

## Devotion 6- Jesus is Perfect

Do you know someone who is absolutely perfect? Not someone you *think* is perfect, I mean do you know someone who has never sinned? That's kind of crazy, isn't it? Everyone has gotten mad at someone at some point and everyone has disobeyed their parents at some time. Today we are going to be learning about someone who was completely perfect in everything He did, who do you think it is? This person is Jesus! Do you remember last week when we talked about how God doesn't like sin? God doesn't like sin so much that whenever He sees it, He has to punish it. Well, because we have sin, we have this great big wall (Great Wall of China from last week) between us and God. We can't get around this wall. We are stuck because of our sin.

But, God loves people so much that He sent Jesus to make a way for us to know God personally. Here is something really cool, Jesus was completely perfect throughout His entire life! That means that He never stole, he always shared his toys, and he never disobeyed his parents. That's really different from us, huh? Well, the reason that Jesus was so different was because God needed Him to be perfect so Jesus could be our replacement. In order for us to be in a relationship with God, we have to be perfect. Can we be perfect? No, because we have sin. Since we can't be perfect, God sent Jesus to be perfect for us. Isn't that so cool? Even though we can't be perfect, God sent Jesus to be perfect so He could be our replacement. Jesus had to die because we have sin.

Listen to this verse from Romans 5:8 "But God shows His love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us". Do you remember last week when we said that God's penalty for our sin was death? Because of our sin, we can't know God personally. This verse we just read tells us that God sent Jesus to live a perfect life and then to die SO He could pay the penalty of sin. If Jesus wasn't perfect God would not have allowed His sacrifice to be enough. But you know what? Jesus' sacrifice was enough to cover the sins of the whole world.

God loves us so much that He sent Jesus to die in order to pay for the sins of the world. Next week we are going to look into how Jesus's sacrifice addresses our sin.

Discussion Questions:

Why do you think God sent Jesus to live on earth?

If Jesus did sin, do you think His sacrifice would have been good enough?