

On Easter we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. I have often found it helpful to use this season to spark a greater interest in the crucifixion of Jesus and reaffirm the answer to the question, “Why did Jesus have to die?” I hope this Journey through John Piper’s book, ***Fifty Reasons Why Jesus Came To Die*** is as beneficial to you as it has been to me. Through the days between the Easter and Pentecost I will be blogging my introspection and thoughts on Each Chapter you are more than welcome to follow along and add your own comments along the way. You can find my blog at <http://www.followjonathan.wordpress.com>

This is a reading schedule for 2010. It begins on Easter and ends 50 Days later on the day of Pentecost. We will read one chapter a day. Each chapter is approximately 2 pages. You will need to read the introduction prior to Easter to understand why John Piper wrote the book.

Sunday, April 4, 2010 – Chapter 1: To Absorb the Wrath of God

Monday, April 5 – Chapter 2: To Please His Heavenly Father

Tuesday, April 6 – Chapter 3: To Learn Obedience and Be Perfected

Wednesday, April 7 – Chapter 4: To Achieve His Own Resurrection from the Dead

Thursday, April 8 – Chapter 5: To Show the Wealth of God’s Love and Grace for Sinners

Friday, April 9 – Chapter 6: To Show His Own Love for Us

Saturday, April 10 – Chapter 7: To Cancel the Legal Demands of the Law Against Us

Sunday, April 11 – Chapter 8: To Become a Ransom for Many

Monday, April 12 – Chapter 9: For the Forgiveness of Our Sin

Tuesday, April 13 – Chapter 10: To Provide the Basis of Our Justification

Wednesday, April 14 – Chapter 11: To Complete the Obedience that Becomes Our Obedience

Thursday, April 15 – Chapter 12: To Take Away Our Condemnation

Friday, April 16 – Chapter 13: To Abolish Circumcision and All Rituals as the Basis of Salvation

Saturday, April 17 – Chapter 14: To Bring Us to Faith and Keep Us Faithful

Sunday, April 18 – Chapter 15: To Make us Holy, Blameless, and Perfect

Monday, April 19 – Chapter 16: To Give Us a Clear Conscience

Tuesday, April 20 – Chapter 17: To Obtain for Us All Things That Are Good for Us

Wednesday, April 21 – Chapter 18: To Heal Us from Moral and Physical Sickness

Thursday, April 22 – Chapter 19: To Give Eternal Life to All Who Believe on Him

Friday, April 23 – Chapter 20: To Deliver Us from the Present Evil Age

Saturday, April 24 – Chapter 21: To Reconcile Us to God

Sunday, April 25 – Chapter 22: To Bring Us to God

Monday, April 26 – Chapter 23: So That We Might Belong to Him

Tuesday, April 27 – Chapter 24: To Give Us Confident Access to the Holy Place

Wednesday, April 28 – Chapter 25: To Become for Us the Place Where We Meet God

Thursday, April 29 – Chapter 26: To Bring the Old Testament Priesthood to an End and Become the Eternal High Priest

Friday, April 30 – Chapter 27: To Become a Sympathetic and Helpful Priest

Saturday, May 1 – Chapter 28: To Free Us from the Futility of Our Ancestry

Sunday, May 2 – Chapter 29: To Free Us from the Slavery of Sin

Monday, May 3 – Chapter 30: That We Might Die to Sin and Live to Righteousness

Tuesday, May 4 – Chapter 31: So That We Would Die to the Law and Bear Fruit for God

Wednesday, May 5 – Chapter 32: To Enable Us to Live for Christ and Not Ourselves

Thursday, May 6 – Chapter 33: To Make His Cross the Ground for All Our Boasting

Friday, May 7 – Chapter 34: To Enable Us to Live By Faith in Him

Saturday, May 8 – Chapter 35: To Give Marriage Its Deepest Meaning

Sunday, May 9 – Chapter 36: To Create a People Passionate for Good Works

Monday, May 10 – Chapter 37: To Call Us to Follow His Example of Lowliness and Costly Love

Tuesday, May 11 – Chapter 38: To Create a Band of Crucified Followers

Wednesday, May 12 – Chapter 39: To Free Us from Bondage to the Fear of Death

Thursday, May 13 – Chapter 40: So That We Would Be With Him Immediately After Death

Friday, May 14 – Chapter 41: To Secure Our Resurrection from the Dead

Saturday, May 15 – Chapter 42: To Disarm the Rulers and Authorities

Sunday, May 16 – Chapter 43: To Unleash the Power of God in the Gospel

Monday, May 17 – Chapter 44: To Destroy the Hostility Between Races

Tuesday, May 18 – Chapter 45: To Ransom People from Every Tribe and Language and People and Nation

Wednesday, May 19 – Chapter 46: To Gather All His Sheep from Around the World

Thursday, May 20 – Chapter 47: To Rescue Us from Final Judgment

Friday, May 21 – Chapter 48: To Gain His Joy and Ours

Saturday, May 22 – Chapter 49: So That He Would Be Crowned with Glory and Honor

Sunday, May 23 – Chapter 50: To Show that the Worst Evil is Meant by God for Good