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Part of a Bigger Plan

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"He himself is the sacrifice that atones for our sins—and not only our sins but the sins of all the world"

-1 John 2:2

The worst travesty of justice in human history was the trial, execution, and murder of Jesus Christ. The very Son of God had come to this planet to walk among us, heal us, and deliver the greatest teachings ever given to humanity.

And what do they do? They beat Him, nailed Him to a cross, and left Him to die. But this was all part of a bigger plan. Jesus did not have His life taken from Him; He came to lay down His life for our sins.

Jesus said, "For this is how God loved the world: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16 NLT). From the greatest tragedy came the greatest good: salvation for everyone and the forgiveness of sin.

You see, Jesus didn't stay on that cross. He rose again from the dead three days later, and He is alive. Is Jesus Christ living inside of you?

He is standing at the door of your life and knocking. He is saying that if you will hear His voice and open the door, He will come in. You can pray and ask God to forgive you of your sins, and Christ will hear your prayer.

Are you down and depressed and hurting? Jesus is saying, "Let me come in. Let me refresh you and give you rest. Let me give you the meaning and purpose of life that you been searching for."

Jesus gives us the hope that when our lives on this Earth come to an end, we will go to Heaven. Not everyone has that hope. Heaven is not the default destination of every human being. It is only the future destination of those who will put their faith in Jesus Christ.