

Jesus Got Dirty

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In nomine Domini! (In the Name of the Lord!)

We had, I pray, our last snow of the year recently.

I do not like snows as they bring salt and road grime and my car, inside and out, becomes a mess.

There are times when it snows that I stay home to avoid getting my car 'dirty'.

All this brings me back to a Sunday weeks ago when I drove to my congregation.

As I sat in the parking lot, my thoughts were about how dirty my car had gotten on the drive and how, if I was not a Pastor, I would probably, most likely, have not driven this day.

I lingered.

The Holy Spirit had to be speaking to me because my thoughts then went to Jesus.

Jesus left the Glory of Heaven and came down into the muck, the mire, the mud, the mess of Sin.

Jesus did not worry about getting Himself dirty!

Jesus literally touched the leper, ate with tax collectors and prostitutes, suffered betrayal, denial, beating and death, even death on The Cross to wash away the filth of sin with His Very Own Blood.

'It is finished!'

Jesus, Who knew no sin became sin for us.

Jesus, Who knew no sin became sin for YOU!

Praise God for the forgiveness He graciously gives you, through Jesus. Amen!

Dear Father, indwell each person reading this with Your Holy Spirit to know The Truth, The Way, The Life – Jesus. Amen!

SDG! (Soli Deo Gloria - A Latin term for Glory to God alone. It has been used by artists like Johann Sebastian Bach, George Frideric Handel and Christoph Graupner to signify that the work was produced for the sake of praising God!)