

Indicative mood: Declarative; indicates that this is a statement of absolute fact; an undeniable principle of Biblical truth; a part of historical reality.

FACT: God unconditionally loved the human race so much that it resulted in Him giving to it His Son.

- 1- No member of the human race deserves this treatment.
- 2- At physical birth every individual is physically alive but spiritually dead.

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"SALVATION: THE GIFT OF GOD'S LOVE"

**Romans 3:9** - ... both Jews and Gentiles are all under sin;

**v 10** - as it stands written, "There is no Jew or Gentile who is righteous, no not even one;

**v 11** - "There is no Jew or Gentile who understands, there is no Jew or Gentile who seeks for God."

**Romans 3:23** - ... for all Jews and Gentiles have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

**Romans 5:12** - Just as through one man [Adam] sin entered into the world and death [spiritual; resulting in separation from God] through sin, and so spiritual death [separation from God because of a sinful nature passed from generation to generation by means of human procreation] spread to all men [at conception], because all mankind [seminally] sinned when Adam sinned.

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- 3- And thus, at physical birth, every person is physically alive but separated from God.
- 4- God is perfect, man is imperfect. A perfect God cannot have a relationship with an imperfect creature.
- 5- Nevertheless, God's unconditional love motivated His justice to find a way to reestablish the relationship which was severed due to Adam's sin in the Garden.
- 6- Justice determined that if all were sinners, and thus all separated from God, that God could reestablish a relationship if all were offered an equal opportunity for recovery.
- 7- That equal opportunity was the provision of Jesus Christ, the second Person of the Trinity, to act as our substitute and to die for our sins.
- 8- And so God the Son who is undiminished deity, voluntarily chose to lower Himself to the status of true humanity.
- 9- We have established that His true humanity was free of the sinful nature due to the Virgin Conception and was free of Adam's original sin due to the Virgin Birth.
- 10- Since our Lord never committed a sin from the source of His own volition, then He was uniquely qualified to act as a substitute for those who were spiritually dead due to sin.
- 11- Thus, when Jesus Christ hung on the cross, He was considered a certifiable target for the imputation of our sins and their judgment.
- 12- God in His justice judged our sins in Him. God in His grace offers us eternal salvation through faith in our Lord's vicarious act of unconditional love.

13- The unconditional love of God for the human race motivated the giving of His Son to the world.

14- It was the unconditional love of the Son who executed this Plan of salvation flawlessly.

**1 John 4:10** - By this love exists, not because we have loved God but because God loved us [**unconditionally**] and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

15- The word propitiation is the noun:

ἱλασμος - \hilasmos\ Propitiation. This word expresses the Father's satisfaction with the work of Christ on the cross.

16- God's resultant grace to us is expressed by Paul in:

**Romans 5:8** - God commended His love toward us in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

**v 9** - Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him.

17- Let's now take a look at the result clause which follows the expression of unconditional love for the world. It is introduced by the conjunction:

ὥστε - \hoste\ "that." This introduces the result of God loving the world.

**CTL John 3:16** - "God unconditionally loved the world so much that ..."

Next comes the result of God's unconditional love; the aorist active indicative of the verb:

διδωμι - \didomi\ "He gave."

• aorist - Dramatic; presents the present reality with the certainty of a past event. ✓

• The present reality is the fact that God gave His Son to the world. The certain past event in view is the Virgin Birth.

• active - God produces the action by presenting to the world through grace, His Son by means of the Virgin Birth.

• ind - Declarative; a statement of historic fact: the Virgin Birth is a reality.

Who God gave is mentioned next in the direct object, the noun:

Υἱος - \Huios\ "His Son."

- 1- This is the second Person of the Trinity, Jesus Christ.
- 2- The presentation of His Son to the world occurred at the Virgin Birth when God imputed soul life to our Lord's biological life thus creating human life.
- 3- Thus at physical birth, our Lord's undiminished deity was united with true humanity forever.
- 4- Jesus Christ is the unique Person of the universe.
- 5- He is different from man in that He is God; He is different from God in that He is man.
- 6- The next word brings out this unique nature, the appositional noun:

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John 3:16 \KJV\ - "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

*Kata Ioannην 3:16 \Greek Text\:*

Οὕτως γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ Θεός  
*SO MUCH FOR UNCONDITIONAL LOVE GOD*

τὸν κόσμον, ὥστε τὸν υἱόν  
*THE WORLD (HR) (RESULT CL) SON THAT IT RESULTED IN HIM*

τὸν μονογενῆ ἔδωκεν, ἵνα πᾶς  
*THE UNIQUELY-BORN ONE GIVING HIS (PURPOSE CL) ANYONE FOR THE PURPOSE THAT*

ὁ πιστευὼν εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ  
*WHO BELIEVES IN HIM NOT*

ἀποληταὶ ἀλλ' ἔχουσι ζωὴν  
*SHALL PERISH (DIE) BUT HAVE LIFE*

ἄϊωνιον.  
*ETERNAL*

**Transliteration:** Houtos gar egapesen ho Theos ton kosmon, hōste ton huion ton monogene edōken, hina pas ho pisteuōn eis auton me apoletai all' echei zoen aionion.

μονογενής - \monogenēs\ "the uniquely-born One."

μονο- Only; unique in kind. Plus

-γενής - Born

- 1- This word clearly points out the unique nature of our Lord.
- 2- No one else can legitimately make the claim of having both a divine essence and a human essence.
- 3- No one can further claim to have been born spiritually as well as physically alive, free of the sinful nature.
- 4- When God imputed soul life to the Christ child in Bethlehem, He presented the world with His Son and our Savior, the uniquely born One, whose name was called Jesus.
- 5- Consequently, the gift of Jesus was the result of God's unconditional love toward the human race.
- 6- What is expressed next is the purpose for this gift. The purpose clause is introduced by the conjunction:

ἵνα - \hina\ "with the purpose that"

CTL John 3:16 - "God unconditionally loved the world so much that it resulted in Him giving His Son—the uniquely-born One—for the purpose that ..."

Next come the subject to whom this action is directed; the pronoun:

πᾶς - \pas\ "anyone"

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