

**Scripture:** The Law of God (Exodus 20) & 2 Corinthians 5  
**Singing:** 397:1, 4, 5 – 333:2, 4 – 187 – 83:1 – 391:1-4 – 426:1, 3, 5, 7

Intro: How amazing is God's call: *He beseeches us to be reconciled to Him!*

### THE SWEETEST EXCHANGE

I. What this meant for Jesus Christ? II. What does this mean for each believer?

#### I. WHAT THIS EXCHANGE MEANT FOR CHRIST?

A. The Father *made Jesus 'sin for us'*

1. Observe that the *Father* did this to Jesus (Ezek. 33:11)
  
2. Observe how He paved the way back: *he hath made Jesus sin for us*

B. What did this mean for Christ?

1. It filled Him with indescribable horror: Matt. 26:36-38; Lk 22:42-44
  
2. Yet this exchange also was His indescribable joy: Ps. 40:8
  - a. His love constraint Him to do His Father's will
  
  - b. His love constraint Him to do this for His bride (Gen. 29:20; John 15:11-13)

#### II. WHAT DID THIS EXCHANGE MEAN FOR US?

A. It provided *what each born-again* soul hungers/thirsts after: *righteousness in Him!*

1. God **declares** that *to him that worketh not, believeth on Him that justifieth the ungodly, his faith is counted for righteousness. (Rom. 4:5)*
  
2. God calls us to believe Him – trust His truthful promise (Lord's Day 23)

B. Why is it so hard to believe and to rejoice in Gospel truth?