

THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST

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Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers, but with the precious blood of Christ, as a lamb without blemish and without spot (1 Peter 1.17-18.)

Modern songs of worship seldom refer to sin, salvation, the need to be saved or the precious blood of Christ. Modern songs are about I, we and me, what we do and will do.

But the gospel is about what God has done and that the Lord Jesus willingly went to the Cross and suffered an agonising death shedding His Precious Blood to cover your sins and that on receiving the Lord Jesus as your personal Saviour your sins would be forgiven.

The blood of Christ is precious because:

It was shed for you... so that, upon repentance and faith in the Lord Jesus, you will be saved and have eternal life. You will live for ever in Heaven, the home of the Lord Jesus.

You will not have a trouble free life in this life and, in fact, if you are a Christian, you will be ridiculed, shunned and persecuted.

Blood, if put on any stain, will obliterate that stain so it will be seen no more.

The blood of Christ cleanseth us from all sin.

Precious, precious blood of Jesus,
Shed on Calvary,
Shed for rebels, shed for sinners,
Shed for me.

It is hymns and songs like this that we need.

The blood of Christ is precious because:

The purpose for which it was shed.

Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins (Hebrews 9.22) And, if sins are not forgiven then we are lost since we read that the soul that sinneth it shall surely die. (Ezekiel 18.4)

For as in Adam all die; so, in Christ shall all be made alive. (1 Corinthians 15.22)

We are all sinners and deserve death in the sense of not be saved and not having everlasting life in the heavenly kingdom. All have sinned and come short of the glory of God (Romans 3.23). Sinners who die without Christ are condemned and are cast into hell fire. Now is the day of opportunity. Now is the time to seek the Lord.

If we are saved and true Christians, we are in Christ and shall be made alive after death. We shall be like the Lord Jesus and have a glorious body like His Body of glory. There will be no more death, pain, war, hatred, curse, jealousy or anything that defiles (Revelation 21 3-4, 22.3)

The blood of Christ is the only way to Heaven and eternal life.

The blood of Christ is precious because of the One who shed it. The Divine Person of the Trinity... the Lord Jesus shed His blood for us. We were not redeemed with earthly valuables such as silver and gold. We cannot buy salvation however rich we are. It was not a fine human being who died to obtain our salvation. It was the Son of God Himself.

When He died for my sins all my sins were in the future. He died for all my sins past, present and future. He forgives sin upon true repentance. God understands our weaknesses even when no one else does. When we fail, God wants to pick us up. This is what is meant in Deuteronomy 33.27, we read that underneath are the everlasting arms.

All may come. The Lord's arm is not shortened that He cannot save (Isaiah 59.1). He can save to the uttermost (Hebrews 7.25)

God specialises in tough cases. Only what He resolves will be properly solved.

The blood of Christ is precious because of the One who shed it. We read that in Him was no sin (1 Peter 2.22). We read that He is not willingly that any should perish but that all may come to the truth (2 Peter 3.9)

He did it for me,
He did it for me,
A sinner as guilty as ever could be
Oh, how i love Him,
Now that I see
He suffered; He died
And He did it for me.

We need to understand this and remind ourselves about this and sing it rather than some of the jingles known as [*Songs of Fellowship*](#).

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