

The Deliverance and Protection of The Blood

(Part 2)

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If someone was on trial for a very serious crime, (but actually, they were innocent), and yet all evidence pointed to their guilt; and then the prosecuting attorney had many witnesses that confirmed much tangible evidence indicating they had committed the crime, and their defense was very weak, they would be very tense, fearful, and anxious when the verdict would be announced.

That person would be terrified to hear the words spoken, but after the announcement, “not guilty”, the entire situation would change. Why? The chains that bound them to the prison, and the possible death penalty, would be removed by the judicial act of twelve persons on the jury. They would be acquitted and free to go.

(John 8:32&36) *“Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”*

It is not a question of finding out how to get delivered but knowing that we are delivered!

Every person on this earth has been acquitted by the work of Jesus Christ on the Cross from being in bondage to Satan; from slavery to poverty; illness; or trouble of every description.

Every ‘bond’ had been broken, and we have been pronounced ‘not guilty’, of ever being sick again; of ever sinning again; or ever being under the authority of Satan.

The jury has spoken the words ‘not guilty’, and even though we may have been in a ‘prison cell’ so to speak, when the verdict was given, we are actually as free as if we had been standing in an open field. We have a total right to be free.

As we grasp the fact that we are exempted from sin and all its power; cleared from all evil suggestions, thoughts, and desires that Satan is seeking to place in our minds continually; absolutely unfettered by Calvary’s Cross, we will have a faith that Satan can never conquer.

Satan must convince us that it is all right to be oppressed; to have some sin enslave us; to have financial debts trouble us. Before he can place his evil work on us, he is forced to get us away from the Cross.

A principle that is born in each one of us, is not to give up our rights unless we have to, and Satan has to get us to voluntarily give these rights up, before he can touch us at all.

Israel had been in bondage in Egypt for a long time. Life had become unbearable and conditions, extreme. They had moved away from the blood of the sacrifice that Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob were under. They attended religious services in Egypt.

Some may say, “A person has to attend church somewhere.” But the answer to that is, they will find that they have to go somewhere else at the end of their life, if they are not careful what church they attend.

There is more sin, trouble, and sorrow in the world through false religions, than you could ever compute.

Thus, the Israelites in Egypt and the false system of religion they got into bore the fruit of various troubles.

We can recall that later when they were to enter the promised land, Joshua asked them... Joshua 24:15, *“but if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your forefathers served beyond the river, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you are living. But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD.”*

It seems evident that they were trusting in money and going to the churches of Egypt. It resulted in extreme poverty and distress. Satan delights to get people into places like that.

God, however, wants to get us into a place that is easy and with no burdens whatever. (Matthew 11:28-30)

Nevertheless, God had mercy on the Israelites and sent Moses to question the pharaoh.

The Pharaoh replied, (Exodus 5:2), *“Who is the LORD, that I should obey him and let Israel go? I do not know the LORD and I will not let Israel go.”* (verse 4), *“Moses and Aaron, why are you taking the people away from their labor? Get back to your work!”*

Then he made it much harder for them. To the overseers the pharaoh said, “the punishment for wanting to serve the LORD is that you are to make it twice as hard as they ever had it before.

The children of Israel said to Moses, you have placed a club in the pharaoh's hand to slay us.

Moses told God that things were worse than before, but God told him that He was going to bring His people out... “they are going to serve Me in this mountain, and they are going to be brought out with a high hand and with signs and wonders.”

The pharaoh, however, changed his mind many times, even though God made life miserable for him. Plague after plague and trouble followed trouble. But there came a

night when he did not change his mind about letting them go.

There was one more plague coming, and the pharaoh is going to force you out. You are not going to be hindered; they will help you leave.

Then God told Moses, Exodus 11:5&7, *“Every firstborn son in Egypt will die, from the firstborn son of pharaoh, who sits on the throne, to the firstborn son of the slave girl, who is at her hand mill, and all the firstborn of the cattle as well.”*

(7), *“but among the Israelites not a dog will bark at any man or animal. Then you will know that the lord makes a distinction between Egypt and Israel.”*

That should mean everything to us; we should never lose sight of what the blood of the lamb did. The Blood of Jesus Christ says to us today, just what the blood of the lamb said to them---that the power of Satan is broken; that his agents cannot touch us; for he is immobilized; and a defeated enemy.

Hebrews 2:14, *“Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might destroy him who holds the power of death, that is, the devil.”*

We only need to fully realize what the work on the Cross means, and we must keep it ever before us.

The apostle Paul said, (Galatians 6:14), *“May I never boast except in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.”*

The apostle's understanding of Calvary's Cross was, *“The world has been crucified to me, and I to the world.”* He meant, the Cross has broken the power of sin, self, and Satan in me, and I am absolutely free from the desires, and evils of this world; that interest in all the

attractive things of the world was taken away by that work on the Cross.

We must allow the Holy Spirit to open our minds and be able to see just what Calvary's Cross means. We do not need an enormous faith; it is a full dependence on the Blood of Christ that brings results, and not anything in us.

Take as an illustration, the cripple in Acts 3, the apostle Peter said to him, (verses 4-6), *“Look at us!”* {5} *So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them.* {6} *Then Peter said, “Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk.”*

The apostle meant that through the merits of the Blood of Calvary's Cross, you are free. The man leaped and walked and ran into the temple. The people wondered, "they must be wonderful men, they reasoned."

The Lycaonians said the same thing about the apostle Paul and Barnabas, (Acts 14:11&12), *“the gods have come down to us in human form!”* {12} *Barnabas they called Zeus, and Paul they called Hermes because he was the chief speaker.”*

But the apostle said to the people, (verse 15) *“Men, why are you doing this? We too are only men, human like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God, Who made heaven and earth and sea and everything in them.”*

The people thought the apostles had power within themselves. May God save us from thinking that men have any power of themselves. It is absolutely wrong to think that way, for even Jesus Christ Himself could do no mighty works in His hometown because of the people's unbelief.

The apostles Peter and John said, (Acts 3:13-16) *“The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our fathers, has glorified His servant Jesus. You handed Him over to be killed, and you disowned Him before Pilate, though he had decided to let Him go.”*

{14} *“You disowned the Holy and Righteous One and asked that a murderer be released to you. {15} You killed the Author of Life, but God raised Him from the dead. We are witnesses of this.”*

{16} *“By faith in the name of Jesus, this man whom you see and know was made strong. It is Jesus' name and the faith that comes through Him that has given this complete healing to him, as you can all see.”*

Through faith in His name, through believing what Calvary's Cross means, that man was set free.



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