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**That Jesus is both God and Man
- truly God and truly Man**

Humankind's No 1 Problem

- **SIN**

And the penalty for sin is DEATH

***Spiritual *Physical *Eternal**

“The soul that sins shall die”

Ezekiel 18:4

Blood Must be Shed



The Lamb of God

**Who takes away
the sins of the
world**



The Lamb of God

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*** He was God**

The infinite debt of sin could only be paid by the infinite God; no mere mortal has the capacity to pay for his own sin, let alone the sins of the world.

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*We can never redeem ourselves;
we cannot pay God the price for our lives,
because the payment for a human life is too great.
What we could pay would never be enough to keep
us from the grave, to let us live forever. Psalm 49:7-9 GNB*

The Lamb of God

We know Jesus' sacrifice was acceptable because:

*** He was Man**

Man had sinned, so it needed to be a man who put things right – by living a perfect life and dying a sinless death

The Lamb of God

*I find no
fault in
this man*

Pontius Pilate



The Lamb of God

Bearing shame and scoffing rude

In my place, condemned, He stood,

Sealed my pardon with His blood,

Hallelujah!

What a Saviour!

Philipp Bliss



The Lamb of God

A Man Just Like Us, but for One Thing:

This High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses, for he faced all of the same temptations we do, yet he did not sin. So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most.

Hebrews 4:15-16 NLT

Jesus' Sacrifice was Accepted by the Father

- **That's why God raised Him from death on the third day, fulfilling Psalm 16:10 –**

***You will not abandon me to the grave,
nor will you let your Holy One see decay***

You Can be Forgiven!

Whoever you are...

Wherever you're from...

Whatever you've done...

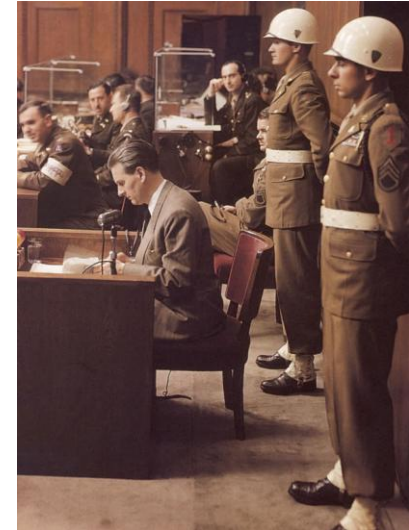


You're welcome here!

Nuremberg War Crimes Tribunal



Nazi War Criminals



Henry Gerecke

Chaplain to Nuremberg War Criminals



“How can I, a humble preacher, a one time farm boy, make any impression on disciples of Adolf Hitler?”

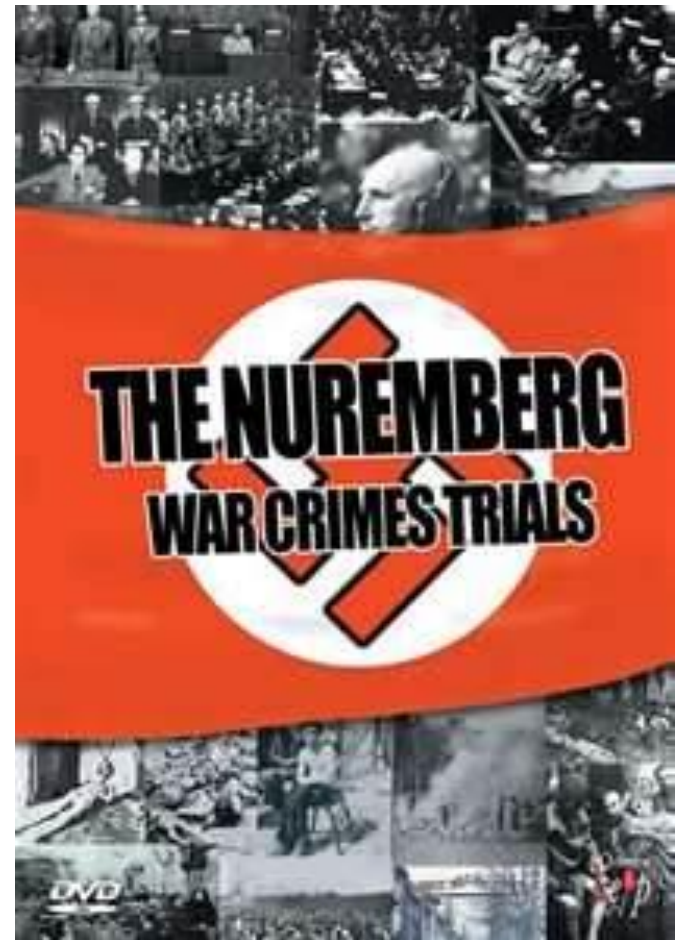
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*“Slowly, the men in
Nuremberg
became to me just lost souls,
whom I was being asked to
help if, as never before, I
could hate the sin,
but love the sinner.*

*“These men must be told
about the Saviour, bleeding,
suffering and dying
on the Cross for them”*

- Henry Gerecke



Field Marshal Wilhelm Keitel

“Never have I heard a prayer quite like that one. He spoke penitently of his many sins and pleaded for mercy by reason of Christ’s sacrifice for him”



Field Marshall Wilhelm Keitel

- He was unashamed to kneel at his bed and together with me make confession of his sins...
With tears in his voice, he said, *“You have helped me more than you know. May Christ, my Saviour, stand by me all the way. I shall need him so much”*.

Fritz Sauckel

Sauckel declared,
*Christ “died for me and
shed His blood for me on the
Cross for the forgiveness of
sins”.*

Then he knelt with Gerecke
And they shared communion
together

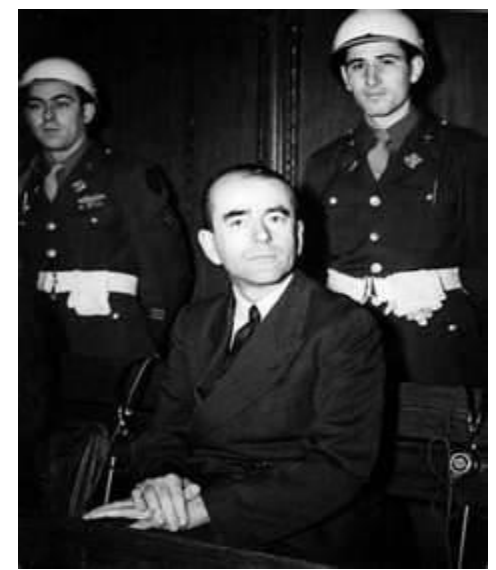




Hans Fritzsche



Von Schirach



Albert Speer

“I shall never forget the sight of those three big men kneeling, asking that their sins be forgiven. So convincing was their bearing that the guards said to me, ‘Chaplain, you’ll not need us. This is holy business’. And they walked out”

Chaplain Henry Gerecke

Have *You* Been Forgiven?

For there is only one God and one Mediator who can reconcile God and humanity—the man Christ Jesus.

1 Timothy 2:5 NLT

Have You Been Forgiven?

*There is a fountain filled with blood,
Drawn from Immanuel's veins
And sinners plunged beneath that flood
Lose all their guilty stains.*

*The dying thief rejoiced to see
That fountain, in his day;
And there may I, though vile as he,
Wash all my sins away.*

William Cowper

How Can I be Forgiven?

- **REPENT**

If we claim we have no sin, we are only fooling ourselves and not living in the truth. But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness. 1 John 1:8-9 NLT

*He who covers his sins will not prosper,
But whoever confesses and forsakes them
will have mercy.*

Proverbs 29:5 NKJV

How Can I be Forgiven?

- **RENOUNCE**

*Let the wicked forsake his way,
And the unrighteous man his thoughts;
Let him return to the Lord,
And He will have mercy on him;
And to our God,
For He will abundantly pardon.*

Isaiah 55:7 NKJV

How Can I be Forgiven?

- **RENOUNCE**

Many who became believers confessed their sinful practices. A number of them who had been practicing sorcery brought their incantation books and burned them at a public bonfire. The value of the books was several million dollars

Acts 19:18-19 NLT

How Can I be Forgiven?

- **RESTORE**

Meanwhile, Zacchaeus stood before the Lord and said, “I will give half my wealth to the poor, Lord, and if I have cheated people on their taxes, I will give them back four times as much!”

Luke 19:8 NLT

How Can I be Forgiven?

- **RECEIVE**

*Jesus breathed on them and said to them,
“Receive the Holy Spirit”* John 20:22 NLT

*The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace,
patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,
humility and self-control. There is no law
against such things as these.*

Galatians 5:22-23 GNB

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