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When we see just what the Blood has done for us and how all-sufficient the Atonement really is, we will realize how completely it has taken away everything that God could have against us. We will have that feeling of boldness in going to God about everything; and there is not a need or a desire that we cannot receive from God.

No matter how many our sins may seem to be, we can go to God about them. He invites us to do this in Isaiah 1:18—*“Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord: though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.”*

When oppressed, we go to God about it and ask Him to reveal the cause of it. If we need peace, we are pointed to God to receive His peace that passes all understanding.

Satan knows that if he can convince us that God has something against us, he can shut out that personal dealing with God that we really need. We will hesitate going to God unless we are really driven to it at the last moment; and it is a very serious mistake to go to God at the very last moment.

We are taught in God’s Word to go to God first, last, and all the time, even with the least trouble we have. Because the Blood has cancelled everything that God could have against us, the Bible tells us there is nothing we can do to make God more favorable to us.

Through the Blood of Christ, God has cancelled all guilt and every sin that was ever against us. And He will not take notice of our sins, as far as He is concerned, because the Blood has made a complete sacrifice.

Under the law if anybody sinned, they had to offer a new sacrifice every time. But we are under the One great and eternal sacrifice, which has cancelled all our sins. We are reconciled to God forever, as far as God is concerned, He has nothing against us.

If someone had a debt and could not pay it, and someone else would come along and pay that bill for them, surely, they could not hold it against them. Well, just so, Jesus paid it ALL for us. He cancelled every debt and made us just as acceptable to God as Jesus Christ Himself is.

Therefore, we can go to God just as freely about anything, regardless of our condition, and have that condition changed, all because of that great Atonement, the Blood of Jesus, the foundation of our personal dealing with God.

That Blood is all sufficient for everything and has taken away all guilt and cancelled all our sins. This is why Paul said in 2nd Corinthians 5:17,18, *“Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to Himself by Jesus Christ.”*

He is calling our attention to the fact that it is not because of our worthiness, or because anything we have done, or ever can do, it is not because of any merit whatever on our part. We just receive it as a FREE gift in Christ Jesus—whether it is pardon and cleansing from sin, the gift of the Holy Spirit, or whatever it may be that we need and desire—everything is a FREE GIFT through the Blood of Jesus Christ.

The first thing necessary is to confess and forsake every known sin, because when we confess, He forgives. We want to be sure to settle that point first of all. 1 John 1:9, *“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.”*

2nd Corinthians 5:18,19, tells us—*“And all things are of God, who hath reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and hath given to us the ministry of reconciliation; To wit, that God was in Christ, reconciling the world unto himself, not imputing their trespasses unto them.”* Meaning, that He is “Not holding anything against us.”

That is certainly a valuable Truth, because no matter what we have done, God does not hold it against us; because Jesus Christ died and bore it for us on the Cross.

Jesus answered for that, His death was the same as ours, just as much as if we had committed a crime and had died as a penalty. All the crimes we have committed against God, Jesus Christ has died for, and paid the penalty, somebody else paid the penalty for our crime and sin—Jesus Christ, the Lamb slain before the foundation of the world.

Paul continuing in his letter to the Corinthians further tells them, verse 20, *“Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ’s stead, be ye reconciled to God.”*

Or, “Believe that God has become favorable to us, and that he is at our side and at our service.” Paul continues, *“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”*

Jesus Christ was sent into the world to pay the penalty for us. Therefore, as the result of His Atonement, we can have confidence toward God; we can go to Him and have our sins forgiven and cleansed, have Him fill us with the Holy Spirit; and also give us real confidence to receive everything we need and desire.

If Satan can get us to believe that God has something against us, we will never go to Him face to face. But if we accept and believe the statements of God’s written Word which says that God does not hold anything against us, that “He does not impute our trespasses unto us;” we will be bold and full of confidence in going to God for everything we need; only because of the Atonement.

Then we will discover how all things are possible with God and also realize the truth of Romans 8:31,32, where it says: *“What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with Him also freely give us all things?”*

These Scriptures tell us the entire power of God is at our service and Satan’s power is broken, because God is so perfect and favorable to us and is at our side. If we really believe in our hearts that God is fully favorable

to us and always at our side and service, we would have such a confidence and boldness that Satan would have to flee, and we would prove that “they that be with us are more than they that be with them,” and that “if God be for us who can be against us?”

When we really believe that the Blood has reconciled us to God, we will enter into victory. The writer to the Hebrews says— therefore, brethren, “*Having boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus.*” (Hebrews 10:19)

This shows us that we can go to God and get everything that we desire from Him. And the great reason back of it all is God's infinite love was manifested by sending Jesus to die on the Cross. Was there ever such love manifested as when He sent Jesus Christ to die for us? Just imagine how much God would do for us, with such a perfect love as He has, when we give Him the chance. As Paul tells us “*exceedingly and abundantly, far above anything we could think or ask.*”

God manifests this divine love not because of our faith, nor anything we have ever done, or could do; but it is all because of the Blood, which was an expression of that great love of not sparing His own Son, but delivering Him up for us all.

No wonder we are told in Hebrews 10:19-20— “*Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh.*”

“*For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.*” (Hebrews 4:15,16)

The Blood has given us that great privilege to come boldly before the throne of grace. It makes no difference how we feel, nor how ignorant or poor we might be, God has made a full provision in Jesus Christ, for our full deliverance in the present moment.

This is why Peter could say “*Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ*

*from the dead, To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you.*” (1st Peter 1:3,4)

Then couple that up with Hebrews 10:19, 20— “*Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus, By a new and living way.* That is a way which is never closed; no matter how often we have failed to get in, we need not grieve over our past failures; but we can just start right in to live anew, and to enter into this living way, which is never closed.

“*Which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, his flesh.*” When the body of Jesus Christ was broken, every barrier between God and man was broken down, the wall and barrier between us and GOD IS GONE FOREVER.

“*And having an high priest over the house of God; 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.*” (Hebrews 10:21,22)

“This true heart” does not mean that we must have a pure heart before we can go to God, but it is the place where we can get a pure heart. “In full assurance of faith”— Or, “Being sure that we are going to be favorably received, that we are going to receive a favorable reply to our petition and request.”

We can be sure of receiving them, because they have been purchased for us by His Son, through His Blood. Through the merits of the Blood, we can draw near with a true heart; a sincere heart, with the intention of being successful, for He is faithful that hath promised.

“*Having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience.*” This means that the Blood has taken away all that God could possibly have against us; everything is under the Blood, our conscience has been cleansed, because everything has been nailed to the Cross.

“*And our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for he is faithful that promised.*” (Verses 22,23)

God has a listening ear, open eyes to see our troubles. He bows His ear down to listen to our faintest cry, and He always stretches out His hand to deliver us. God would not be faithful if He did not do that because the Blood has paid for God's services to us.

The Blood of Jesus Christ has paid the price. That is why we are told in 2nd Corinthians 1:20— “*For all the promises of God in him are yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.*”

This means that the Blood has paid the price to have every prayer answered. We can draw near with a true heart, in full assurance of faith, because the Blood has reconciled us to God and He is at our side, to give us a full deliverance out of whatever trouble we may be in.

In order to be successful in our dealings with God, we should make sure we are depending on Him alone. Of all the things Satan uses to hinder us, it is to get us to depend on some power, or human plan, instead of God's power alone. When we get to the place where our eyes are on God alone, just as quickly as we can pray, God's deliverance will flow in.

We should always keep in mind that the Blood of Jesus Christ has fully reconciled us to God, and that He is still absolutely favorable toward us, always has been and always will be. And whenever we ask for anything, we must remember His hand is always stretched forth to deliver us, because He is at our side in the person of the Holy Spirit to use that entire power in our behalf.

Then we have the promise which points us to God alone. We are to ask in Jesus' Name, and realize that the Blood has placed “YES” to the end of every promise. When we know God's Truth and find out that God is waiting to do what we ask of Him, we will receive just what we ask for, and prove what Paul told us that we are to be more than conquerors through Him that loved us.

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