

Bible Study Class

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Topic: The Blood of Jesus

Definition of blood

Red fluid circulating in body - the red fluid that is pumped from the heart and circulates around the bodies of humans and other vertebrates!

Vertebrates are animals with backbone or spinal column.

What does it do?

Blood delivers necessary substances such as nutrients and oxygen to the cells and transports metabolic waste products away from those same cells. It accounts for 7% of human body weight. It is circulated around the body through blood vessels by pumping action of the heart.

Some things can cause disorder of the blood e.g. loss of blood through bleeding. There could also be disorder of circulation of blood. So many other things could cause many more disorder of blood.

Today, our focus will not be on the medical details of the blood but just enough to know what blood really means. What is the significance of the blood? Why do we want to know about the blood as Christians? What is in the blood of Jesus Christ?

Our discussions in the next few weeks will center on the blood of Jesus Christ.

The blood of Jesus is precious. There is power in the blood of Jesus and we can plead the blood of Jesus because pleading His blood gives us power to overcome the devil.

Thank you Jesus for shedding your blood for us!

What is it about blood that has caused Christians in every generation to actually *celebrate* it?

We need to understand the **Blood Of Jesus** and the Victory God Has Given Us.

There was a French philosopher by the name of Voltaire and American President John Adams are famous for their criticisms of Christianity because they thought it was a “bloody religion,” with all its wars, its frequent mention of blood, and the bloody death of its founder, Jesus Christ.

Here is just a sampling of the hymns and songs that have been written throughout the ages about the blood of Christ: *Nothing But the Blood, Are You Washed in the Blood? Power In the Blood, and many more choruses about the Blood of Jesus...*

Jesus Christ Offered a Superior Sacrifice...

A Sacrifice Only the Son of God Can Offer...

If No Blood is Shed, No Sins Can be Forgiven. - Hebrews 9:22

The Blood of Jesus Christ His Son Cleanseth us from all Sin. - 1 John 1:7

Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of humanity. - Hebrews 9:28

Jesus Christ, The Lamb of God, paid for our salvation by His blood. Salvation did not come cheap at all!

There are reasons behind bloodshed throughout the Bible - The Payment & Redemption

In order to learn about Blood of Jesus or the purpose of his birth and death, it is imperative to know all about SIN, what gives sin its power and the price tag of sin.

Understanding SIN

When God created the first Man and Woman, they were sinless and Holy. They were so Holy and unadulterated that there was no necessity for clothing because shame did not exist. There was also neither pain nor suffering involved in their lives. They fellowshiped with God face to face as if they would fellowship with their earthly Father.

However, the only restriction placed upon them by God was not to eat the fruit from the tree of knowledge. Here is the Bible reference from Genesis 2:16,17

The LORD God commanded the man. He said, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden. But you must never eat from the tree of knowledge of good and evil because when you eat from it, you will certainly die."

However, the Evil one, the deceiver, in the form of snake, deceived the first Woman to work against God and in turn to Sin (Genesis 3:1-5)

As you can see, the deceiver mislead the woman. She ate the fruit of knowledge and also gave some to the Man. This act of disobedience ended innocence and brought SIN. Every generation after that, inherited SIN and SIN proliferated in every form known to man.

Within the first few generations MAN was guilty of every kind of SIN and EVIL such as pride, greed, murder, evil spirit worship, idol worship, practice of witchcraft, sexual immoralities such as homosexuality, rape, lust, cross dressing and every other unholiness. The SIN of the World became so brimful that GOD could not find 2 decent families in the entire population. Therefore SIN permanently separated Man from the Holy God.

Can God count on you, your family in this world we live in? How decent are you?

Let us pray for our homes, our countries in Africa and the one we are living – the USA for God to deliver us from sin.

Understanding Death

God clearly states DEATH if they will eat from the tree of knowledge. However they didn't physically die, nevertheless they died as the Lord warned (Genesis 2:16,17)

Actual Death

Actual Death occurs when MAN can no longer obtain fellowship with God. Man is separated from God through SIN. A sinful man can never enter the kingdom of God and attain fellowship with God. SIN separates MAN and GOD, this separation is the **Actual Death**.

This is the death GOD referred in (Genesis 2:16,17). In the spiritual world, only heaven supports life, therefore No God = No Heaven. This means eternal Death because hell brings DEATH eternally. There are no middle ground! Your soul will eternally enter either Heaven or hell ('JUST THE TWO') based on where you stand in life at the time of physical death.

Now I am going to explain to you the BIGGEST TRUTH that everyone should understand. We humans, the God's creation can never be destroyed nor put to extinction. We will continue to exist after the physical death of this world; we just go from physical world to the spiritual world. In fact, life on earth is like a "single day" in comparison to the never ending after life (we will retain every memory of our life on earth including our personalities and character. People who end up in Hell for their sins will have accurate memory of every sinful act and eternally repent).

What gives SIN so MUCH POWER?

We would start this next week by the grace of God.

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