



Midweek Meditation



"He has appeared once for all at the end of the ages to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." Hebrews 9:26

It was called the war to end all wars. And for good reason. The loss of life during this world war (1914-1918) was so great that a British woman, age 16 to 32, had only a one in ten chance of marrying after it was over. But then came Hitler and World War II. And now the war to end all wars is simply known as World War I.

Yet there is, in fact, a war to end all wars. The Hebrews passage refers to it. Jesus' blood was shed in this war. He was the only soldier to die. He died hanging suspended between heaven and earth. He sacrificed Himself for you and me. God the Father went to war against His beloved Son. The agony Jesus endured was far worse than all the agony of those who suffered in the first world war. And then He cried, "It is finished!" The war was over. The redemption price had been paid. This was the war to end all wars because now God is at peace with you. He will never war against you on account of your sinfulness. He declares you justified for Jesus' sake. He forgives you. Wars will continue here on earth, but not within the heart of your God where it counts the most.

Thank You, Lord Jesus, for creating peace between God and me. Amen.