

WHY CAN'T WE JUST HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?

Isaiah 59:2 says, "Your iniquities have separated you from your God." You see, God is holy and all righteous. We cannot come into His presence as sinful human beings. Scripture says, "...all have sinned and fallen short of His holy standards." It also says that unless blood is shed, there is no forgiveness of sins.



During Old Testament times, prior to Christ's arrival on earth, animal sacrifices had to be made in order to atone for sin. However, in the New Testament, Christ's death on Calvary implemented a new covenant. His sacrifice was and is sufficient for the atonement of sins for the whole world. The animal sacrifices are now obsolete. That is why John the Baptist proclaimed that Jesus was the "Lamb of God, who takes away the

sins of the world!" (John 1:29)

God loves us so much. He wants so badly to have fellowship with us that He allowed His only Son, who lived a perfect life on planet earth, to die a horrible death, so that through the shedding of Jesus' blood, our sins could be COMPLETELY removed. In other words, while we cannot come into God's presence as sinful human beings, HE came into OUR presence.

There are many ways to Jesus, but there is only one way to God.

It is through Jesus that we get to God...