THE BLOOD

Exodus 12:13 And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are: and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt.

The "Exodus story" is not just about Israel – it is about OUR SALVATION!

1 Corinthian 5:7 For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

<u>1 Peter 1:18-19</u> 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 of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

<u>Hebrews 9:12</u> Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.

There is a fountain filled with blood, drawn from Emmanuel's veins And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains Lose all their guilty stains, lose all their guilty stains And sinners plunged beneath that flood lose all their guilty stains.

Dear dying Lamb, thy precious blood shall never lose its power Till all the ransomed church of God be saved to sin no more.

E'er since by faith I saw the stream Thy flowing wounds supply Redeeming love has been my theme, and shall be till I die.

When I see the blood, when I see the blood When I see the blood, I will pass, I will pass over you.

Victory ahead, victory ahead Through the blood of Jesus, victory ahead Trusting in the Lord I hear the conqueror's tread By faith I see the victory ahead.

<u>Exodus 12:22-23</u> And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the blood that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the two side posts with the blood that is in the bason; and none of you shall go out at the door of his house until the morning. For the Lord will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel, and on the two side posts, the Lord will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite you.

Moses amplifies something that God explained in verse 13, because he knows the tendency of the people to do their own thing and ignore the SPECIFICS of God's commandments (they've already done it before!).

STAY IN THE HOUSE! Death is not going to pass over you because you are an Israelite, but because you are in a house that is covered by the blood!

<u>Acts 20:28</u> Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed **the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood**.

The death angel didn't know WHO had died, he just saw the BLOOD. It was LAMB'S BLOOD. It was a lamb taking the death of a man so the man could take the life of the lamb. It was a lamb taking the guilt of a man so the man could take the innocence of the lamb. It was a lamb dying in a man's name so the man could live in the lamb's name!

Illustration: prairie fire and fire break (sins already "burned over")

My sins: "God's already been here!"

- He has taken them away John 1:29
- He has forgotten them Hebrews 10:17
- He has washed them away Isaiah 1:18
- He has blotted them out Isaiah 43:25
- He has wiped them out like a cloud Isaiah 44:22
- He has pardoned them Isaiah 55:7
- He has buried them in the depths of the sea Micah 7:19

God does not predestinate individuals – you are responsible for your own choices (He has foreknowledge, but He does not predestinate you to do it). HOWEVER, GOD DOES PREDESTINATE GROUPS – SO YOU NEED TO GET IN THE RIGHT GROUP!

<u>Psalms 9:17</u> The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.

Ezekiel 18:20 The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him.

Romans 8:28-31 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

When Jesus died on the cross, THREE VEILS were rent ... the veil of the Temple, the veil in the Heavenlies, and the veil of His flesh.

<u>Mark 15:37-38</u> And Jesus cried with a loud voice, and gave up the ghost. And **the veil of the temple** was rent in twain from the top to the bottom.

<u>Hebrews 6:19-20</u> Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and stedfast, and **which entereth into that within the veil**; Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

<u>Hebrews 10:19-20</u> Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, **through the veil, that is to say, his flesh**;

<u>John 19:34</u> But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

<u>1 John 5:6-8</u> This is he that came by water and blood, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one. And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one.

What the veil of the Temple was in shadow, Jesus' side was in substance – when they ripped one, it ripped the other!

The veil was ripped, not so God could get out, but so we could get in! Jesus' side was ripped, not just so the blood could get out, but so we could get in!

In the Gospels, the disciples walked WITH CHRIST. But in the Epistles, the church is IN CHRIST.

Ephesians 1:3-7 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places **in Christ**: According as he hath chosen us **in him** before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us **accepted in the beloved**. **In whom** we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;

Romans 3:23-25 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is **in Christ Jesus**: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith **in his blood**, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

Romans 8:1-2 There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Romans 8:38-39 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Acts 17:28 For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

- <u>1 Corinthians 1:26-30</u> But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.
- <u>1 Corinthians 15:21-22</u> For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so **in Christ** shall all be made alive.
- **<u>2 Corinthians 5:17</u>** Therefore if any man be **in Christ**, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

Ephesians 2:6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in **Christ Jesus**:

<u>Colossians 2:9-10</u> For **in him** dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete **in him**, which is the head of all principality and power:

Ephesians 2:13 But now **in Christ Jesus** ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

- **<u>2 Corinthians 5:21</u>** For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God **in him**.
- <u>1 John 3:4-6</u> Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law. And ye know that he was manifested to take away our sins; and **in him** is no sin. Whosoever abideth **in him** sinneth not: whosoever sinneth hath not seen him, neither known him.
- **1 John 2:28** And now, little children, **abide in him**; that, when he shall appear, we may have confidence, and not be ashamed before him at his coming.

STAY IN THE HOUSE! STAY UNDER THE BLOOD! STAY IN CHRIST!