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EPHESIANS

THE WEALTH, WALK
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The Blood of Christ
Ephesians 2:13

Eph. 2:11, “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—

Eph. 2:12, “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.

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Eph. 2:8, “For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,”

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Eph. 2:16, “and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through (*dia*) the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity.”

Eph. 2:18, “For through (*dia*) Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father.”

**These three passages indicate that
“through His blood” = “through the Cross”
= “through Him”**

2. Six key passages refer to the blood of Christ.

1 Cor. 10:16, “The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?”

Heb. 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?”

1 Pet. 1:2, “elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.”

1 Pet. 1:19, “but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.”

1 John 1:7, “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.”

3. The Greek word for blood or bloodshed is:

**αἷμα *haima* neut sing acc (n) blood;
bloodshed**

4. Old Testament usage:

Lev. 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.’ ”

Blood is a figure of speech for life.

Gen. 4:10, “And He said, ‘What have you done? The voice of your brother’s blood cries out to Me from the ground.

Gen. 4:11, “ ‘So now you are cursed from the earth, which has opened its mouth to receive your brother’s blood from your hand.’ ”

Lev. 3:2, “And he shall lay his hand on the head of his offering, and kill it at the door of the tabernacle of meeting; and Aaron’s sons, the priests, shall sprinkle the blood all around on the altar.”

Lev. 3:8, “And he shall lay his hand on the head of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle of meeting; and Aaron’s sons shall sprinkle its blood all around on the altar.”

Gen. 9:6, “Whoever sheds man’s blood, by man his blood shall be shed; For in the image of God He made man.”

Gen. 37:22, “And Reuben said to them, ‘Shed no blood, but cast him into this pit which is in the wilderness, and do not lay a hand on him’—that he might deliver him out of their hands, and bring him back to his father.”

Gen. 42:22, “And Reuben answered them, saying, ‘Did I not speak to you, saying, “Do not sin against the boy”’; and you would not listen? Therefore behold, his blood is now required of us.’ ”

In the New Testament

1. For physical, literal blood, usually in combination with “flesh and blood”.

Matt. 16:17, “Jesus answered and said to him, ‘Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.’ ”

- 2. As a figure of speech for death.**
 - a. Death in general**

Matt. 23:30, “and say, ‘If we had lived in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets.’ ”

b. Figure of speech for the death of a sacrifice.

Matt. 26:28, “For this is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.”

Heb. 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;”

Heb. 9:12, “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.”

Heb. 10:19, “Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus,”

1 John 1:7, “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.”

4. Fig. Representative of life

Matt. 27:4, “saying, ‘I have sinned by betraying innocent blood.’ And they said, ‘What is that to us? You see to it!’ ”

Matt. 27:8, “Therefore that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.”

Matt. 27:24, “When Pilate saw that he could not prevail at all, but rather that a tumult was rising, he took water and washed his hands before the multitude, saying, ‘I am innocent of the blood of this just Person. You see to it.’ ”

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Rom. 3:25, “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,”

**Rom. 5:9, “Much more then, having now
been justified by His blood, we shall be
saved from wrath through Him.”**

1 Cor. 10:16, “The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ?”

Eph. 1:7, “In Him we have redemption through (*dia*) His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace”

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Col. 1:20, “and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through (*dia*) the blood of His cross.”

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