

## Examined in the Death of Jesus

Read [John 10:18](#) & [1 John 3:16-18](#)

Christ offers eternal life, but not without a willingness to sacrifice, even to the point of dying an excruciating death. His loving generosity is far beyond what our minds can conceive. He left the splendors of heaven to come down to earth to dwell with sinful mankind ([Philippians 2:6-8](#)). He did so with one purpose—to be the perfect sacrifice for the redemption of mankind. Through Him, we can know the Father and the gift of reconciliation ([2 Corinthians 5:17-21](#)).

Jesus gave up a perfect and holy place and an existence without pain for our eternal soul. Our need required action, so He lovingly laid down His life to offer us salvation. He asks in return that we lay down our lives; die to our old way of life and imitate Christ in all that we do. Therefore, we should use the goods with which He blesses us to meet the needs of others. This type of love on our part takes action and a willingness to sacrifice. It is not a love in word only, but in deed and in truth.

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### Essential Question:

*In Jesus' sovereignty, what did He give up?*

*Prayer Focus:*

*Thank Jesus for the sacrifice He made.*

*Prayers  
God Has  
Answered*

## Reflective Notes

*How is God speaking to me?*

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