OUR PROBLEM-HIS SOLUTION

WE NEED JESUS, BUT WHY?

FIRST AND FOREMOST ETERNAL SALVATION, THEN SANCTIFICATION

WE HAVE BEEN INFECTED WITH THE DISEASE OF SIN....THE END RESULT OF THAT DISEASE IS DEATH...OR SEPERATION

IT IS THE UNNATURAL CONDITION OF THE HUMAN RACE

WE WERE ORIGINALLY CREATED "NORMAL" ACCORDING TO GOD'S DESIGN FOR US.....TO LIVE FOREVER IN OUR BODIES RELATIONALLY ALIVE AND CONNECTED TO GOD, OURSELVES, EACH OTHER, AND TO OUR ENVIROMENT

Romans 5:12New International Version (NIV) ¹²Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

SIN CAUSES DEATH OR SEPARATION SOONER OR LATER....THE DISEASE OF SIN KILLS LIFE

Ephesians 4:17-19New International Version (NIV)

¹⁷ So I tell you this, and insist on it in the Lord, that you must no longer live as the Gentiles do, in the futility of their thinking. ¹⁸ They are darkened in their understanding and separated from the life of God because of the ignorance that is in them due to the hardening of their hearts. ¹⁹ Having lost all sensitivity, they have given themselves over to sensuality so as to indulge in every kind of impurity, and they are full of greed.

WHAT CAN CURE ME FROM THIS WRETCHED LIFE OF SIN AND SEPERATION FROM GOD ?

GOD TELLS US HIS PLAN IN ISAIAH AND GENESIS

Isaiah 7:14New International Version (NIV)

¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you[®] a sign: The virgin[®] will conceive and give birth to a son, and[®] will call him Immanuel. (GOD WITH US).

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SPEAKING TO THE SERPANT:

Genesis 3:15New International Version (NIV)

¹⁵ And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring[®] and hers; he will crush[®] your head, and you will strike his heel."

- he will Crush your head... head denotes power.....destroy you
- Bruise his heel....from God's view satan only wounds the lords foot, at the same time Jesus heel was bruised, Satan's head...dominion was crushed,
- Notice the wound to Jesus isn't fatal
- The Crushing of Serpent Head is fatal
- Satan also nips at the heels of the followers of Christ
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Romans 5:6-11New International Version (NIV)

⁶You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person

someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BLOOD OF JESUS

THE LIFE IS IN THE BLOOD

When we come to the Communion table, recognizing it is a symbol of what Jesus Christ accomplished for usBut see the elegant simplicity of our Lord in His choice of elements:

Lets talk about Bread and Wine... Wine was chosen first for its blood like color. But we can also see that it was probably the best antiseptic they had; it kept indefinitely as well. It is a fitting symbol of the blood of Christ which cleanses us from all sin, and brings us to eternal life. He made this His memorial not so that you would be dazzled—but that you would remember.

It's hard to see blood...it's internal. To make it external hurts...you have to be cut or injured. That is where the breaking of the bread takes place...When Jesus broke the bread and gave it to his disciples ...he said this is my body broken for you.... It is the blood that poured forth from his body that cleanses us... the importance of the blood of Christ! If you were to analyze the blood...Our blood is contaminated by sin handed down to us by our parents.....so we will die.. The blood of Jesus is perfect and pure..

The virgin birth of Christ established His righteousness...The DNA of man through Mary...the outward body 100% human... The internal from the Father in heaven 100% God... His blood is perfect and pure

Even Judas cried out. "I have betrayed innocent blood." Paul explained, "For (God) has made Him (Jesus) to be sin for us, who knew no sin, that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him."

GOD IS GNARLY, THE SACRIFICE FOR SIN MUST BE PURE

HE IS PERFECT, PURE, RIGHTEOUS

<u>Hebrews 7:26</u> He is spoken of as, a high priest who truly meets our need—one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens. 27 Unlike the other high priests, he does not need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for the sins of the people. He sacrificed for their sins once for all when he offered himself.

WHEN THE PURE BLOOD OF JESUS IS APPLIED TO THE SINNER, IT PROVIDES A CLEANSING....EVERLASTING AND ONCE AND FOR ALL

1 Peter 1:18-20New International Version (NIV)

¹⁸ For you know that it was not with perishable things such as silver or gold that you were redeemed from the empty way of life handed down to you from your ancestors, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, a lamb without blemish or defect. ²⁰ He was chosen before the creation of the world, but was revealed in these last times for your sake.

PURE BLOOD, PURE HOLINESS, PURE LOVE, PURE SOVERIGNTY, AND PURE RIGHTEOUSNESS

Hebrews 9:12 he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.

Hebrews 9:26 But he has appeared once for all at the culmination of the ages to do away with sin by the sacrifice of himself.

Hebrews 10:19 Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God

• Our faith in His blood is all it takes to settle it forever and ever.

I PLEAD THE BLOOD OF JESUS / AUTHORITY

The death of Christ set into motion a continuous cleansing for those who trust in Him. We are given the gift of eternal life that He purchased with His blood. Thank God we are washed once and for all, forever.

- all sin past present and future has been removed...
- **David spoke to this** <u>*Psalm 103:12*</u> as far as the east is from the west, so far has he removed our transgressions from us

PAUL THE APOSTLE, AFTER WALKING WITH JESUS FOR 22 YEARS, WHO WROTE MUCH OF THE NEW TESTAMENT, SAID THIS TO THE CHURCH IN ROME:

Romans 7:15-25New International Version (NIV)

¹⁵ I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do. ¹⁶ And if I do what I do not want to do, I agree that the law is good. ¹⁷ As it is, it is no

longer I myself who do it, but it is sin living in me. ¹⁸ For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature.²⁰ For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do—this I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who do it, but it is sin living in me that does it.

²¹ So I find this law at work: Although I want to do good, evil is right there with me. ²² For in my inner beingl delight in God's law; ²³ but I see another law at work in me, waging war against the law of my mind and making me a prisoner of the law of sin at work within me. ²⁴ What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body that is subject to death? ²⁵ Thanks be to God, who delivers me through Jesus Christ our Lord!

So then, I myself in my mind am a slave to God's law, but in my sinful nature¹⁰ a slave to the law of sin.

THERE WILL ALWAYS BE A BATTLE BETWEEN FLESH AND SPIRIT AS LONG AS WE ARE HERE IN THE FLESH

Romans 8:1-4New International Version (NIV)

8 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you[®] free from the law of sin and death. ³ For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh,[®] God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering.[©] And so he condemned sin in the flesh, ⁴ in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

JESUS TOOK ONE FOR THE TEAM, THAT'S WHY WE WORSHIP HIM

Romans 6:23 [Full Chapter]

For the **wages of sin** is death, but the gift **of** God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

SO NOW THAT WE HAVE ESTABLISHED THAT WE ARE ALL FILTHY SINNERS AND IN DESPERATE NEED OF A SAVIOR, HOW ARE WE TO WALK ?

Matthew 22:34-39New International Version (NIV)

³⁴ Hearing that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, the Pharisees got together. ³⁵ One of them, an expert in the law, tested him with this question: ³⁶ "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?"

³⁷ Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'^[1] ³⁸ This is the first and greatest commandment. ³⁹ And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'^[1]

AS WE FUMBLE AND BUMBLE THROUGH THIS WALK WITH JESUS KEEP YOURSELF ROOTED AND FIRMLY PLANTED ON THIS COMMANDMENT

LOVE GOD, LOVE YOURSELF, AND LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF

JESUS HAS GIVEN US ETERNITY WITH GOD, WISDOM AND INSTRUCTION TO LIVE A SUPERNATURAL LIFE HERE, NOW

AND HAS GUARANTEED ALL OF THIS WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

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