#### The Blood of Christ

- Jesus commands for the Lord's supper require every disciple 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
- The body and the blood of Jesus must be carefully explained and understood in order to take communion.

- the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. Acts 20:28
- in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Col 1:14
- You were slain, and purchased for God with Your blood men from every tribe, tongue, people and nation. Rev 5:9
- 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
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- My body and your body ... a temple of the Holy Spirit
- We are not our own any longer
- All Christians were bought with the blood of Christ.
- Glorify God in our body
- Glorify God in our spirit
- Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God. 2 Cor 7:1

Therefore gird up the loins of your mind, be sober, and rest your hope fully upon the grace that is to be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ; 14 as obedient children, not conforming yourselves to the former lusts, as in your ignorance; 15 but as He who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct, 16 because it is written, "Be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on the Father, who without partiality judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves throughout the time of your stay here in fear; 18 knowing that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers, 19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot. 1Pet 1:13-19

- I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God. Rom 12:1-2
- Bought with a price ...not our own ...glorify God in body
- Present your body (a choice) Ps 110:3-4
- Your people shall be volunteers In the day of Your power; ... 4 The Lord has sworn And will not relent, "You are a priest forever According to the order of Melchizedek."
- Can't be conformed (aimless conduct handed down).
- Must be transformed (be holy for I am holy)
- Mind must be renewed with Scripture (will of God).

- blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, 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. 15 Speak these things, exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no one despise you. <u>Titus 2:13-14</u>
- This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men. <u>Titus 3:8</u>
- And let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful.

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#### Purchased for God with Your Blood

- in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. Col 1:14
- 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
- Anything Jesus asked us to do is fair.
- Nothing is too hard or too much.
- He became poor so we can become rich
- We need to become poor
- But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. 8 Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ Phil 3:7-9

#### What the Sacrifices of Jesus Made Possible

- that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Rom 3:26
- He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 11n 1:9
- For by one offering He has perfected forever those who are being sanctified. <u>Heb 10:14</u>
- with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. Heb 9:12-13
- None of this was possible without Jesus!
- What could He ask of us that we could consider unfair or too much?

#### Jesus Gave Himself for us ...

- who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, <u>Titus 2:14</u>
- This is Jesus' side of the purchase.
- Fixed and Absolute:
- He redeemed us
- Purified us for Himself
- We ARE His own special people

# Why ... His Own Special People

- 15 His own special people, zealous for good works
- 8 those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works.
- 14 And let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful. Titus 2:14-15; 3:8, 14

#### Careful to Maintain

2 Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ. ... 9 And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. 10 Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith. (Gal. 6:2,9-10).

### **Learn** to Maintain

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; 7 or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; 8 he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness." (Rom 12:4-8).

### Learn to Maintain

"And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." 9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. 10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11 If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ." 1Pet. 4:8-11

# Bought with a Price

but, speaking the truth in love, may grow up in all things into Him who is the head — Christ — 16 from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does its share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love. Eph 4:15-16

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