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Series: A Weary World Rejoices

God's Perfect Lamb

Revelation 5:9

Big Idea – The baby Jesus was God's perfect Lamb.

1. Everyone is born infected with the terminal disease of sin

Romans 3:10, 23 "There is none righteous, no not one...for all have sinned..."

Romans 5:12a Sin came into the world because of what one man did,

2. No one can escape sin's consequence of death

Romans 5:12b ... and with sin came death. This is why everyone must die—because everyone sinned.

- 1 Corinthians 15:21 Death has come because of what one man did, but the rising from death also comes because of one man.
- 22 In Adam all of us die.

3. Only the blood of Jesus, the perfect Lamb of God can cure the sin disease

Romans 5: 8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners

- 9 And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation.
- 1 Peter 1:18 For you know that God paid a ransom to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom he paid was not mere gold or silver. 19 It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

4. The Lamb of God was prophesied in the O.T.

Two types of prophecies in Bible – Verbal or spoken, and Typical aka symbols, types, pictures

Genesis 22:7, 8 And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said, Behold the fire and the wood: but where is the lamb for a burnt offering? 8 And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.

Exodus 12:7 The people must take some of the blood and put it on the sides and tops of the doorframes of the houses where they eat the lambs.

Exodus 12:21 Then Moses called all the older leaders of Israel together and told them, "Get the animals for your families and kill the lamb for the Passover.

Isaiah 53:7 He was oppressed and He was afflicted, Yet He opened not His mouth; He was led as a lamb to the slaughter, And as a sheep before its shearers is silent, So He opened not His mouth.

5. The Lamb was fulfilled in the N.T.

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming unto him and said, 'Behold the Lamb of God, Who takes away the sin of the world.

36 And looking at Jesus as He walked, he said, "Behold the Lamb of God!"

Acts 8:32 The passage of Scripture he had been reading was this: "He was led like a sheep to the slaughter. And as a lamb is silent before the shearers, he did not open his mouth.

6. Jesus turned the Passover meal into the Lord's Supper, the Lord's table

Matthew 26:17 On the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the followers came to Jesus. They said, "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover meal?"

- 18 Jesus answered, "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The Teacher says: The chosen time is near. I will have the Passover with my followers at your house.' "
- 19 The followers did what Jesus told them to do, and they prepared the Passover meal.
- 20 In the evening Jesus was sitting at the table with his twelve followers.
- 26 While they were eating, Jesus took some bread and thanked God for it and broke it. Then he gave it to his followers and said, "Take this bread and eat it; this is my body."
- 27 Then Jesus took a cup and thanked God for it and gave it to the followers. He said, "Every one of you drink this.

28 This is my blood which is the new agreement that God makes with his people. This blood is poured out for many to forgive their sins.

7. He died, was buried, rose again to be the cure for the sin disease

- 1 Corinthians 15:19 If our hope in Christ is for this life only, we should be pitied more than anyone else in the world.
- 20 But Christ has truly been raised from the dead—the first one and proof that those who sleep in death will also be raised.
- 21 Death has come because of what one man did, but the rising from death also comes because of one man.
- 22 In Adam all of us die. In the same way, in Christ all of us will be made alive again.

Revelation 5:9 And they all sang a new song to the Lamb: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were killed, and with the blood of your death you bought people for God from every tribe, language, people, and nation.

8. He is coming back as the Lamb of God

Revelation 5:12 saying in a loud voice: "The Lamb who was killed is worthy to receive power, wealth, wisdom, and strength, honor, glory, and praise!"

Revelation 17:14 "They will make war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will defeat them, because he is Lord of lords and King of kings. He will defeat them with his called, chosen, and faithful followers."