

## Last week we explored the problem

- The problem of the \_\_\_\_\_ we choose wrong
- The problem of \_\_\_\_\_ our sin creates a barrier
- The problem of \_\_\_\_\_ the penalty for sin
- The problem of a \_\_\_\_\_ the Fall bent creation out of shape
- The problem of the \_\_\_\_\_ his agenda to steal, kill and destroy

## Inadequate solutions

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_
5. \_\_\_\_\_

None of these work because they don’t get to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the problem

## God’s Solution

1. \_\_\_\_\_

**John 3:16 NIV** ‘For God so loved the world he sent his one and only Son.’

2. The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus

**Romans 8 v 10 NLT** ‘For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son.

**1 Corinthians 15 v 3-4 NLT** ‘I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said.<sup>4</sup> He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said.

## How God’s solution gets to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the problem

1. A new \_\_\_\_\_

**Titus 3:5 NLT** ‘He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life.’

2. \_\_\_\_\_ with God

**Romans 5:18 NLT** ‘Adam’s one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ’s one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God.’

3. \_\_\_\_\_ beyond death

**1 Corinthians 15:22-23, 54** ‘Just as everyone dies because we all belong to Adam, everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life.<sup>23</sup> But there is an order to this resurrection: Christ was raised as the first of the harvest; then all who belong to Christ will be raised when he comes back.<sup>54</sup> Then, when our dying bodies have been transformed into bodies that will never die, this Scripture will be fulfilled: “Death is swallowed up in victory”. ‘For we know that all creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time.’

4. \_\_\_\_\_ of the world

**Romans 8:20-21 NLT** ‘Against its will, all creation was subjected to God’s curse. But with eager hope,<sup>21</sup> the creation looks forward to the day when it will join God’s children in glorious freedom from death and decay.

**2 Peter 3:13 CEV** ‘But God has promised us a new heaven and a new earth, where justice will rule. We are really looking forward to that!’

5. \_\_\_\_\_ of the devil

**Hebrews 2:14 CEV** ‘We are people of flesh and blood. That is why Jesus became one of us. He died to destroy the devil, who had power over death.’

## How do we get in on all this?

**Acts 20:21 NLT** ‘I have had one message ..... the necessity of turning from sin and turning to God, and of having faith in our Lord Jesus.

*Additional Notes:*