

Teach: Jesus' blood GO's for us

Intro Our theme this year is GO FIRST! Last year we learned how to REACH the lost, the broken and the hurting. This year we will build upon that foundation to become people of great faith and boldness.

KEY THEME VERSE: Matthew 28:19, *“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...”*

This week, we will discover how the blood of Jesus Go's for us. His blood has saved us and helps us to overcome every work of the enemy.

1. Jesus, the Lamb that was slain for us.

- **THEME VERSE: Revelation 12:11**, “And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.”
- In Revelation 12:11, Jesus is shown to be the Lamb who is worthy of praise because He ransomed people from all over the earth by His blood.
 - **Revelation 5:9**, *“And they sang a new song, saying, ‘You are worthy to take the scroll, and to open its seals; for You were slain, and have redeemed us to God by Your blood out of every tribe and tongue and people and nation...’ “*
- This imagery speaks of the Passover lamb, whose blood delivered the Israelite firstborn in Exodus 12.

2. His Blood gives us Overcoming Victory

- The death of Christ on the cross has restored right relationship with those who accept Jesus as Lord and Saviour.

- No longer are we under the enemy's power to accuse and place us in bondage.
- It is the blood of Christ that redeems people from any bondage to sin and Satan.
 - Satan has no legal right to you because you are a child of God.
 - **John 1:12-13**, *“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”*
 - Any influence the enemy has comes through him deceiving us that he has a right in our lives.
 - Often, we do not even realize that it is the lie of the enemy speaking to us.
 - This is where spending time in in God’s presence through studying His Word, prayer and worship, will reveal the truth to us. Because He is the Spirit of Truth,
 - **John 16:13**, *“However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.”*

3. How to Resist the Devil

- Successfully resisting Satan depends on us drawing near to God, who in turn draws near to His people and fights on our behalf.
 - **James 4:7-8**, *“Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.”*
 - **1 Pet 5:10**, *“The God of all grace ... will make you strong in resisting the adversary.”*

4. How to Apply the Blood

- We need to plead (or apply) the Blood of Jesus over our lives and every situation.
 - Pleading or applying the Blood isn’t begging. Instead, it is placing your life in the hands of the all-powerful name of Jesus.

- Practical ways to plead the blood:
 - Declare the things of God over your life
 - Confess the Word of God over your life. It is time for your mouth to say the same thing that God has and is saying over you.
 - Admit any sin, guilt, or punishment.
 - Declare what Jesus has done for you – forgiveness, cleansed, freedom.

Ask

- How has the blood of Jesus brought overcoming victory in your life?
- What should you do in times of attack?
 - Submit to God, resist the Devil, draw near to God, cleanse your life and receive the redeeming work of the blood of Jesus!

Prayer

- Take a moment and thank God for the blood of Jesus that was shed for you. Thank Him for the overcoming work of His blood in your life. Ask God if there are any sins, guilt or punishments that you need to be released from. Release them to Jesus!
- Take a moment and fill in these sentences:
 - I ask the Lord through His blood to cleanse _____
 - I ask the Lord through His blood to forgive _____
 - I ask the Lord through His blood to cover _____
 - I ask the Lord through His blood to protect _____
 - I ask victory through Jesus' blood for _____
- Pray for the upcoming Reach Day (Evangelism) 15 July.

Upcoming

- Reach Day (Evangelism) 15 July.
- Encounter Friday 21 July and Saturday 22 July.
- Mid-week service Wednesday July 26.