The Blood and the Glory #3

Last week we continued on the subject of "The Blood and the Glory." And we looked at "The Circle of the Glory." From the Word of God we found that there is glory in heaven and God created the earth full glory. But the earth fell into darkness and the glory was removed. God then created man and crown him with glory and honour, but man sinned and fell short of the glory. Then Jesus came and shed his blood to restore man to the state of glory.

Tonight we will look at other circular paths in the Bible. We will see how all Bible doctrine runs in a circular route.

John 16:28.

Romans 11: 36

Can you see the circle? Everything starts and ends in heaven with God. Why? To return Glory and Praise and Honour and Thanksgiving to God.

Thats why God created man – for fellowship yesbut to reveal His glory and to return Glory to Him.

Jesus came from the Father in heaven, shed His precious blood here on the earth- bringing us wonderful salvation in all its fullness.....but we can be limited in our thinking...thinking ony about what Jesus did for us.....AS the divine circle is competed... as Jesus returned to heaven to His Father and our Father....He brought to God UTTER COMPLETE AND ETERNAL PLEASURE AND GLORY..... UNSPEAKABLE JOY AND PLEASURE FOR GOD

Everything God does is designed to bring Him Glory.

Isaiah 55: 8-11 reveals how the Word of God travels a circular route

Rain and snow in the natural realm show the path of God's word. Starts in the heavens...comes down earthward....then returns to the heavens through the natural process of evaporation.

Likewise, God's Word originates in Him, travels to earth, accomplishes what it's been sent for, and then returns to bring Him glory.

**Its a promise THE WORD OF OUR TESTIMONY will accomplish and not return void.

The "Glory" travels that path. Resulting in utter eternal pleasure for God

The "Church" travels that path.

The church started in the mind of God, manifested on earth, and through the rapture will returned to be with God. Resulting in utter eternal pleasure for God

The "Blood" travels that path.

None of the precious things of divine nature are based on earth, but in heaven. The same is true with the Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ. It begins from heaven.

1 Peter 1:18-20.

The blood of Jesus was not an afterthought of God after the fall man. God never plays catch-up to Satan. If He did, Satan could lead God.

Before God created man, He knew he would fall. Before God formed man, He foreordained man's redemption with the precious Blood of Jesus.

All divine plans originate in the Father.

Somewhere, in heaven before the foundation of the world, the Father put forth His plan for man.

Man would be a spirit. Created in the image of God.

Man would be able to fellowship with God. Man would be able to love God.

Man would be created to work with God and to have dominion over all the works of God's hand.

Man would be given, not only a spirit, but also a soul, a mind, a will, and emotions.

God knew Satan would fall and tempt man. And man would fall to his temptation.

But God would redeem man.

God designed man to be redeemed, so he created him to be a creature of blood.

God didn't have to make man a creature of blood. Angels are not creatures of blood. Lucifer was not a creature of blood.

- 4) God would call his man ADAM.
- (a) Adam's name comes from 2 Hebrew words.
- (i) The first is "DAM" which means, "BLOOD."
- (ii) The 2nd he is "ADAMAH" which literally means, "GROUND and RED."
- (b) Adam's literal name means, "OF RED GROUND AND BLOOD."
- 5) It was also part of God's plan before the foundation of the world that God would put the spirit of man and his soul into a body of flesh.
- (a) (Leviticus 17:11) says, "For the life of the flesh is in the blood."

The book of Leviticus written about 1445 BC. From the fall of Adam right through to the coming of the "Lamb" (JESUS) the Old Testament believers lived by faith that one day a Lamb would be coming!!

Old testament speaks in "types and shadows" whenever you see the sacrificed blood of animals it is pointing to the sacrifice of Jesus at the cross. Old Covenant Faith looking to a time in the future when the "LAMB OF GOD" would come. Whenever you read of a Lamb in Leviticus it is a type and shadow of Jesus.

The blood of animals could not remove sin...it could only cover it up.

In that moment when God formulated this plan in eternity past the Lord Jesus himself agreed to fulfill the Father's plan and would offer himself up, without spot to God. (<u>Hebrews 9:14</u>)

(Revelation 13:8) calls Jesus the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

Genesis 3:21

Also for Adam and his wife the Lord God MADE tunics of SKIN and clothed them.

God Himself shed the first blood in "type" when He made coats of animal skins to cover man.... blood would cover man until he was again fit for the glory.

Hebrew word MAKE means SACRIFICE

When Adam and Eve sinned God himself made the first sacrifice...made them a covering of blood – there was no other covering that would do because God has established before the foundation of the world that BLOOD would forever be the only valid answer....he couldn't break it. Fig Leaves (the works of our hands or human effort would never enough) Gods plan of Blood from the start.

Jesus came as a man with blood that could be shed.. the spotless, without sin, lamb of God

And here we have the Circle of the blood line.

It began in heaven in the mind of God before the foundation of the world.

Then it circled to Earth 1st in revelation through types and shadows in animal sacrifices.

The blood of the animal would be offered up to God on the alter.

That blood would cover man until he was again fit for the glory.

The precious blood of Jesus was then manifest in earth when Jesus came. John the Baptist said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, which take it away the sin of the world." (John 1:29).

Jesus then poured out His life in His blood on Calvary's cross

Then Jesus arose, triumphant over death, hell, and the grave; and carried His own precious Blood into the Heavenly Holy of Holies where it was accepted for man.

The resurrected Lamb closed the Circle GIVING GLORY TO GOD the Father.

The powerful, redemptive Blood is returned to heaven.

And there it lies before the throne of the living God, the Blood that speaks mercy for man.

Next session we are going to look at ""Drawing a Blood Line against the Enemy."