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Because God loves you, He Provides- Part 149

Did you know that God loves you more than anyone else could ever love you?

God proves His love to you by **His covering love**. **Isa. 53:6** "We all like sheep, have gone astray, each of us has turned to our own way; and the Lord has <u>laid</u> on Him the iniquity of us all."

The Hebrew term for *laid on* is *hip gi a* which means *to allow the total weight to fall on a specific place or person*. Everything God does is motivated by His love. Have you noticed that so far? Everything. And the greatest example of His love is no doubt the giving of Himself upon the cross. Now what other thing would motivate Jesus to do what He did for us? And this picture is the "backing up" of the universal size dump truck filled with all the sins of the world, and then unloaded upon the pure and spotless Lamb of God. This crushing weight of sin was *laid on* Him. Have you ever had anything on top of you that was so heavy that you felt like you could not even breathe? I remember the first touchdown I scored in Junior High was for the win of our rival game. My whole team came and jumped on me in excitement. I was excited too, but it wasn't long until the weight of all my team-mates was crushing me and I couldn't breathe. My excitement and joy soon turned into panic. That is nothing compared to the weight of the sins of the world that God laid on Him. But instead of panic, Jesus proclaimed, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." Maybe you could make this day, a day of rejoicing in the fact that your sins were laid on Jesus so that you could be made whole and be forgiven.

Dear Father, You have taken all of our sins and placed them on Jesus. He paid the price for our sin debt. He bore the weight of our iniquities. Thank You Jesus. In Jesus Name, Amen