

The Blood of Christ

- Jesus commands regarding the Lord's supper which is to be taken every first day of the week, makes it certain that every disciple will be taught about the body and the blood of Jesus within the first week of His conversion.
- *For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus on the same night in which He was betrayed took bread; 24 and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "Take, eat; this is My body which is broken for you; do this in remembrance of Me." 25 In the same manner He also took the cup after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in My blood. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me." 1 Cor 11:23-25*
- It is evident that the blood of Jesus must be carefully explained and understood to take the communion.

We were Purchased with His Blood

- *shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. Acts 20:28*
- It is important that we understand as much as we can about this purchase.
- *For **the life of the flesh is in the blood**, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.* Lev 17:11-12
- Since the beginning, God had given man the blood of animals to make atonement for souls.
- It is the blood that makes atonement because the life is in the blood.
- But there was a limitation to that blood that God knew must be paid for later.

Blood of Animals Can't take away Sin

- *But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year. 4 For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins. Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: "Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, But a body You have prepared for Me. 6 In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin You had no pleasure. 7 Then I said, 'Behold, I have come — In the volume of the book it is written of Me — To do Your will, O God.'" Heb. 10:3-7*
- Sins remembered every year because it was impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sin.
- Since it was impossible, God had no pleasure in them.
- To make everything just – God prepared a body for Jesus

By the Offering of that Body...

- **... We have been sanctified**
- *He said, "Behold, I have come to do Your will, O God." He takes away the first that He may establish the second. 10 By that will we have been sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all. Heb 10:9-10*
- The Holy Spirit explained this in detail in Romans:
- *being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 25 whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, 26 to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Rom 3:21-26*

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- To accomplish all of this, God prepared a body for Jesus and allowed Him to be crucified and His righteous blood shed.

Wages of Sin is Death

- *For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom 6:23*
- Everyone in the church had to be purchased with the blood of Jesus for God to be just and also justify.
- The propitiation brought things back into the proper order and equilibrium. God had the purchase price.
- *My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 2 And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world. 1 John 2:1-2*
- Every time we sin, God can pay for that death with the life of His son. Not just ours, but the whole world.
- That's how much power is in the blood.

Wages of Sin is Death

- *Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For **you were bought at a price**; therefore glorify God in **your body and in your spirit, which are God's**. 1 Cor 6:19-20*

Purchased for God with Your Blood

- *in whom **we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins.** Col 1:14*
- *who **gave Himself for us to redeem us** from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself **a people for His own possession**, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:14*
- *"Worthy are You to take the book and to break its seals; for You were slain, and **purchased for God with Your blood men** from every tribe and tongue and people and nation. Rev 5:9*

He was Rich & Became Poor

- *know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though **He was rich**, yet for your sakes **He became poor**, that you through His poverty might become rich. 2 Cor 8:9*

The Wealth He Possessed

- *Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, 6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Phil 2:5-9*
- *In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. Jn 1:1-4*

The full Cost of His Poverty

- *He is despised and rejected by men,*
- *A Man of sorrows and acquainted with grief.*
- *But He was wounded for our transgressions,*
- *He was bruised for our iniquities;*
- *chastisement for our peace was upon Him,*
- *And by His stripes we are healed.*
- *When You make His soul an offering for sin,*
- *Because He poured out His soul unto death,*
- *He was numbered with the transgressors,*
- *And He bore the sin of many,*
- *And made intercession for the transgressors.*
- *Isa 53*

The Purchase brought Obligations

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- *Every member of the Lord's church is bought with the blood of Jesus at a incalculable price.*
- *who **gave Himself for us to redeem** us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself **a people for His own possession**, zealous for good deeds. Titus 2:14*
- *For **we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works**, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them. Eph 2:10*