

Blood Sacrifice

Jesus Christ was the blood sacrifice for man's sinful nature. Through the power of blood of Jesus believers can claim authority over demons. Exorcism and Deliverance demands an understanding of the power of the blood of Jesus. One of the commands that should be given to a demon is " I claim (spiritual protection) by the blood of Jesus Christ." The believer must be confident of the functions of the blood of Jesus in their life.

Power of the Blood in Redemption

A believer is purchased by the blood of Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 1:18-19 You must know (recognize) that you were redeemed (ransomed from the useless (fruitless) way of living inherited by tradition from (your forefather), not with corruptible things (such as) silver and gold, but (you were purchased with the precious blood of Christ (the Messiah) like that of a (sacrificial) lamb without blemish or spot."

Power of Reconciliation through the Blood

The word "reconcilate" according to Webster's dictionary means "to restore a friendship. " The blood of Jesus restores our friendship to God. We were separated by sin. The blood sacrifice of Jesus Christ brings us back to the presence and person of God. Sin has been pardoned by the blood of Jesus Christ.

Roman 3:25 "Christ Jesus, whom God put forward (before the eyes of all) as a mercy seat and propitiation by His blood (the cleansing and life-giving sacrifice of atonement and reconciliation, to be received through faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in His divine forbearance he had passed over and ignored former sins without punishment."

Power of Cleansing through the Blood

The cleansing removes the defilement of sin from our inner being. Cleansing removes the sin from the "old life" "The pollution of sin, on the other hand, is the sense of defilement and impurity which sin brings to our inner being, and it is with this that cleansing has to do." (Power in the Blood, pg 58)

1 John 1:7 Be if we (really) are living and walking in the Light, as He (Himself) is in the light, we have (true, unbroken) fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses (removes) us from all Sin and guilt (keeps us cleansed from sin in its forms and manifestations.)

Power of Sanctification through the Blood

Sanctification means union with God. God is completely holy and his holiness cannot bear sin. Sanctification is union with God through the blood of Jesus Christ. This union is willful separation of his people from sin and from the world. The followers of Jesus Christ must make a conscious decision to live apart from the world by not being active in worldly behaviors that set itself contrary to the Word of God. "Thus sanctification is fellowship with God and His dwelling in us. So it was necessary that God in Christ should take up His abode in the flesh and that the Holy Spirit should come to dwell in us. This is what sanctification means." P79, Power of the Blood

Power of Union with God Through the Blood

The followers of Jesus always practices obedience to Jesus. A Christian's honest desire is not to sin. The flesh is still part of us and we will disobey. After the honest prayer of repentance, the blood will continue cleanse us of our sin. We can continue in fellowship with Jesus with a clean conscience. Our union with God is unbroken. Our union with Jesus is one of intimate dependence. The blood of Jesus gives us spiritual nourishment.

"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. For My flesh is food indeed and My blood is drink indeed. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me and I in Him." John 6: 53-56

"All creatures must obtain nourishment from outside of themselves. The natural life was naturally nourished by bread and water. The heavenly life must be nourished by heavenly food and drink by Jesus Himself." p 135.

How can we learn to drink the blood of Jesus? The Holy Spirit is given to all believers as a teacher and comforter. The Holy Spirit reveals knowledge of Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit reveals the spiritual contact believer must have to "eat his flesh and drink his blood." The Holy Spirit will reveal nourishment through our faith in the power of the blood.

Power of Victory over Satan through the Blood

The power of the blood was shed so that he might destroy the power of death--the devil. Jesus is stronger than Satan. Proven by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.

John 12:31 "now is the judgment of this world, now shall the prince of this world be cast out." John 12:31.

"Submit to God, resist the devil and he will flee from you." James 4:7

"And they overcame him (accuser) by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony. and they did not love their lives to the death.

Know the power of the Blood of the Lamb.

Exercise the power by faith in the power of the blood of the lamb.

Meditate on the power of the blood of the Lamb.

Salvation

Four Spiritual Laws

Law 1

God loves you:

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).

Law 2

Man is sinful and separated from God.

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23); "For the wages of sin is death" (Rom. 6:23); "But your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God" (Isaiah 59:2).

Law 3

Jesus Christ is God's only provision for man's sin.

"I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me" (John 14:6); "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Rom. 5:8).

Law 4

We must individually receive Jesus as Savior and Lord.

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name" (John 1:12); "if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved" (Rom. 10:9); "For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God" (Eph. 2:8).

Roman Road

Rom. 3:10, "As it is written, 'There is none righteous, not even one...'"

Rom. 3:23, "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

Rom. 5:12, "Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned."

Rom. 6:23, "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord."

Rom. 5:8, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Rom. 10:9-10, "if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation."

Rom. 10:13, "For whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved."

Spiritual Warfare

Spiritual warfare states that we are soldiers in a war. Soldiers have responsibility to keep themselves strong both physically and mentally. The scriptures state that Satan and his evil spirits want to destroy us by weakening our body, soul and spirit. We are commanded to defend ourselves and fight back with the sword of the spirit.

Most of the spiritual armor is defensive -- helmet, belt, shoes breastplate. The weapon of the sword is the offensive and defensive weapon. The sword must be sharp and powerful if you expect to defend from an Satanic attack.

The weapons require that first we move by picking up the weapons and then God moves to let us fight with His power. His peace will fill our spirit.

"Put on all of God's armor so that you will be able to stand safe against all strategies and tricks of Satan. For we are not fighting against people made of flesh and blood, but against persons without bodies--the evil rulers of the unseen world, those mighty satanic beings and great evil princes of darkness who rule this world; and against huge numbers of wicked spirits in the spirit world. So use every piece of God's armor to resist the enemy whenever he attacks, and when it is all over, you will still be standing up. But to do this, you will need the strong belt of truth and the breastplate of God's approval. Wear shoes that are able to speed you on as you preach the Good News of peace with God. In every battle you will need faith as your shield to stop the fiery arrow aimed at you by Satan. And you will need the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit--which is the Word of God."

Strong Belt of Truth

I am the way, the truth and the life, no one comes to the Father but through me. *John 14:6* And you shall know the truth and the truth shall make you free. *John 8:32*

Functions of the Belt of Truth: Jesus is the truth and there is no need to add other philosophies or beliefs. A Christian should not need to "chasing the spirits." for spiritual wisdom.

Breastplate of God's Approval

So get rid of all that is wrong in your life, both inside and outside, and humbly be glad for the wonderful message we have received for it is able to save our souls as it takes hold of our hearts. And remember, it is a message to obey, not just to listen to. So don't fool yourselves." *James 1:21* Living Bible

And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 1 John: 2:1

And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God. 2 Philipians 3:9

Function of Breastplate is defensive: There is a duty to obey God's laws. A Christian must make obedience a practice in life. The practice of obedience to the laws are not cumbersome because we love and respect the Lord. After all, the laws are designed to keep us from unnecessary trouble in life. We need to forgive ourselves if we fail, then we ask for forgiveness. God moves by keeping our Breastplate strong.

Shoes That Preach the Good News of Jesus Christ

"To preach the Word of God urgently at all times, whenever you get the chance, in season and out, when it is convenient and when it is not." 2 Tim 4:2

Anyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved, But how shall they ask Him to save them unless they believe in him? And how can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tell them? Romans 10:14

Be humble when you are trying to teach those who are mixed up concerning the truth. For if you talk meekly and courtesy to them they are more likely, with God's help to true away from their wrong ideas and believe what is true. 2 Tim 2:25

Our spiritual shoes are shoes of peace. We move by telling others about what Jesus has done for us. We should not beat the gospel over anyone's head, but humbly state our experience and what we believe. After that, God will move in the hearts of the people. God keeps our shoes strong and fills our spirit with peace.

Shield of Faith

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. Hebrews 11:1

For we walk by faith, not by sight. 2 Corinthians 5:7

But when you ask him, be sure that you really expect him to tell you, for a doubtful mind will be as unsettled as a wave of the sea that is driven and tossed by the wind. James 1: 6-7

Faith is the shield in our defense. When attacked we must defend ourselves with faith. Faith keeps us from being harmed by the enemy.

Sword of the Spirit

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.

Revelation 19:13 He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is the Word of God.

The Word of God is communication. The Word of God is spiritual food for the body, soul, and spirit. The Holy Spirit helps us learn and absorb the word.

- *The scriptures should be read as you would any important subject.*
- *meditate and concentrate on its nature of the scripture.*
- *Absorb the scripture into your being by memorizing.*
- *The scripture is the "Sword of the Spirit." For example, if you are fearful and you memorized 2 Tim 1:7, you can calm your fearful emotions by thinking (as many times as needed) the scripture. "You have not inherited a spirit of fear again, but of love and of power and a sound mind." The scripture will calm your fear. That calm is the power of the Word of God.*

Are There Holes In Your Armor?

Shield of Faith: Do you believe Jesus is strong enough to help you out of this crisis?

Sword of the Spirit: Do you spend enough time to read and study the Word of God?

Breastplate of God's Approval: Would God approve of your behavior and life?

Preach the Good News: Do you witness for Jesus when the situation is available?

Is the truth setting you free? Are you compromising the truth to satisfy others?

Battle for Control Of Mind, Body and Behavior

Preparation for Deliverance is a battle of control. For most people Deliverance does not come easily. Practice should be used for regaining territory that was lost to the demons. Concentration must be focused on regaining control of thoughts, speech, body movements. All thoughts should be taken captive under Jesus Christ. Thoughts can come from different sources-- your flesh, the demon, the Holy Spirit.

Battle in the mind and body

- The majority of thoughts come from the person's mental energy. These thoughts must be measured against the Word of God. If these thoughts are not lovely, pure, worthy, good, filled with praise for God; then practice thought substitution with memorized scripture.

- Demonic thoughts can be easily recognized. They are intense hate, fear, panic, self-destructive, and confuse. They are delivered with sudden intensity. Learn to recognize these thoughts. Stop the thoughts and the reaction to it. Substitute the demonic thought with memorized scripture.

- In some cases the demon will try to force a person to acknowledge their presence. This can happen routinely when awakening from sleep, the person may feel a pressure on their head or may not be able to move their upper body. Immediately the person should begin to claim the blood of Jesus and concentrate on moving their body.

- God had given every person control of their own bodies. Control must be taken back by claiming the blood, resisting the demon action, and moving forward.

- One of the most vulnerable times for the person is when asleep. It is critical that the person automatically claims the blood of Jesus every time an attack happens. This should become so automatic that the person can claim the blood of Jesus in their dreams as the nightmare is happening. The power of the blood is being asserted, control is asserted and the person should wake up from the dream.

Battle in control of behavior

- Behavior must be controlled. Each word, body gesture and thought should be released only with conscious permission. There is no room for sloppiness or laziness. Control of our thoughts and our body are a god-given right. Total control must be practiced and automatically practiced.

The Gift Exchange: New Life

Gifts from Jesus are in random order. This is not a complete list. The number of gifts will increase according to faith and need. 71 Gifts From Jesus

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gift of love • Gift of spiritual protection • Gift of Christian fellowship • Gift of Eternal Life in Heaven • Gift of Power • Gift of joy • Gift of peace • Gift of a sound mind • Gift of living above circumstances • Gift of freedom from co-dependence from others • Gift of ability to forgive others • Gift of freedom from fear • Gift of freedom from anxiety • Gift of freedom from depression • Gift of freedom from grief • Gift of freedom from drugs • Gift of freedom from ego • Gift of freedom from love of possessions • Gift of helping others • Gift of new activities • Gift of a church • Gift of patience • Gift of freedom from jealousy • Gift of endurance • Gift of strength in adversity • Gift of spiritual warfare weapons • Gift of deliverance • Gift of righteousness • Gift of sacrifice • Gift of prayer • Gift of intercession • Gift of financial wisdom • Gift of freedom from guilt • Gift of self-esteem • Gift of knowledge of your importance to God | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gift of a good night's sleep • Gift of the Christian Bible • Gift of salvation • Gift of continuous cleansing of your sin • Gift of truth • Gift of ability to control your tongue • Gift of telling others about Jesus • Gift of thankfulness • Gift of praise • Gift of worship • Gift of putting life in perspective • Gift of appreciating your loved ones • Gift of appreciating your job • Gift of loving God's creation in nature • Gift of freedom from lying • Gift of freedom from bitterness • Gift of freedom from agreements • Gift of not having to be perfect • Gift of permitting others to not be perfect • Gift of the ability to organize • Gift of the ability to control your thoughts • Gift of freedom from over-eating • Gift of treating yourself with respect • Gift of treating others with respect • Gift of a friend who will never leave you • Gift of a guidance for your life • Gift of living water • Gift of the freedom to be yourself. • Gift of permitting others to be themselves • Gift of appreciation for what you have • Gift of trust in Jesus to supply your needs • Gift of entrusting treasured loved ones to God on their death • Gift of knowing you are God's unique creation • Gift of knowing you are beautiful • Gift of a lifter of burdens |
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- Gift of a lifter of worry

Six Gifts You Give to Jesus

- Gift of your trust
- Gift of your love
- Gift of your practice of obedience

- Gift of your practice spiritual warfare
- Gift of your faith
- Gift of your unconditional willingness to receive help from the Holy Spirit.

Walking With Jesus

The person will be delivered and set free of the demon in the perfect timing of Jesus. Spiritual warfare needs to be practiced through their lifetime. Jesus will be standing in protection every time the demon wants to return. There must be an active relationship between the new Christian and Jesus Christ. The person must be trusting, believing, fellowshiping, and growing in the Word of God. A Christian's spiritual walk will eventually reach a deeper level of understanding and power to live the Christian life. The deeper level is called the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. This is the level where the Holy Spirit is not only indwelling in the believer's spirit (salvation) but also giving the victory and power to live the Christian life. Sometimes the Baptism of the Holy Spirit happens at the same time of salvation and other times it happens as a separate experience.

John 14:26---But the Helper, The Holy Spirit, which the Father will send in my name, that one will teach you all things and bring back to your minds all the things that I have told you.

John answered, saying, to all "I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Luke 3:16).

Act 3:28 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."

Act 1:8 But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem and in Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth

Prayer for Baptism in the Holy Spirit

Dear Lord Jesus: I thank you that you shed your blood on Calvary's cross for my sins. I ask for forgiveness for my sins and I do acknowledge you as my Lord and Savior. I ask you to baptize me in the Holy Spirit. I claim by faith the baptism in the Holy Spirit right now. Thank you Jesus, Amen.

How Does The Holy Spirit Speak?

1. A still, small, strong thought or impression in your spirit
2. A spontaneous thought or idea.
3. An inner witness (you just know something).
4. Visions and dreams.

5. Warning: All thoughts, inner witnesses, dreams and visions must be measured and agree with the instruction of the Christian Bible. Do not follow the instruction.

How Does the Holy Spirit Change a Christian?

- The fruit of the Holy Spirit is operating in the Christian's life

But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self control. Galatians 5:22

- The Gifts of the Holy Spirit will begin to function in the believer's life.

"for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healings by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills. 1Cor 8:11

There is so much more to explain about the relationship with Jesus. Each new Christian will find the way to be taught how to go forward with their walk with Jesus. They will find the spiritual leadership and fellowship that is exactly right for them. How will that happen?

"Delight yourself also in the Lord, and He shall give you the desires of your heart." Psalm 37:4

"Ask and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. Mat 7:7-8

My Testimony of Deliverance

Year One

I was eighteen years old. The summer was long and boring. One day I decided to purchase a Ouija Board. My friend and I attempted to work the board for about three days. Finally the wedge began to move from letter to letter. There were no clear messages for several days. My friend grew tired and fearful of the board. She decided not to play the game anymore. She

would not touch the board again. The garbled messages only peaked my curiosity. I attempted to move the play the game alone. The first day or two the wedge did not move. Finally, the wedge seemed to come alive moving from letter to letter. The messages were finally clear. The board told me that a spirit came to me through the board. The spirit said it was to be a friend who was to protect me from the dangers in life. It would guide me to a better life because it knew the future.

I spent all my free time with the board. The spirit told me that it loved me and I should let it direct the activities of my life so that my future would be secure and happy. We discussed life and love through the board. It kept promising happiness and security if I would listen and do what it said. This continued all summer and then it was time to go to college as I planned. I took the Ouija Board with me to school. I spent all my free time with the board and found it cumbersome. I had roommates and it looked weird for me to work the board alone. The spirit suggested through the board that it use my hand for automatic handwriting. I tried that but all I could get was the figure "8" drawn over and over again. I spent all my time trying to get messages. Of course, there was no time for study--I failed out of college. I returned home pale, tired and nervous. I kept communicating with the spirit through the board for the remainder of the year.

Year Two

The spirit suggested through the board that I attempt to let it use my voice. The automatic handwriting did not work since I could only manage to get "8" on a paper. I thought I would try that so I just permitted the spirit to speak through me. I let it use my voice and words started to form. At first gibberish then other words. It would use my voice when I was alone.

During this time I worked at a full-time job. I was not very good at the job because my concentration was bad. The spirit kept wanting my attention--my tapping my finger--attempting to make letters with the movement of my finger. I could keep the spirit from using my voice and the finger movements if I concentrated but it detracted from my concentration.

Year Three

One day the spirit was using my voice--curses and obscenities were being spoken. The cursing and obscenities were about Jesus Christ. I was in shock that these words were coming from my voice. It told me to kill myself. I felt hatred that I never felt before. This made me step back and look at myself. What kind of spirit was this? What had I done?

I finally took a good look at myself in the mirror. I was pale, tired and nervous. I wanted the spirit to leave. It would not go. The spirit became more aggressive and would fight for control of my voice. I would be talking and sometimes the spirit would speak. I had to control my every word and movement. My hands and arms moved overly fast sometimes. I could not sleep peacefully. The nightmares began of creatures chasing and laughing at me. I slept with a knife under my pillow. I dreaded sleep.

One day my Dad said that he saw a large, ugly devil in our house. He said that he chased the thing and it left through our dining room window. He kept talking about that experience all day. I just made jokes and laughed. I decided to ask God for help. Who else could help me? Anyone else would probably send me to a mental hospital. I began to pray and fight for control of my mind and body. I always believed that Jesus existed and now it was time to see if Jesus was real. Obviously, the spirit hated Jesus because of it's cursing of Jesus.

Year Four

I began to gain some control of my mind and body. I decided to ignore the spirit as much as possible and enrolled in a local college. While attending the college, I joined a Christian group called "Campus Crusade For Christ." The people in that group taught me how to communicate with Jesus. They taught me how to read the bible and I went to church. The people did not know about the spirit. I was too ashamed to tell them or ask them for help. I learned how to fight a spiritual battle. I memorized and meditated on scriptures concerning the victory of Jesus over Satan. I claimed the blood of Christ every time the spirit attacked--it was so automatic that I claimed the blood of Jesus in my dreams. One night while sleeping, I woke with a sharp jerk to the muscles of my body. I knew the spirit was gone. My mind was clear and at peace. That was over 25 years ago. The spirit never returned. I finished college and graduated with the BA Degree in Sociology and minor in Psychology. I thank Jesus every day for saving my life. These pages are written for encouragement. If you, a loved one or friend has a demon possession, spiritual freedom can be returned by the power of Jesus Christ.