



Teaching Outline - Wednesday, April 8th, 2020

Subject: The Precious Blood of Jesus (God's Precious Provision for Power)

Revelation 12:11 (NKJV) - "And they overcame him **by the blood of the Lamb** and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death."

- It is a dynamic truth that the life of the flesh is in the blood (**Leviticus 17:11**). This is true of spiritual life as well as natural life. It the **BLOOD** ceases to flow, naturally speaking, to any organ
- of our body, that part of the body will die.
 - Your physical body has about 5.6 liters (6 quarts) of **BLOOD**. This 5.6 liters of BLOOD **CIRCULATES** through the body three times every minute.
 - In one day, the BLOOD travels a total of 19,000 km (12,000 miles) - that's four times the distance across the U.S. from coast to coast.
 - On average, it takes about 45 seconds for the blood to circulate from heart, all around the body, and back to the heart again. An average adult's heart beats more than 100,000 times a day.
 - Spiritually, no one can see heaven or experience redemption realities or the new birth, without the blood of the sacrifice.
- **1 Peter 1:18 - 19 (NKJV)** - "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."
- **1 John 1:3 - 7 (NKJV)** - "3 that which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you **also** may have **fellowship** with us; and truly our **fellowship** is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. 4 And these things we write to you that **your joy may be full**. 5 This is the message which we have heard from Him and declare to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say that we have **fellowship** with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have **fellowship** with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin."
- The Apostle John in this Epistle, by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, is communicating to us loud and clear the importance of us remaining in **FELLOWSHIP**. Don't break **FELLOWSHIP** with the Father, with the Lord Jesus Christ and with fellow Christian believers. When we are

born again, redeemed by the Blood of Jesus Christ, we enter into a **FELLOWSHIP** with God our Father, with the Lord Jesus Christ and with the Holy Spirit.

- **1 Corinthians 6:17 (NKJV)** - *"But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him."*
- Our **FELLOWSHIP** with one another is to take place as well. God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ did not save and redeem us to live "**INDEPENDENT**" and "**ISOLATED**" and **DISCONNECTED** lives.
- John by the Holy Spirit also reveals that this unbroken **FELLOWSHIP** with each other is a secondary means of JOY next to being born-again and Spirit-filled.
- Our New Birth in Christ brings the experience of being "Baptized into the Body of Christ". You become a member of the Body of Christ (spiritually and legally). **1 Corinthians 12:13 (NKJV)** - *"For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit."*
- **FELLOWSHIP IS A WORD THAT IS DESCRIBED AS PARTNERSHIP AND COVENANT.**
- **FELLOWSHIP** = the sharing of the heart mutually (spirit-to-spirit firm); **PARTNERSHIP**; **COVENANT**; spiritual communion; spiritual connection and spiritual commitment.
 - Just the Blood flows through our body naturally, spiritually speaking the BLOOD of Jesus flows through Fellowship: (1) Fellowship with our Heavenly Father (2) Fellowship with our Lord Jesus and (3) Fellowship with the Holy Spirit (4) Fellowship with ONE ANOTHER.

THE CHEMISTRY OF THE BLOOD

Ezekiel 16:6 (KJV) - *"And when I passed by thee, and saw thee polluted in thine own blood, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live; yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood, Live."*

- (NKJV) - *"And when I passed by you and saw you struggling in your own blood, I said to you in your blood, 'Live!' Yes, I said to you in your blood, 'Live!'"*
- The Bible is a Book of **BLOOD** and a bloody Book. When we are accused of preaching a Gospel of blood we gladly plead guilty to the charge, for the only thing that gives life to our teaching and power to the Word of God is the fact that it is the blood which is the very life and **POWER** of the Gospel. The Bible declares itself to be a "living" Book, the only living Book in the world; and it is able to impart life to those who will believe with their hearts what it teaches.
- In Hebrews 4 we read these words: *"The word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword"* (**Hebrews 4:12**).
 - The word translated "quick" in this verse is "LIVING" or "ALIVE." The Word of God is a **LIVING** Word, wholly distinct from all other books for just one reason, namely, that it contains blood circulating through every page and in every verse. From Genesis to Revelation we see the stream of blood which imparts to this Book the very **LIFE** of God.
- **There is Divine LIFE in the Blood of Jesus! The very Eternal Life of God is in the ingredients of the BLOOD of Jesus! In the BLOOD of Jesus there is something that has the power to RAISE the dead, HEAL the sick, and wash away and CLEANSE sin so thoroughly that even God cannot find the stain.**
 - There is nothing in you that the BLOOD can't **CLEANSE**; there is nothing afflicting, infirming or ailing your body that the BLOOD can't **CURE**; and there is nothing that is too destructive or damaging in you that the BLOOD can't **CHANGE** or CORRECT.
- Without the blood the Bible would be like any other book and of no more value, for the Bible plainly teaches that the life is in the blood.
- We must emphasize one fundamental principle found in the Bible. This fundamental principle is given in Leviticus 17 and reads as follows: **Leviticus 17:11 (NLT)** - *"For the life of the body is in its blood. I have given you the blood on the altar to purify you, making you right with the LORD. It is the blood, given in exchange for a life, that makes purification possible."*
- **LIFE**, that mysterious something which scientists have never yet been able to define or fathom, is said by God to be in the blood of the flesh, so that there can be no life without the blood. Although this is true of all flesh, we are mainly interested in the human blood and particularly

in the blood of the Man Christ Jesus because in His blood was not only life as we think of it physically, but **ETERNAL** Life as well.

- **Hebrews 9:12 - 14 (NLT)** - *"¹²With his own blood—not the blood of goats and calves—he entered the Most Holy Place once for all time and secured our redemption forever. ¹³Under the old system, the blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer could cleanse people's bodies from ceremonial impurity. ¹⁴Just think how much more the blood of Christ will purify our consciences from sinful deeds so that we can worship the living God. For by the power of the eternal Spirit, Christ offered himself to God as a perfect sacrifice for our sins."*
- The whole plan of redemption rests upon the **POWER** of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ!
- It is important to point out medically speaking that the blood is the only tissue which is unlimited in its movement within the body. Almost all other body tissues are fixed, such as muscle, bone, nerve, fat and skin. They remain where they are. The blood is the only tissue which is not fixed but circulates throughout the body to every living cell. There are other fluid products of the body, such as saliva and gastric juices, tears and bile, but these are not tissues, but secretions, and are not parts of the body but products of that body. The blood alone is the liquid tissue that can reach every single cell in the body and, therefore, unites all the members with the head and the individual members as well.
- Simply stated, the blood consists of a liquid vehicle called the plasma, a colorless liquid in which are suspended the various cellular elements, and in which are found in solution a great many chemical compounds. The solid part of the blood consists mainly of three kinds of cells. These are called platelets, thin transparent cells whose function is still quite obscure. Then there are the red cells or erythrocytes, in the concentration of about 5,000,000 per cubic millimeter. These are the cells which carry the fuel to the tissues in the form of combined oxygen and which give the blood its red color. There are also the white cells or leukocytes, of which there are several kinds, which have to do particularly with the defense of the body in combating infection. Other elements in solution provide for the clotting of the blood when an artery or vein is severed, and the antibodies prevent disease.

CHRIST OUR SUFFICIENT AND SATISFYING SUPPLY

- As essential then as the blood is to our bodies, so essential is the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ to the body of Christ. It, too, is fluid, so that it can reach every single member of that body no matter how far those members may be removed the one from the other. Just as the blood supplies the food elements for nourishment and life, and then carries off the waste products and poisons due to cell metabolism, so, too, the Lord Jesus Christ is to every believer the only Source of **LIFE**, the only support and sustenance of life, but also the One who keeps cleansing us day by day, so that our **ETERNAL** life is really Eternal, for the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin its forms and manifestations.
- What the blood in our bodies does for us in times of danger and attack the **PRECIOUS BLOOD** of the Lord Jesus Christ does for each and every believer. In this connection I must quote a passage from **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. AND THEY OVERCAME HIM BY THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB and by the word of their testimony."*
- They overcame Him (Satan) **BY THE BLOOD OF THE LAMB**. Now this refers to the nation of Israel in the Tribulation, but it applies just as well to us today.