God Atones Effectively

Scripture: John 10:14-18

Series: The Doctrines of Grace

Sunday, February 26, 2017

Overview

The Death of Jesus is the hope of the Christian.

Corroborating Texts

Acts 2:23-24; Acts 4:23-28; Isaiah 53:5; 1 Peter 2:24; Romans 5:8; John 17:6,9-10

Discussion Questions

- 1. What was Jesus' personal mission? How is the "shepherd-sheep" analogy helpful?
- 2. What was the purpose or intent of Jesus' death?
- 3. What is meant by "substitutionary atonement?" Why is this important to understand?
- 4. How does the old testament temple/sacrificial system help us understand this doctrine?
- 5. What did Jesus' death actually accomplish for "his sheep"? How do these four theological terms (expiation, propitiation, reconciliation, redemption) help us better understand what was accomplished?
- 6. What is meant by an "effective" and "specific" atonement? Why are these important distinctions? What are the alternatives and what would be lost?
- 7. How does this heighten our understanding of Jesus' love for us specifically? How does it impact our assurance? How does it embolden our gospel sharing?
- 8. Discuss the "problem" passages that were mentioned: 1 John 2:2; 2 Peter 2:1.

