WHY DID THE LORD OF GLORY NEED TO DIE?

Jesus reveals the absolute necessity of His death and resurrection Matthew 17:9-13

- I. JESUS HAD TO DIE TO CONQUER DEATH: After revealing His glory to His disciples on the mountain Jesus commands them to be silent about it until He has risen form the dead (9)
 - A. Peter James and John are commanded not to tell anyone of Jesus' glory revealed on the mountain. But why? (9a)
 - B. They are to tell of it after He rises from the dead. But why? (9b)
- II. JESUS NEEDED TO DIE IN ORDER TO FULFILL SCRIPTURE: Jesus uses the disciples excellent question about Elijah to reveal that He fulfills much more important Scriptures concerning His death (10-11, Mark 9:10-12)
 - A. Perplexed about His death and resurrection, Peter James and John ask Jesus why the Scribes teach Elijah will come first (10, Mark 9:9-11)
 - B. Jesus reveals they are right, yet are missing the most important prophesies, which concern His death (11, Mark 9:12)
- III. JESUS' DEATH REVEALS THE ABSOLUTE SINFULNESS OF MAN: Jesus reveals just like John the Baptist, who was Elijah in type, was killed, so too will they kill Him (12-13)
 - A. Because of sin, Israel didn't recognize the forerunner of Messiah and killed him (12a)
 - B. Because of sin, Jesus reveals, so also they will kill Him (12b)
 - C. The disciples still don't fully understand, **do you?** (13)