

# The More Christ Has Suffered for Us

by Thomas Brooks

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*The sermon emphasizes the importance of loving Christ above all things, as His sufferings demonstrate His infinite love for us.*

**Scripture:** Isaiah 53:5, John 3:16, John 15:13, Romans 5:8, Galatians 2:20, Ephesians 2:4-5, Philippians 2:7-8, Hebrews 12:2, 1 Peter 2:24, 1 John 4:19

**Topics:** "Love for Christ", "Sacrifice"

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## Description

Thomas Brooks emphasizes that the depth of Christ's sufferings should correspondingly deepen our love for Him. He urges believers to prioritize their love for Christ above all earthly desires, relationships, and even life itself, recognizing that His immense sacrifices warrant a superlative love in return. Brooks illustrates how Christ's journey from heaven to earth, His servitude, and ultimate sacrifice should ignite a passionate love within our hearts. He calls for a heartfelt response to the sufferings of Christ, encouraging us to let His love and sacrifice be the driving force in our lives.

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## Transcript

The more Christ has suffered for us--the dearer Christ should be unto us. The greater and the bitterer Christ's sufferings have been for us--the greater and the sweeter should our love be to Him. O my friends! there is no love but a superlative love, which is any way suitable to the transcendent sufferings of dear Jesus. Oh, love Him above your lusts, love Him above your relations, love Him above the world, love Him above all your contentments and enjoyments;

yes, love Him above your very lives!

Certainly the more Christ has suffered for us,  
the more dear Christ should be unto us. The more  
bitter His sufferings have been for us, the more  
eminent should be our love to him. Oh, let a  
suffering Christ lie nearest your hearts!

Christ is that golden pipe through which the golden  
oil of salvation runs! Oh, how should this inflame our  
love to Christ! Oh, that our hearts were more affected  
with the sufferings of Christ! Who can tread upon these  
hot coals, and his heart not burn in love to Christ?

Oh, the infinite love of Christ--that He should leave His  
Father's bosom, and come down from heaven--that He  
might carry you up to heaven; that he who was a Son  
should take upon Him the form of a servant; that you  
slaves should be made sons; that you enemies should  
be made friends, that you heirs of wrath should be made  
heirs of God; that to save us from everlasting ruin, Christ  
should be willing to be made flesh, to lie in a manger, to  
be tempted, deserted, persecuted, and to die upon a  
cross! Oh what flames of love to Christ, should these  
things kindle in all our hearts.

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