

REDEMPTION THROUGH HIS BLOOD

I Peter 1:18-19

I. THE PLAN OF REDEMPTION

- A. Man's disobedience
- B. Penalty of disobedience
 1. Death passed upon all men (Ro. 5:12) - *"By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin, and so death passed upon all men."*
 2. Loss of fellowship with God
 3. Loss of dominion over the earth
 4. Came under dominion of Satan
 - a. Subject to the law of sin and death
 - b. The works of Satan
 - (1) Destruction, sickness, disease, death, poverty, suffering
- C. Penalty paid through Jesus
 1. Had to be sinless; not under Satan's dominion
 2. Had to overcome Satan
 - a. Victorious in earthly temptations
 - b. Victorious over death, hell, and the grave
 3. Jesus declared righteous when debt paid
 - a. We're righteous because of our identification with Him
 - b. Stand justified before God without shame

II. REDEMPTION THROUGH THE BLOOD

- A. Eph. 1:7 - *"In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace."*
- B. Col. 1:13-14 - *"Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son: In whom we have redemption through his blood, even the forgiveness of sins:"*
- C. Acts 20:28 - *"Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock over which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he purchased with his own blood."*

III. WHAT THE BLOOD MEANS

- A. To the believer
 1. Redemption
 - a. Justification
 - (1) Ro. 4:25 - *"Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification."*
 - (2) Ro. 3:24 - *"Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus."*
 - (3) Ro. 5:9 - *"Being justified by his blood, we shall be saved from the wrath through him."*
 - b. Sanctification

- 2. Protection
 - a. When I see the blood
 - b. Pleading the blood
- 3. Power over sin and the devil - delivered from the curse
- B. To the Church (We're one through the blood)
 - 1. John 11:52 - (*"...it is expedient for us, that one man should die for the people, and that the whole nation perish not. And this spake he not of himself; but being high priest that year, he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation;)--and not for that nation only, but that also he should gather together in one the children of God that were scattered abroad."*)
 - a. Not gathered around a creed or doctrine
 - b. Common gathering around the cross of Christ
- 2. Barriers destroyed - middle wall of partition
 - a. Eph. 2:13 - *"But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ."*
 - (1) *"...who hath made both one and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us..."(v. 14)*
 - (2) No more strangers and aliens from household of God
 - b. Color lines washed away by the blood of Jesus
 - c. Prejudice, malice, washed away by the blood
- C. To the Father
 - 1. When the Father looks at us, he sees the blood of Jesus
 - 2. Our past is under the blood--we are guiltless

IV. JESUS' BLOOD SPEAKS BETTER THINGS

- A. Better than the blood of bulls and goats
 - 1. Heb. 9:13-14 - *"For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: How much more shall the blood of Christ who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God."*
- B. Better things than that of Abel
 - 1. Abel's blood cried for revenge
 - 2. Jesus' blood cries for mercy, forgiveness, and pardon
- C. To demons - reminder they were defeated at Calvary