



## *How things fit together in the Kingdom*

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### **Understanding the Blood of Jesus**

People today don't like talking about blood and death, as they've become taboo subjects. That, of course, has resulted from the vast increase in numbers of city dwellers who don't deal with the life and death situations that the military, medicos and livestock owners have to cope with. On top of that, it's been greatly exacerbated by the vegetarian, vegan and animal rights ideologies which have permeated city and urban people's minds.

Please put aside all negativity you may feel about death and blood, because this topic is absolutely critical for you to understand.

As background to understanding the blood of Jesus, he was the perfect passover lamb<sup>i</sup> which the original one foreshadowed when its sacrifice was the grounds for the Israelites being released from the bondage of slavery in Egypt.<sup>ii</sup>

The sacrifice of a perfect male lamb was then instituted as a religious activity for the Israelites after they were freed from Egypt. It was a sign in the natural realm that people's sins had been forgiven by God.<sup>iii</sup>

Here are eight things the blood of Jesus does for you:

1. The blood cleanses us from all sin<sup>iv</sup> – All sins are forgiven because the sacrifice for it was perfect. As a result, death due to sin no longer has an effect on us.
2. The blood justifies us before God<sup>v</sup> – Without sin, we are now made righteous as far as the Trinity is concerned.
3. The blood sanctifies us<sup>vi</sup> – We are now righteous and holy, so we are able to be used for the Trinity's purposes.
4. The blood reconciles us to God<sup>vii</sup> – Being righteous, there's no longer anything that the Trinity requires us to do to be accepted by them.
5. The blood has redeemed us<sup>viii</sup> – The price has been paid. We are free from bondage to sin and to the enemy.
6. The blood gives us overcoming power<sup>ix</sup> – Because we are now back in Father's family as sons, his power and authority is available to us.
7. The blood is our door to the New Covenant (NC)<sup>x</sup> – Now we're back in Father's family, we have access to everything that's rightfully ours. That includes the Kingdom as it is under the New Covenant.
8. The blood delivers us from the Kingdom of Darkness<sup>xi</sup> – Because the power of sin is broken in our lives, we are free from the power of the enemy.

That's all very well, but how does it work out for us in everyday life?

Some Christians constantly say, "Blood of Jesus. Blood of Jesus", like a mantra, when things in their life are going 'bad'. That's WRONG, because it's treating the Blood as a magic spell. It's a bit like those who believe in keeping their bible open at night, next to your bed, to protect them from demonic attack when they're asleep.

Other Christians believe in ‘pleading the blood of Jesus’ over the difficult circumstances of their lives. This comes in two forms: (1) Speak a mantra such as “I plead the blood of Jesus over...” (similar to the one above); & (2) Pray a prayer that “pleads the blood of Jesus” in it.<sup>1</sup> Both of these are WRONG, because they are religious usages, not how the Blood is applied in the Kingdom.

Here’s an example of PROPER use of the Blood, from a significant Christian, who says:

*“To use the blood of Jesus in warfare and intercession is to stand identified with the complete acceptance of the Lamb. The perfections, the glory, the life, and the righteousness of the Lamb of God is conveyed in the blood. This weapon will never fail. To apply the blood of Jesus is to remind the enemy of his boundaries, failures, and weaknesses.”<sup>2</sup>*

What does he mean?

1. In spiritual warfare we stand in our sonship. This is the identity the Blood has bought for us by bringing us into Father’s family where we belong. Our authority as sons gazumps<sup>3</sup> the enemy, always. Our biggest weapon is to stand in our identity, not trying to put on ‘the armour of God’<sup>4</sup> in the natural.
2. When we are interceding in prayer for others or for situations, we stand in our sonship. The Blood allows us to come fearlessly into Father’s presence where we can speak to him, because that’s our right as sons. We don’t need to plead with him or grovel. Sons are in right relationship with Father, so they can speak man-to-man to him, in an atmosphere of honour for each other.
3. We are perfect in Father’s eyes, because the Blood negates everything sinful about us and our heritage.
4. As sons, our glory as Father’s pre-eminent creation has been restored to us. The Blood brings us into Father’s family as sons, so we are fully restored, spiritually speaking.
5. The abundant life<sup>xiii</sup> that Jesus provided for us in the Kingdom is ours, we don’t have to work for it or look for it somewhere. The Blood brought us into the New Covenant where Father’s blessings overflow and his favour is always on us.
6. We are always righteous in Father’s eyes, because the Blood has cancelled out all our sins – past, present and future.
7. The Blood provides a weapon for us, but it is NOT a weapon in itself. It’s use as a weapon lies in what it has done for us (i.e. the above 6 points). When we stand in these six attributes that we have, we are able to resist the enemy so he flees.<sup>xiii</sup> He can’t accuse us if we know he has no grounds for accusation,<sup>xiv</sup> and, he can’t condemn<sup>xv</sup> us because he’s not the Judge<sup>xvi</sup>.
8. When we stand firmly and unwaveringly in our sonship (i.e. our familial right) the enemy knows he can’t go beyond the spiritual boundaries that Father has restricted him to. He then understands his own limits which, in warfare, are weaknesses, that cause him to fail at destroying us in one way or another. **The only time the enemy has superior weaponry over us is when we give it to him by not standing in our sonship and all the authority that it entails.**

The above 8 points are ‘Sonship 101’<sup>5</sup> – they are the basics of life in the Kingdom. And, they are a direct result of the Blood of Jesus.

Finally, and also a component of ‘Sonship 101’, is the absolute FACT that what Jesus did on the cross was **once for all**.<sup>xvii</sup> Nothing more needs to be done for us, for our restoration into sonship, for our future life in the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth – nothing.

1 – e.g. “Prayer For Pleading The Blood Of Jesus” [prayerist.com/prayer/pleadingthebloodofjesus](http://prayerist.com/prayer/pleadingthebloodofjesus)

e.g. “Blood Of Jesus (Protection Prayer, Pray Everyday)”

[christentimeministries.com/blood-of-jesus-protection-prayer-pray-everyday-joel-lasrado](http://christentimeministries.com/blood-of-jesus-protection-prayer-pray-everyday-joel-lasrado)

2 – Brian Simmons (8-4-2022) “What The Blood Of Jesus Does For You” [distributed e-newsletter]

SEE: [www.thepassiontranslation.com](http://www.thepassiontranslation.com)

3 – Our authority overrules his authority and robs him of what he planned to do.

4 – For More information: “How to Put on your Spiritual Armour”

[canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/how-to-put-on-your-spiritual-armour.pdf](http://canberraforerunners.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/03/how-to-put-on-your-spiritual-armour.pdf)

5 – Literary metaphor for ‘the first course of study; The introduction to the basics’.

Not only that, but Jesus did it for ALL – for every person that has ever lived and who will ever live.

It's a *fait accompli*. It's finished. That's why Jesus declared, "It's all done"<sup>xviii</sup>. He had achieved the results Father wanted to achieve in his masterplan to hoodwink the enemy out of his rulership of the Earth and give it back to his sons, his rightful heirs.

About this statement of Jesus, the notes in the Mirror Study Bible reads:

*"The word tetelestai communicates the final consummation of all things; everything is now concluded! John again – as in verse 28 – records this powerful word, in the Perfect Passive Tense which denotes an action which is completed in the past, but the effects of which are regarded as continuing into the present without end. Nothing that happens in time could possibly intercept this act of God's redemptive genius. The only possible way we can delay the glory that follows the cross is by underestimating what happened there when Jesus died and cried: "It is finished!" There is no eschatology of any one's guess or definition that carries more weight than God's 'eschatos' [final] word that he spoke to us in sonship – in the one who bears the very stamp [charakter<sup>6</sup>] of his nature and radiates the Father's being. The one seated upon the throne of mankind's redeemed innocence! Heb 1:1-3 We can afford to make Jesus' words on the cross, "It is finished!" our complete and final focus! Charles Spurgeon<sup>7</sup> said, in the word, tetelestai, we have 'an ocean of meaning in a drop of language<sup>8</sup>!'"<sup>9</sup>*

All we have to do is learn to live in that reality.

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- viii – Ephesians 1:7
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- xii – John 10:10
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