## God did not give His extra Son, but His only Son

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In Old Testament times, the sins of

God's people could be

forgiven if a price was paid. The blood of an animal had to be shed, and this sacrificial ceremony needed to be performed over and over again. God desired to provide a better way for His people and for them to be eternally forgiven. This, He said, could not be done with the blood of bulls and goats. It took the blood of His own Son and now we are secure forever.

God did not give His extra Son, but His only Son. It cost God His best; there was no other way. Since God didn't spare His best for us, we should give our best to Him.

## Prayer for Today

Father, I accept Jesus as the ultimate sacrifice for my sins. I trust that His blood provides a permanent covenant between us. Thank You for giving Your best, Your only Son. Thank You for new life in Christ. Help me live every day with respect to the price You paid for my salvation.

## Scriptures for Today

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. (NLT)

I Corinthians 6:19-20b Or don't you know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. (NLT)