

## The Blood

**The lambs blood was a precursor of the blood of The Lamb that protects us from both Satan and God's wrath** - Ex 12:12-13 - 12 "On that same night I will pass through Egypt and strike down every firstborn — both men and animals — and I will bring judgment on all the gods of Egypt. I am the Lord. 13 The blood will be a sign for you on the houses where you are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you. No destructive plague will touch you when I strike Egypt.

**The blood is used because it is what carries the life** - Lev 17:10-12 - 10 "Any Israelite or any alien living among them who eats any blood — I will set my face against that person who eats blood and will cut him off from his people. 11 For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves\* on the altar; it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life. 12 Therefore I say to the Israelites, "None of you may eat blood, nor may an alien living among you eat blood."

**Blood was a mandatory product for most sacrifices, especially the yearly major one** - Heb 9:6-7 - 6 When everything had been arranged like this, the priests entered regularly into the outer room to carry on their ministry. 7 But only the high priest entered the inner room, and that only once a year, and never without blood, which he offered for himself and for the sins the people had committed in ignorance.

**Animal blood was just a temporary substitute for the eternal blood of the permanent Lamb of God, Christ** –

Heb 9:11-14 - 11 When Christ came as high priest of the good things that are already here, he went through the greater and more perfect tabernacle that is not man-made, that is to say, not a part of this creation. 12 He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, having obtained eternal redemption. 13 The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkled on those who are ceremonially unclean sanctify them so that they are outwardly clean. 14 **How much more, then, will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself unblemished to God, cleanse our consciences from acts that lead to death, so that we may serve the living God!**

Heb 10:3-4 - 3 But those sacrifices are an annual reminder of sins, 4 because it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.

**The Blood of Christ triggered the end of the Old covenant and the beginning of the New Covenant** - Heb 9:15-22 - 15 For this reason **Christ is the mediator of a new covenant,** that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance — now that he has died as a ransom to set them free from the sins committed under the first covenant. 16 In the case of a will, it is necessary to prove the death of the one who made it, 17 because a will is in force only when somebody has died; it never takes effect while the one who made it is living. 18 This is why even the first covenant was not put into effect without blood. 19 When Moses had proclaimed every commandment of the law to all the people, he took the blood of calves, together with water, scarlet wool and branches of hyssop, and sprinkled the scroll and all the people. 20 He said, "This is the blood of the covenant, which God has commanded you to keep." 21 In the same way, **he sprinkled with the blood both the tabernacle and everything used in its ceremonies.** 22 In fact, the law requires that nearly everything be cleansed with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness.

**Out of the three things that testify about Christ the Blood is one of them** - 1 John 5:6-8 - 6 This is the one who came by water and blood — Jesus Christ. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. 7 For there are three that testify: 8 the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement.

**\*We say, Water to open His ministry with baptism and the blood at the close of His ministry His Death.**

**Communion is a Sacred practice which allows us in the partaking of Christ's blood** - Matt 26:26-29 - 26 While they were eating, Jesus took bread, gave thanks and broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." 27 Then he took the cup, gave thanks and offered it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. 28 This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. 29 I tell you, I will not drink of this fruit of the vine from now on until that day when I drink it anew with you in my Father's kingdom."

**How we take communion and our purpose for taking it is very important, and dangerous if done wrong** - 1 Cor 11:23-32 - 23 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. 27 Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 **A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup.** 29 For **anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself.** 30 That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep. 31 But if we judged ourselves, we would not come under judgment. 32 When we are judged by the Lord, we are being disciplined so that we will not be condemned with the world.

**Not taking communion is NOT an option** - John 6:53-57 - 53 Jesus said to them, "I tell you the truth, **unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you.** 54 Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day. 55 For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. 56 **Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood REMAINS IN ME, and I in him.** 57 Just as the living Father sent me and I live because of the Father, so the one who feeds on me will live because of me.

**The purpose of the Blood, is because there had to be death to pay for sin. Jesus died in our place to pay for our sins** - Rom 3:22-26 - 22 This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference, 23 for **all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God**, 24 and are **justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus**. 25 **God presented him as a SACRIFICE OF ATONEMENT, THROUGH FAITH IN HIS BLOOD\***. **He did this to demonstrate his justice**, because in his forbearance **he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—** 26 **he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time**, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

**Christ's Blood justifies us, and saves us from God's wrath** - Rom 5:8-10 - 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: **While we were still sinners, Christ died for us**. 9 Since we have now been **JUSTIFIED** by his blood, how much more **shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!**

**God planned before creation for Christ's Blood to "purchased us back" ...**

**Purchased back from sin** - Eph 1:4-10 - 4 For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love 5 he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will— 6 to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. 7 **In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins**, in accordance with the riches of God's grace 8 that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. 9 And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, 10 to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment — to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.

**Purchased back from being distanced from God** - Eph 2:13 But now in Christ Jesus **you who once were far away have been brought near through the blood of Christ**.

**Purchased back from the inherited life of our fleshly forefathers** - 1 Peter 1:17-21 - 17 Since you call on a Father who judges each man's work impartially, **live your lives as strangers here in reverent fear**. 18 For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that **you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your forefathers**, 19 but with **the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect**. 20 He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake. 21 Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.

**Christ's blood purchased all men for the Eternal purpose of God** - Rev 5:9-10 - 9 And they sang a new song: "You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and **with your blood you purchased men for God from every tribe and language and people and nation**. 10 You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth."

**Christ's Blood provides true peace** - Col 1:19-20 - 19 For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, 20 and **through him to reconcile to himself all things**, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by **making peace through his blood, shed on the cross**.

**The Blood of Christ frees us from the bondage and repercussions of our sins** - Rev 1:5 and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and has **freed us from our sins by his blood**

**Only those that LIVE in the light benefit from the purification of Christ's blood** - 1 John 1:5-7 - 5 This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. 6 **If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth**. 7 But **IF we walk in the light, AS HE IS IN THE LIGHT, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin**.

**\*How we live is the evidence of those that accepted or who haven't accepted Christ.**

**We disastrously reject the Blood of Christ, when we continue to live outside of its power and purposely continue to live in sin** - Heb 10:26-31 - 26 If we **deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left**, 27 but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God. 28 Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. 29 How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has **treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace?** 30 For we know him who said, "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," and again, **"The Lord will judge HIS PEOPLE"**. 31 **It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God**.