

Sermon Series: Making Sense of Salvation

Sermon Title: The Seriousness of Sin

Sermon Text: Romans 5:6-10

⁶ For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. (NASB)

Supporting Text: Romans 6:23

²³ For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. (NASB)

The Central Message: We begin to understand the seriousness of sin as we contemplate the predicament it places us in, the punishment that we face because of it and the enormous price God had to pay to purchase our freedom.

Observation: We can easily recognize the evil in emblazoned on the silver screen but we ignore the sin that we see in our everyday lives.

- *Point #1:* You know that sin is serious because it places in a serious **predicament**.

Sin **separates** us from God.

- *Point #2:* You know that sin is serious because of the enormous **price** that God had to pay.

He who knew no sin became **sin** for us that we might become the **righteousness** of God through faith.

- *Point #3:* You know that sin is serious because of the serious **punishment** that God kept from us.

Nadab and Abihu offered **strange fire** before the Lord and it cost them their lives.

- *Point #4:* You know that sin is serious because of God's gracious