

Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension

The New Testament * Week 12 * Proper 15, BCP 232

If you have questions from past weeks or your reading, email them to
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I. Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Ascension are a continuum.

- A. Crucifixion yielded Atonement
- B. Resurrection is natural Result of Atonement
- C. Ascension between Atonement and Fulfillment

II. Atonement = “at one ment” = humankind’s reconciliation with God through Jesus’ sacrificial death on the cross. But how?

A. “Ransom” – Jesus paid our price. Matthew 20:25-28; Mark 10:42-45

- 1. Satisfied justice
- 2. Satisfied anger
- 3. Took our place.

B. “Example” – to show the extent of his love. (John 15:13).

C. “Christ the Victor” – Jesus defeated death and Satan
Genesis 3:15;

promises to David the warrior king;

Isaiah 61:1-2 / Luke 4:18-21;

John 12:31-33, 16:33;

casting out demons;

Ephesians 6:10-18;

Colossians 2:13-15

D. Church catholic

- 1. Fundamentalists and Roman Catholics
- 2. “Progressives” and “Liberals”
- 3. Pentecostals

4. Episcopal Church?

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a) “Ransom” --

Rite 1, both prayers

Rite 2, Prayer A – “full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and **SATISFACTION**, for the sins of the whole world”

b) “Example” -- Rite 2, Eucharistic Prayer C – “sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace...God of our Fathers (and names other examples), open eyes to see your hand at work...accept prayers through Jesus Christ our great High Priest...”

c) “Christ the Victor”

(1)Rite 2, Prayers B– “delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him you have brought us ... out of death into life.”

(2)Rite 2, Prayer D – “To poor he proclaimed the good news.. (quoting Isaiah 61)... rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new”

III.Resurrection

A. Natural result of atonement.

B. Romans 6:3-5;

Galatians 2:20;

Philippians 3:10-11

IV.Ascension –

A. Holy Spirit – John 16:6-7

B. Pray – Romans 8:34; Hebrews 7:25, 9:24

C. Prepare a place – John 14:1-2

D. Come back – John 14:3

Closing Collect: * Proper 27, BCP 236

NO DIVING DEEPER NEXT WEEK: Preparation for 2 weeks:

Read 1 Corinthians