

Why did Jesus shed His blood?

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*Matthew 26:28 ...this is **my blood** of the new testament, which **is shed for many for the remission of sins**.*

*Hebrews 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and **without shedding of blood is no remission**.*

***** **ALL OF US HAVE SINNED.** *****

God is holy and perfect--and we are not. We sin and do evil like lying, stealing, murdering, etc.

Romans 3:23 For **all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God**;

***** **THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH** *****

The wages of sin is death (ref. Romans 6:23)--both physical death and then death in [hell](#) and the lake of fire that burneth with fire and brimstone.

In any society, people expect evildoers to be punished. God is the judge of all the earth and his law is perfect. Sin is the transgression of the law of God and sin must be punished. Lies, murders, adulteries, and other crimes against the law of God must be punished.

Ezekiel 18:4 Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father, so also the soul of the son is mine: **the soul that sinneth, it shall die**.

Ezekiel 18:20 **The soul that sinneth, it shall die....**

Romans 6:23 For **the wages of sin is death...**

***** **GOD WANTS US TO LIVE** *****

Even though we have done evil, God is not willing that any should perish.

Ezekiel 33:11 Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD, **I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked**; but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ye, turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ye die, O house of Israel?

2 Peter 3:9 **The Lord** is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but **is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance**.

God loved this world and he made a way for us to be saved and to know him--he gave us his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord came here as a man in order to pay for our sins. The blood of Jesus is the atonement for our sins.

atonement, n.,

1. Reconciliation; restoration of friendly relations; agreement; concord after enmity or controversy.
2. Expiation; satisfaction or reparation made by doing or suffering that which is received in satisfaction for an offense or injury; amends.

expiation, n.,

The act of making satisfaction or atonement for any crime or fault; the extinguishing of guilt.

When the Lord Jesus Christ shed his blood, he paid for our sins and crimes so that we can be saved from the wrath to come and can know God as our Father. All we have to do is REPENT of our sins and BELIEVE on the Lord Jesus Christ--that he died, was buried, and rose again on the third--and OBEY his holy word, [the Bible](#).

As we examine the scriptures, we see that God has always required blood to atone for man's sin.

Leviticus 17:11, ...**the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.**

Under the Old Testament, the blood of animals was shed to atone for man's sins.

Under the New Testament, the blood of Jesus was shed to atone for man's sins.

***** THE OLD TESTAMENT: THE BLOOD OF ANIMALS *****

When we turn back to the Old Testament of the Bible, we see that after sin entered into the world, God required the blood of animals for the atonement of the sins that men committed.

Leviticus 16:29 ...**in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month**, ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all, whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger that sojourneth among you:

Leviticus 16:30 For on that day shall **the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.**

2 Chronicles 29:24 **And the priests killed them [he goats], and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all Israel:** for the king commanded that the burnt offering and the sin offering should be made for all Israel.

Israel continually shed the blood of beasts, but the blood of beasts could not take away sins (ref. Hebrews 10:4, 11)--that is why they had to keep sacrificing them. In spite of the sacrifices, the Israelites were still unfaithful to their God as evidenced by their awhoring after other gods. We see this in much of the Old Testament including the books of the prophets. Israel sacrificed, but the blood of beasts could not make them perfect (ref. Hebrews 10:1) or purge them of their evil ways.

Hebrews 10:4 ...it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins.

Consequently, the Levitical priesthood had to keep on offering sacrifices--not just for the sins of the people but for their own sins, too. They had to sacrifice over and over again, year in and year out. A better sacrifice was needed.

About 600 years before the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ, God told his people, the children of Israel, that he was going to make a new covenant with them--

Jeremiah 31:31 Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that **I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah:**

31:34 And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for **I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.**

The shedding of the blood of animals under the Old Testament was a picture of what our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ would do in the New Testament.

******* THE NEW TESTAMENT: THE BLOOD OF JESUS, THE MEDIATOR OF THE NEW TESTAMENT *******

God sent his Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, to take away the sin of the world once and for all. He is that better sacrifice that came to earth in the fullness of time. The Lord Jesus Christ is the perfect Lamb of God that shed his blood for us so that we could be saved from our sins that we have committed. It is the blood of Jesus that God requires now, not the blood of beasts. **The blood of Jesus has the power to cleanse men from both the guilt and power of sin and it purges us all the way down to our very consciences. The blood of Jesus is the blood of the everlasting covenant. It saves us for eternity, it delivers us from sin, it purges our consciences, it gives us power--power to overcome the flesh, the devil, and the world.**

The sacrifice of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, has completely abolished the system of animal sacrifice for ever. The blood of the animal sacrifices of the Old Testament only pictured what our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, Israel's [Messiah](#), would do when he shed his own blood on the cross.

There no way to approach God but through the blood of Jesus, that is it.

Ephesians 1:5-7 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. **In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins**, according to the riches of his grace;

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: **no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.** John 14:6

Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved. Acts 4:12

The blood of animals could never take away sins.

For it is not possible that the blood of bulls and of goats should take away sins. Hebrews 10:4

We need the blood of Jesus. The blood of beasts was only a picture of the blood of Jesus that would be shed on the cross for the remission of our sins.

Christ Jesus came as a high priest by a greater and more perfect tabernacle than that of the Levitical priesthood and not with the blood of beasts but with his own blood--blood that purges the conscience from dead works to serve the living God--

Hebrews 9:11 **...Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building;**

Hebrews 9:12 **Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place having obtained eternal redemption for us.**

9:13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh:

9:14 **How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?**

The Lord Jesus Christ--[God manifested in the flesh](#)--came to this earth to take away our sins. He lived a perfect life, was without sin, and died in our place so that we could live. He shed his blood to pay for our sins so that we can be saved and have everlasting life. Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God which taketh away the sin of the world (ref. John 1:29). He shed his blood on the cross to take away our sin. WE ALL DESERVE HELL AND THE LAKE OF FIRE, **NOT ONE OF US IS GOOD--**

Romans 3:10-17

Romans 3:10 As it is written, **THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NO, NOT ONE:**

Romans 3:11 **There is none that understandeth, there is none that seeketh after God.**

Romans 3:12 **They are ALL gone out of the way, they are together become unprofitable; THERE IS NONE THAT DOETH GOOD, NO, NOT ONE.**

Romans 3:13 Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their lips:

Romans 3:14 Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:

Romans 3:15 Their feet are swift to shed blood:

Romans 3:16 Destruction and misery are in their ways:

Romans 3:17 And the way of peace have they not known:

Romans 3:18 There is no fear of God before their eyes.

Romans 3:23 **...ALL HAVE SINNED, AND COME SHORT OF THE GLORY OF GOD;**

Romans 6:23 **...THE WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH; BUT THE GIFT OF GOD IS ETERNAL LIFE THROUGH JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD.**

God so loved the world that he gave us his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth on him should not perish but have everlasting life. Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ is the Lamb of God

slain from the foundation of the world--he is perfect, holy, beloved, and righteous altogether. In him is no sin and when we put our trust in him, we are accepted of God. We must believe in the death, burial, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. He was delivered for our offenses, and raised again for our justification before God (ref. Romans 4:25)

1 John 3:5 And ye know that **he was manifested to take away our sins; and in him is no sin.**

Ephesians 1:3 **Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places in Christ:

4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

6 To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein **he hath made us accepted in the beloved.**

Ephesians 1:7 **In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;**

The Lord Jesus Christ lived a perfect life, without sin and became sin for us when he hung on the cross shedding his blood in payment for our sins. He died for our sins and rose from the dead on the third day. He came here to earth in order to pay for our sins. The blood of Jesus is the atonement for our sins.

***** PEACE WITH GOD AND RECONCILIATION THROUGH THE ATONEMENT *****

Those that repent of their sins and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ shall be saved. And having been saved by the blood of Jesus, we have peace with God and a new life in him and his word.

Romans 5:1-11

Romans 5:1 Therefore being justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:**

Romans 5:2 By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

Romans 5:4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

Romans 5:5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.

Romans 5:6 For **when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.**

Romans 5:7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

Romans 5:8 But **God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.**

Romans 5:9 Much more then, **being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.**

Romans 5:10 For if, **when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son,** much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Romans 5:11 And not only so, but **we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.**

Now that we are saved, we no longer live according to the old evil manner, but in accordance with the word of God.

Ephesians 4:22 That ye **put off concerning the former conversation the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts;**

Ephesians 4:23 **And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;**

Ephesians 4:24 **And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.**

God has made a way for us to be forgiven of our sins and for us to live uprightly. The blood of Jesus atones for sin and purges our consciences so that we become new creatures. Old things are passed away and all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17 Therefore **if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**

***** TWO GROUPS *****

There are a lot of nations in this world, but in actuality there are only two--the kingdom of God and the kingdom of the devil who is the god of this world (ref. 2 Corinthians 4:4). A person will either

- receive the Lord Jesus Christ as the Lord of their life and follow his word as it is written; or,
- they will live they way that they want to in this world and believe what they want to believe in. Many religious people will go to hell--this not only includes Catholics, Muslims, Buddhists, [evolutionists](#), Hindus, etc. but also those that say that they are Christians but do not follow the teachings of the Bible and that live like the world like dispensationalist [antinomian](#) Baptists and hypocrites and so-called "Christianity" cults like "Jehovah's" [false] Witnesses, Seventh Day Adventists, Mormons, Christian Science, etc. [Note: For true Christians, there is no "Christianity" [only a kingdom, the kingdom of God](#)].

When you die, where you go depends on what kingdom you chose to live in while you were on this earth. There are only two places to which a person can go--

1. The kingdom of heaven.
2. Hell and the lake of fire.

Those that REPENT of their sins AND BELIEVE in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ and follow his word will be [saved and will have eternal life](#). Those that do not repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ will not see life. They will go to [hell](#) and the lake of fire that burneth with fire and [brimstone](#)--they will suffer with the devil, his angels, and the other rebels that rejected the Lord. There is no [Roman Catholic](#) "purgatory." **When a person dies, they will go to heaven or hell.**

John 3:36 **He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life: and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but the wrath of God abideth on him.**

God is just and sin has to be paid for. Lying, murder, theft, etc. will not go unpunished like they often do in this world. If a person does not repent and believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as his sinbearer and Saviour from sin, he will be cast into the lake of fire for all eternity.

The blood of Jesus paid for the sins of all (ref. 1 John 2:2) but not all will be saved because many will reject the free gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. They want to live the way that they want to and believe in what they want to believe in.

******* THE BLOOD OF JESUS WAS SHED ONE TIME *******

The blood of animals had to be shed over and over, but [the blood of Jesus was shed only one time](#). The Roman Catholic institution teaches that Roman Catholic priests continue to sacrifice the Lord Jesus Christ over and over again during the "mass." They teach that the priest turns the wine into the actual blood of Jesus Christ and the bread into his actual body and divinity. This is a blasphemy. They call this abomination, "transubstantiation". There was a time [the Roman Catholic institution killed people](#) for rejecting this heresy.

THE BIBLE TEACHES THAT THE SACRIFICE OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOUR JESUS CHRIST OCCURRED ONE TIME. [IT IS FINISHED.](#)

Again, the blood of Jesus was shed one time and it perfected FOR EVER them that are sanctified. **The Bible makes it clear that the precious blood of Jesus was shed one time--**

Hebrews 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God.

Hebrews 7:27 ...this he did once, when he offered up himself.

Hebrews 9:28 ...Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many...

Hebrews 10:10 By the which will we are sanctified through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

Hebrews 10:14 For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified.

***** FOR THOSE THAT REPENT AND BELIEVE *****

The blood of Jesus is a saving, healing blood. Look at what the blood has done for saved people:

<p>What the blood of Jesus does</p>	<p>Bible Reference</p>
<p>The blood pays for our sins so we are reconciled to God and don't go to hell.</p>	<p>Matthew 26:28 For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many <u>for the remission of sins.</u></p>
<p>The blood bought us. We now belong to God and are no longer under the power of Satan (ref. Acts 26:18).</p>	<p>Acts 20:28 ...feed the church of God, which he hath <u>purchased with his own blood.</u></p> <p>1 Corinthians 6:20, 7:23 ...ye are bought with a price...</p>
<p>The blood justifies us before a holy God.</p>	<p>Romans 5:9 Much more then, being now <u>justified by his blood,</u> we shall be saved from wrath through him..</p>
<p>The blood redeems us.</p>	<p>Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have <u>redemption through his blood,</u> the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace.</p> <p>Colossians 1:14 In whom we have <u>redemption through his blood,</u> even the forgiveness of sins:</p> <p>Hebrews 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but <u>by his own blood</u> he entered in once into the holy place, having <u>obtained eternal redemption for us.</u></p>
<p>The blood brought us Gentiles into a relationship with God that we didn't have before.</p>	<p>Ephesians 2:11-16 ... ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh ...without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world:</p> <p>But now <u>in Christ Jesus...are made nigh by the blood of Christ.</u></p> <p>For <u>he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath broken down the middle wall of partition between us;</u></p> <p><u>Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;</u></p> <p>And that he might <u>reconcile both unto God in one body by the cross, having slain the enmity thereby.</u></p>

The blood brought Jew and Gentile (regardless of race or nationality) into a right relationship with God.	Revelation 5:9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and <u>hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation.</u>
The blood brought peace.	Colossians 1:20 And, having <u>made peace through the blood of his cross</u> , by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
The blood purges our consciences from dead works.	Hebrews 9:14 How much more shall <u>the blood of Christ</u> , who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, <u>purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?</u>
The blood lets us enter into the holiest place before the throne of God.	Hebrews 10:19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to <u>enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus.</u>
The blood forges an everlasting covenant between the believer and God.	Hebrews 13:20 Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, <u>through the blood of the everlasting covenant</u> ,
The blood sanctifies us.	Hebrews 10:29...the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified...
The blood cleanses us from all sin.	1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and <u>the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.</u>
The blood washes away our sins.	Revelation 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and <u>washed us from our sins in his own blood</u> ,
The blood causes us to overcome the devil. We believe in the blood unto the death.	Revelation 12:11 And they <u>overcame him by the blood of the Lamb</u> , and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

In order to become a child of God, you must:

1. REPENT of your sins
2. BELIEVE that Jesus Christ died on the cross for your sins and that he was buried and that he rose again the third day
3. CONTINUE IN [HIS WORD](#), the Authorized Version of 1611 of the Bible.

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