



A ONEMENT

The Great Exchange

Immanuel Community Church
Women's Retreat

November 2nd - 3rd, 2018

Schedule of Events:

Friday, November 2, 2018

7:00 PM: Check-In

7:30 PM: Candle Light Service in Chapel

8:30 PM: S'mores and Crafts

(Bonfire will be by the lake and Crafts will be in the big Meeting Room.)

Saturday, November 3, 2018

7:30-8:45 AM: Breakfast

(All Meals will be served in the Meeting Room. Come and go as you wish.)

9:00 AM: First Session

10:00 AM: Breakout Session/ Snacks

11:00 AM: Second Session

12:00PM: Breakout Session

12:30-1:30PM Lunch

(Come and go as you wish.)

— **Break!** —

4:00 PM: Third Session

5:00 PM: Breakout Session

6:00 PM: Dinner (Share time/ Q & A)

8:00 PM: Checkout

In your own words and from your current understanding, what is “The Atonement?”

Do you think God Could have saved humanity in any way other than Christ-crucified?

Do you think it was it necessary for Jesus to die? Why or why not?

Psalm 51

Confession is ***not***:

1.

2.

3.

Confession ***is***:

1.

2.

3.

Notes:

Session #1

1. We hold to the _____ and _____ of the Scriptures.
2. We believe in the doctrine of the _____.
3. We believe that Jesus was God the Son, _____.

***Atonement:** “The satisfactory compensation made for an offense or injury, in which a price is paid on behalf of the offending party, resulting in their discharge from the obligation to pay the due penalty.”-J.Bridges

“Atonement is the price paid to reconcile enemies.”-Bridges (simplified)

“The work Christ did in his life and death to earn our salvation.” -Grudem

Why Should We Study the Atonement?

1. The whole _____ is for women!
2. The Atonement is the main story line of the _____.
3. _____ is our greatest need.
4. Understanding Atonement leads to _____.
5. Christians cannot study the _____ enough!

Necessity of the Atonement

Three major groups of Theological thought:

1. Pelagianism: Considered the atonement to be absolutely _____.
2. Semi-Pelagianism: Considered the atonement to be hypothetically _____.
3. Augustinianism: Considered the atonement to be absolutely _____.

1. To be a Christians is to see the cross as _____ and _____.

2. The Atonement of Christ was necessary because of man's _____.

a. We are sinners because we are daughters of Adam and Eve.

b. We are sinners because we _____!

3. The Atonement was necessary because of the _____ and _____ of God.

a. God is _____.

b. God is _____.

Breakout Questions for Session 1:

1. Do you have a realistic view of your own personal sin? Or do you feel that you've allowed yourself to neglect the practice of introspection and confession (personal and corporate)?
2. Are there any "respectable sins" that you deal with that you'd be willing to share with the group?
3. Do you feel you think too much or too little about your sin?
4. Do you feel like you tend to view God as being more loving or just, or do you think you have a good balance?

Session #2

1. Atonement was always God's _____.

2. The Atonement of Christ was _____ in the Old Testament.

“It is important for us to note that this God-given system of animal sacrifices united three essential concepts: divine holiness, the consequences of sin, and the necessity of God’s intervention to supply the means of forgiveness. The atoning animal-substitute deaths were intended to impress these truths on every heart.”

“The great symbolic truth shown here is that God will not forfeit his holiness to his love. God will not allow his mercy to violate the spotless integrity of his un-compromised justice. By establishing the principle of sacrifice and its symbolism, God revealed that a satisfaction of divine justice was the only path to reconciliation between himself, a holy God, and sinful man. He heralded the indispensable necessity of atonement by a substitutionary death.”

-Jerry Bridges

-Atonement was the purpose of the prescribed _____.

A. _____ (ex. 12)

B. _____ (Yom Kippur- Lev 16)

-Christ is the _____ of the Day of Atonement.

3. The Atonement of Christ was _____ in the Old Testament.

A. Messianic Psalms

1. Psalm _____

2. Psalm _____

B. Isaiah 53

“There is good evidence that his whole public career, from his baptism through his ministry, sufferings and death to his resurrection and ascension, is seen as a fulfillment of the pattern foretold in Isaiah 53.”

-John Stott

Breakout Questions for Session #2:

1. Have you ever dealt with confusion surrounding the differences/similarities between the Old and New Testaments and the storyline of the Bible? If so, do you feel like you have any more clarity after the previous talk? How so?
2. Have you ever heard anyone (or been this person yourself) who explained God as being two different personalities, or being one way in the Old Testament and one way in the New Testament?
3. What is your thought process as you approach the Lord's Supper each Sunday? Have you ever thought about it in terms of the Passover?
4. What are the practical implications of knowing that God orchestrated this plan of redemption from eternity past? How can the sovereignty and wisdom of God affect our every day lives?

Session #3:

The Nature of the Atonement:

1. No one will be _____ by works of the law.

Justification: “an instantaneous legal act of God in which he (1) thinks of your sins as forgiven and Christ’s righteousness as belonging to us, and (2) declares us to be righteous in his sight.

2. “The _____ of God.

-Jesus’ _____ Obedience:

- Jesus attained the _____.

3. “Has been manifested apart from the _____, although the Law and Prophets bear witness to it...”

4. “The Righteousness of God through _____ in Jesus Christ for _____”

5. “There is no _____: For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...”

- _____ is our great equalizer!

-“The ground is level at the foot of the cross.” -Billy Graham

6. “and are justified by his _____ as a _____ through the _____ that is in Christ Jesus.”

1. We have Christ’s _____ !

2. We need to preach to ourselves and others _____ !

7. “Whom God put forward as a _____ by his blood, to be received by faith.”

“Expiation is an action that has sin as its object; it denotes the covering, putting away, or rubbing out of sin so that it no longer continues a barrier to friendly fellowship between man and God.”

“Propitiation, however, denotes all that expiation means, *and the pacifying of the wrath of God thereby.*”¹

¹ Packer, *In My Place Condemned He Stood*, 32.

A. Propitiation was _____ doings!

B. Propitiation is received by _____.

8. “This was to show God’s _____, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.”

9. “It was to show his righteousness at the

_____, so that he might be

_____ and the _____ of the one who has faith in

Jesus.”

Breakout Questions for Session #3:

1. Do you ever find yourself seeking righteousness and justification by trying to obey the law on your own?
2. Do you feel that deep down you struggle with making what Paul calls “distinctions” in your mind? Are you tempted to feel more worthy of Jesus or less worthy of Jesus?
3. What are some practical ways you can think of to grow in “preaching to yourself” and others?
4. What is one thing you have learned about the atonement of Jesus that you didn’t know before, or haven’t thought about in a while?
5. What is the one main thing you’ll take away from this weekend?

All I Have is Christ

I once was lost in darkest night
Yet thought I knew the way
The sin that promised joy and life
Had led me to the grave
I had no hope that You would own
A rebel to Your will
And if You had not loved me first
I would refuse You still

But as I ran my hell-bound race
Indifferent to the cost
You looked upon my helpless state
And led me to the cross
And I beheld God's love displayed
You suffered in my place
You bore the wrath reserved for me
Now all I know is grace

CHORUS

Hallelujah! All I have is Christ
Hallelujah! Jesus is my life

Now, Lord, I would be Yours alone
And live so all might see
The strength to follow Your commands
Could never come from me
O Father, use my ransomed life
In any way You choose
And let my song forever be
My only boast is You

Come Behold the Wondrous Mystery

Come behold the wondrous mystery
 In the dawning of the King
 He the theme of heaven's praises
 Robed in frail humanity

In our longing, in our darkness
 Now the light of life has come
 Look to Christ, who condescended
 Took on flesh to ransom us

Come behold the wondrous mystery
 He the perfect Son of Man
 In His living, in His suffering
 Never trace nor stain of sin

See the true and better Adam
 Come to save the hell-bound man
 Christ the great and sure fulfillment
 Of the law; in Him we stand

Come behold the wondrous mystery
 Christ the Lord upon the tree
 In the stead of ruined sinners
 Hangs the Lamb in victory

See the price of our redemption
 See the Father's plan unfold
 Bringing many sons to glory
 Grace unmeasured, love untold

Come behold the wondrous mystery
 Slain by death the God of life
 But no grave could e'er restrain Him
 Praise the Lord; He is alive!

What a foretaste of deliverance
 How unwavering our hope
 Christ in power resurrected
 As we will be when he comes (x2)

Hallelujah What a Savior

“Man of Sorrows!” what a name
For the Son of God, who came
Ruined sinners to reclaim.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Bearing shame and scoffing rude,
In my place condemned He stood;
Sealed my pardon with His blood.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Guilty, vile, and helpless we;
Spotless Lamb of God was He;
“Full atonement!” can it be?
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

Lifted up was He to die;
“It is finished!” was His cry;
Now in Heav’n exalted high.
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

When He comes, our glorious King,
All His ransomed home to bring,
Then anew His song we’ll sing:
Hallelujah! What a Savior!

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

How deep the Father's love for us,
How vast beyond all measure,
That He should give His only Son
To make a wretch His treasure.
How great the pain of searing loss –
The Father turns His face away,
As wounds which mar the Chosen One
Bring many sons to glory.

Behold the man upon a cross,
My sin upon His shoulders;
Ashamed, I hear my mocking voice
Call out among the scoffers.
It was my sin that held Him there
Until it was accomplished;
His dying breath has brought me life –
I know that it is finished.

I will not boast in anything,
No gifts, no power, no wisdom;
But I will boast in Jesus Christ,
His death and resurrection.
Why should I gain from His reward?
I cannot give an answer;
But this I know with all my heart –
His wounds have paid my ransom.

I Stand Amazed

I stand amazed in the presence
Of Jesus the Nazarene
And wonder how He could love me
A sinner, condemned, unclean

How marvelous! How wonderful
And my song shall ever be
How marvelous! How wonderful
Is my Savior's love for me

He took my sins and my sorrows
He made them His very own
He bore the burden of Calvary
And suffered and died alone

When with the ransomed in glory
His face I at last shall see
'Twill be my joy through the ages
To sing of His love for me

It is Well

When peace, like a river, attendeth my way,
 When sorrows like sea billows roll;
 Whatever my lot, Thou hast taught me to say,
 It is well, it is well with my soul.

Refrain:

It is well with my soul,
 It is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come,
 Let this blest assurance control,
 That Christ hath regarded my helpless estate,
 And hath shed His own blood for my soul.

My sin—oh, the bliss of this glorious thought!—
 My sin, not in part but the whole,
 Is nailed to the cross, and I bear it no more,
 Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!

And Lord, haste the day when my faith shall be sight,
 The clouds be rolled back as a scroll;
 The trump shall resound, and the Lord shall descend,
 Even so, it is well with my soul.

Made Alive

I once was dead in sin, alone, and hopeless
A child of wrath I walked, condemned in darkness
But your mercy brought new life, and in your love and kindness
Raised me up with Christ, and made me righteous

You have bought me back with the riches of
Your amazing grace and relentless love
I'm made alive forever with you, life forever
By your grace I'm saved

Lord, you are the light that broke the darkness
You satisfy my soul when I am heartless
If ever I forget my true identity
Show me who I am and help me to believe

My sin has been erased
I'll never be the same!

There is a Fountain

There is a fountain filled with blood,
 Drawn from Immanuel's veins,
 And sinners plunged beneath that flood
 Lose all their guilty stains:
 Lose all their guilty stains,
 Lose all their guilty stains;
 And sinners plunged beneath that flood
 Lose all their guilty stains.

The dying thief rejoiced to see
 That fountain in His day;
 And there have I, though vile as he,
 Washed all my sins away:
 Washed all my sins away,
 Washed all my sins away;
 And there have I, though vile as he,
 Washed all my sins away.

Dear dying Lamb, Thy precious blood
 Shall never lose its pow'r,
 Till all the ransomed church of God
 Are safe, to sin no more:
 Are safe, to sin no more,
 Are safe, to sin no more;
 Till all the ransomed church of God
 Are safe, to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream
 Thy flowing wounds supply,
 Redeeming love has been my theme,
 And shall be till I die:
 And shall be till I die,
 And shall be till I die;
 Redeeming love has been my theme,
 And shall be till I die.

When this poor, lisp'ing, stamm'ring tongue
 Lies silent in the grave,
 Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
 I'll sing Thy pow'r to save:
 I'll sing Thy pow'r to save,
 I'll sing Thy pow'r to save;
 Then in a nobler, sweeter song,
 I'll sing Thy pow'r to save.

We Will Feast in the House of Zion

We will feast in the house of Zion
We will sing with our hearts restored
He has done great things, we will say together
We will feast and weep no more

We will not be burned by the fire
He is the LORD our God
We are not consumed, by the flood
Upheld, protected, gathered up

In the dark of night, before the dawn
My soul, be not afraid
For the promised morning, oh how long?
Oh God of Jacob, be my strength

Every vow we've broken and betrayed
You are the Faithful one
And from the garden to the grave
Bind us together, bring shalom
Bind us together, bring shalom

Resource List:

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Glossary of Theological Terms:

(definitions provided by Wayne Grudem's systematic theology unless notated differently)

Authority: The words of the Scriptures are God's words and are authoritative as such. ("All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness..." 2 Tim. 3:16)

Inerrancy: "Scripture in the original manuscripts does not affirm anything that is contrary to fact." Or, "God's word always tells us the truth concerning everything it talks about."

doctrine: a set of beliefs

penal substitution: orthodox view of the atonement/Christ died in our place and bore the wrath of God as our substitute.

Atonement: "The satisfactory compensation made for an offense or injury, in which a price is paid on behalf of the offending party, resulting in their discharge from the obligation to pay the due penalty."²

depravity: Lacking the ability to do Spiritual good in our natures and in our actions, apart from Christ.

Imputation: to think of as belonging to someone, and therefore to cause it to belong to that person.

The Old Covenant: God's covenant with His people through the law given to Moses.

New Covenant: being the covenant of grace through Christ.

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² Jerry Bridges, *The Great Exchange*

Prayer Needs:

Samantha Gilbert: Pray that I would grow in my love for and enjoyment of the Lord and that this would then overflow into loving my family well and stewarding my time well.

Bella Mokeba: I will be traveling to South India for ten days during spring break in March. This is my first international mission trip and my first time out of the country. Please pray for my team, and for the people we will encounter. Pray that the gospel truth would go forth and that people's lives would be changed by the power of the Holy Spirit. Pray that our team would be unified and pray that God would begin to prepare hearts for that time.

Kristen Koenig: Please pray that I would be faithful in the many jobs the Lord has given me to do. Pray that I balance them well. I want to work hard not give in to the temptation to mindlessly scroll on my phone, but focus on the people God has placed in front of me. Also, please pray that I would be intentional to listen to my girls when they are talking to me and to make the most of the time I have with them.

Brittany McGehee: Pray that I would combat laziness in the morning to pursue quality time in the Word before work. I know that a love for God and strong faith are built through time in the word, and I've given myself only a meager to mediocre diet of it. This requires the discipline of going to sleep early enough to set this as a priority even the night before. I'm struggling here. Pray for preparation for my heart with lots of change on the horizon as I get married in the spring.

Jessica Washington: Pray that I would love DeAron and Karis well. Pray that would not be fearful but bold in sharing the gospel with my coworkers. Also pray the Lord would show me more clearly what it looks like to show hospitality, encourage, and serve my community and church bodying during this season of my life.

Melinda VanDyke: Pray that I would find rhythm in studying my Bible and prayer. Pray that I would find joy not only in those things, but also that I would be confident and joyful in my relationship and walk with Christ, as this year has been dry spiritually. Pray that the Lord would provide direction and wisdom as graduation is coming in December. I am excited to be finishing up school but nervous about what is on the other side. Pray I would trust the Lord as He guides and directs me.

Madison Hinton: Pray for increased boldness/confidence to share the gospel. Pray I would become more hospitable and know what that should look like. Pray for my time going out on Wednesday to share the gospel on Bourbon Street.

Kayla Baker: Pray that I would be able to handle my busy schedule this semester well and that the Lord would sustain me during this crazy season. Pray that I would become more consistent in reading the word and desire to overcome sin.

Annie DeLaughter: Pray for me to be joyful and faithful in the coming year. Pray that I would be joyful in the Lord and remembering his faithfulness to save me. Joyful in serving my family and others. Also pray that I would be joyful in parenting and the opportunity to be at home with my kids. Pray that I would be faithful in my time in the word and meditating on it. Also that I would be faithful to teach my kids the Word and point them to Christ. Also for faithfulness to discipline my kids, pray for my family and others and faithful to share the gospel.

Nathalie Escarra: Please pray as I return to work after maternity leave. Please pray for motivation and encouragement to continue and excel in my Relay Certification Program.

Jordan Curtis: Pray that I would grow in prayer, specifically with humility (Realizing how much I need God) and thankfulness (Love for Christ.) Pray that I would be faithful and content in the everyday things the Lord has called me to do, and that I would know and remember that it is a good work to pour my life out for my family—even if no-one ever sees the things I do! Pray that I would work hard unto the Lord and trust that the work he has called me to is a glorious, God-honoring work.

Mary Margaret Hannah: Please pray that I would have self control when it comes to my words, thoughts and actions. I want to have more self-control in the way I talk to people and treat others (be a better listener, more kind, etc.) Also, to have self-control with my time. I have more free-time this year. Pray that I would desire to want to spend intentional time with others and use my time and energy wisely and for His glory.

Randi Tyson: Pray for our children, especially our two oldest (Isaiah and Ava) to have softened hearts and respond to the gospel that they hear so frequently. Pray that I would learn how to rest well while also being faithful to all that God has given me to do. Pray that I would not take on things that are outside of what God wants me to spend my limited time doing.

Marie Daehn: Please pray for me and ask that the Lord would enable and bless me in my role as a wife and mother. Pray that Willie and I would love and serve each other and our children well and would be unified in our parenting. Pray for much unity, wisdom, and patience as we parent our children.

Betty Christ: Pray for salvation and holiness for Nehemiah, Daniel, and Elsie. I want to be a mother according to God's heart. I want to be holy and trust in God no matter what, with all my heart, soul, and strength. Pray for salvation for my family in Mexico: Ramiro, Cecilia, Eugenio, Mario, Iktan, Valentin, and Mercedes. Pray for David, that God would break his heart to the point that he does not have another choice but to truly repent, confess sin, and ask for salvation.

Lydia Chipman: My prayer for the upcoming year is that I would grow in a deeper understanding of the work of the cross. That I would not trust works, but instead grow to love Jesus more deeply. Also, please pray as I continue to share the gospel with my teaching cohort friends, some of which are about to have their time in New Orleans winding down. Pray that I would be bold and faithful.

