## **Christ Satisfies God & Man**

Scripture: 1 John 2:2

Series: Doctrine and Devotion: A Study in the First Epistle of John

Sunday, March 01, 2015

Corroborating Texts: Isaiah 53:4-6, 10; Hebrews 2:17; Romans 5:8-9; 1

Thesselonians 5:9-10; John 12:12; Ephesians 5:25; John 17:8-9;

Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 Corinthians 1:28-31



## **Overview**

An arrogant faith is not a Christian faith; it is disconnected from the gospel. The gospel cultivates humility and kills hubris.

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. When in your life have you seen yourself slipping into a heightened sense of arrogance? How did you come to terms with this? What about your circumstances humbled you and brought you low?
- 2. What does propitiation mean? [satisfying wrath] How did Christ act as a propitiation for sins? Why was this so essential? [God is justly wrathful against sin]
- 3. What is comforting about the fact that God's anger is satisfied concerning our sin? Think upon the cross. The physical event in itself is horrific, but it is nothing compared to the suffering Christ experienced in taking on our sin. How might you be reminded of this comfort throughout the week?
- 4. What about the cross cultivates humility? What about the cross kills hubris (pride)? What is humility? When are you able to display humility in your life now?
- 5. In verse 2, what do you think the "whole world" means? [without distinction] Does Christ die for the unrepentant? [No—the evidence overwhelmingly shows that he dies for the Church: Ephesians 5:25 and John 17:8-9 are clear examples] How is this significant for your life and ministry? [1) There is nothing about you that discounts you from salvation. 2) Christ saves all kinds of people from all viewpoints.]
- 6. When you look at texts like 1 John 2:2, it's tempting to get preoccupied with the theological principles and arguments. Do you see how this verse specifically applies to you? How did you first experience the truth of this verse? How have you experienced the truth of this verse this week?