



**The Power of the Blood of Jesus**  
**Good Friday Service**  
**Friday March 29, 2024**

We are here today, because nearly 2000 years ago, the Lord Jesus Christ was crucified outside of Jerusalem, at a place called Golgotha meaning “place of a skull”, perhaps on a hill. And we point to the fact that He shed His blood, and somehow, 2000 years later, the blood He shed is still effective in our lives, our spiritual experience, and consequently affects everything in our lives.

We would like to spend some time reflecting on the blood of Jesus, the power of the blood of Jesus. We will touch on a few key points in the sermon today. There is obviously much more the Scriptures teach concerning the blood of Jesus.

**WHY IS BLOOD NECESSARY?**

In the garden of Eden, when Adam and Eve disobeyed God and sinned, “they knew they were naked”. In addition to their recognition of their natural nakedness, there must have come a sudden consciousness of sin, and their being unfit to stand in God’s presence or fellowship with God. They made themselves coverings of fig leaves (Genesis 3:6-7,21).

At this time, the Bible tells us that God brought them coats of skin.

Imagine what must have happened, for God to bring them coats of skin. Some animals perhaps two, one each for Adam and Eve, had to be killed, and skinned. This skin had to be cleaned and dried. Blood had to be shed. God had to do this. There is no record how long this would have taken, but we could imagine, perhaps 24 hours or more. And then God brought a covering that involved blood being shed, coats of skin, to Adam and Eve.

Was God just addressing natural concerns, the issue of durability (leather versus leaves), or warmth, etc. or was God also pointing to the fact that blood must be shed for the covering of sin.

And yet, these coats of skin were not a solution. They were only a pointer to something that was really required.

Why is blood necessary?

The Bible teaches us that the consequence, the penalty for sin is death.



**Romans 6:23**

**For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

The soul that sins will die.

**THE BLOOD MAKES ATONEMENT FOR THE SOUL**

God announced in His Word, that it is the blood that makes atonement for sin.

**Leviticus 17:11**

**For the life of the flesh is in the blood, and I have given it to you upon the altar to make atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that makes atonement for the soul.'**

The blood represents the life of the creature. When blood is shed, it means a life has been given. It is the blood, representing the life of the creature that has died, as a substitute for the guilty person, taking the penalty of sin, that stands as an atonement (to cover over, to appease, to pacify, to cancel, to forgive, to purge, to reconcile) sin. See Leviticus 4:13-21.

The sacrifice became a substitute, dying in place of the one who had sinned, and bearing the penalty for their sins.

**Hebrews 9:22**

**And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.**

David when he sinned prayed to be cleansed. He cried out for a blood cleansing that would wash him clean and whiter than snow.

**Psalms 51:2,7**

**2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin.**

**7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**

The hyssop plant is a small perennial herb native to the Mediterranean region. It typically grows to about 1.5 feet tall and has woody stems, small pointed leaves, and spikes of small flowers that can be blue-purple, pink, red, or white. The plant was likely chosen for ritualistic purposes due to its small and bushy shape, making it easy to



bundle and use with liquids for sprinkling. The hyssop plant in the Bible represents the idea of purification or cleansing.

The hyssop plant was dipped in blood from a sacrifice to sprinkle the blood for cleansing (Leviticus 14), and for applying the blood of the sacrificed Passover lamb (Exodus 12:22).

When David cried out to be cleansed with hyssop, it was a blood cleansing that he was asking.

### THE SACRIFICE OF THE FIRSTBORN

There is another important aspect of the sacrificial offering that we need to pay attention to.

The highest form of sacrifice was the sacrifice of the firstborn.

#### Genesis 4:4

**Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the LORD respected Abel and his offering,**

The firstborn represented the beginning of strength, dignity, and power (Genesis 49:3). The firstborn was considered sacred before God (Exodus 13:2,12; 22:29; 34:19; Numbers 18:17) and was consecrated to God.

In pagan worship people perverted this. In the Bible, in the worship of the pagan god Chemosh, the Moabites, would offer their firstborn as a sacrifice. (Leviticus 18:21; 2 Kings 17:17; 21:6; 2 Chronicles 28:3; 33:6; Jeremiah 32:35; Ezekiel 16:20-21; 20:26)

In the book of 2 Kings 3:27, we learn about King Mesha of Moab. Facing defeat in a war against Israel and its allies, Mesha took a desperate measure: "Then he took his firstborn son, who was to succeed him as king, and offered him as a sacrifice on the city wall." (2 Kings 3:27).

### THE BLOOD OF BIRDS AND ANIMALS

**However, the blood of the sacrificial birds and animals did not take away or wipe away sins.**

**The sacrifices of birds and animals were insufficient to deal with real issues of sin. They were not a perfect substitute and therefore could not become a perfect sacrifice. The birds and animals were not of the same class and nature of those who had sinned.**



## The Power of the Blood of Jesus

### Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

The birds and animals were not "free moral beings" and so could not prove to be either sinful or sinless.

The birds and animals were not engaging in a free choice to become a substitute, and take on the death due to the individual.

At best they provided a "temporary reprieve", a temporary solution, until a perfect solution could be found.

These only served as a figure, a representation, a reminder of what was needed to remove sin.

#### **Hebrews 10:1-4**

**1** For the law, having a shadow of the good things to come, and not the very image of the things, can never with these same sacrifices, which they offer continually year by year, make those who approach perfect.

**2** For then would they not have ceased to be offered? For the worshipers, once purified, would have had no more consciousness of sins.

**3** But in those sacrifices there is a reminder of sins every year.

**4** For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and goats could take away sins.

God said that He did not delight in the blood of bulls, lambs, or goats (Isaiah 1:11).

#### **BECAUSE OF OUR DEBT OF SIN, SATAN BECAME OUR MASTER**

Because of sin we stood condemned and separated from God.

Our sins put us in subjection to sin, satan and death.

#### **THE BLOOD OF THE SINLESS PERFECT SON OF GOD**

Starting with the coats of skin in the garden of Eden, the blood of sacrificial birds and animals were only a figure, a pointer to what was really needed. The blood of Someone who was the same class and nature as us people, yet not stained by sin who would offer Himself willingly to suffer the death we deserved and shed His blood. He alone could become a true legitimate substitute for all people.

The only way this could be possible is if God Himself came as a Man, in flesh and blood.

This is the reason Jesus came.

Jesus was sinless and perfect. He was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin (Hebrews 4:15). In Christ there is no sin (1 John 3:5).



## The Power of the Blood of Jesus Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

Jesus is the only begotten of the Father. He is also the Firstborn of the Father whom all the angels worship (Hebrews 1:6). He is the Firstborn over all creation (Colossians 1:15). This One who is the only begotten of the Father, the Firstborn of the Father, and the Firstborn over all creation - He offered Himself as a sacrifice. The blood of the heavenly Firstborn was shed for all of sinful humanity.

And having done so, He became the Firstborn from the dead (Colossians 1:18; Revelation 1:5).

He is the Firstborn among many brethren (Romans 8:29).

We are the Church of the Firstborn (Hebrews 12:23).

The blood of Jesus is the blood of God who became Man, the One who was sinless and perfect, the One who was the only begotten and the Firstborn of the Father. And He offered Himself willingly and voluntarily. He, and He alone could be the perfect substitute, and take on Himself the sins of the whole world, and shed His blood, that is give His life and suffer death on our behalf.

### Hebrews 9:11-14

**11 But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.**

**12 Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.**

**13 For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh,**

**14 how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**

### THE BLOOD OF JESUS – THE PRICE OF SIN PAID IN FULL

The sacrifices under the Old Covenant constantly reminded people about the need of the blood of a perfect Substitute to remove sin. These sacrifices were repeated again and again and could not do away with sin once for all.

The blood of Jesus was the price of sin paid in full.

### Hebrews 9:24-26

**24 For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us;**



25 not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year **with blood of another**—

26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin **by the sacrifice of Himself**.

#### THE BLOOD SEALED OUR COMPLETE REDEMPTION

1 Peter 1:18-19

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.

#### THE POWER OF THE BLOOD OF JESUS

It is because of the blood of Jesus our debt of sin is wiped away.

It is because of the blood of Jesus the power of sin over us is broken.

It is because of the blood of Jesus satan no longer has a right over us.

It is because of the blood of Jesus we are redeemed unto God.

It is because of the blood of Jesus we are in a covenant relationship with God.

It is because of the blood of Jesus we overcome.

#### WE TESTIFY TO THE BLOOD

Revelation 12:11

**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.**

Do we need to "plead the blood"?

In court, a lawyer pleads their case based on evidence they present. So as believers, to "plead the blood" is to present evidence of Jesus' sacrifice, claiming its redeeming power sin, satan and everything Jesus redeemed us from. But remember, we are not in a court room. The court case was dismissed 2000 years ago. You have been acquitted. The devil has been condemned. So today, we don't need to "plead the blood" in that sense, but simply announce, proclaim, or give testimony to what the blood has already done for us.



The Power of the Blood of Jesus  
Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

**TO WALK IN THE POWER OF THE BLOOD OF JESUS, WE BOLDLY PROCLAIM,  
ANNOUNCE, OR TESTIFY TO WHAT THE BLOOD OF JESUS HAS ALREADY DONE FOR US!**

**SUMMARY**

**GOSPEL AND SALVATION CALL**

**SUPERNATURAL MINISTRY TIME**

**Minister as the Spirit leads**



The Power of the Blood of Jesus  
Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide



**The Power of the Blood of Jesus**  
**Good Friday Service**  
**Friday March 29, 2024**

This is a simple guide for use in Life Group discussions. Our objective is to focus on the application of the Sunday sermon - how each one is becoming a doer of the Word and building their life on God's Holy Word. The Life Group meeting would normally last for 2 hours. Each Life Group would have up to 12-15 people.

**Preparation**

To prepare for the Life Group meeting, you can listen to the Sermon Key Points (sermon summary in five minutes) or the full-length Sunday sermon. You can also review the Sunday Sermon notes. All these are available in the "All Peoples Church Bangalore" mobile App or online at our [sermons page](#). Pray for the Life Group meeting and invite the work and ministry of the Holy Spirit.

**Welcome**

The Life Group meeting may commence with a time of prayer, worship, and a fun activity.

**LISTEN to God's Word**

Read the following Scripture references: *Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 10:1-4; Hebrews 9:11-14; Revelation 12:11*

**INVESTIGATE God's Word Together**

Please discuss a few of these together, giving time for people to share their insights. We encourage each one individually to make notes of their personal learning during the Group discussion.

*1, Discuss, why is the blood important in the context of sin and salvation. Leviticus 17:11*

*2, Discuss, why the blood of sacrificial birds and animals could not permanently cleanse sin. Hebrews 10:1-4*

*3, Discuss, why the blood of Jesus is the one and only remedy for sin. Hebrews 9:11-14*





## The Power of the Blood of Jesus

### Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

*4, Discuss, why it is important for us to testify to what the blood of Jesus has done for us.  
Revelation 12:11*

If time permits, each one can take a few (3 minutes max) to share one or two key learning and how they see themselves applying it into their specific life situations. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **FELLOWSHIP by sharing your life and spiritual journey**

Each one takes a few (3 minutes max) to share anything from their walk with God, something God has been teaching them, a testimony of answered prayer or a specific challenge that they would like prayer for. Encourage each one to participate and share.

#### **ENCOURAGE each other by praying and ministering to one another**

Get into small groups of two or three and take turns to thank God and pray for each other in the light of what was learnt today. Listen to the Holy Spirit. Expect the gifts of the Holy Spirit to flow bringing healing, releasing miracles, prophecy, etc.

Regroup and pray together for:

- 1, families to be protected and strengthened*
- 2, a mighty outpouring of God's Holy Spirit on us as a church and through us to bless many others in our city and nation. Nothing but a mighty work of God's Spirit can change our city and nation.*
- 3, for the BUILD TO IMPACT project - for all details to go well as we purchase land and build our facility to serve the Lord and people.*

Close by thanking God together.



## The Power of the Blood of Jesus Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide



### USEFUL RESOURCES

Watch our online Sunday Church service live stream every Sunday at 10:30am (Indian Time, GMT+5:30). Spirit filled, anointed worship, Word and ministry for healing, miracles, and deliverance.

**YOUTUBE:** <https://youtube.com/allpeopleschurchbangalore>

**WEBSITE:** <https://apcwo.org/live>

Our other websites and free resources:

**CHURCH:** <https://apcwo.org>

**FREE SERMONS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/sermons>

**FREE BOOKS:** <https://apcwo.org/books/english>

**DAILY DEVOTIONALS:** <https://apcwo.org/resources/daily-devotional>

**JESUS CHRIST:** <https://examiningjesus.com>

**BIBLE COLLEGE:** <https://apcbiblecollege.org>

**E-LEARNING:** <https://apcbiblecollege.org/elearn>

**WEEKEND SCHOOLS:** <https://apcwo.org/ministries/weekend-schools>

**COUNSELING:** <https://chrysalislife.org>

**MUSIC:** <https://apcmusic.org>

**MINISTERS FELLOWSHIP:** <https://pamfi.org>

**CHURCH APP:** <https://apcwo.org/app>

**CHURCHES:** <https://apcwo.org/ministries/churches>

**WORLD MISSIONS:** <https://apcworldmissions.org>

### SERMON OUTLINE

In this sermon we discuss the importance of the blood to make cleansing for sin. We outline why the blood of Jesus is the one and only remedy for sin. We understand why there is power in the blood of Jesus. We emphasize the need for us to believe, receive and testify to what the blood of Jesus has done for us.

### KEYWORDS

the blood of Jesus, the power of the blood of Jesus, the blood, overcome by the blood, sermons, sermon notes, sermon outline, free sermon notes, free sermon outlines, Bible study resources

### REFERENCES/CITATIONS

Unless otherwise indicated, all Scripture quotations are taken from the New American Standard Bible 2020, (NASB) Copyright © by The Lockman Foundation. All rights reserved.

Biblical definitions, Hebrew and Greek words and their meanings are drawn from the following resources:



## The Power of the Blood of Jesus Sermon Notes, Sermon Outline and Small Group Study Guide

Thayer's Greek Definitions. Published in 1886, 1889; public domain.

Strong's Hebrew and Greek Dictionaries, Strong's Exhaustive Concordance by James Strong, S.T.D., LL.D. Published in 1890; public domain.

Vine's Complete Expository Dictionary of Old and New Testament Words, © 1984, 1996, Thomas Nelson, Inc., Nashville, TN

Mounce Concise Greek-English Dictionary. Edited by William D. Mounce with Rick D. Bennett, Jr. (1993)

Word Pictures in the New Testament. Archibald Thomas Robertson. Published in 1930-1933; public domain.

Word Studies in the New Testament. Marvin R. Vincent, D.D. (1886)