## Blood Covenant Part 4 "Honor the Blood"

- One of the things we are learning about blood covenant is that the things that are promised in a blood covenant are honored and kept because of the blood.
  - For instance, with what we preached about last week concerning Mephibosheth.
  - David was blessing Mephibosheth who was lame on his feet and useless to him just because of Jonathan's sake. Just because he had Jonathan's blood flowing through his veins.
  - What was David doing? He was recognizing and honoring the blood of the blood covenant.
- We are in a blood covenant with God through the substitutionary blood of Jesus and I believe that we must start putting our faith specifically in the blood and start honoring the blood.
  - Why? Because like David, God is going to honor the blood. Not our works, not our name, not what we can do or can't do for him.
  - We have to understand that we have a blood covenant minded God, which means we need to start being blood covenant minded.
  - I believe if we will start honoring the blood and putting our faith in the blood, we will start seeing things manifest quicker than they ever have before.
  - God spoke to me and said, "Shaun if you will start honoring the blood, I will honor you."
  - The reason He would say that is because the blood is what He honors, and if I will honor what He honors, He will honor me.
  - I believe that the more you understand the blood and meditate on the blood, the more your faith is going to grow and go to other levels.
  - From what we've been learning about the blood, there would be no healing or deliverance without the blood.
  - It's one thing to believe something because it's in the Word. But it's another thing to believe it because of the blood. Because without the blood, it wouldn't be in the Word.

So, let's take a look at this blood covenant God honoring the blood in scripture.

- Exodus 12:12-13
  - It was faith in the blood of the lamb which was a representation of the blood of Jesus that kept them safe from the judgment of God.
  - Why could they put faith in the blood?
  - Because they knew that God was going to honor the blood.
    - It says and when He saw the blood.
    - The only thing God was looking for that made Him pass over was the blood.

- Understand that sin made Israel just as deserving of this judgment as Egypt. But God accepted the blood of the first-born lamb in place of the blood of the first-born son.
- So, the blood became their confidence and assurance.
- They were covered by the blood.
- Notice they probably checked the blood over the door post and if the first born got a little worried in the middle of the night, the dad probably calmed him by saying the blood is on the door post.
- Jos 2:12-21
  - The scarlet line represented the blood of Jesus.
  - They trusted in, put faith in the scarlet chord, (blood of Jesus)
  - They could do that, and they honored it because they knew that the Israelites where going to honor the scarlet chord and not touch the house or those in the house that has the scarlet thread applied.
  - When they came through, it didn't matter who was in the house because they were honoring the chord and it didn't matter who you were outside the house either because they were going to honor the chord.
  - Also, how adamant was she about getting her family in her house? Understand that just like the judgement of God was coming on Jericho, so is the judgement of God coming on the earth. But just like those that were in the house with the scarlet thread applied was saved, so will be those that have the blood applied to their hearts. So, we need to be just as adamant as she was about getting the lost into the house of God.
- 1 Samuel 7:5-10
  - As Samuel was offering the Lamb and the blood began to flow, God took out their enemies.
  - When the enemy was closing in, Samuel didn't say get ready to fight. He prayed and shed the blood of the Lamb.
  - I believe Samuel put faith in the blood of the offering that day to receive protection from the enemy's attack.
  - He knew that God would honor the blood of the lamb in the place of the people's blood, and because of the shed blood of the Lamb, God wouldn't allow the enemy to shed their blood.
- Romans 3:25
  - In order for God to be right or just in remitting our sins and not punishing us for our sins, He had to make Jesus a substitute sacrifice and shed His blood.
  - Because our sins broke a blood covenant, the blood of a man had to be shed.
  - So, in order for God to make Jesus our substitute, it was going to require the shedding of His blood.
    - Jesus couldn't have been the sacrifice for sin without shedding blood.

- So, Jesus couldn't die of natural causes. He had to go to the cross and go through all that He went through.
- Through faith in His blood.
  - So, Jesus becomes our substitute for our sins through faith in His blood.
  - Not just His death but His blood.
  - Understand something, that God honors the blood of Jesus. Because He is honoring blood covenant.
  - So, God is not protecting us, keeping us form sickness, empowering us and so on because He is honoring our works or how much we pray or how much we read.
  - He is doing it because He is honoring the blood of Jesus.
  - So therefore, you must honor the blood and put your faith in the blood. If you will do that, you will see God's power released greater than ever before because that's the one reason He's going to move for you is because of the blood.
- The blood then is your covering.
  - If you are in fear then you need to think about the blood and the fact that God is not going to allow anything to come on you from the curse, He is not going to forsake you, because of the blood. (just like Goshen)
  - You don't have healing, forgiveness, provision from God without the blood. It's one thing to believe for healing because it's in the Word and that's good. But we need to start believing it because of the blood.
  - Because without the blood it wouldn't be in the Word.