"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalm 119:105).

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The Simplicity of the Bible

THERE ARE MORE THAN 200,000 WORDS IN THE ENTIRE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

- Shakespeare uses from 15,000 to 20,000 of them.
- Milton uses about 13,000 of them.

CONCERNING THE BIBLE...

- In the New Testament, there are some 4,800 Greek words used.
- In the entire English Bible there are only 6,000 different words used.
- The average length of the 6,000 words used is a little over four letters.
- About 82% of the words used by Christ in the Sermon on the Mount are one syllable.
- Of the 319 words found in the Ten Commandments:
 - 259 are monosyllables (one syllable)
 - Only 60 have two or more syllables.
- The 23rd Psalm contains 119 words.
 - 95 words are monosyllables
 - Only 3 have as many as three syllables, and none more than that.







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When I See the Blood

Tim Canup

In Exodus 12, God, through Moses, gave instructions to the Children of Israel concerning the Passover. God was about to bring the 10th plague upon the land of Egypt, and to spare the lives of any person, they had to follow the instructions and apply the blood of a lamp to the lintel and doorposts of their house. In verse 13, we read, "Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you *are*. & when I see the blood, I will pass over you; & the plague shall not be on you to destroy *you* when I strike the land of Egypt." There is certain typology found in this account: the sacrificial lamb represents Christ and the deliverance from bondage is a type for the deliverance from sin. Let us examine this account and draw our attention to three things.

SACRIFICE:

First, notice the type. The lamb was to of the first year, which is in the prime of life. It was to be without blemish or spot, that is, it was to be whole, pure and healthy, not lame, sickly or broken. That lamb was sacrificed for a purpose, so its blood could save them from death as the LORD passed through the land of Egypt. That little lamb did not have a say-so in the matter; it did not volunteer. It was provided by the individual or family.

Second, notice the anti-type. John said of our Lord in John 1:29, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." He was in the prime of His life at only 33

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years old. He willingly sacrificed His own life for us (cf. John 10:15, 17). He willingly gave His life to save ours (cf. Rom 5:6-10). He was our pure and perfect sacrifice for sins as Peter wrote, "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; ¹⁹ But w/the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish & without spot" (I Peter 1:18-19, cf. I Peter 2:21-23). Why? To make us holy (I Peter 1:15-16). After God lead Israel out of Egypt, He entered into a covenant with them and they became His own people. (cf. Exodus 19:5). Because of the blood of Christ and the new covenant, He makes us His own people (I Peter 2:9).

The results are seen in that the blood of lamb did something for them physically, but NOT spiritually (Hebrews 10:1-4). However Christ's blood did what that lamb's blood could not, it completely removed the stain of sin (Hebrews 9:11-15). Therefore, Jesus' sacrifice has given to us...

SALVATION:

The Children of Israel found themselves in bondage; they were completely under the control of the Egyptians. We are told in Exodus 1:8-14 "Now there arose a new king over Egypt, who did not know Joseph. ⁹ And he said to his people, "Look, the people of the children of Israel *are* more and mightier than we; ¹⁰ come, let us deal <u>shrewdly</u> with them, lest they multiply, and it happen, in the event of war, that they also join our enemies and fight against us, and *so* go up out of the land." ¹¹ Therefore they set taskmasters over them <u>to afflict them</u> with their burdens. And they built for Pharaoh supply cities, Pithom & Raamses. ¹² But the more they afflicted them, the more they multiplied & grew. And they were in dread of the child. of Israel. ¹³ So the Egyptians made the children of Israel serve with <u>rigor</u>. ¹⁴ And they <u>made their lives bitter</u> with <u>hard bondage</u>—in mortar, in brick, & in all manner of service in the field. All their service in which they made them serve *was* with <u>rigor</u>." In Exodus 5, after the first meeting with Moses and Aaron, Pharaoh increased their burden; they were not required to get their own straw, but the quota was not decreased. They were in a position they could not free themselves. God did it!

Now consider the bondage of sin we all find ourselves in. Sin enslaves and traps us and Satan is a harsh taskmaster. John 8:34 tell us "...Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin." Paul had much to say about this in Romans 6. Consider the following verses: "Let not sin therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof" (12), "Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin..." (13a), "For sin shall not have dominion over you..." (14a), and "Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" (16). Be assured, Satan will NOT just let us go, and when we request to go to the Lord, he will always increase burden so we cannot! We simply cannot free ourselves. We need another to free us! So God has provided a Savior for us, Who paid the price (His own blood) to free us from bondage of sin. Salvation from sin is by HIS blood (Ephesians 1:7; Acts 20:28; Revelation 1:5). He Paid the ransom

to free us (Matthew 20:28; I Timothy 2:6).

The word "salvation" carries with it the idea of deliverance. Because of His blood, we can have salvation or deliverance from the bondage of sin. Exodus 12:12-13 "For <u>I</u> will pass thru the land of Egypt on that night, and will strike all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, both man and beast; and against all the gods of Egypt <u>I</u> will execute judgment: I am the Lord. ¹³ Now the blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you are. And when I see the blood, <u>I will pass over you</u> {deliverance}; and the plague shall not be on you to destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt." That phrase "when I see the blood" tells us that the blood has to be properly applied! So there's...

SUBMISSION:

God clearly gave them instructions about the blood. God told Moses "And they shall take *some* of the blood and put *it* on the <u>two doorposts</u> and on the <u>lintel of the houses where they eat it</u>" (Exodus 12:7). In verse 13 God said, "...on the houses where you are..." They had to do it as God said; they had to obey. What if they failed? What if they did most of what God said, that is, that put the blood on a window a foot away from the door? Or they only put it on the lintel or only on the two doorposts? We all know the answer; God would not have passed over them.

What about Christ's blood? How is it applied? Be sure Satan will do all he can to keep a person from the saving blood of Christ. We can know certainly that His blood saves, we all agree on that point. But the important question is: How do you contact the blood of Christ, or how is it applied? The answer is found in the inspired writing of Paul in Romans 6:3-6, when he said we are "baptized into Christ" we are "baptized into His death." In His death is where Jesus shed His blood, therefore, it is in obedience to His command that the blood is applied. The next important question is, "Have you submitted to His commands?"

"In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses" (Colossians 2:11-13).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- > Sept 26 Prayer Service after Evening Worship
- Oct 3 Men's Business Meeting & Ladies' Bible Class after Evening Worship
- Oct 10 Preach-N-Eat & 1:30 Worship Service
- Please give support money for Chinese orphans to Minnie Kennell