



FOUR GLORIOUS TRUTHS OF THE CROSS

Different words. Distinct meanings. One great salvation.

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace."

— EPHESIANS 1:7



PROPIATION *Appeasing God's Wrath*

WHAT IT IS:

Propitiation is the act of appeasing God's righteous wrath against sin by the death of Christ. It deals with God.



WHAT CHRIST DID:

Christ bore God's wrath in our place. His blood satisfied divine justice.

KEY SCRIPTURE:

"He is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the sins of the whole world."
— 1 JOHN 2:2

HOW IT HELPS US:



We no longer face God's wrath. His anger has been satisfied. We can now come before God with confidence.

Romans 5:9

EXPIATION *Removing Sin's Guilt*

WHAT IT IS:

Expiation is the removal of sin's guilt and the cleansing of our conscience. It deals with our sin.



WHAT CHRIST DID:

Christ's death cancels our sin debt and cleanses us from all unrighteousness.

KEY SCRIPTURE:

"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."
— 1 JOHN 1:9

HOW IT HELPS US:



Our guilt is removed. Our conscience is cleansed. We are forgiven and made pure before God.

Hebrews 9:14

REDEMPTION *Rescuing and Purchasing*

WHAT IT IS:

Redemption is the act of buying back what was lost. We were slaves to sin; Christ paid the price to set us free. It deals with our condition.



WHAT CHRIST DID:

Christ paid a price—His blood—to purchase our freedom.

KEY SCRIPTURE:

"In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses."
— EPHESIANS 1:7

HOW IT HELPS US:



We are no longer slaves to sin. We are bought with a price and belong to Christ.

1 Corinthians 6:19–20

RECONCILIATION *Restoring Our Relationship*

WHAT IT IS:

Reconciliation is the restoration of friendship and harmony between God and sinners. It deals with our relationship.



WHAT CHRIST DID:

Christ removed the barrier of sin and brought us into peace with God.

KEY SCRIPTURE:

"Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."
— ROMANS 5:1

HOW IT HELPS US:



We are no longer enemies. We enjoy peace with God and are welcomed into His family.

2 Corinthians 5:18–19



THE FOUNDATION:

All four truths flow from the once-for-all sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the cross.

ONE SACRIFICE. FOUR BLESSINGS. ETERNAL SALVATION.

"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the Holiest by the blood of Jesus." — HEBREWS 10:19



THE RESULT:

To the praise of the glory of His grace!
— EPHESIANS 1:6