It Cost the Lord Everything



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"Don't believe anyone who says it's easy to become a Christian. It cost God everything, including His own Son. And it'll cost you the same thing, including yourself." -John MacArthur

Before we start getting into the pith and marrow of this article, I don't believe that there is any better way to help us all understand the heart of God towards man than what is found in 1 John 4:10.

"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins."

Baby Quinn

A few years ago, we flew out to Tennessee and interviewed Rev. Samuel Kyle, who was next to Martin Luther King Jr. when he was shot.

He shared with us a powerful story about his grandson.

His grandson, Baby Quinn, had a complete heart transplant. They found, through an ultrasound, that he had an underdeveloped heart. The insurance company said they would pay for the birth, but not the transplant because it was only experimental; only five had ever been done. So, they started raising the money.

"Baby Quinn Needs Heart" was their campaign motto. People

from all over the country began to send in their money.

A couple in Chicago was losing their child and they wanted Baby Quinn to have his heart. So, the doctors took the heart of the dying baby and did a complete heart transplant in the other. It was a miracle! The doctors got so caught up into making this work for the little boy that they waived the fee and said, "Just pay what you can."

This couple in Chicago gave up their child's heart so Baby Quinn could live. Oh, what it must have cost them; the pain, the grief, the suffering.

Today, Baby Quinn is in his teens and plays soccer. Every now and then, the donor's mother visits Quinn. She grabs him and puts her head upon his chest so that she can listen to her baby's heart.

What a powerful testimony.

Think of this, when we were dead in our trespasses and sins, God sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross for us. We were hopeless without Him. Yet, He then sent His Son Jesus to intervene on our behalf, that is to those who receive Him, so that life becomes "no longer I that lives but Christ that lives through me".

Friends, whose heartbeat does God hear in you?

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