

**HIStory (Part 3)**  
*Jesus: His Humility*  
(Isa. 53:1-7; Jn. 1:29)

**Introduction:** As great as the virgin birth, incarnation and unique life of Christ may be, these are not in themselves sufficient to meet man's needs. This is because salvation does not come through the birth or life of Christ, but only through His humble death. So, as we look today at "Jesus: His humility we'll see the importance of the prophecy, purpose and provision of His sacrificial death.

I. **The prophecy of His sacrificial death:** The phrase "born to die" never fit anyone more appropriately than Christ starting at Gen.3:15.

**A. His death was prophesied about in the past – (Isa. 53)**

**B. His death was predicted by Jesus Himself** (Some examples)  
(Matt 16:21-23; Matt 17:22-23; Mt. 20:17-19a; Matt 26:1-2; Matt 26:7,10-12)

**C. His personal knowledge of His death brought great pain –**  
(*Jn. 13:21; 38b*; Mt. 26:30; 26:38-39)

II. **The purpose of His sacrificial death:**

Some have asked the question "Why did Jesus have to die?" first because...

**A. His death was predetermined in eternity past –**  
(Ac. 2:23; 1 Pe. 1:18-20; Rev. 13:8; Heb. 10:1-10)

**B. His death was being pictured in the past**

1. John's reference to Jesus as the Lamb of God calls to mind the Old Testament sacrificial system as a way of getting forgiveness.
2. The Jews were well familiar with Lambs for sacrifice according to Old Testament Law. (Rom. 6:23; Heb. 9:22; Gen.22:7; Ex. 12:1-13; Jn.1:29)

III. **The provision of His sacrificial death:** Jesus death was not some unfortunate accident, nor was it the heroic act of a martyr.

**A. His death was the act by which God could deal with sin –**  
(Rom. 5:12; 3:23; 6:23)

1. Man did not take Jesus life –He laid it down – (Jn. 10:18)
2. Jesus gave His life as a ransom for many – (He paid the price to deliver guilty sinners from the penalty and power of sin and death.) (Mt. 20:28; 26:26-28; 1 Tim. 1:5; Heb. 9:12-14; 1 Pe. 1:18-20)

**B. His death was the act by which God could release guilty men from sins penalty –**

1. Although Jesus was crucified by wicked men – His death was according to God's plan (Ac. 2:23)
2. Jesus was under the curse of God as He hung on the cross – but it was the curse He bore on behalf of sinners (Gal.3:13)
3. He did in deed die for sins – but not His sins but ours (2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pe.2:24)
4. He who is not under the judgment of God, bore that judgment in place of those like us who are.
5. He bore the wrath of God so that He may bring guilty sinners back to God (Rom. 3:23-25; Col. 1:20; 1 Jn.2:2; 4:10)

**C. His death was the act by which all men have been delivered from the penalty and power of sin –** (Rom. 6:3-7; 8:1-13)

**Conclusion:** Because salvation comes through the humble sacrificial death of Christ – we see that the importance of the prophecy, purpose and provision of His sacrificial death is that it is sufficient to bring complete salvation to all sinners, freeing them from the penalty and power of sin over them and bringing every sinner back into right standing and fellowship with God!