

PASTOR'S LESSON TO LIVE BY

THERE HAD TO BE A LAST WEEK FOR JESUS

From the beginning of The Holy Scriptures God has proclaimed victory for the human race through the Blood Of Jesus.

*And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and hers;
He will crush your head, and you will strike His heel." Gen 3:15 NIV*

Have you ever thought about "Why" there had to be "A Last Week" for Jesus as "Flesh and Blood"? God created everything for His human race. All of creation was a gift from God to His most Loved - US! We may not view ourselves as very loveable, But God Does. Satan had not blindsided God when he introduced the first lie to Adam and sin entered the world. God is All-Knowing (*omniscient*). Mankind was created by God as the only part of His total creation to poses the gift of "Free Will". The freedom of choice. God knew that man would make the wrong choice (*sin*) time and time again. So, in His foreknowledge, God set His plan in motion, before "Time" began. Sin cannot exist in the presence of God. Yet, sin entered into God's garden and attacked His most precious creation - (Mankind). Sin = Death Therefore, death had come through the first man "Adam" in his first week of sin. We inherited the sinful state from Adam.

Therefore, in order for us to ever be allowed to enter into the presence of God, that first week of Adam's sin had to be Forgiven. The Bible says that sin can only be forgiven by the shedding of life giving blood.

*In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood,
and **WITHOUT THE SHEDDING OF BLOOD THERE IS NO FORGIVENESS.** Heb 9:22 NIV*

Because of God's great love for us, and because of Adam's first week of sin, there had to be the last week as flesh and blood for Jesus. It was all a part of God's Plan - Because He Loves Us.

*For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.
For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. 1 Cor 15:21-22 NIV*

WE ARE GREATLY LOVED

*And That's Your Pastor's "Lesson to Live By"
For Holy Week*