

Introduction

- **Key Text: 1 Peter 1:18–19** – We are redeemed, not by silver or gold, but by the **precious blood of Christ**.
- The blood of Jesus is often overlooked in our modern world, yet it is central to the Christian faith.
- Today's focus: **Jesus' blood sacrifice shows His humanity**.

Point 1: The History of Blood in Scripture

- **Genesis 3:21** – First sacrifice: God clothed Adam & Eve with animal skins.
- **Genesis 4:3–10** – Abel's blood sacrifice was accepted; his blood cried out to God.
- **Genesis 7:2, 8:20** – Noah's sacrifice after the flood (clean animals offered).
- **Genesis 15** – Abraham's covenant sacrifices, showing the seriousness of sin.
- **Exodus 12** – Passover lamb without blemish; blood on doorposts saves from death.
- **Leviticus & the Law** – Ongoing sacrifices remind of sin's seriousness, point to the need for a Savior.
- **John 1:29** – John the Baptist: "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

Point 2: Why the Blood Had to Be Human

- Sin is against **God Himself**; either we pay or **God must pay**.
- **Hebrews** – Animal sacrifices insufficient; Jesus' sacrifice once for all. (**Heb 10**)
- **Only God Himself** could pay; He became fully **human** to shed human blood.
- Analogy: If someone steals from me, either I pay or they do—no third party can settle the debt fairly.

Point 3: Jesus' Humanity and Identification with Us

- **Philippians 2:6–8** – Jesus emptied Himself, became human, humbled Himself to death on a cross.
- Born into poverty, hardship, rejection, persecution (Nazareth, Roman occupation).
- He grew, learned, worked, suffered loss (likely Joseph's early death).
- **Luke 2:52** – Jesus grew in wisdom and stature.
- **Hebrews 5:7–9** – He learned obedience through suffering.
- He was fully dependent on the Father and the **Holy Spirit**:
 - **John 5:19, 30** – "The Son can do nothing of Himself."
 - **Luke 4:18** – "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me..."
 - Miracles were by the Spirit and only began after baptism in the Spirit (**John 2:11, Act 10:38, Matt 12:28, Luke 4:14**).
 - He did not know all things and was not all powerful in His human state. (Mar 5:30, Mark 13:32, John 4:6–7)

Point 4: The Human Suffering of Jesus

- **Isaiah 52:14** – Marred beyond recognition.
- Betrayed, mocked, falsely accused, beaten, whipped, crown of thorns, cross.
- **Luke 22:44** – Sweat drops of blood in Gethsemane.
- Heart burst on the cross (**John 19:34** – blood and water flowed).
- Experienced **every pain and infirmity** in His last hours.
- His blood is a **historical fact**, marking a point in history (even our calendar).

Point 5: The Finished Work of the Cross

- **John 19:30** – “It is finished” = “Paid in full.”
- Jesus, the sinless One, paid the debt for all humanity.
- His blood made peace between God and creation (**Colossians 1:20**).

Point 6: Why This Matters for Us

- **Hebrews 2:9–11, 14** – Jesus became like us, shared flesh and blood, destroyed the power of death.
- Because He was human, He:
 - Understands our suffering, temptations, and trials (**1 Corinthians 10:13**).
 - Is our sympathetic High Priest (**Hebrews 4:15**).
 - Calls us brothers and sisters.
- When we pray, we speak to One who **knows our struggles firsthand**.
- He is our **example**: live like Him, pray like Him, depend on the Spirit like Him.

Point 7: Resurrection, Victory, and Eternal Hope

- Jesus rose again, proving sin and death defeated.
- His Spirit and resurrection power now live in us (**Romans 8:11, Eph 1:18–21**).
- **1 John 5:6–8** – The Spirit, the water, and the blood testify together.
- His blood speaks forever; it marks us like the Passover lamb’s blood marked Israel’s doors.

Conclusion & Life Applications

- We are not redeemed by works or wealth, but by the **precious blood of Christ** (**1 Peter 1:18–19**).
- Practical Applications:
 - **Receive forgiveness**: Accept His blood as the only covering.
 - **Live with confidence**: Jesus understands and helps us in trials.
 - **Follow His example**: Rely on the Spirit, live righteously, pray faithfully.
 - **Take hope**: His resurrection ensures our eternal life.
- Final call: *“Put the blood of the Lamb on the doorposts of your life”*—trust in Jesus’ finished work.

Scriptures in this talk

1Pe 1:19 NKJV - "19 but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot."

Gen 3:21 NKJV - "21 Also for Adam and his wife the LORD God made tunics of skin, and clothed them."

Genesis 4:3, 10 - Cain and Abel

Genesis 7:2, 8:20 - Noah's sacrifices

Genesis 15 - Abraham's covenant sacrifice

Genesis 12:7 - Abraham's altars

Exodus 12 - The Passover

Romans 3:19-20, Galatians 3:17-24 - the purpose and reasons why the law of Moses was given

John 1:29 - John the Baptist: "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world."

Mark 14:24 - "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many."

Isaiah 52:14 - Jesus was marred more than any man

Hebrews 10 - The animal sacrifice did not work, pointed to the real sacrifice of Jesus, and needed to be replaced.

Hebrews 4:15 - Jesus was tested in every way, like us, but without sinning.

Luk 2:52 NKJV - "52 And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men."

Heb 5:7-9 NKJV - "7 who, in the days of His flesh, when He had offered up prayers and supplications, with vehement cries and tears to Him who was able to save Him from death, and was heard because of His godly fear, 8 though He was a Son, yet He learned obedience by the things which He suffered. 9 And having been perfected, He became the author of eternal salvation to all who obey Him,"

Jhn 5:19, 30 NKJV - "19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, but what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner. ... 30 "I can of Myself do nothing. As I hear, I judge; and My judgment is righteous, because I do not seek My own will but the will of the Father who sent Me."

John 11:41-42 - Jesus prayed to His Father for Lazarus to be raised.

Acts 10:38, Matthew 12:28, Luke 4:14 - His miracles were by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Luk 4:18 NKJV - "18 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed;"

Jhn 2:11 NKJV - "11 This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him."

Phl 2:6-8 ESV - "6 who, though he was **in the form of God**, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, 7 but **emptied himself**, by taking **the form of a servant**, being born in the

likeness of men. 8 And being found in human form, he **humbled himself** by becoming **obedient** to the point of death, even death on a cross."

Mar 5:30 NKJV - "30 And Jesus, immediately knowing in Himself that power had gone out of Him, turned around in the crowd and said, "Who touched My clothes?""

Mark 13:32 - "only the Father knows - not even the son"

John 4:6-7 - Jesus was tired.

Heb 4:15 NKJV - "15 For we do not have a High Priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but was in all points tempted as we are, yet without sin."

John 19:30 - "It is finished" (paid in full)

1Co 10:13 NKJV - "13 No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it."

Heb 2:9-11, 14 NKJV - "9 But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. 10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings. 11 For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren, ... 14 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,"

1Jo 5:8 NKJV - "8 And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one."

Ephesians 1:19-21 - His resurrection Spirit's power is now in us

John 16:33 - "Take heart I have overcome the world"

1Pe 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."