### **Limited Atonement**

# Isaiah 59:1

Behold, the LORD'S hand is not so short that it cannot save; nor is His ear so dull that it cannot hear.

### John 6:39

This is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day.

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What about passages where God desires to save all men?

### 2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

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**2 Peter 3:9** = "not wishing for any to perish"

# **Options:**

- 1. God decrees all to be saved but is thwarted by human free will.
- 2. God's moral will is for all to be saved, but it is not His decretive will.
- (3) The "any" refers to the elect

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#### 2 Peter 3:8-9

But do not let this one fact escape your notice, beloved that with the Lord one day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years like one day.

The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.

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#### **Ezekiel 18:23**

Do I have any pleasure in the death of the wicked," declares the Lord GOD, "rather than that he should turn from his ways and live?

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### Remonstrants vs. Calvinists

- Total Depravity
- Unconditional election
- Limited atonement
- Irresistible grace
- Perseverance of the saints

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# **Irresistible Grace**

#### Romans 9:19-21

You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?" 20 On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God? The thing molded will not say to the molder, "Why did you make me like this," will it? 21 Or does not the potter have a right over the clay, to make from the same lump one vessel for honorable use and another for common use?

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# **Romans 9:22-24 NKJV**

What if God, wanting to show His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, 23 and that He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy, which He had prepared beforehand for glory, 24 even us whom He called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

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