



**IV. COMMUNION REMINDS US THAT GOD HAS SO LOVED US HE SENT JESUS TO SAVE US FROM DEATH BECAUSE OF OUR SIN (JOHN 3:16-18)**

## EZEKIEL 18:1-4

The word of the Lord came to me: 2 "What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? 3 As I live, declares the Lord God, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. 4 Behold, all souls are mine; the soul of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die.

## SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. What is Ezekiel's context? How does knowing the context help interpret the proverb being talked about?
2. What is the relationship between the "sour grapes" proverb and the second commandment? Why did this proverb become so popular?
3. God promises to end the use of the proverb. How would He do that? How does this foreshadow the person and work of Jesus?
4. What comes to mind as you think about God being "a jealous God?" Why does God reveal to us that He is a jealous God?
5. As you think about having to give an account to God, how does that make you feel? Why do you feel that way?
6. From this sermon, in what ways can you see Jesus as praiseworthy?