

# THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST

1 PETER 1:13-25

Text: 1 Peter 1:19

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Introduction:

We live in a sad hour, an hour in which many, both within and without the church see no need for old-fashioned, Bible-centered, blood-bought salvation.

They make statements like, "Man doesn't need the Blood in order to be saved." We live in a time when many main line denominations have moved to proclaiming a social Gospel instead of a Gospel proclaiming salvation through the Blood of Christ. Some have even gone so far as to remove songs dealing with the Blood from their modernistic, liberal hymnals.

I read a quote from a "Female Theologian" named Delores Williams. She said, "I don't think we need a theory of atonement at all...I don't think we need folks

hanging on crosses and blood dripping and weird stuff.”

Well, I’m afraid it doesn’t matter what Ms. Williams or others of her variety think. What matters is what God has said!

(Hebrews 9:22) "And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission."

You see, just as a body emptied of the blood becomes a corpse, so faith devoid the cleansing Blood of Jesus is DEAD! The Church, the Bible, the Gospel and our faith, apart from the Blood are all dead! Thank God for the Blood! And I’m glad that I can report to you that the Blood is still there!

Robert Lowery got it right when he penned that old song, “Nothing But The Blood.” The Precious Blood of Jesus.

Notice:

## **1. Precious Blood (1 Pet 1:18-19)**

(1 Peter 1:18-19) "Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition

from your fathers; {19} But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:"

A. Spotless (1 Pet 1:19, 23)

(1 Peter 1:19) "But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:"

(1 Peter 1:23) "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever."

B. Satisfied (John 19:30)

(John 19:30) "When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost."

(John 17:4) "I have glorified thee on the earth: I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do."

C. Saves (Col 1:12-14)

(Colossians 1:12-14) "Giving thanks unto the Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light: {13} Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: {14} In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:"

#### D. Seals (2 Cor. 1:21-22, Eph 1:13, 4:30)

(2 Corinthians 1:21-22) "Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; {22} Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts."

(Ephesians 1:13) "In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,"

(Ephesians 4:30) "And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption."

#### E. Secures

(John 3:15-16) "That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life. {16} For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

(John 10:28) "And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand."

(Romans 6:23) "For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord."

(Titus 1:2) "In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie, promised before the world began;"

(1 John 5:11) "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son."

(1 John 5:13) "These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God."

#### F. Sanctifies

(Hebrews 9:13-14) "For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: {14} How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?"

(Hebrews 10:10) "By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all."

## **2. Purging Blood (Heb 1:3, 9:22, Rev 1:5)**

(Hebrews 1:3) "Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all

things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;"

(Hebrews 9:22) "And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission."

(Revelation 1:5) "And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,"

Thank God there is a fountain filled with blood.

A. The Blood cleans the body.

(Isaiah 7:14) "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel."

B. We are contaminated with the toxin of Sin.

1. Sin is a blockage

(Isaiah 59:2) "But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear."

(Jeremiah 5:25) "Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your sins have withholden good things from you."

2. Only the Blood can cleanse from sin.

(1 John 1:7) "But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."

(Isaiah 1:18) "Come now, and let us reason together, saith the LORD: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool."

### **3. Propitiating Blood (Rom 3:24-25)**

(Romans 3:24-25) "Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: {25} Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;"

Propitiation = Satisfaction

### **4. Plenteous Blood (1 John 2:2)**

(1 John 2:2) "And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world."

## **5. Powerful Blood (Rev 12:10-11)**

(Revelation 12:10-11) "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. {11} And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."

Shall Never lose its Power, There is Power in the Blood.

## **6. Purchasing Blood (Acts 20:28)**

(Acts 20:28) "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood."

## **7. Predetermined Blood (Rev 13:8, 1 Pet 1:19-20)**

(Revelation 13:8) "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the



book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world."

(1 Peter 1:19-20) "But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: {20} Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,"

A. Jesus' Blood was not spilt (accidental) but it was shed (on purpose & with a purpose.)

Close:

Story of the man in Detroit Michigan speaking to Charles Finney after he preached

This man asked him if he believed what he preached.

I own a bar. Can God forgive a man like me?

On the authority of God's Word, The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin."

More than one have been killed after leaving the bar. Can God forgive a man like me?

On the authority of God's Word, The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin."

I ran a gambling hall. Can God forgive a man like me?

On the authority of God's Word, The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin."

I have abused my family. Can God forgive a man like me?

On the authority of God's Word, The Blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin."

The man open the door and ushered the preacher off, then never left that room until daybreak - not before ripping up decks of cards and pouring the contents of bottles down the sink

Later he was asked what brought about such a change in his life, he replied, "The Blood of Jesus Christ, God's Son, cleanseth us from all sin."