SYSTEMATIZING IT ALL

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1) The fundamental problem with the world and humanity is our sin and the guilt it incurs.	Where Does Biblical Theology "Fit"?1
	A DIAGRAMMED SUGGESTION
2) Christ came to die as a	
3) Christ came to die as a substitute.	Exegesis — Biblical Theology — [Historical Theology] — Systematic Theology
4) Christ came to die as a penal substitute to	1) We're not just asking, "what does the Bible say?"
of God.	[]
5) Christ came to die as a penal substitute to propitiate the wrath	2) We're not just asking, "What should Christians believe about?" [Theology]
of God and make for his people.	
	3) We're asking something kind of in the middle of the two: " does the Bible say what it says?"
6) Christ came to die as an penal substitute to	
propitiate the wrath of God and make atonement for his people.	
	The Story of the Sacrifice
7) We're saved	What did Christ's sacrifice accomplish? What was he doing on the cross?
8) We're saved by faith alone	1) Adam and Eve in Genesis 2: the first sacrifice made

Biblical Theology: Week 2

- 2) Cain and Abel in **Genesis 4**: an offering, a gift, a tribute.
- 3) Noah in **Genesis 8**: a gift that has an effect on God.

"The Lord smelled the pleasing aroma [of the sacrifice, he] said in his heart, 'Never again will I curse the ground because of man, even though every inclination of his heart is evil from childhood. And never again will I destroy all living creatures, as I have done."

- 3) Abraham in **Genesis 22**: a test of devotion and a substitute.
- 4) Passover in **Exodus:** for a representative firstborn, a spotless lamb, and a set apart people.
- 5) The repeated sacrifices of **Leviticus**:
 - · Clean animals without defect.
 - Every first-born Israelite, who represents the nation as whole, must be redeemed with a sacrificial substitute.
 - The shedding of a blameless victim's blood.
 - Substitution: "He is to lay his hand on the head of the burnt offering, and it will be accepted on his behalf..." (Lev. 1:4)
 - Endless repetition.
 - The Day of Atonement: to make atonement for sins.
- 6) **Christ**: Christ fulfilled everything the OT sacrifices meant, and accomplished what they were unable to do.

PATTERNS IN THE STORYLINE

1) The first pattern to notice is the pattern itself—the pattern or **typology** of sacrifice.

2) Discontinuity

- No longer endless repetition
- Not just for one nation

3) Promise/fulfillment.

What's the purpose in pointing out these patterns? They are instrumental in helping us to understand who Jesus is, what his sacrifice accomplished, and why we need his sacrifice.