

The Blood

*Blood flows through our bodies and Blood flows through the Bible
We can not see it but we know it's there giving life.
Pain and hurt is required for us to see blood, from our bodies or from Jesus.
Life is in the blood, death is "blood shed"*

Blood is Life - Deuteronomy 12:23, Leviticus 17:11 life is in the blood
Blood protects Life - Exodus 12 when I see the blood
Blood give Life - John 6:53-54 drink My blood for life

*Blood in a body is life: blood on the ground is death.
examples of impact of seeing blood: shock at our son's midnight nose bleed*

Abel's Blood Cries

Genesis 4:10 from the ground

Genesis 4:3-5 their gifts to God

Hebrews 11:4 commentary on their sacrifices

*Wrong thought: that death ends problems, Abel, Uriah, Jesus
Abel's blood speaks: a testimony and a proof of faithfulness, death of a righteous
man, your creation, condemnation*

Jesus Blood - Hebrews 9:11-15

The Purchase of the Blood

A Precious Purchase -

1Peter 1:19 value of His blood

John 6:53 drink blood for life

Jesus – unique God/man, one of a kind - rare blood types – Jesus rarest of all

A Personal Purchase -

Hebrews 9:12 His own blood

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Acts 20:28 purchased the church

one willing, God/man for all

Story: boy's donation of blood for younger brother

A Permanent Purchase -

Hebrews 9:12-14 once for eternal redemption

Hebrews 9:14 much more the blood of Christ,

never—ending, complete satisfaction in just God

The Power of the Blood

Power to Clean -

Hebrews 9:22 purged with the blood

1John 1:7 blood of Christ

Revelation 7:14 the blood of the Lamb.

total cleaning agent, removes every stain without damage, actually better than before

Power to Overcome -

Revelation 12:11 the blood of the Lamb

our blood over comes disease and we are forever protected, antibodies given to another

blood of Jesus overcame sin and death and is given to us

Power to Change -

Ephesians 2:13 made nigh by the blood of Christ.

Colossians 1:20 peace through the blood and reconciled

2 Corinthians 5:17 a new creature: old things are passed away;

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*all have sinned and come short of glory, nothing we could do would make us righteous before God, devil, or ourselves
sin kept us away, Jesus' blood changed everything and brought us near*

Power to Claim -

Hebrews 9:15 promise of eternal inheritance.

Romans 3:25 righteousness by faith in His blood

Romans 5:9 much more justified by His blood

*eternal is not just in the future, it begins now and goes to forever,
an inheritance is a benefit to one's family after their death, claimed by blood relations*

The Promises of Blood

A Promise of Freedom -

Romans 5:9 Much more justified by his blood.

Hebrews 10:19 boldness to enter

Hebrews 4:16 boldly come to Throne of Grace

free from sin's rule, free to fellowship with Father, free to come boldly to Throne of Grace

A Promise of a Future -

John 14:3 I go and prepare a place for you

Hebrew 13:20 blood of the everlasting covenant

our peace and confidence is from our belief in Jesus' blood sacrifice and life

Jesus' Blood Speaks

Hebrews 12:24 speaks better things

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Hebrews 9:12 not of goats

Jesus Blood speaks as: only begotten Son, death of innocent, fully righteous God-man, have overcome death/sin, cries for the sinful man, payment for forgiveness

Power and Benefits of Jesus' Blood

John 6:53 drink My blood for His life in us

Colossians 3:3-4 Christ is our life

The Blood

Blood (a river of living water): plasma 55% (90% water), red cells 44%, others 1 %
a micro-liter is a drop the size of a standard lower case "o"

RBC, Red blood "cells" (erythrocytes)

Count = 5,000,000 cells/mcl, normal; can increase at altitude to 12,000,000

Size: 8mcm in diameter, 2mcm thick outer edge, 1mcm thick center

Life span:120 days; made in bone marrow

does not use oxygen, but transports it to every body cell

Bi-concave shape increases surface area for oxygen uptake

each RBC has 280,000,000 hemoglobin molecules each can carry 4 oxygen molecules

Flexible and able to traverse vessels much smaller than its own diameter

Platelets (thrombocytes)

Count = 250-300,000 /mcl

Size: 2-5 mcm in diameter

Life span: 5-9 days, fragments of calcium

repairs tears with clotting and stops blood loss eliminates invaders, sacrificed as waste

WBC, White blood "cells" (several types)

Count = 6,000 - 10,000 cells/mcl

Size: 6-20 mcm in diameter

Life span: a few days

Blood types: O+ = >38%, AB- <1%, a pint costs \$200 - \$400; Jesus' blood is the rarest and most valuable

RBC do not need oxygen but they carry it to every cell which would die without it.

Jesus did not need redemption but He carried it for all men so that they could live.

WBC give themselves to destruction to defeat death by evil invasions

Jesus gave Himself to defeat death and give life to man