

# THE BLOOD OF YESHUA

Exploring the spiritual significance of blood and some aspects of the Blood of Yeshua

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In the Old Testament there are many occasions where blood is used which prefigure the Blood of Yeshua and what it does for us.

## The Life is in the Blood

Scripture tells us 'the life is in the blood' (*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.'*

***Leviticus 17: 11***

- Life IS in the Blood
  - In Adam's Name - Blood is in his Name - Adam's name, in Hebrew, 'âdâm (pronounced aw-dawm), comes is from a root word 'âdam (pronounced aw-dam') which means 'to show blood
  - We Need Blood - Everyone knows that we must have enough blood flowing around our body or else our bodily functions deteriorate and we die
  - Blood Is Fundamental - fundamental to the function of every cell of every component in our bodies.
    - Cells need food to survive, grow, repair themselves and to fulfil their specific functions, and, to reproduce
      - The same is true for us spiritually in relation to the blood of Yeshua
    - Blood actively maintains life by providing a vital function for all cells, tissues and organs, and thus the life of the whole body
      - The same is true for us spiritually in relation to the blood of Yeshua
- Abel's Blood and Yeshua's Blood - they Speak (not literally - it is a figure of speech...personification)
  - Abel's Blood - cried out to the Lord from the ground (*Genesis 4: 10*)  
*'And He said, "What have you done? The voice of your brother's blood cries out to Me from the ground.'*  
***Genesis 4: 10***
    - Abel's blood - spoke of death and of desire for recompense/ revenge
  - Yeshua's Blood also speaks (*Hebrews 12: 24*)

*'..to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.'* **Hebrews 12: 24**

- Yeshua's blood - speaks of life and of mercy

## Flesh & Blood shall not Inherit

Scripture tells us that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God (1 Cor. 15: 50)

*'Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.'*

**1 Corinthians 15: 50**

### • Flesh shall not Inherit

- Man is Flesh (see Genesis 6: 3)

- God tells Noah 'Man is Flesh' (Genesis 6: 3)

*'And the Lord said, "My Spirit shall not strive with man forever, for he is indeed flesh; yet his days shall be one hundred and twenty years."* **Genesis 6: 3**

- Paul in 1 Cor. 15 is contrasting:

- Fallen, sinful flesh - which cannot inherit the Kingdom of God; and
- The incorruptible, glorified body we shall receive at the rapture - which will inherit the kingdom of God (Philippians 3: 20-21)

*'For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself.'*

**Philippians 3: 20-21**

- Yeshua, in His risen ascended body had flesh, but it was different flesh - not mortal and corruptible, but glorified and incorruptible

### • Blood shall not Inherit

- Yeshua speaks of Himself as 'Flesh & Bone'

- In Luke 24: 39 Yeshua significantly does not speak of Himself as 'flesh and blood' which would be a more normal way of referring to life in the body

*"Behold My hands and My feet, that it is I Myself. Handle Me and see, for a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see I have."* **Luke 24: 39**

- Yeshua was raised by the Spirit (Romans 8: 11)

*'But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.'* **Romans 8: 11**

- Our New Life is in the Spirit - we are Born Again

- Yeshua's risen life was in the Spirit not in Blood
- Eternal Life is Spiritual - for the believer their new and eternal life is the life in the Spirit - this is true now as well as in the future eternal kingdom

*"Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit."* **John 3: 5-6**

- Our new life is not mortal, powered by blood; but spiritual - it is eternal and powered by the Spirit

- We now live by the Spirit (Galatians 5: 25)

*'If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.'* **Galatians 5: 25**

- **Your new life is by the Spirit, so always try to walk by the Spirit not by the flesh**

### Seven Aspects of the Blood of Yeshua

The only way for us to attain to this New Life is through the shed Blood of Yeshua, the Father's only begotten Son, the perfect sinless sacrifice for our sin and rebellion.

Of all the blood that has ever been shed on this earth - there is none so important as the Blood of Yeshua

- Seven Aspects - to explore...
  - Ways of understanding what the blood of Yeshua does
  - Spiritual lessons we can learn to help us live the new life in the Spirit

### The Blood on the Doorposts - Redeeming Blood

*'Your lamb shall be without blemish, a male of the first year. You may take it from the sheep or from the goats. Now you shall keep it until the fourteenth day of the same month. Then the whole assembly of the congregation of Israel shall kill it at twilight. And they shall **take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and on the lintel** of the houses where they eat it.'* **Exodus 12: 5-7**

*'Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And **when I see the blood, I will pass over you**; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt.'* **Exodus 12: 13**

- The Escape from Egypt - God Rescues Israel
  - Escape from Slavery
    - The Lord sees the Oppression - and He Comes Down (Exodus 3: 7-8a)

*'And the Lord said: "**I have surely seen the oppression of My people** who are in Egypt, and have heard their cry because of their taskmasters, for I know their sorrows. **So I have come down to deliver them** out of the hand of the Egyptians, and **to bring them** up from that land to a good and large land, **to a land flowing with milk and honey,**'*

**Exodus 3: 7-8a**

- The Lord's purpose is to bring them to a new, promised, land - the land promised to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob
  - Escape from Captivity
    - The Lord redeems a people for Himself (Exodus 6: 6-8)

*'Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the Lord; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, **I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. I will take you as My people, and I will be your God.** Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians.'* **Exodus 6: 6-8**

- The Lord redeems the Israelites - through the shed blood of a lamb which was spotless and perfect
    - Redeem - means to buy back - something that was once yours but is now in the possession of another
    - Redeemed with great judgements - the Egyptians were under God's judgment...but the blood protected the Israelites from judgement
  - The Lord Remembered His Covenant

*'So God heard their groaning, and **God remembered His covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob.** And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God acknowledged them.'*

**Exodus 2: 24-25**

- The Lord is Faithful and Keeps His Covenants

- Redeemed by the Blood of the Lamb - God Rescues Us

*'He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom **we have redemption through His blood**, the forgiveness of sins.'*

**Colossians 1: 13-14**

- The Lord God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob has Redeemed Us - he saw our helplessness and came down in the person of His Son to rescue us
- Yeshua's blood has Redeemed Us - bought us back from the bondage & penalty of sin
- Freed from Slavery

- We were Slaves - to Sin (*Romans 6: 17*) - oppressed as the Israelites were

*'But God be thanked that though you were slaves of sin, yet you obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine to which you were [e]delivered.'* *Romans 6: 17*

- We too needed a Deliverer (*Romans 8: 3-4*)

*'For **what the law could not do** in that it was weak through the flesh, **God did by sending His own Son** in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.'*

**Romans 8: 3-4**

- The Lord has set us free so we can live a life in His power, by His Holy Spirit and serve Him in holiness (*Romans 6: 22*)

*'But now **having been set free from sin**, and having become slaves of God, **you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life.***

**Romans 6: 22**

- The Lord's purpose is to bring you to a new (promised land)

**You've been freed from Slavery - so don't allow yourself to go back into Slavery**

- Freed from Captivity

- No longer captive - the Lord has Redeemed you: not captive to the flesh and to sin, but given a new life in the Spirit (*Romans 8: 9-10*)

*'But **you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you.** Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His. And if Christ is in you, **the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.***

**Romans 8: 9-10**

- Although still in our mortal bodies, we are now spiritually alive, born again by the Spirit

- Costly Redemption - by Yeshua's shed blood, the spotless lamb of God

*'Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and **you are not your own? For you were bought at a price**; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.'*

**1 Corinthians 6: 19-20**

**When Oppressed by the enemy - remind him and yourself whose you are, and remind him that Yeshua's blood has paid for you - proclaim the scriptures**

- The Lord Remembers His Covenant

- The Lord is Faithful and Keeps His Covenant with Abraham - through which He promised that we too would be blessed

*'Now the Lord had said to Abram: "Get out of your country, from your family and from your father's house, to a land that I will show you. I will make you a great nation; I will*

bless you and make your name great; and you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and I will curse him who curses you; **and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.**"

**Genesis 12: 1-3**

- The Lord has brought us near who were once afar off - grafted in to the root and blessings of Israel (Ephesians 2: 11-13)

*Therefore remember that you, once Gentiles in the flesh—who are called Uncircumcision by what is called the Circumcision made in the flesh by hands - that **at that time you were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world.** But now in Christ Jesus **you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.**'*

**Ephesians 2: 11-13**

**The Israelites put the blood on their houses, we should put the blood of Yeshua on the Doorposts and Lintels of our lives - as a sign and proclamation of our Redemption**

➤ **Doorposts - let nothing unholy enter**

➤ **Lintels - the sign above the door...you belong to Yeshua now**

**We should do this in our prayers - to remind ourselves, and to push back oppression from the enemy**

## The Blood on the Altar - Atoning Blood

*"You shall make **an altar of acacia wood**, five cubits long and five cubits wide—the altar shall be square—and its height shall be three cubits. You shall make its horns on its four corners; its horns shall be of one piece with it. And **you shall overlay it with bronze.**"*

**Exodus 27: 1-2**

### **The Bronze Altar stood in the outer court of the Tabernacle**

When the ordinary Israelite approached the Tabernacle with his sacrifice and passed through the entrance gate he found that between him and the Tabernacle structure, of the Holy Place, stood an altar with a priest waiting beside it. The altar was square in shape - its length and breadth were exactly the same as the height of the white linen fence around the court - 5 cubits (7 ½ feet); its height was 3 cubits (4 ½ feet) and it was made of acacia wood overlaid with bronze; with horns at each corner.

**The blood of the sin offering (a bull slaughtered outside the camp) was put on the horns of the altar (see Exodus 29: 10-15)**

**The blood was for atonement of 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.'*

**Leviticus 17: 11**

- **The Only Approach to the Lord**
  - **At the Entrance to the Tabernacle**
    - **Only by Blood could Priests enter the Holy of Holies - and only the High Priest, once each year, could enter the Holy of Holies (Hebrews 9: 7)**

*'But into the second part the high priest went alone once a year, **not without blood**, which he offered for himself and for the people's sins committed in ignorance;'*

**Hebrews 9: 7**

- **Yeshua is the Only Way (and the Only Truth and the Only Life)**
  - **Yeshua, our great High Priest, has entered the heavenly Most Holy Place with His own blood of atonement (Hebrews 9: 11-12)**

*'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. 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.'*

**Hebrews 9: 11-12**

- **Only through Yeshua's shed atoning blood is there Access to the Father - the way to Him is now open for us - we were once far away, but now we have been brought near we - see John 14: 6, Ephesians 2: 13 and Hebrews 10: 19-21**

*'Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. **No one comes to the Father except through Me.**"'*

**John 14: 6**

*'But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been **brought near by the blood of Christ.**'*

**Ephesians 2: 13**

*'Therefore, brethren, **having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus**, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God,'*

**Hebrews 10: 19-21**

- **Yeshua's blood gives us access into the Holiest (the heavenly tabernacle)**

**Let us therefore come to the Lord in full assurance that our sin has been atoned for - and we are accepted and forgiven**

- **The Blood Atones**

- **The Hebrew word *kâphar*, translated atonement, means to Cover or Expiate**
- **The Blood Covers - the blood of the animal would cover until God Himself (the Lamb of God) would come to take sin away, once and for all (Romans 4: 6-8)**

*'Just as David also describes the blessedness of the man to whom God imputes righteousness apart from works: "**Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered;** blessed is the man to whom the Lord shall not impute sin."*

**Romans 4: 6-8**

- **The Blood Pays the Penalty (Propitiation) - Yeshua's blood has paid the penalty for sin, once and for all, completely (Romans 3: 23-25; 1 John 2: 2)**

*'For **all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God**, being **justified freely by His grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as **a propitiation by His blood**, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed,'*

**Romans 3: 23-25**

*'And **He Himself is the propitiation for our sins**, and not for ours only but also for the whole world.'*

**1 John 2: 2**

- **Yeshua's Blood meets Our Obligations - Death, the penalty of sin (Rom. 6: 23)**

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

**Romans 6: 23**

- **The Penalty for Sin and Rebellion against God is Death - because we are sinners we should die, but Yeshua's blood meets our obligations**

- **The Blood of Atonement Sets Us Free**

- From Debt - our sin debt is paid and by God's grace though faith, we receive the free gift of eternal life (Romans. 6: 23)

*'Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us'*

**Galatians 3: 13**

- From Wrath - Yeshua has borne the wrath of God for us (Romans 5: 9)

*'Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.'*

**Romans 5: 9**

- From Guilt - past sins are atoned for - forgiven and forgotten (Ephesians 1: 7)

*'In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace'*

**Ephesians 1: 7**

- From Death - you have a New, Eternal, Life - Born Again (John 11: 25-26)

*Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"*

**John 11: 25-26**

- From the Power of the Enemy - An Overcomer (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.'*

**Revelation 12: 11**

**Freedom - Live in the Freedom that Yeshua has won for you**

**Don't let the enemy assault you with your forgiven pas**

### The Blood on the Leprous - Cleansing Blood

*'And the priest shall command that one of the birds be killed in an earthen vessel over running water. As for the living bird, he shall take it, the cedar wood and the scarlet and the hyssop, and dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water. And he shall sprinkle it seven times on him who is to be cleansed from the leprosy, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose in the open field.'*

**Leviticus 14: 5-7**

*'The priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall put it on the tip of the right ear of him who is to be cleansed, on the thumb of his right hand, and on the big toe of his right foot.'*

**Leviticus 14: 14**

*'But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.'*

**1 John 1: 7**

The initial sprinkling of the leper was when he was first brought into the camp; the anointing on the right ear, right thumb and right big toe happened 8 days later when the leper was declared clean

#### • Cleansing from Spiritual Leprosy (Sin)

- More Than a Sign of Cleansing - Scarlet turns to White (Isaiah 1: 18)

*"Come now, and let us reason together," says the Lord, "Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall be as wool."*

**Isaiah 1: 18**

- The Leper was anointed with blood as a Sign of Cleansing - an act that was effective because it looked forward to the shed blood of Yeshua
- Yeshua's Blood is The Soul-Cleansing Agent

- The Blood of Yeshua Cleanses from Sin (Hebrews 9: 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?'*

**Hebrews 9: 14**

- Cleansing affects our body, soul and spirit - our thinking, our consciences, our actions and our physical well-being
- Yeshua's healing of a Leper (*Matthew 8: 1-4*)
  - The leprous man say something unusual to Yeshua

*'And behold, a leper came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You can make me clean."* **Matthew 8: 2**

- Not 'heal me' - but 'are you willing to make me clean' - Yeshua answers 'I am willing'
- There is a deeper meaning to this 'cleansing' - Yeshua was saying He was willing to pay the price for us all to be cleansed of our sin

- **Cleansing - Part of our Sanctification**

- **Confession of Sins - even disciples get a bit leprous and need cleansing - so we need to keep short accounts with the Lord and listen to His Spirit (1 John 1: 9)**

*'If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.'* **1 John 1: 9**

- **Sanctification (to make holy) is an Ongoing and Continual work**
- **Washing by the Water and the Word - Holy Spirit & Scripture (Eph. 5: 25a-27)**

*'...just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the **washing of water by the word**, that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, **not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing**, but that she should be **holy and without blemish**.'* **Ephesians 5: 25a-27**

**We must allow the Holy Spirit to be our teacher and guide - if we resist Him, the we can grieve Him**  
**The Holy Spirit makes us aware of our need for cleansing - so we have to cooperate with Him**  
**We need to know God's word - it is living and active and pierces deep**  
 (Hebrews 4: 12)

*'For the **word of God is living and powerful**, and sharper than any two-edged sword, **piercing even to the division of soul and spirit**, and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.'* **Hebrews 4: 12**

- **Holiness is the Aim - to be like our Lord (Romans 12: 1)**

*'I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies **a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God**, which is your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.'*

**Romans 12:1-2**

- **Cleansing is Rededication in Holiness**
  - In all our lives there are times when we need to re-consecrate ourselves afresh - getting rid of the pollution
  - Minds transformed by renewal by the Holy Spirit
- **Holy - Holiness means...**
  - Being set apart, dedicated to a specific purpose or person
  - Purity of heart and mind and devotion
  - A sense of 'otherness' - not being like all the rest

## The Blood on the Covenant - Covenant Blood



'And Moses took half the blood and put it in basins, and half the blood he sprinkled on the altar. Then he took the Book of the Covenant and read in the hearing of the people. And they said, "All that the Lord has said we will do, and be obedient." And **Moses took the blood, sprinkled it on the people, and said, "This is the blood of the covenant which the Lord has made with you according to all these words."**

**Exodus 24: 6-8**

'For when Moses had spoken every precept to all the people according to the law, **he took the blood of calves and goats, with water, scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book itself and all the people, saying, "This is the blood of the covenant which God has commanded you." Then likewise he sprinkled with blood both the tabernacle and all the vessels of the ministry.'**

**Hebrews 9: 19-21**

- **The Covenant Sealed with Blood** Exodus 24: 6-8; Hebrews 9: 19-21
  - **Moses told the people the words of the Lord (Exodus 24:3)** - he did not lead them blindfold into the covenant, but laid before them all the precepts
  - **The people unanimously consented to the covenant terms : 'All the words which the Lord hath said will we do' (Exodus 24:3)**
  - **The Covenant with Yahweh was a Blood Covenant** - the Covenant was officially sealed with the blood of an innocent animal (a common custom see Genesis 15)
  
- **The Blood of Yeshua Seals the New Covenant**
  - **A New Unconditional Covenant (Jeremiah 31: 31-34)**

*"Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when **I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah**—not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: **I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.** No more shall every man teach his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."*

**Jeremiah 31: 31-34**

    - **The New Covenant is not like the Covenant of Law** - which had attached blessings and curses (Deuteronomy 28) - it is one of grace and faith
    - **The Covenant is Israel's** - we are grafted in to this covenant
  - **Yeshua's Blood is sprinkled on the New Covenant (Matthew 26: 27-28)**

*'Then He took the cup, and gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. For **this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.'***

**Matthew 26: 27-28**

    - **Yeshua's Blood was the innocent blood shed for sinners to Seal the Covenant (Hebrews 9: 13-15)**

*'For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, **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?** And for this reason He is the Mediator of the new covenant, by means of death, for the redemption of the transgressions under the first covenant, that those who are called may receive the promise of the eternal inheritance.'*

**Hebrews 9:13-15**

      - **It is Once and For All** - the Covenant is Sealed and Sure (Hebrews 9: 28)

*'...so **Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many.** To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.'*

**Hebrews 9: 28**

➤ **Our Eternal Life & Inheritance is Sure (John 10: 28-29)**

*'And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; **neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.** My Father, who has given them to Me, is greater than all; and **no one is able to snatch them out of My Father's hand.'*** **John 10: 28-29**

**Look to the Blood of Yeshua on the New Covenant**

**Be Fully Assured of your Salvation - It is Once and For All - the Covenant is Sealed and your Salvation is Sure**

**The Enemy tries to get us to Doubt - doubt that we are saved or doubt we are still saved - but your salvation is sure, you cannot lose it**

- **Two Problems Solved by the New Covenant** - two problems that separate people from God are solved in the new covenant
  - **The Problem of Guilt Because of Sin** - which Jesus solves by shedding His blood to lift our guilt by taking it on Himself - "I will forgive their iniquity" (Jer. 31: 34) and "this cup is the new covenant in My blood" (Luke 22: 20)

**We are to live free of guilt from forgiven past sins - no matter what they are - so live free of guilt**
  - **The Problem of Rebellion** - our tendency to run away from God and follow the destructive suggestions of the world and the flesh - which God solves by writing His law on our hearts so that it is not just His will imposed from outside, but it is His will experienced from the inside as our own will (Jer. 31: 33)

**Learn to be sensitive to the inner voice of the Holy Spirit**

### The Blood on the Priests - Consecrating Blood

*"And this is what you shall do to them **to hallow them for ministering to Me as priests:**"*

**Exodus 29: 1**

*'Then you shall kill the ram, and **take some of its blood** and **put it on the tip of the right ear** of Aaron and on the tip of the right ear of his sons, on **the thumb of their right hand** and on **the big toe of their right foot**, and sprinkle the blood all around on the altar. And you shall take **some of the blood that is on the altar, and some of the anointing oil, and sprinkle it on Aaron and on his garments, on his sons and on the garments of his sons with him;** and he and his garments shall be hallowed, and his sons and his sons' garments with him.'*

**Exodus 29: 20-21**

By anointing with blood Aaron and his sons (who were to serve as Priests in the Tabernacle) were consecrated for ministry - this consecrating process took 7 days

All the vessels and articles in the Tabernacle consecrated - by anointing with blood

John MacArthur comments *'Daubing blood on the right ear, hand, and big toe symbolically sanctified the ear to hear the Word of God, the hand to do the work of God, and the foot to walk in the way of God.'*

**We too should consecrate ourselves to the Lord, to worship and serve Him alone**

- The Blood of Yeshua Consecrates Us
  - The Sacrificial Process is seen in the anointing of Priests
    - Firstly - a victim (innocent) is selected
    - Secondly - the sinner's sin is transferred to the victim (the laying on of hands)
    - Thirdly - the death of the innocent victim
    - Fourthly - the transfer of the efficacy of the victims death (atonement and forgiveness) to the sinner - by the anointing of blood
    - Fifthly - the new life of the sinner after the substitutional atonement
    - Sixthly - the entire consecration to God of the whole person - through a vicarious death and a resurrection to new life
      - *What is true for Levitical Priests is true for the believer today*
  - Set Apart (Sanctified) for God Alone by Yeshua's Blood (*Hebrews 13: 12*)
 

*Therefore **Jesus** also, that He might **sanctify** the people **with His own blood**, suffered outside the gate. **Hebrews 13: 12***

    - Sanctification - one meaning is to set apart for a holy purpose
  - Bought with a Price (*1 Corinthians 6: 20*)
 

*'For you were **bought at a price**; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.'* **1 Corinthians 6: 20**

***Now we Belong to the Lord - so our response should be to worship and glorify Him in everything - it is being consecration to His purposes Receive God's Grace & Mercy - every Spiritual Blessing we have, we owe to the Father's love, grace and mercy and to Yeshua's sacrificial blood***
- Living Sacrifices - Consecrated to Serving the Lord God (*Romans 12: 1*)
 

*'I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you **present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God**, which is your reasonable service.'* **Romans 12: 1**

  - Our lives are to be like a sacrificial offering to God
  - We are to be holy - acceptable to God - He cannot use unclean vessels
  - Our Reasonable Service - in view of all that Yeshua has done for us and in view of all the blessings we receive (e.g. eternal life)
- Living Stones - now we are part of a spiritual house (Yeshua's bride) (*1 Peter 2: 5*)
 

*'Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, **you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood**, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.'* **1 Peter 2: 4-5**

  - We are part of a body which will become the Bride of Yeshua
  - A Spiritual House made up of living stones - the church/mishpacha/ called out ones is a spiritual creation of the Lord not an organisation
  - A Holy Priesthood - like the Levitical Priests we offer sacrifices to the Lord
- Kings and Priests - our role and our destiny (*Revelation 5: 9-10*)
 

*And they sang a new song, saying: "You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for **You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood** out of every tribe and*

tongue and people and nation, and **have made us kings and priests to our God**; and we shall reign on the earth.”

**Revelation 5: 9-10**

- **Kings** - because we shall rule with Him (Future)
- **Priests** - because we offer spiritual sacrifices to Him (now and eternally)

## The Blood on the Mercy Seat - Pleading Blood

*'And he shall put the incense on the fire before the Lord, **that the cloud of incense may cover the mercy seat that is on the Testimony, lest he die. He shall take some of the blood of the bull and sprinkle it with his finger on the mercy seat on the east side; and before the mercy seat he shall sprinkle some of the blood with his finger seven times.'***

**Leviticus 16: 13-14**

*'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. 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.'***

**Hebrews 9: 11-12**

It was at the Mercy Seat that the Lord would meet with Moses.

Only once a year, at Yom Kippur, would the High Priest enter the Holy of Holies, with the blood of a bull which he sprinkled on the Mercy Seat, above the Ark of Testimony.

So awesome was the presence of God that the High Priest could not look upon the Mercy Seat, and so incense was put on the fire of the Golden Altar to create a cloud which covered the Mercy Seat, or else the High Priest would die.

This limited access - one man once a year - and this inapproachability of the holiest place makes the rending of the curtain of the temple at Yeshua's death most startling - the way became open to all at all times, and the Holy of Holies was approachable, all because of Yeshua's shed blood

- **The Mercy Seat**
  - **The Place of Meeting** - at the Mercy Seat the Lord would meet with Moses

*'You shall put the mercy seat on top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the Testimony that I will give you. And there I will meet with you, and I **will speak with you from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim** which are on the ark of the Testimony, about everything which I will give you in commandment to the children of Israel.'*

**Exodus 25: 21-22**

- **God desires to meet with His people** - the blood of a spotless lamb, sprinkled on the Mercy Seat, made that possible
- **The Mercy Seat of the Old Testament, and the blood sprinkled upon it by the high priest, prefigured Yeshua entering heaven with His own blood**
- **God meets with us at the mercy seat**
- **The Place of Covering** - the Mercy Seat (Hebrew: *kappôreth*) - [pronounced as kap-po'-reth] from a root word meaning to Cover
  - **It is the Cover over the Ark, which contained the tablets of the ten commandments (the law)**

- The law teaches us God's commandments - by it we learn right from wrong - but it also condemns us by showing up our sin
- God's mercy, through Yeshua's blood, covers our sin, the condemnation for breaking God's law (1 Corinthians 15: 56-57)

*'The sting of death is sin, and **the strength of sin is the law**. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.'*

**1 Corinthians 15: 56-57**

- David understood the need for forgiveness and covering of sin, the covering that blots out the offence and the guilt (Psalm 32: 1, Psalm 85: 2)

*'Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, **whose sin is covered**.'*

**Psalm 32: 1**

*'You have forgiven the iniquity of Your people; You have covered all their sin.'*

**Psalm 85: 2**

- **At the Mercy Seat you will find grace and mercy in abundance**
  - The Footstool of the Lord - at the Mercy Seat, between the cherubim, the God of Heaven touched the earth - His presence was there (Isaiah 66: 1)

*Thus says the Lord: "**Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool**. Where is the house that you will build Me? And where is the place of My rest?"*

**Isaiah 66: 1**

- **Yeshua's Blood on the Heavenly Mercy Seat**

- **Yeshua has entered the Heavenly Tabernacle for Us (Hebrews 9: 24-25)**

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

**Hebrews 9: 24-25**

- The earthly Tabernacle is but a copy of the real one in Heaven
- Yeshua is our great High Priest
  - Like the Levitical High Priest he sprinkles blood on the heavenly Mercy Seat - but once and for all

- **Yeshua's Blood Pleads for Mercy for Us - it speaks a better thing than the blood of Abel (Hebrews 12: 22-24)**

*'But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, to an innumerable company of angels, to the general assembly and church of the firstborn who are registered in heaven, to God the Judge of all, to the spirits of just men made perfect, to **Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel**.'*

**Hebrews 12: 22-24**

To repeat the earlier point:

- Abel's Blood - spoke of death and of desire for recompense/revenge
- Yeshua's Blood - speaks of Life and of Mercy

- **Yeshua is Our Intercessor (Hebrews 7: 25)**

*'But He, because **He [Yeshua] continues forever, has an unchangeable priesthood**. Therefore He is also able to save to the uttermost those who come to God through Him, since **He always lives to make intercession for them**.'*

**Hebrews 7: 24-25**

- Yeshua's Priesthood is Forever
- He lives to make Intercession (pleading) for us
- He is able to save to the uttermost
- His blood on the heavenly Mercy Seat pleads for us - claiming for us what His death has won

- **Mercy is shown to a Thousand Generations through Yeshua (Deuteronomy 7: 9)**

*"Therefore know that the Lord your God, He is God, the faithful God who **keeps covenant and mercy for a thousand generations** with those who love Him and keep His commandments."*

**Deuteronomy 7: 9**

- God is faithful to His covenants - including the promises in the New Covenant - see *Jeremiah 31: 31-34*
  - God's Mercy can be shown to a Thousand Generations because of the blood of His Son on the heavenly Mercy Seat - including you!
- Abundant Mercy is there For Us (*Psalms 145: 8-9*)  
*'The Lord is gracious and full of compassion, slow to anger and great in mercy. The Lord is good to all, and His tender mercies are over all His works.'* **Psalm 145: 8-9**
    - There is Limitless Mercy for us because of the blood of Yeshua
    - The Lord is compassionate towards us, not coldly aloof - He is near not distant

***We need not fear - neither the wrath of God for our sin, nor the chastening when we are disobedient - mercy still flows from the heavenly Mercy Seat sprinkled with Yeshua's pleading blood***

### The Blood on the Cross - Quickening Blood

*'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.'*

**Leviticus 17: 11**

*'Then Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in you. **Whoever eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life**, and I will raise him up at the last day."*

**John 6: 53-54**

- The Risen Yeshua - the Firstfruits (1 Corinthians 15: 20-22)

*'But now **Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits** of those who have fallen asleep. For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so **in Christ all shall be made alive**.* **1 Corinthians 15: 20-22**

- In Adam we are destined to die - our mortal bodies have no eternal qualities
- Yeshua is the Firstfruits of those who die and are raised to life - it is His resurrection which gives us confidence to know that, though our mortal bodies will die, we will live again
- Through Yeshua's blood our 'old man' has died, but we will be Made Alive - our life is hidden (concealed by covering) with Yeshua (*Colossians 3: 3-4*)

*'For you died, and **your life is hidden with Christ in God**. When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.'* **Colossians 3: 3-4**

- Yeshua's Blood Gives Us Life (*Romans 8: 11*)

*'But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, **He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life** to your mortal bodies **through His Spirit who dwells in you**.'* **Romans 8: 11**

- The Life that Yeshua gives is Spiritual Life - though the Holy Spirit's indwelling
- This Eternal Life is NOW - it's not just Future (pie in the sky when you die), it begins immediately God puts His Holy Spirit within us - it is Now

- One glorious day our mortal (corruptible) bodies will be transformed in glorified incorruptible bodies
- We now live Now as Citizens of the Heavenly Kingdom of God - empowered by the life that comes through the blood on the cross
- Yeshua's Resurrection - The Guarantee of Our Resurrection
  - Yeshua is the Resurrection and the Life (*John 11: 25-26*)  
*"Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live. And whoever lives and believes in Me shall never die. Do you believe this?"* **John 11: 25-26**
  - Because He lives - we too will live (*John 14: 19*)  
*' "A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also."* **John 14: 19**
- The Holy Spirit - the Guarantee of our Inheritance
  - The Father has given us the Holy Spirit, as Yeshua promised (*John 14: 16-17*)  
*'And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever - the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.'* **John 14: 16-17**
  - We are Sealed with the Holy Spirit of Promise - He is the guarantee of our inheritance...eternal life (*Ephesians 1: 13-14*)  
*'In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.'* **Ephesians 1: 13-14**
  - The Holy Spirit within is the deposit of eternal life for you and me  
**Blessed Assurance for Us - Yeshua's Resurrection is the Assurance of our New Life because He has given us life through Holy Spirit, who now lives in us**

### Summary - The Blood of Yeshua

- We have only the very beginnings of understanding all that the blood of Yeshua has done for us!
- In Heaven - will there be anything more precious than the Blood of Yeshua sprinkled on the heavenly Mercy Seat?
- A Summary of Seven Aspects of the Blood of Yeshua:
 

The Blood on the Doorposts	-	Redeeming Blood
The Blood on the Altar	-	Atoning Blood
The Blood on the Leprous	-	Cleansing Blood
The Blood on the Covenant	-	Covenant Blood
The Blood on the Priests	-	Consecrating Blood
The Blood on the Mercy Seat	-	Pleading Blood
The Blood on the Cross	-	Quickening Blood