

The Incomparable Christ

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Chapter 27 -- The Word of Dereliction

Why was the darkness not a natural event?

THE PASSOVER WAS CELEBRATED AT FULL MOON, WHEN THE MOON IS OPPOSITE THE SUN. [P. 266, 1ST FULL ¶, 2ND SENTENCE]

What was distinct about this prayer as opposed to Christ's other prayers?

HE PRAYED "MY GOD", NOT "MY FATHER". [P. 267, LAST PARTIAL ¶, 1ST SENTENCE]

What did G. Campbell Morgan conclude about the mystery of pain?

THE SILENCE OF GOD IS THE WORST PART. [P. 268, 3RD FULL ¶]

"He was forsaken that we might _____ from the anguish of His experience the greatness of our sin that made it necessary, and that we might _____ how entirely He took it and bore it away."

LEARN / KNOW. [LAST PARTIAL SENTENCE CONTINUING FROM P. 268 TO 269]

Why did God turn His face from Christ?

IT WAS HOLINESS TURNING FROM SIN. [P. 269, 1ST PARTIAL ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

Was the darkness a real or a figurative experience for Christ? Why?

IT WAS REAL; CHRIST HAD TO BECOME A CURSE FOR US. [P. 269, 2ND FULL ¶]

"Ineffable _____ made Him willing to endure even this desolation of soul for our _____."

LOVE / SALVATION. [P. 271, 1ST FULL ¶, LAST SENTENCE]

Why would it not be a mystery for God to forsake us?

WE WOULD BE RECEIVING WHAT WE DESERVED.
[SENTENCE CONTINUING FROM P. 271 - 272]

Why is it a mystery that God would forsake His Son?

CHRIST WAS TAKING MY PLACE SO THAT I MIGHT BE FORGIVEN. [P. 272, 1ST PARTIAL ¶, LAST 2 SENTENCES]

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averted -- turned away

dereliction -- abandonment, (i.e. the Father turned His back on Christ on the cross)

desolation -- devastation

ineffable -- too great for words

nadir -- lowest point

opaque -- clouded, murky

poignancy -- intensity

sublimity -- climax (opposite of nadir)

verities -- truths