

Title: The blood that speaks
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Word

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Hebrews 12:22-24 (ESV)

²² But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering, ²³ and to the assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven, and to God, the judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, ²⁴ and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks a better word than the blood of Abel.

1: it speaks of a purchase

Acts 20:28 (NKJV)

Therefore take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He **purchased** with His own blood.

1 Peter 1:18-19 (NLT)

¹⁸ For you know that God **paid a ransom** to save you from the empty life you inherited from your ancestors. And the ransom He paid was not mere gold or silver.¹⁹ It was the precious blood of Christ, the sinless, spotless Lamb of God.

2: it speaks of justification

Romans 3:25 (NLT)

For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are **made right with God** when they believe that Jesus sacrificed His life, shedding His blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when He held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past,

Romans 5:9 (NIV)

Since we have now been **justified** by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

3: it speaks of forgiveness

Ephesians 1:7-8 (NIV)

⁷ In him we have redemption through His blood, the **forgiveness of sins**, in accordance with the riches of God's grace ⁸ that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding.

Colossians 1:19-20 (NKJV)

¹⁹ For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell, ²⁰ and by Him to **reconcile** all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.

4: it speaks of a pure conscience

Hebrews 9:13-14 (NKJV)

¹³ For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, ¹⁴ how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, **cleanse your conscience** from dead works to serve the living God?

Hebrews 10:19, 22 (NKJV)

¹⁹ Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, ²² let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts **sprinkled from an evil conscience** and our bodies washed with pure water.

The blood requires honesty

1 John 1:6-7 (NKJV)

⁶ If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.

⁷ But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin.

The blood requires commitment

Revelations 12:11 (NKJV)

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.

Ministry

1. The blood of Christ still speaks today: you have been purchased, justified, forgiven and purified.
2. What word is the blood revealing to you right now?
3. Be honest and make that commitment.