

THE BLOOD OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST

Some well known authors have stated that there was NO power in the shed blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, it was just His DEATH that was used for our atonement & when it was poured out it just perished in the ground!

Tonight we shall deal with this HERESY & prove from the Scriptures that the Blood of Christ is VITAL for salvation & that it is as fresh today in heaven as ever it was when it was shed all those years ago.

It is also a subject that has caused great controversy in the Christian Church today worldwide. Many churches are not preaching on this subject these days because it seems to offend people, publishers are taking the Lord's Blood out of the hymn books, Alpha courses and such like often preach a 'bloodless' 'gospel', which is 'another gospel', because you can't get saved without the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ! New *perversions* of the Bible are missing out the Blood of Christ many times & some include it only as a 'footnote' such as the NIV does in Col 1v14. Someone doesn't like the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ! If you read Rev 12v10+11 you'll find out who hates the blood of Christ!

Although we don't have time to read these passages of Scripture tonight, you may like to note them down and read them when you get home... Exo 12, Heb 9 & 10.

Some of what I am going to say is taken from Dr M.R. DeHaan's book "The Chemistry Of The Blood." Dr DeHaan was not only a Christian, but a Physician and Surgeon for many years. I have also taken some of the points/information that I will be using later on, from Ian Paisley's leaflet "Ten Impossibilities If The Blood Of Christ Perished" I would recommend both publications to you!

Many Christians today know very little about the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, and its awesome power. The Church today fails to preach or stand up for the Blood of Christ and yet our Gospel is the Gospel of the Blood of the Cross, from which flows the salvation power of God. The Bible is a Blood stained book. The Church is a Blood stained Church. The pathway to Heaven is a Blood stained pathway.

Some of the questions we will be touching upon (but not in any order!) are as follows...

Why is Christ's Blood so important?

What is its significance for today?

What type of Blood is it?

Where is the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ today? (i.e. Did it perish in the ground at Calvary?)

What is the purpose of the Blood?

The Bible is a book *full* of Blood, it is a living book... **"For the word of God is quick (It is alive!), and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart."** (Heb 4v12)

It is a living book because Blood is circulating through every page, from Genesis to Revelation. This stream of blood imparts to this book, the Bible, the very life of God. Without the Blood the Bible would be like any other book.

The Scriptures teach us plainly that the "Life is in the Blood"

"For the life of the flesh is in the blood... For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof..." (Lev 17v11+14)

The Life of the flesh is in the blood; remember that!

Dr DeHann writes... 'In the human body there are many different kinds of tissue, muscle, nerve, fat, gland, bone etc... They all have one thing in common, they are all fixed cells, and they are all limited to certain functions. The blood is different! It is not limited to one part of the body. It moves throughout the whole

body and supply's fixed cells with nourishment and carries off the waste products and the "ashes" of cell activity.

The blood, pumped by the heart, circulates through the body approx. every 23 seconds, so that every cell in the body is constantly supplied and cleansed, and at the same time is in constant communication with every cell in that body. Once blood fails to reach cells and members they promptly die.'

"The life of the flesh is in the blood"

What has been described here is true of every physical body, but all points to a greater and deeper spiritual truth. The Church of Jesus Christ is called "His Body," and therefore we are members of His Body. **"For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office; so we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another."** (Rom 12v4-5) In this body Jesus Christ is the Head and all believers are the members.

The life of each member depends on His blood and is dependent solely for life, nourishment, cleansing and growth upon the blood of the Lamb of God. **"For the life... is in the blood"**

Every "born-again" believer is a member of that body, they maybe widely separated in the body, they may differ in colour, function, structure, denomination and gifts etc. but the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ unites them all.

We are to recognise the "unity" of the body of Christ. So many Christians are more interested in their denominations, & their little sects that they fail to realise the importance of unity within the body of Christ.

Some churches feel that because you are not of their 'denomination' you can't be saved! Well listen folks, God cares nothing about our man made divisions and groups, He is not interested in our self-righteous, hair-splitting and religious man-made formulas and organisations... Peter said **"...I perceive that God is no respecter of persons."** (Acts 10v34) Sometimes we think that because we are "Pentecostal, Baptist, Independent Evangelical, Protestant, Brethren or Reformed etc." that we are favoured with God, well we are not, God is no respecter of persons or organisations, He looks on our heart, and what a sight He must see at times!

So many Christians want to tell you 'what they are!' 'I'm a Calvinist, I'm A-Millennial, I'm Reformed etc.

DeHaan goes on to write... "Show me the man or the woman who is more interested in getting members for his church than winning them for Christ, and I will show you a person who does not yet know the unifying and purifying power of the blood, in making us all one in Him, not in form or ritual or mode of worship, but one in common interest to exalt our Head, The Lord Jesus, and to love one another. **Some folks are so busy defending their pet doctrines and sectarian views and getting church members, that they never reach a soul for Christ!" AMEN & AMEN!**

All men are related by the blood of Adam, sinful and polluted blood, dead in trespasses and in sins. **"And hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth..."** (Acts 17v26) All men have a "common" origin in Adam, all men are blood relatives of Adam no matter what their race. Their blood carries the sentence of death because of Adam's sin, and for this reason all men die a common death. Remember that "the life of the flesh is in the blood," and so if man must die it is because there is death in the blood. **"For the wages of sin is death;..."**

God formed man out of the dust of the ground, and then we read, "...and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." (Gen 2v7) The breath of God put something in man that made him alive.

DeHaan goes on to say that that something was blood. **"For the life of the flesh is in the blood... For it is the life of all flesh; the blood of it is for the life thereof..."** So when life was added to that "lump of

clay” in the shape of a man, it wasn’t *just* the ‘spirit’ of man that was added, blood was also added and man became a living soul. Now that I leave with you to think & ponder over!

His blood was the separate gift of God, for God is Life and the Author of ALL Life. **“Jesus said... I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live: And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?”** (John 11v25-26)

Now I’m not sure when the blood of man was added. It could have been at creation, it may have been a separate gift I don’t know. I’ve even heard someone say that water first flowed through Adam’s veins but we certainly won’t go there tonight! Some things you have just got to pray about & leave with the Lord!

When man sinned, rebelled against God, and ate of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, he died spiritually, and ultimately physically. Since life is in the blood, when man sinned and died spiritually, something happened to his blood. Sin affected the blood of man. Suddenly there was ‘death’ in his blood!

Now very briefly I want us here, to touch upon the virgin birth, (later on we will look at the virgin birth in a little more detail). There are many Christians who reject or deny the virgin birth of the Lord yet the Scriptures teach plainly on this subject!

The very fact that sin affected the blood of man necessitated the virgin birth of the Lord Jesus Christ, if He was to be born a son of Adam and yet a sinless man. For this reason Christ could partake of Adam’s flesh, which is not inherently sinful, but He could not partake of Adam’s blood, which was completely sinful.

God provided a way by which Jesus, born of a woman, could be a perfect human being, and, because He had not a drop of Adam’s blood in His veins, He did not share in Adam’s sin.

The whole plan of Salvation revolves around the power of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. **“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: 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?”** (Heb 9v13-14)

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. 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 cleanseth us from all sin.

God’s way of redemption has provided a way to wash away our filth and stains by washing them in the Blood of the Lamb of God. His sinless, supernatural blood alone can do that!

Like our human blood, which attacks and fights against infection and diseases, the precious Blood of the Lord Jesus does the same for all believers. **“...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...”** (Rev 12v10-11) Overcame him (Satan) by what? ...by the blood of the Lamb! **“Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about seeking whom he may devour.”** (1 Peter 5v8) and yet the Lamb of God has defeated the roaring lion, the devil!

There is power in the Blood of the Lamb! Satan is the accuser of the brethren. He brings charges against us before God, but when he comes before God to accuse us, there is One there, our Great High Priest, The Lamb of God, and all He need do is point to the Blood that was shed for us, AND IT IS ENOUGH!

Sometimes Satan also comes to accuse us. He points out our sins and failures and tells us things like... “You can’t be saved if you do that!” “Christians don’t do those kinds of things!” he keeps trying to sow doubts in our minds, and yet because of these accusations, *which may hold some truth*, (i.e. “You know

you shouldn't be doing that!") we often get depressed, feel defeated, feel as if there is no hope. We begin to doubt as to whether we really are saved. We question our redemption. How can we overcome this?

Listen... "They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb!" We need to keep reminding ourselves and the devil, it's the Blood of Christ, it's Calvary, It is He who died for us, shed His Blood for us. IT ALL DEPENDS ON HIS BLOOD! His Blood fights for us, it is all we need to overcome ANY attack of the enemy! **"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. ...and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."** (1 John 1v9+7)

We overcome temptations, attacks from the enemy, even Satan himself, by the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ! There is power in the Blood!

Some people think when they get saved all there problems stop! When you get saved the battle really starts! Satan will try and bring you down, BUT, you possess a weapon that is more powerful than all the arms this world could ever produce, and that weapon which defeated Satan 2000 years ago is just as powerful for you today! It is the precious, incorruptible Blood of The Lord Jesus Christ! As Christians we trust in the Blood for our daily cleansing and purification!

The difference between the sinner and the saint is that the saint hates his sin and pleads the Blood of Christ, whereas the sinner loves his sin and keeps entering into it! Which one are you tonight? The saint is never happy while he is backsliding in sin! Backsliders are the most miserable people on earth! They know they shouldn't be where they are.

Let us take heart Christian. Have you done wrong? Have you sinned? Have you fallen yet again? The Lord knew when He came to die, that even after we were saved we would still sin. This is why the Blood of the Lord Jesus is so significant and vital for today! The Lord Jesus knew how hard it would be to remain undefiled in this old world. He knew the pitfalls in the way, and the deceitfulness of the flesh, so when He died to save us, He also shed His Blood to cleanse us. **"If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."** (1 John 1v8-9)

Let us not despair today as we think of our failures, but instead let us run to Him who shed His most precious Blood for us, for our salvation, cleansing and keeping.

Turn with me to Acts 17v24-26 - **"God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that he is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing he giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; and hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation."**

Paul say's that God hath made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on all the face of the earth. The one thing, which relates all men to each other is the blood that flows in their veins.

Since the Life is in the blood, according to the Scriptures, and the wages of sin is death, sin affected the blood of Adam and caused him to die. Because the blood of all men partakes of the sin of Adam, it can only be cleansed by the application of sinless blood, **for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.**

As the first Adam's sin corrupted the blood of the entire human family, so the pure sinless blood of the last Adam makes atonement for the sin of the world. **"For without shedding of blood is no remission... It is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul."** Eve's sin does not affect us, although Eve sinned before Adam did. It was the sin of Adam, which brought death upon the whole race because it is Adam's seed.

Only Jesus is called the Seed of the woman, His blood was without the sin of Adam. The Lord Jesus could have a human body, but He was not a sinner like you and me because He was born of a woman by the Holy Spirit.

There was therefore only one remedy for sin... SINLESS BLOOD! There was only ONE person who could supply this blood, THE SINLESS SON OF GOD! It would be the greatest *blood transfusion* this world would ever know! **“For he hath made him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”** (2 Cor 5v21) **“And ye know that he (Jesus) was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.”** (1 John 3v5)

From Genesis - Revelation we have this message of atoning blood. The atonement speaks of the sacrificial work of the Lord Jesus Christ to pay the punishment due our sins that we might be forgiven. In the OT, we have it in the example of the blood of the lambs and goats, which were slain in the sacrificial ritual of Israel.

Long before the perfect Lamb of God Himself came the Lord was preparing the world for Him in the types of the OT. Without blood there could be no atonement, and until the blood was presented, the holy law of God demanded justice and death for the sinner. That is why, when God gave the two tablets of stone, the law, to Moses upon Mount Sinai - the law which called for justice and not mercy, the law which said, The soul that sinneth it shall die, the law which demanded perfection OR death - He also gave to Moses on the same Mount the pattern of the Tabernacle, which was indeed built on blood and whose whole sacrificial ritual was bathed in blood.

God knew when He gave the law to Israel that they could not keep it perfectly and must die, and so in mercy He gave the Tabernacle and the altar and the blood so that a sinning people condemned by the law might have life through the sheltering blood.

The blood of bulls and goats and lambs could not atone for sin, but merely pointed forward to the One that would come to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. **“Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.”** (Heb 9v12)

So in the fullness of time God sent forth His Son into the world to be born of a woman, and at the end of His life would shed His own precious eternal blood once and for all. After that there was no more sacrifice! As one preacher has said **“The difference between the atonement, as set forth in the OT and that which is presented in the NT, is that in the former the sheep died for the shepherd, while in the latter the Shepherd died for the sheep.”**

The blood of the sacrificial animals of the OT was corruptible and decayed and was soon gone, but the blood shed on Calvary was imperishable Blood. The Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ is incorruptible... **“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; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”** (1 Pet 1v18-19)

The Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ is sinless blood, and because of this, it is incorruptible, for sin brings corruption, and where there is no sin there is no corruption.

Every drop of Blood that flowed in Jesus' body is still in existence today, and is just as fresh as it was when it flowed from His wounded brow, His hands, feet and side. Because of His sinlessness He never saw corruption... **“For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.”** (Ps 16v10)

I believe that when Jesus ascended (the first time!!!), He took His own incorruptible Blood, as the Great High Priest, entered into the Holy of Holies in the presence of God, and sprinkled it upon the Mercy Seat in Heaven, of which the Mercy Seat and Ark in the Tabernacle were merely copies... **“And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these. For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us: Nor yet that he should offer himself often, as the high priest**

entereth into the holy place every year with blood of others; For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world: but now once in the end of the world hath he appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of himself.” (Heb 9v22-26)

After Christ had made the atonement, He arose from the tomb, and then, as the eternal High Priest, ascended into heaven to present the blood in the Holy of Holies where God dwells, and that Blood is there today, pleading for us and prevailing for us.

The priest in the Tabernacle never spoke a word. All he did was present the blood, and that was enough. The priest would have to repeat the sprinkling again and again, and it is a significant fact that among all the pieces of the furniture of the Tabernacle, there was no chair to be found. We read of the altar, the table, the candlestick and the Lord’s Ark, but no mention of a chair.

This fact simply signified that the work of the earthly priest who sprinkled the blood of animal sacrifice was never done. He could not sit down for his work was never finished! But concerning our Great High Priest, The Lord Jesus Christ we read... **“But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God... for by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.”** (and because of this, all believers can claim that lovely verse **“And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.”**)

The Blood has been shed - the incorruptible, eternal, divine, sinless, overcoming, precious Blood. It availed then, and it avails now; and throughout all eternity it shall NEVER lose its power. No wonder Satan hates the Blood of Christ and will do anything to get rid of it, forget it, and make people think it perished on the Cross of Calvary.

It is a doctrine of Satan to say that Christ’s Blood has perished! For it certainly has not!

God said to Israel, and He says it to us... “When I see the blood I will pass over you.” In other words Blood protects us from God’s wrath, anger and punishment over sin, BUT ONLY THE BLOOD OF JESUS!

The blood is so precious that we see the redeemed singing in heaven... **“...Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood.”** (Rev 1v5) (Just human blood? I don’t think so!!!)

Now just for a moment I want us to go back and look a little closer at the virgin birth... I don’t think people realise just how important the virgin birth of the Lord Jesus really is. We read...

“...Before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. ...Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. (Mat 1v18-20)

“The wages of sin is death.” Because Jesus was sinless, He was deathless, until He took the sin of others upon Himself and died their death. God has made of one blood all the nations of the earth. Even though Jesus, therefore received His flesh, His body from a sinful race, He could still be sinless as long as sinful blood was not in His body. God provided a way whereby Jesus could be perfectly human according to the flesh and yet not have the blood of sinful humanity. That was the problem solved by the virgin birth!

DeHaan writes “It is now definitely known that the blood which flows in an unborn babe’s arteries and veins is NOT derived from the mother but is produced within the body of the foetus. It is unnecessary that a single drop of blood be given to the developing embryo in the womb by the mother. Such is the case according to scientists.

The mother provides the foetus (the unborn developing infant) with the nutritive elements for the building of that little body in the secret of her womb, but all the blood which flows in it is formed in the embryo itself. From the time of conception to the time of birth of the infant not one single drop of blood ever passes from mother to child.

The placenta, that mass of temporary tissue know better as “afterbirth,” forming the link between mother and child, is so constructed that although all the soluble nutritive elements such as proteins, fats, carbohydrates, salts, minerals and even antibodies pass freely from mother to child and the waste products of the child’s metabolism are passed back to the mothers circulation, no actual interchange of a single drop of blood ever occurs normally. All the blood which is in that child is produced within the child itself.”

The mother contributes no blood at all! Now of course I’m no scientist & I certainly don’t understand all of what I’ve just read to you but I have checked this out with three different midwives & they all have confirmed that if the mother’s blood touches the child it can cause death.

Now perhaps you can see why the virgin birth is so important! When God created woman He made her so that no blood would be able to pass from her to her offspring. In order to produce a sinless man who would yet be the son of Adam. God provided a way whereby that man would have a human body derived from Adam but have blood from a separate source.

DeHaan say’s ‘Jesus was a perfect human being after the flesh. He was of the seed of David according to the flesh, but blood is that part of a man, which is the divine addition. In the creation of man, Adam’s body was made from the dust of the earth, but God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life.’

Since life is in the blood, this act resulted in the formation of blood in Adam’s body, but the first Adam’s blood was corrupted and sin is in all mankind since God hath made of one blood all nations.

In the second Adam, the Holy Spirit provided the Blood, God’s Blood as we see in **Acts 20v28!**

Conception by the Holy Ghost was the only way the virgin birth could be accomplished. Mary nourished the body of Jesus and He became the seed of David according to the flesh. The Holy Spirit contributed the Blood of Jesus. It is sinless Blood. It is Divine Blood. It is Precious Blood, for there has never been any other like it.

It is innocent blood “I have betrayed the innocent blood,” Judas confessed in Mat 27v4. The Lord Jesus was innocent. He became like one of us with ONE exception - instead of being conceived by a human father, He was conceived by a Divine Father. As a result He had Divine Blood, Sinless Blood and because of this He Had Incorruptible Blood.

There are 3 foundational principles set forth in the Scriptures concerning the sacrificial Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ..

- 1) The Blood is the life (Lev 17v11)
- 2) The Blood is the life given (Lev 17v11)
- 3) The Blood is the live giving (Lev 17v11)

The Blood of The Lord Jesus Christ makes atonement for the sinning soul. We are talking about His literal Blood THAT IS PRESENT TODAY!

Some people, some preachers (well known preachers!) say that the Blood that Jesus Christ shed on the Cross of Calvary perished in the ground! This is WRONG! It is HERESY!

I want us very briefly to look at a few impossibilities if the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ perished!

1) The impossibility of the forgiveness of sins... “**...without shedding of blood is no remission.**” (Heb 9v23) Some people believe that when the bible talks of shedding of blood it really means just death! If the death of Christ was not by the shedding of blood then the sin question has not been answered and the forgiveness of our sins is impossible. God decreed that only death by blood shedding can sins be forgiven.

Forgiveness - The remission of our sins is impossible if Christ’s blood is not literally shed blood.

The death must be literal, not symbolic death. The blood shed must be literal blood not symbolic blood. The Blood of Christ is literal blood that has literally been shed!

2) The impossibility of Redemption being accomplished... **“Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.”** (Heb 9v12)

If His Blood was lost at the Cross and not preserved and presented on the mercy seat in heaven, then redemption remains forever unaccomplished. The Day of Atonement would not have been fulfilled, finalised and finished. The Blood is NOT lost BUT LIVING Blood!

3) The impossibility of the Blood being seen... **“And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you...”** (Exo 12v13) In the wonderful type of the Passover in Exo 12, the blood of the lamb was prepared in a basin and then struck into the side posts and lintels of the doorways of the houses of the Israelites. (Exo 12v21-23) The lamb was NOT what God looked upon! The blood in the basin was NOT what God looked upon! It was the blood applied which God looked upon! (1 Cor 5v7)

4) The impossibility of the blood being sprinkled... **“...the blood of sprinkling...”** (Heb 12v24)

You cannot sprinkle blood that has congealed (change from a liquid to semisolid state!)

You cannot sprinkle blood that has perished

You cannot sprinkle blood that is lost

You cannot sprinkle blood that has corrupted

You cannot sprinkle blood that is extinct.

The continuing characteristic of the blood of the Lord Jesus Christ in the NT is the fact of the sprinkled blood.

5) The impossibility of the Blood speaking... **“...the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.”** (Heb 12v24) The freshly shed blood of Abel cried to God from the ground and was heard by God and answered by God. The shed Blood of Christ, continually fresh, keeps speaking to God not from the earth but from heaven itself. It constantly and eternally speaks better things than that of Abel's blood.

Abel's blood spoke of judgement. Christ's Blood speaks of atonement!

6) The impossibility of washing in the blood... **“...These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.”** (Rev 7v14) If the blood of Jesus ran into the ground and perished how could sinners wash in blood unavailable and inaccessible? Notice carefully the plain teaching of this Scripture. It does not say that they washed in a metaphor (which means a figure of speech in which a word or phrase is applied to an object or action that it does not literally apply to in order to imply a resemblance.) ...a metaphor of the death of Christ!

God says what He means. God means what He says! When He speaks about the Blood of Christ He means the Blood of Christ! The Blood is supernatural. Washing in that Blood is supernatural. Being made white in the Blood of the Lamb of God is supernatural.

Someone said once... “God says it, I believe it, that's the end of it!”

7) The impossibility of conquering the devil by the Blood of the Lamb... **“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb...”** (Rev 12v11) The triumph of the saints over the devil is by the blood of Jesus Christ! If the blood has disappeared, if it is no more in existence, how can non-existent blood bring down the mighty power of the prince of Hell? (context of saints in the tribulation! Future!)

Of what value is lost blood?

Of what efficacy (producing the intended result) is extinct blood?

Of what merit is blood that has perished?

Of what virtue is blood that has decayed?

Where is the victory of blood, which has disappeared?

We must plead the value, virtue and victory of the ever-living Blood of the Lamb.

8) The impossibility of the incorruptibility of the Blood... **“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; but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”** (1 Pet 1v18-19) The body of Christ was incorruptible in death **“thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.”** (Acts 2v27+31) The blood which flowed through His holy incorruptible body was also incorruptible! When His Blood separated from His body it remained incorruptible.

It is the same incorruptible Blood that we have access to the throne of God **“Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus. By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh.”** (Heb 10v19-20)

9) The impossibility of the realities of Heaven... **“But ye are come unto mount sion, and unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect, and to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.”** (Heb 12v22-24) Here in this passage are listed 7 (perfect number) realities of Heaven...

- 1) city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem
- 2) innumerable company of angels,
- 3) the general assembly, church of the firstborn, which are written in heaven
- 4) God the judge of all
- 5) spirits of just men made perfect
- 6) Jesus the mediator of the new covenant
- 7) blood of sprinkling

God states that the Blood of Jesus Christ is in Heaven.

“When I see the blood, I will pass over you...”

There was only one place of shelter when God the judge, passed through the land of Egypt that Passover night... it was under the blood of the lamb.

If an Israelite had neglected to kill the lamb and to sprinkle its blood on the side posts and lintel of his door - nothing - no prayers, vows or pledges, no tears, zeal or cries for mercy could have saved him from the sword of judgement. Even Moses and Aaron, had they neglected to sprinkle the blood on their doors, would have seen judgement.

And so will every one who does not take personal shelter under the Blood of Christ, the Lamb of God. The blood of Israel's lamb sheltered them only from temporal judgement. The blood of Jesus Christ, God's Lamb, shelters from eternal judgement!

The atonement of our Lord is a complete satisfaction to the demands of God's justice against sin. (John 3v18+36)

“The blood shall be to you for a token.” (Exo 12v13) There is nothing else that God will give for the assurance of Salvation. Our only resting place is under the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God!

The pardon for all sin rests upon the Blood of Jesus. We are redeemed - brought back to God - by the Blood of Jesus. **“In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins.”** (Col 1v14)

We are justified by His Blood - **“Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.”** (Rom 5v9)

We are cleansed by the Blood of Jesus - **"...the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin."**
(1 John 1v7)

We are sanctified, set apart by the Blood of Jesus - **"Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood..."** (Heb 13v12)

We are made nigh to God by the Blood of Jesus - **"But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."** (Eph 2v13)

We have peace because of the Blood of the Cross - **"And, having made peace through the blood of his cross..."** (Col 1v20)

We come as worshippers into the holiest of all because of the Blood of Jesus **"Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus."** (Heb 10v19)

We overcome the devil and all our enemies by the Blood of the Lamb - (Rev 12v11)

Our robes are made white by the Blood of Jesus - (Rev 7v14)

GOD'S TESTIMONY TO US ALL IS **"WITHOUT SHEDDING OF BLOOD IS NO REMISSION"**

THERE IS NO SALVATION, NO PARDON, NO HOPE, NO LIFE, SAVE BENEATH THE VALUE AND SHELTER OF THE PRECIOUS ALL CLEANSING INCORRUPTIBLE BLOOD OF JESUS CHRIST!

The Blood of Jesus Christ - It is His remedy for man's ruin, as it is the basis of His righteousness and the proof of His Love.

***Not all the blood of beasts
On Jewish altars slain
Could give the guilty conscience peace
Or wash away the stain.***

***But Christ the heavenly Lamb
Takes all our sin away
A sacrifice of nobler Name
And richer blood than they.***

Amen.