

# The Power of the Blood of Jesus

We have four Sundays before Easter

It seemed good, in the light of all that is happening in our world, to take us back to the basics

So for the next four Sundays I will cover some basic foundational truths of christianity.

1 John 5:6-9 (TPT)

6 Jesus Christ is the One who was revealed as *God's Son* by his water *baptism* and by the blood of *his cross*—not by water only, but by water and blood. And the Spirit, who is truth, confirms this with his testimony.

7 So we have these three constant witnesses giving their evidence:

8 the Spirit, the water, and the blood. And these three are in agreement.

9 If we accept the testimony of men, *how much more should we accept the more authoritative testimony of God that he has testified concerning his Son?*

We can not afford to lose sight of the Son and these three witnesses point to Jesus

Today I want to talk to you about the Power of the Blood of Jesus

To launch out on this massive topic I want to pull 3 words out of Hebrews 9:7

**“Not without blood...”**

(Hebrews 9:7)

The blood of Jesus is both the greatest mystery of eternity and the greatest treasure of Heaven

God has no other way of dealing with sin and redeeming the sinner except through the Blood

In the Garden when Jesus cried out

Matthew 26:39 (NASB)

39 And He went a little beyond *them*, and fell on His face and prayed, saying, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from Me; yet not as I will, but as You will."

If there is another way of accomplishing this task, but there was no other way.

Ephesians 1:7 (NASB)

7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

Jesus was the greatest philosopher in history - but it wasn't His philosophy that saved us from sin.

Jesus went about doing good and healing - but it wasn't His acts of love and kindness that redeemed us

## It was His blood

Hebrews 9:12-14 (NASB)

12 and not through the blood of goats and calves, but through His own blood, He entered the holy place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.

13 For if the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer sprinkling those who have been defiled sanctify for the cleansing of the flesh,

14 how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

# The Blood Must Have the Same Place in Our Hearts That It Has with God

When it does the fullness of redemption will become our reality.

Here is how and why

Hebrews 12:24 (NASB)

24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, **which speaks better than the blood of Abel.**

Look back

Genesis 4:10 (NASB)

10 He said, "What have you done? **The voice of your brother's blood is crying to Me from the ground.**

- Abels blood cried out to God from the ground - it was crying out for vengeance/ justice / retribution
- Jesus blood cries out from the ground - it cries out for mercy / grace / redemption

The blood is the payment for everything that was needed to be fully redeemed back to God's original plan for man / for me / for you

And whenever anybody trespasses against us / against our calling / against our promises be it natural, spiritual or viral - the Blood cries out!

1 Peter 1:18-19 (TPT)

18 For you know that your lives were ransomed once and for all from the empty and futile way of life handed down from generation to generation. It was not a ransom payment of silver and gold, which eventually perishes,

19 but the precious blood of Christ—who like a spotless, unblemished lamb was *sacrificed for us.*

The soul or life is in the blood; therefore, the value of the "blood corresponds to the value of the life that is in it.

The life of a sheep or goat is of less value than the life of an ox, so the blood of a sheep or a goat in an offering is of less value than the blood of an ox (Leviticus 4).

The life of man is more valuable than that of many sheep or oxen.

How do you measure the value or the power of the blood of Jesus?

In that blood dwelt the soul of the holy Son of God.

The eternal life of the Godhead was carried in that blood, as can be seen by Paul's advice to the Ephesians: *Take heed therefore unto yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has placed you as bishops to feed the congregation of God, which he has purchased with his own blood (Acts 20:28).*"

So why does the blood of Jesus have such wonderful power?

Because Jesus was the wonderful Person whose blood was shed and because of the wonderful way in which it was shed."

His blood was in itself of infinite value, because it carried His soul or life.

We don't have time but if we did we could uncover scriptures that reveal that the Blood of Jesus

- Conquered the grave
- Opened up Heaven
- Cleansed us from ALL sin
- Healed us of all diseases
- And set the Holy Spirit loose upon the earth.

When John the Baptist announced His coming, he spoke of Him as filling a dual office: *the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world and then he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit (John*

1:29, 33). **The outpouring of the blood of the Lamb of God had to take place before the outpouring of the Spirit could be given. ”**

Andrew Murray said, **“Where the blood is honored in faith or preaching, the Spirit will work, ”**

## Necessary Knowledge

To enjoy the benefits of redemption we must know that we have been redeemed and what that redemption signifies, but above all we must know that it was not with corruptible things like silver and gold, things in which there was no power of life, but with the precious blood of the Christ

To have a deep understanding of what the preciousness of that blood was – as the power of a perfect redemption – would be the power of a new and blessed life.

We must know that we are redeemed by the precious blood. We must know about redemption and the blood, before we can experience its power.

We will experience more fully the blessings and benefits in proportion to how fully we understand what redemption is and what the power and preciousness of the blood are, by which redemption has been obtained.

**The power of the Blood is that it brings the power of sin to nothing.**

John 6:53-59 (TPT)

53 Jesus replied to them, “Listen to this eternal truth: Unless you eat the body of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have eternal life.

54 Eternal life comes to the one who eats my body and drinks my blood, and I will raise him up in the last day.

55 For my body is real food for your spirit and my blood is real drink.

56 The one who eats my body and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.

57 The Father of life sent me, and he is my life. In the same way, the one who feeds upon me, I will become his life.

58 I am not like the bread your ancestors ate and later died. I am the living Bread that comes from heaven. Eat this Bread and you will live forever!”

59 Jesus preached this sermon in the synagogue in Capernaum.

Drink it in.