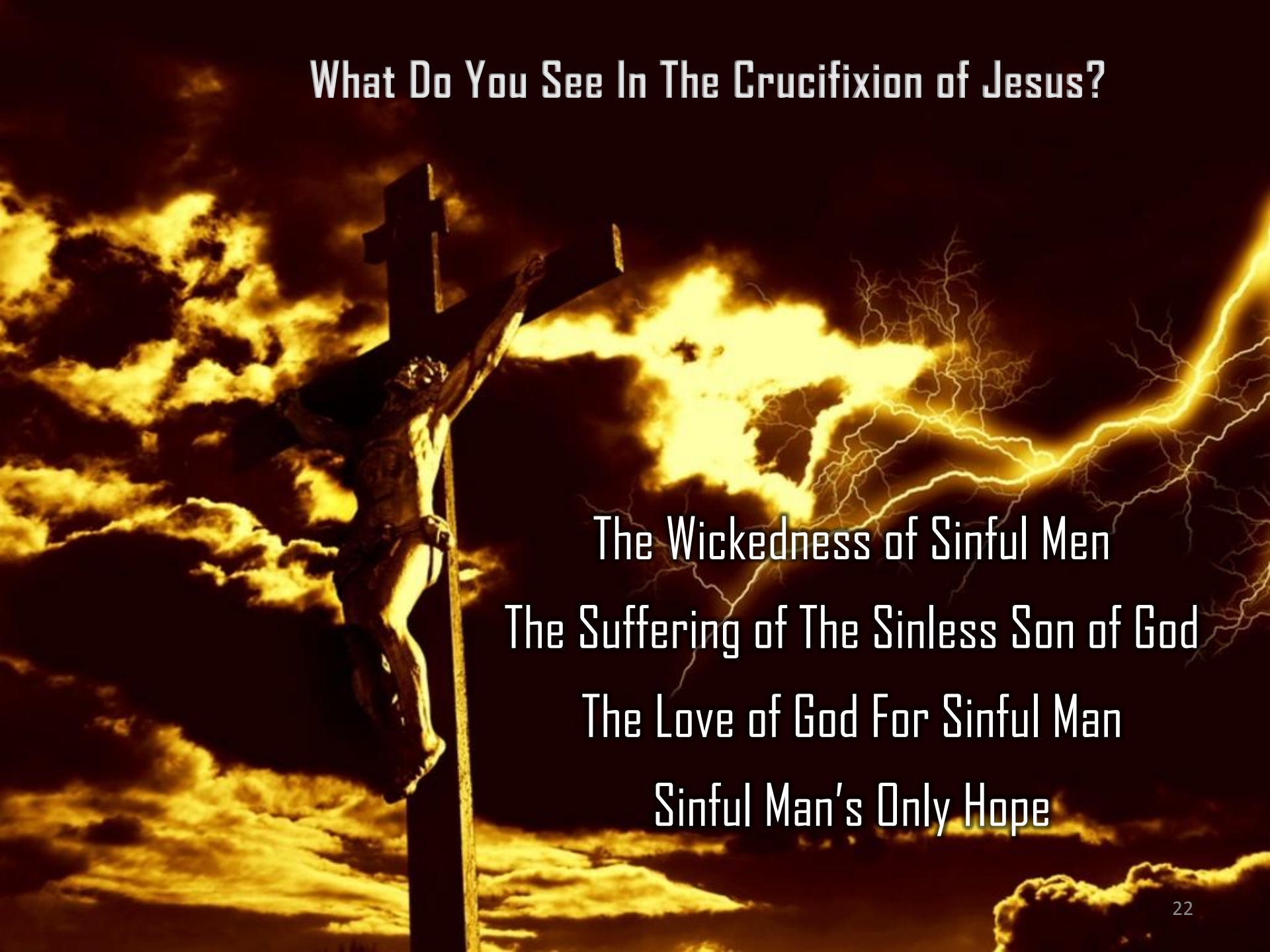
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The Wickedness of Sinful Men
The Suffering of The Sinless Son of God
The Love of God For Sinful Man
Sinful Man's Only Hope



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