Why did God choose the death on the cross as the only way to redeem us? Was there really no other option for victory? Amen.

Answer: God, being all-powerful (omnipotent), certainly could have chosen any method for our redemption (Jeremiah 32:17). But the reason why death became the necessary means is rooted in the nature of sin and God's justice.

Before Adam sinned, God warned him:

> *"But you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will surely die." (Genesis 2:17).*

This was God's clear declaration that sin results in death — spiritual separation from God and ultimately physical death. The word "surely die" (Hebrew: *muwth tamuth*) emphasizes the certainty of death as a consequence of disobedience.

The Apostle Paul explains:

> *“For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.” (Romans 6:23).*

This means sin’s penalty must be paid in death — a just and holy God cannot ignore sin without punishing it. Therefore, for humanity to be reconciled to God, that penalty had to be paid.

Jesus Christ, God’s Son, took upon Himself the punishment we deserved. As Paul writes:

> *“Christ redeemed us from the curse of the law by becoming a curse for us…” (Galatians 3:13).*

In other words, Jesus stood in our place, bearing the full cost of sin, which is death.

It’s like a binding contract: if one party breaks the terms, they owe a penalty. Humanity broke God’s holy law, and the penalty

was death (James 2:10). Jesus fulfilled the law perfectly and accepted the penalty on our behalf.

By His death on the cross, Jesus satisfied God’s justice and demonstrated God’s love (Romans 5:8). His resurrection proves victory over sin and death, opening the way for us to have eternal life (1 Corinthians 15:17–22).

So, Jesus’ death wasn’t just a tragic event, but the divine plan of salvation, because there was no alternative way to remove the debt of sin except through His sacrifice.

Have you accepted Jesus as your Lord and Savior?

If you haven’t yet, now is the time, because the door of mercy won’t remain open forever (Revelation 3:20).

“Come, Lord Jesus!”

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