**The Basics – 50 Things Given at Salvation**

Before we begin our bible study, if you are a born again believer in the Lord Jesus Christ it is necessary for you to examine yourself for unconfessed sin. Mental sins (hatred, bitterness, fear, worry, jealousy), Verbal sins (lying, deceiving, abusive words) and Overt sins must be acknowledged to God-Father to insure that you are in fellowship with God-Holy Spirit.

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

All sins were paid for in full by Christ on the cross giving the believer a permanent relationship with the Lord but our fellowship with our spiritual teacher, God-Holy Spirit is lost every time we sin. We regain our fellowship with Him by simply admitting to God-Father what we did wrong. We will take a moment of silent prayer with every head bowed and all eyes closed to give everyone privacy.

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**The Barrier – Review**

1. God created Adam & Eve in a state of righteousness, fully acceptable to God’s righteousness.
2. When they sinned they became unrighteous and lost their acceptable status before God
3. Additionally they died spiritually causing them to lose their ability understand their relationship with God or what He was trying to tell them.
4. Adam’s sin and its results were imputed to the entire human race, causing every member of the human race to be born spiritually dead, separated from God and in need of a savior.

***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*

1. Separation from God, based on our unrighteous status as judged by God’s righteousness standard is called “The Barrier”.
2. The bible refers to this barrier and its aspects in at least 13 different ways – see diagram
3. The barrier was overcome & passage from the kingdom of darkness that controls those behind the barrier was secured by the Person & work of Christ in His death, burial and resurrection.

***Col 1:13*** *For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, 14 in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.*

1. All aspects of this barrier are removed permanently the moment that we believe the gospel of Jesus Christ.

***1 Cor 15:3*** *For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 that He was buried, & that He was raised on the third day according to Scriptures*

1. The sacrifice that Christ paid for our sins & transfers us into God’s kingdom is called the “*blood of Christ.”*

**The Blood of Christ**

1. **The Blood of Christ speaks of the WORK of CHRIST on the cross; blood represents the judgement of our sins while Christ was bearing them on the cross.**

 ***1 Peter 1:18-19*** *knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,* ***19*** *but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless,* ***the blood of Christ.***

2. **The phrase “blood of Christ” is a representative analogy (metaphor) to animal sacrifices in the Old Testament, demonstrating the fact that the work of Jesus Christ was presented by means of blood sacrifices**

***Heb 9:14*** *how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without blemish to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?*

1. The ritual sacrifice an animal without defect was a visual aid of the perfect Son of God paying for the sins of the world through His spiritual death on the cross.
2. **The physical death of the animal is an analogy to the spiritual death of Christ.**

***John 1:29*** *the next day he (John Baptist) saw Jesus coming to him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!*

1. John understands the metaphor, that the animal sacrifices of the Old Testament were a visual aid of the Messiah who was about to pay for the sins of the world.

**Gen 3:21** – God performs the first animal sacrifice as a visual aid of the future sacrifice of Christ

**Gen 4:3-4** – Cain brings a sacrifice of vegetables – Abel brings an animal sacrifice portraying the death of Christ

**Exodus 12:3-14** – the blood of the Passover Lamb applied to the door frame of a person’s house protected those inside from the death angel who took the life of every firstborn male in Egypt that night.

1. Every animal sacrifice represented the future Messiah who was historically called Jesus Christ.
2. **The sacrifice of an animal and its literal blood was not able to provide a payment for sins.**

***Hebrews 10:4*** *for it is impossible for the blood of bulls and goats to take away sins.*

1. The only purpose for animal sacrifice was to point to the future person & work of the Messiah.
2. Many of the Jews believed that the “ritual works of the Law” was effective to pay for sins and missed the real purpose of pointing to Christ.
3. In the same way, the earthly Jewish temple was an example of the temple in heaven – Heb 8:5
4. **Animal sacrifices were a prophesy of the Messiah & His work on our behalf called Shadow Christology**

***Heb 10:1*** *For the Law, since it has only a shadow of the good things to come and not the very form of things, can never, by the same sacrifices which they offer continually year by year, make perfect those who draw near.*

1. Animal sacrifices in the Old Testament were like a shadow of the reality that was coming.
2. Just as a person about to come around a corner casts a shadow before the person actually appears, animal sacrifices were like a shadow of the real person of Christ
3. People were saved in the Old Testament by believing in the prophetic work of the Messiah while those who live after the death, burial & resurrection, believe in the historical work of the Messiah.
4. **The animal was innocent but the animal was judged for sin just like Jesus had no sin of His own but was judged for the sins of all mankind.**

***2 Cor 5:21*** *He made Him who committed no sin to be sin on our behalf, so that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.*

* God-Father imputed our sins to Christ on the cross and He imputes the righteousness of Christ to every person who believes in the gospel of Jesus Christ.
1. **After Jesus had finished paying for the sins of all mankind, He declared “*tetelestai* - it is finished” meaning that all the sins were paid in full.**

***John 19:30*** *Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit.*

1. After Jesus had completed the payment for sins, He willed Himself to die physically
2. At no time before He willed Himself to die, did He bleed profusely and **He didn’t bleed to death**
3. **After He had died**, the soldier stuck the spear in His chest, releasing blood and clear liquid from His chest cavity – the sins of the world were already paid in full

***John 19:34*** *But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.*

1. **All animal sacrifices and every aspect of the Mosaic Law have been fulfilled by Christ, making the Law and its every aspect to be obsolete, no longer having any role in daily life of the born again believer.**

***Rom 10:4*** *For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.*

***Gal 2:16*** *nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law; since by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified.*

1. Animal sacrifices – prophetic portrayal of the person/work of Christ – we have the historical person/work
2. Anointing Oil – Ex 40:9-15: tabernacle & priests anointed with oil signifying God’s righteousness
* In Church Age, we are the temple of God and we are made permanently righteous in Christ
1. Dietary Laws – clean and unclean foods indicating what is sinful cp. what is righteous
2. Temple veil – Mt 27:50-51 veil guarding the Holy of Holies was ripped from top to bottom making the temple and its worship obsolete and opening the way to God open to any who will believe the gospel.
3. **The “blood of Christ” meaning His work on our behalf of removing the barrier between God and man and resolving the sin issue with the justice of God is part of the Eucharist celebration.**

***Mat 26:26-28*** *While they were eating, Jesus took some bread, and after a blessing, He broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body." 27 And when He had taken a cup and given thanks, He gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; 28 for* ***this is my blood*** *of the covenant, which is poured out for many for forgiveness of sins.*

***1 Cor 10:16*** *is not the cup of blessing which we bless a sharing in the* ***blood of Christ****? Is not the bread which we break a sharing in the body of Christ?*

**Eucharist: 1Cor 11**

1. Eucharist – Greek ***eucharisteo*** means good grace, gratitude or gratitude for the goodness of grace.
2. It is also called communion (***koinonia***) because all believers are encouraged to participate together.
* Also called the **Lord’s Supper** referring to when Jesus changed the Passover meal to the Eucharist
1. The Eucharist and water baptism are the only rituals associated with the Church Age.
2. As the believer eats the bread and drinks the cup, he/she is commanded to do it in remembrance of Christ.
* Remembrance – anamnesis: remember what you know about the person and work of Christ.
1. The Eucharist is a **joyous celebration** and moment of **worship** for who Jesus Christ is in His personhood and what He accomplished on our behalf – it is a **toast and a salute** to the God-Man, our Lord and Savior
2. There is no command about how often the celebration should take place (as often as you do it)
3. There are 3 levels of discipline associate with disrespecting the Eucharist ceremony by participating in it with unconfessed sin in your life – 1Cor 11:17-22
* Ex: if you are angry with another person and after you confess the sin you are still not able to stop being angry then do not participate in the Eucharist.

***1 Cor 11:27-30*** *Therefore whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and the blood of the Lord. 28 But a man must examine himself, and in so doing he is to eat of the bread and drink of the cup. 29 For he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly. 30 For this reason many among you are* ***weak and sick, and a number sleep.***

1. Weak – without strength
2. Sick – diseased and disabled
3. Sleep – dead, having died the sin unto death (1Jn 5:16)

**In the Church Age, post cannon period, the job of the Pastor – Teacher is not to perform rituals, anoint people with oil or pray for miraculous signs. His job is to learn all that he can from the scriptures and TEACH those that God gives him, how to be saved and then how to live as a Christian after salvation.**

**Bread**

**Personhood & Positions of Jesus Christ**

***1 Corinthians 11:23*** *For I received from the Lord that which I also delivered to you, that the Lord Jesus in the night in which He was betrayed took bread;* ***24*** *and when He had given thanks, He broke it and said, "This is My body, which is for you;* ***do this in remembrance of Me."***

1. Virgin Birth – Isa 7:14, Lk 1:31-35
2. Hypostatic Union – Phil 2:6-11
3. Impeccability – 2Cor 5:21
4. Celebrity of the Church
5. Head of the Church – Col 1:18
6. Savior of the Body – Eph 5:23
7. High Priest – Heb 8:1-6
8. Advocate – 1Jn 2:2
9. Chief Shepherd – 1Pet 5:4
10. Guardian of the Soul – 1Pet 2:25
11. Mediator – 1Tim 2:5-6
12. Chief Cornerstone – Eph 2:20-21
13. King OF Kings, and Lord of Lords - Rev. 19:16

**Cup**

**Eternal Results of His Work for Believers**

***1 Cor 11:25*** *in the same way He took the cup also after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant* ***in My blood****; do this,* ***as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me****.*

1. Propitiation – Rom 5:8-10
2. Forgiveness – Eph 1:7
3. Redemption – 1Pet 1:18
4. Cleansing – 1Jn 1:7
5. Sanctification – Heb 13:12
6. Justification – Rom 5:8-10
7. Reconciliation – Col 1:20-22
8. Peace with God – Rom 5:1
9. New Covenant – 1Cor 11:24
10. Victory in the Angelic Conflict – Rev 12:10-12

**Our next sections of study will focus on these 9 important results of the blood of Christ.**