

Empowered by the Blood #2: By His Stripes we are healed

Text: 1 Peter 2:24

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--**by whose stripes you were healed.**

Introduction

As we begin our next study about the Blood...

Let us recap about the last one.

- 1). The Blood represents Life – No power in the red stuff, but the Life is in the Blood.
- 2). The Blood or the Life brings victory to our weaknesses
- 3). The 1 Place that Life was spilt for us was at the Garden of Gethsemane – **Wine Press - Pressure**
- 4). The Blood that was poured out from his anguish was to redeem our **will power** in the midst of weakness.

The Next Place Jesus poured his blood –

We pick up the Journey to the Cross after Jesus was released by Pilate, who was amazed how everything seem to escalate out of his control.

Matt 27:23-26

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."

25 And all the people answered and said, "**His blood be on us and on our children.**"

26 Then he released Barabbas to them; and when he **had scourged Jesus**, he delivered Him to be crucified.

Why the whipping post? – The place of breaking someone down... To keep you down, to strip you of any courage and motivation. – The intent of the Romans during the scourging **was not to kill him**, but to humiliate him and degrade him. (Deut. 25:1-3) It was a stripping of your rights, you had no say under the whip.

Here is another place of where the blood was sprinkled, I don't need to go into detail about the gory mess they left on his back from the cat of nine tails.

But the place here we might be able to relate, As children of God we will find ourselves in confrontation with people used by this world to **break us down**, situations that seem to tie us up and try to **humiliate us**.

The devil greatest tactic is to rob us of our **God GIVEN RIGHTS**.

Paul experienced this in his ministry...

2 Cor 4:8-10

8 We are hard pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair;

9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—

10 always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

You might feel that you are tied to a whipping post and all that you do seems to be torn down. Jesus sprinkled his blood in that area of testing we can claim that life for us in our situations. That try to press us down. **There is LIFE IN THE BLOOD!**

2 Cor 7:6

6 Nevertheless **God, who comforts the downcast**, comforted us by the coming of Titus,

Isa 43:2

2 When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; And through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, Nor shall the flame scorch you.

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The Voice of the Blood –

Heb 12:24-25

24 to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that **speaks** better things than that of Abel.

25 See that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if they did not escape who refused Him who **spoke on earth**, much more shall we not escape if we turn away from **Him who speaks from heaven**,

We are empowered by the Blood, because through the Blood of Jesus we recognize our rights as children of God. The Blood of Abel cried out of his rights. He was murdered by his brother Cain and God punished Cain by cursing him, and relinquishing his privileges.

So if God did not refuse the voice of one who speaks from earth – Abel's cry for vengeance and justice, how much more shall he heed the call of His own Son from heaven. That Blood is from heaven.

Col 2:14-15

14 having wiped out the handwriting of requirements that was against us, which was contrary to us. And He has taken it out of the way, having nailed it to the cross.

15 Having disarmed principalities and powers, He made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them in it.

This Blood from Heaven is a cursing to the powers of darkness, it relinquishes the privileges of hell that have been over us through ignorance.

The privilege of sickness, and disease are disarmed by this BLOOD that cries out from heaven., It's speaks on **OU BEHALF**. This Blood speaks of our rights...

If you are challenged in the spiritual realm about this truth, we must remind all those around us that it is written. It is written on the back of our savior.

BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED. – It is the signature of our promise!

"Blood hath a voice to pierce the skies,
'Revenge!' the blood of Abel cries;
But the rich blood of Jesus slain,
Speaks peace as loud from every vein."

Additional things those stripes did for us...

The Scourging of Christ was prophesied clearly hundreds of years before...

Isaiah 53:5

But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed.

Commentary - Isa 53:5

We were sick unto death because of our sins; but He, the sinless one, took upon Himself a suffering unto death, which was, as it were, the concentration and essence of the woes that we had deserved; and this voluntary endurance, this submission to the justice of the Holy One, in accordance with the counsels of divine love, became the source of our healing.

Peter Confirms the promise 1 Peter 2:24

who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness--by whose stripes you were healed.

The stripes of 40 save 1 was to cover our healing. Today there are **39 medically known categories** of diseases. All covered under the stripes.

Matt 9:35

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing **every sickness** and **every disease** among the people.

His Body was broken for us...Two fold reason of...

1 Cor 11:29-30

29 For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not **discerning** the Lord's body.

30 **For this reason** many are weak and **sick among you, and many sleep.**

Discerning - NT:1252

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to be separated

1. to separate, make a distinction, discriminate Acts 15:9
2. to learn by discrimination, to try, decide: Matt 16:3

That is a **heavy statement** of how one can **be so ignorant**, that it might even kill you. We must acknowledge that the breaking of his body was for our healing, we must separate or distinguish that truth, or we will not find our selves claiming healing, we won't feel to claim anything if we don't have a truth to stand on. **NOW WE KNOW!** – For my people perish for lack of knowledge.

Satan can imitate the gifts but he can't withstand the blood. The gifts can't save a person, only the blood can. The blood of Jesus is special. It's unailing, un-resistible to the powers of darkness. While the gifts can be imitated the blood is unlimited in power and authority. - The shed 'Blood of Jesus Christ' is in a class of its own.

Speaking the Blood over our sickness and sick bodies

Blood Even on the Golden Altar -- Lev. 4:7

"And the priest shall put some of the blood upon **the horns** of the altar of **sweet incense** before the LORD, which is in the tabernacle of the **congregation.**"

Three things here –

The **horns represent the POWER of God** – Laying hold of the horns of the altar – The Blood on the horns
Secondly, **Sweet incense was a type of prayer** before the Lord, Speak of this better blood over our lives in prayer before the Lord. **Conclusion** – Which is in the tabernacle of the congregation, this is to be made known among us all, not to a few select, this should be basic training for all believers in the congregation.

We are EMPOWERED by the BLOOD – For BY HIS STRIPES WE ARE HEALED.

Acts 10:38

38 How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

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