Explanation of Sin, Evil and Death

LOVE Jesus died to redeem us

LOVE

Freedom to choose God is the ability & the capacity to love; we are only truly alive in Jesus,

WHY?

Sin separates us from God₂

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without free will we are not truly alive

HOLINESS

God is holy so evil cannot "be" in the presence of God₃

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FREE WILL We have & need the ability to pursue God, to choose God or His absence 5

Evil is in essence the absence of God4

WHY?

1. Because of God's loving nature and love for His creation, He offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for mankind on the cross through Jesus Christ.

- 2. There is no man or woman who does not sin. The holy nature of a maximally great Being (God) requires a perfect sacrifice for redemption, even for the smallest infraction against Him of which each and every human being is guilty.
- 3. Because of our fallen, imperfect nature, a perfect sacrifice was required for us to be justified and reconciled to a perfect God who is the only sustainer of life.
- 4. Even from a logical standpoint, light and darkness cannot occupy the same space and evil cannot coexist in a completely holy place (Heaven) in the presence of a completely holy God.
- 5. The fallen nature of the human race is due to the abuse of free will choosing to move away from God (His absence) instead of moving towards Him and with Him.
- 6. Apart from God we cannot live. The absence of God as the sustainer of life is death by the purest definition of the word.
- 7. Without the gift of some element of free will, mankind could not love one another or God which is the greatest