

## RIGHTEOUS

Have Faith In The Blood Of Jesus

### I. **Not only do we not want to be conscious of sin, but we want to be conscious of our right-standing with God; being conscious of our right-standing with God begins with being aware of what the blood of Jesus has done and having faith in the blood of Jesus**

A. The more faith you have in the blood of Jesus the more conscious you'll be of your right-standing with God and the less conscious you'll be of sin

B. To walk free from guilt and condemnation and be right-standing with God conscious rather than sin conscious you have to have faith in the blood (Rom 3:25)

1. The blood points you to your right-standing

### II. **We have to have faith in the blood**-Romans 3:25-NCV-God sent him to die in our place to take away our sins. We receive forgiveness through faith in the blood-NIRV-God gave him as a sacrifice to pay for sins. So he forgives the sins of those who have faith in his blood

A. Jesus will be the propitiation, he'll stop the wrath of God and put God in a place where he is ready to show you mercy and be gracious to you, but that comes through faith in the blood; you have to have faith in the blood of Jesus to get that done

1. The blood opens the lines of mercy and grace from God to his people because it puts people back in right-standing with God

B. The blood was working with an unholy, unrighteous, wicked sinner, who's father was the devil under the dominion of death and the curse, in the kingdom of darkness, under the thumb of Satan's power (Eph 2:1-3,12,Rom 5:6-8,8:15, Colossians 1:13)

C. To have faith in the blood of Jesus you have to agree with the blood of Jesus and to agree with the blood of Jesus you have to know what it is saying

1. There's no grounds for faith without words being spoken

### III. **13 functions of the blood**

A. The Blood has justifying power-Romans 5:9

1. The blood **makes** you righteous (the blood made you altogether new)

a. The blood took an unholy, unrighteous, wicked, sinner who was dying and going to hell, whose father was the devil and made him the righteousness of God, a son of God, innocent, guiltless, faultless before God, accepted and approved by God and presented him holy unblameable and unproveable in God's sight

2. The blood declares you righteous; The blood is saying that you are righteous

B. The blood has forgiving power-Ephesians 1:7

1. The blood has the ability to let go of sins as if they've never been committed

2. The blood has the power to take something you did and let go of it as if you never did it
  3. The blood says you have done no wrong
- C. The blood has purging/cleansing/washing power-Hebrews 9:14, 1 John 1:7, Rev 1:5
1. Purge/Cleanse-To cleanse, make clean, remove stains, pronounce clean, unstained from the guilt of anything, free from the guilt of sin
  2. Wash-Bathe, Purify
  3. Not only does the blood have the power to let go your sin, it has to power to purge you, wash, and bathe you in such away that when it gets done there's no evidence that you ever sinned because the blood was powerful enough to completely get rid of it and along with that there's power enough in the blood to remove the guilt of sin for your life
  4. The blood is pronouncing you clean
- D. The blood has take away power-Hebrews 10:4,11-12
1. Take away-Take away something that surrounds a thing, to take away all together, or entirely, the guilt of sin, to expiate perfectly
  2. The blood has the power to take something wrong you've done and take it away all together, in its entirety, and all of it's effects in your life
  3. The blood says you have no sin
- E. The blood has remitting power/pay off power-Romans 3:25
1. Remission-Passover, letting pass, neglecting, disregarding, cancel debt, pardon sin, send back
  2. The blood has the power to deal with sin in such a way that it pays off the debt you owe and causes you to causes sin to be passed over when it comes judgment time
  3. The blood says you owe nothing
- F. The blood has sanctifying power-Hebrews 13:12
1. Sanctify-Make holy, to separate from profane things and dedicate to God, to set part, prepare for divine service, to purify free from the guilt of sin
  2. The blood has the power to make the unholy holy and set you apart, making you one of kind, none like you in the Earth, not ordinary, not common, but extraordinary, uncommon, and prepare you for divine service
  3. The blood says you are holy, you are one of kind, you are not common and ordinary, but you are uncommon extra ordinary and ready to serve God
- G. The blood has purchasing power-Acts 20:28
1. **Purchase**-To get for one's self, to keep safe
  2. We belonged to the devil and were in danger of hell and all it's fury, but by the power of the blood we were bought, we belong to God, and we are safe

3. When Adam sinned man went from belonging to God to belonging to the devil; Jesus by the power of his blood bought me back & I don't belong to the devil anymore
  4. How would you like it if you went home and stuff that belonged to you (house, car, money) was destroyed, dirty, unclean and in a bad state; God doesn't like when stuff he owns, (You and me), is in a bad state
    - a. If you belong to God you're supposed to adorned with his best in every area of your life
    - b. You're his; He didn't purchase you to leave you broke, to leave you sick, to leave you depressed; He purchased you to set you with the Kingdom
    - c. If I'm the Father's I ought to drive the best, wear the best, live in the best, talk to the best, act the best
    - d. Your stuff says stuff about you and the sheep that belong to the shepherd say something about the shepherd
  5. The blood is saying that you don't belong to the devil; The safety that's by the blood is the blood saying to the devil, they don't belong to you
- H. The blood has redeeming power-Colossian 1:14
1. Redemption-Releasing by payment of ransom
  2. We were in held under the bondage of the curse, but by the power of the blood we were redeemed from the curse of the law and we now we have a blood bought right to live free from the curse and when we begin exercising our faith to live free we're backed by the power of the blood
  3. The blood is saying you're redeemed
- I. The blood has reconciling power-Colossians 1:20-21
1. The power of the blood brought man who was wicked and against God back into harmony and peace with God; God's not mad at you
  2. The blood is saying God's not mad at you and that there is peace between you and Him
- J. The blood has access-giving power-Ephesians 2:13
1. Nigh-Those who are near access to God
  2. The power of the blood gives me access to the creator of Heaven and Earth; that power enables me to live in Him and Him to live in me
  3. The blood is saying access granted anytime
- K. The blood has boldness-giving power-Hebrews 10:19
1. Boldness-Free and fearless confidence, cheerful courage, boldness, assurance
  2. The power of the blood gives me boldness, fearless confidence, cheerful courage, and assurance not just to approach God, but that I will experience victory
    - a. Boldness is liberty and freedom to come before God and take full advantage of all that the blood has provided for you

3. When you get a revelation of the blood and what's it's done you get bold
4. The blood is saying be strong and courageous and fearless and confident cause you're going to win

L. The blood has perfecting power-Hebrews 13:20

1. The blood has the power to strengthen you
2. The blood has the power to make you what you ought to be
3. The blood has the power to equip you with everything good so that you carry out God's will
4. The blood is saying you're strong, you're everything you need to be, and you're equipped with everything you need to do what God has called you to do

M. The blood has overcoming power-Revelation 12:11

1. There is no situation in which the power of the blood and the word of testimony won't be enough to cause you to come out victorious
2. The blood is saying you win, you triumph, you overcome

N. A big part of having faith in the blood is agreeing with what it says-Gen4:9-10, Heb12:24

**IV. When feelings of guilt and condemnation arise get your mind on the blood of Jesus, have faith in the blood of Jesus and agree with the blood of Jesus by saying what it says**

A. Yielding to condemnation is simply being more conscious of sin that you've committed than you are the blood of Jesus and what it has done in your life

1. A person who yields to guilt and condemnation is showing a lack of faith in the blood
  - a. One way you know that you really believe the blood is to evaluate if you have a guilty conscience
  - b. If you're walking around with a guilty conscience then you just don't believe the blood and that the blood got the job done; Don't you believe the blood can handle that?
2. Christians go around feeling guilt b/c they are not magnifying the blood of Jesus the way they ought to; see the blood bigger

B. You deal with feelings of guilt and condemnation like you do any other feeling you have that doesn't line up with the Word; you fight it off with the word of God, faith in the word, and the words of your mouth and faith in the blood

1. You have to make the decision that you're going to have faith in the blood and agree with the Word concerning your right-standing with God
2. The Word says that God will remember your sins no more, you've been cleansed, forgiven, you are right with God and have been absolved from all guilt-Rom 4:25
  - a. Whether you feel like those things are true or not they are
  - b. If you only believe you're righteous when you feel like it you're in trouble

C. Just because you confess your sin and receive your forgiveness doesn't mean that the feelings of guilt and condemnation won't be there

1. My feelings are not the meter whereby I gauge whether or not I'm forgiven; if you confessed it he forgave you
2. Just because you feel guilty doesn't mean you are-2 Corinthians 5:7