## The Power of Jesus' Blood (Two Lessons)

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## ➤ Intro:

- "What has the blood of Jesus done for you, and what does it continue to do for you, today?"
  - How many things can you list? -2, 3, 4
    - Heb. 9:22 one is the forgiveness of sins
  - this lesson: talk about 13
- lesson: The Power of Jesus' Blood in our lives
  - song: #276 There Is Power in the Blood
- ➤ The reason Jesus shed His blood
  - Matt. 26:28 blood of the new covenant, for the forgiveness of sins
- **blood of the new covenant** (promises of God, agreement, both parties involved illus.: marriage, Christ and church)
  - Lk. 22:20 in Christ's blood new covenant, forgiveness associated with, provided by, a result of
- ► Heb. 9:16-18, 22; 10:10 covenant: death, blood, forgiveness of sins
  - Heb. 12:22-24 Mt. Zion, church, Jesus, mediator new covenant, sprinkling of blood
- Acts 20:28 Jesus purchased church with His blood
- ► Heb. 13:20 blood of the eternal covenant Christ's blood
  - blood, poured out, for the forgiveness of sins
    - Jesus: crown of thorns, scourged, crucified, side pierced from which came blood and water
    - Jesus poured out His blood (cross) so we could be forgiven under the new covenant sins remembered no more

- here to end: power of Jesus' blood blessings and benefits we have through His blood
  - in addition to the new covenant which we enjoy (above)
- ➤ Jesus is the propitiation for our sins, in His blood power of Jesus' blood
  - 1 Jn. 2:2; 4;10 Jesus, personally, is the propitiation for our sins the means whereby we are saved
- **Rom. 3:25a propitiation in His blood, through faith** the means whereby we are saved
  - Jesus, and His blood, are the means whereby we are saved!
- we contact Jesus' blood when we are baptized PP chart: blood / baptized
  - Rev. 7:14 washed in Jesus' blood / Acts 22:16 sins washed away when baptized
  - Rom. 5:9 saved, justified by Jesus' blood / 1 Pet. 3:21; Mk. 16:16 saved when baptized
  - Heb. 9:14 conscience cleansed by Jesus' blood / 1 Pet. 3:21 appeal for good conscience when baptized
  - Rev. 1:5 released from our sins by Jesus' blood / Rom. 6:3-7, 18 baptized, no longer slaves of sin, freed from sin
  - Since we contact Jesus' blood when we're baptized, we receive all the benefits and blessings that come from His blood, the moment we are baptized!
    - individual blessings, benefits, discussed below
- ➤ We are saved and justified from our sins by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Rom. 5:9 saved, justified by Jesus' blood
  - justified: verb, rendered righteous, deemed to be right
    - illus.: man wanted to buy car, justified it (list of reasons to buy) deemed to be right, rightous
    - we are justified by God when obey gospel (baptized), forgiven
- When are we saved and justified by Jesus' blood?
  - Mk. 16:16 believe, baptized, saved justified and saved by Jesus' blood when baptized (Rom. 5:9)
- ➤ Our sins are washed away by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Acts 22:16; Rev. 7:14 washed, sins away, blood of Lamb
    - 1 Pet. 1:2 sprinkled with His blood
    - 1 Jn. 1:7 blood of Jesus cleanses us from all sin when baptized, then as Christian. . . .
- ➤ Matt. 26:28; Acts 2:38 baptized, forgiveness of sins, blood shed for forgiveness of sins
  - blood, forgiveness
- ➤ -1 Pet. 3:21 baptism saves us washed, not removal of flesh, sins washed away (Acts 22:16)
  - saved, baptized, washed in Jesus' blood (Acts 22:16; Rev. 7:14)

- ➤ We are released from our sins by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Rev. 1:5 released from our sins by Jesus' blood
  - release: to be set free, as from bondage
    - illus.: Peter, bond in prison, prisoner, bound with two chains, angel appeared and told him to get up quickly, the chains fell off his hands released from bondage, the chains
- When are we released from our sins by Jesus' blood?
  - Rom 6:3-7, 18 baptized, no longer slaves of sin, freed from sin
- ➤ We are sanctified through Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Heb. 13:12 sanctified through Jesus' blood
  - sanctify: to purify, to separate from profane things and dedicate to God
    - illus.: a girl found an old locket in the mud
      - cleaned it, polished it, had a jeweler repair it
      - took it home and put it in a display case
      - dedicated it to be special, only wearing it to church, her wedding, and her parents funeral
      - whenever she wore it, she remembered the special things in her life
    - in the same way, God takes us from the mire of sin, cleans us and fixes us, and dedicates us to be special, serving Him as He desires, as His children
- ➤ Eph. 5:26 sanctified, cleansed by word
  - 1 Cor. 6:11 when obey word: washed, sanctified, justified in the name of the Lord
- When are we sanctified?
  - Acts 22:16; Rev. 7:14 wash in blood of Lamb when baptized
  - Heb. 13:12 (above) we're sanctified through Jesus' blood
  - therefore, we're sanctified through Jesus' blood when we're baptized
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- ➤ We are redeemed by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - 1 Pet. 1:18-19 redeemed with Jesus' blood
  - redeem: buy back, from sin, devil
    - illus.: bully steals bracelet worth \$25, refuses to give back, friends sneaks off and buys it for \$100, gives it back to owner, redeemed it (bought it back)
      - similarly, Jesus bought us back from sin with His blood
- ➤ Eph. 1:7 redemption through His blood, forgiveness
  - Rev. 5:9 purchased us for God, with His blood
  - Acts 20:28 purchased church, with His blood
- When are we redeemed?
  - Eph. 1:7 (above) redeemed when we're forgiven
  - Acts 2:38 forgiven when we're baptized
  - therefore, we're redeemed when we're baptized into Christ
- ➤ What is our responsibility as Christians, now that we're redeemed?
  - 1 Cor. 6:19-20 bought, glorify God in our bodies
  - Rev. 2:10 faithful until death
- ➤ We are reconciled to God by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Col. 1:20 we are reconciled to God through the blood of Jesus on the cross, now at peace with God
  - reconciled: to change, exchange through the blood of the cross, God has made provisions for us to change from an enemy with God to a friend with God exchanging enmity with friendship
    - Ja. 4:4 we are the ones who have to change when in sin, to be friends with God
- When are we reconciled to God by Jesus' blood and at peace with Him?
  - Col. 2:12 baptized, raised up with Christ- sins washed away, blood (Acts 22:16; Rev. 7:14)
- Col. 2:10a made complete in Christ
- Col. 2:11 fleshly man of sin cut off
- Col. 2:13b made alive together with Christ, have been forgiven
- Col. 1:12b-13 qualified, share, rescued, transferred
  - Col. 1:20 reconciled through blood of Jesus

- ➤ Our consciences are cleansed by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Heb. 9:14 conscience cleansed from dead works by Jesus' blood
  - Christ's blood cleanses (purifies) our conscience, our souls having been washed in the blood of the lamb, being freed from the guilt of sin
    - illus.: a man guilty of murder ran from authorities, always looking over his shoulder, vexed by burdening guilt for his sins
      - one day he heard the gospel and obeyed repenting of his sins, he was baptized into Christ, washed in the blood of Christ
      - then he could deal with the guilt, as one who had been made clean in the Lamb's blood
      - he returned home and turned himself in, confessing his sorrow and guilt, confident in the Lord's saving grace, willing to die as punishment for his sins
      - after a short trial, and much public outcry, he was sentenced to execution in the electric chair
      - sitting in the electric chair, moments before death, he said:
        - "I'm sorry for my sins, and I deserve to die. The Lord has forgiven me, and now I go to meet Him, and live with Him for eternity. I pray that the pain I've caused will lessen in time, and that you'll forgive me too." (Fictions story, aem)
    - as children of God, forgiven of our sins, we can overcome the paralyzing guilt of our sins to face the world, and those whom we sinned against, and serve God in spirit and truth, as He desires Paul, Stephen
- When are our consciences cleansed?
  - 1 Pet. 3:21 baptized, appeal for good conscience
    - Acts 22:16; Rev. 7:14 baptized, washed in the blood of the Lamb
    - Heb. 9:14 conscience cleansed (purified) with Christ's blood, freed from the guilt of sin, able to serve the living God as He desires
- ➤ We are empowered to overcome Satan with Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - Rev. 12:10-11 overcome Satan by the blood of the Lamb empowered as a Christian (Eph. 6:10-18)
    - Rev. 2:10 be faithful, even if must die for Christ
- When are we empowered to overcome Satan with Jesus' blood?
  - Rev. 12:10 when we become a child of God, one of the brethren
  - Acts 2:38, 47 when we're baptized, added to the church (1 Cor. 12:13)

➤ We have confidence to enter the holy place by Jesus' blood (when we're baptized) – PRAYER – ETERNAL

SALVATION - blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood

- Heb. 10:19-20 confidence (boldness) to enter the holy place (behind the veil) by Jesus blood
  - prayer, worship, eternity in heaven
- **>** holy place: the heavenly sanctuary behind the veil
  - Heb. 6:19-20 holies of holies in heaven, behind the veil, Jesus, forerunner (cf. Heb. 9)
  - Christ opened the holy place to His brethren (Christians), by entering first, and making atonement for their sins
  - as Christians we have the privilege of standing in the presence of God in the most holy place
- ➤ When do we have the confidence to enter the holy place by Jesus' blood?
  - Heb. 10:19a when we become a Christian (brethren)
  - Acts 2:38, 47 when we're baptized, added to the church (1 Cor. 12:13)
- ➤ Therefore, it's important for us to....
  - Heb. 10:23-25 hold fast confession, assemble, stir up to love and good deeds, encouraging one another in so doing, we'll stand in the presence of God one day, in heaven
- ➤ Summary / Inv. blessing, benefit, power of Jesus' blood
  - PP summary: the power of Jesus' blood
    - blood of the new covenant
    - propitiation for our sins when baptized, become a Christian
    - saved, justified when baptized, become a Christian
    - sins are washed away when baptized, become a Christian
    - released from our sins when baptized, become a Christian
    - sanctified when baptized, become a Christian
    - redeemed when baptized, become a Christian
    - consciences cleansed when baptized, become a Christian
    - reconciled to God when baptized, become a Christian
    - empowered to overcome Satan when baptized, become a Christian
    - confidence to enter the holy place when baptized, become a Christian
  - inv.: song # 307 Are You Washed In The Blood?
    - inv.: to become Christian:
    - inv.: to return to God as straying Christian
      - Heb. 10:29 when sin willfully, trampled under foot the Son of God, regarded as unclean the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified, and has insulted the Spirit of grace
      - Heb. 6:6 crucify to yourself the Son of God