

WASHING CLEAN FROM INSIDE OUT

**Titus 3:5-"not by works of righteousness which we have done,
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I. WASHING DISHES, WASHING CLOTHES, WASHING AUTOMOBILE

- Soap to clean items.
- Wash our bodies with soap. Clean on the outside, are we clean on the inside?
- How do we clean our hearts, clean our minds of unrighteousness and sin?

II. HUMAN BEINGS ARE BORN IN SIN

- Gen 2:17 but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."
- Psa 51:5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.
- Rom 5:12 Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:
- Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin [is] death; but the gift of God [is] eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

III. WASH AND CLEAN BY THE BLOOD OF JESUS

- 1John 3:9 Whoever has been born of God does not sin, for His seed remains in him; and he cannot sin, because he has been born of God.
- Ephesians 5:26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, (John 1).
- Tts 3:5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit,
- Hbr 13:12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.
- 1Jo 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship one with another, and the blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin.
- Rev 1:5 And from Jesus Christ, [who is] the faithful witness, [and] the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

IV. REDEMPTION THROUGH THE BLOOD OF JESUS

A. WHAT IS REDEMPTION?

Definition of "Redemption" from www.dictionary.com:

- **deliverance; rescue.**
 - **deliverance from sin; salvation.**
 - **atonement for guilt.**
 - **paying off, as of a mortgage, bond, or note.**
 - **recovery by payment, as of something pledged.**
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- Eph 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
 - Eph 2:13 But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.
 - Col 1:14 In whom we have redemption through his blood, [even] the forgiveness of sins:
 - Hbr 9:12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption [for us].
 - Rom 5:19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made righteous.

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V. HOW ARE WE CLEANSED FROM SIN IN OUR HEARTS AND MINDS?

- ROMANS 12
- Psa 51:2 Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, And cleanse me from my sin.
- Hbr 9:14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?
- Hbr 9:22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is no remission.
- The blood of Jesus Christ purges us from sin in our hearts and minds. When we are drinking the blood and eating the flesh of the LORD Jesus Christ, only then are we delivered and purged from the sin that easily entangles us.
- Jhn 6:53 Then Jesus said unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.
- Jhn 6:54 Whoso eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, hath eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day.
- Jhn 6:55 For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.
- Jhn 6:56 He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him.
- Jhn 6:57 As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me.
- Jhn 6:58 This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever.
- Hbr 10:16-19 Having therefore, brethren, boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus,
 - We can only enter the holiest by the blood of Jesus Christ.

A. WHAT IS FAITH?

Definition of "FAITH"---From www.dictionary.com:

- **confidence or trust in a person or thing**
- **belief in God or in the doctrines or teachings of religion**
- **belief in anything, as a code of ethics, standards of merit, etc.**
- **a system of religious belief: the Christian faith; the Jewish faith.**
- **the obligation of loyalty or fidelity to a person, promise, engagement, etc.**
- **the observance of this obligation; fidelity to one's promise, oath, allegiance, etc.**
- **the trust in God and in His promises as made through Christ and the Scriptures by which humans are justified or saved.**

VI. JUSTIFIED BY HIS (JESUS) BLOOD

ROMANS 3

20For no person will be justified (made righteous, acquitted, and judged acceptable) in His sight by observing the works prescribed by the Law. For [the real function of] the Law is to make men recognize and be conscious of sin [[a]not mere perception, but an acquaintance with sin which works toward repentance, faith, and holy character].

21But now the righteousness of God has been revealed independently and altogether apart from the Law, although actually it is attested by the Law and the Prophets,

22Namely, the righteousness of God which comes by believing with personal trust and confident reliance on Jesus Christ (the Messiah). [And it is meant] for all who believe. For there is no distinction,

23Since all have sinned and are falling short of the honor and glory [b]which God bestows and receives.

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24[All] are justified and made upright and in right standing with God, freely and gratuitously by His grace (His unmerited favor and mercy), through the redemption which is [provided] in Christ Jesus,

25Whom God put forward [[c]before the eyes of all] as a mercy seat and propitiation by His blood [the cleansing and life-giving sacrifice of atonement and reconciliation, to be received] through faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in His divine forbearance He had passed over and ignored former sins without punishment.

26It was to demonstrate and prove at the present time ([d]in the now season) that He Himself is righteous and that He justifies and accepts as righteous him who has [true] faith in Jesus.

27Then what becomes of [our] pride and [our] boasting? It is excluded (banished, ruled out entirely). On what principle? [On the principle] of doing good deeds? No, but on the principle of faith.

28For we hold that a man is justified and made upright by faith independent of and distinctly apart from good deeds (works of the Law). [The observance of the Law has nothing to do with justification.]

29Or is God merely [the God] of Jews? Is He not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,

30Since it is one and the same God Who will justify the circumcised by faith [[e]which germinated from Abraham] and the uncircumcised through their [newly acquired] faith. [For it is the same trusting faith in both cases, a firmly relying faith in Jesus Christ].

31Do we then by [this] faith make the Law of no effect, overthrow it or make it a dead letter? Certainly not! On the contrary, we confirm and establish and uphold the Law.

A. WHAT IS JUSTIFIED?

Definition of "JUSTIFIED"---From www.dictionary.com:

- **to declare innocent or guiltless**
- **To declare free of blame; absolve**
- **To free (a human) of the guilt and penalty attached to grievous sin**

VII. REBORN / RENEW / RESTORE AND SAVED BY HIS (JESUS) BLOOD

- Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
- Rom 5:9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
- Rom 5:10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.
- Rom 5:11 And not only [so], but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.
- Jhn 3:3 Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
- Jhn 3:7 Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.
- 1Pe 1:23 Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever.
- 1Jo 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.
- Jhn 3:8 The wind blows (breathes) where it wills; and though you hear its sound, yet you neither know where it comes from nor where it is going. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.

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- Psa 51:10 Create in me a clean heart, O God, And renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- Psa 51:12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me [by Your] generous Spirit.
- Isa 57:17 For the iniquity of his covetousness I was angry and struck him; I hid and was angry, And he went on backsliding in the way of his heart.
- Isa 57:18 I have seen his ways, and will heal him; I will also lead him, And restore comforts to him And to his mourners.
- Jer 30:17 For I will restore health to you And heal you of your wounds,' says the LORD, 'Because they called you an outcast [saying]: "This [is] Zion; No one seeks her." '
- Exd 14:30 Thus the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead upon the sea shore.
- Deu 20:4 For the LORD your God [is] he that goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.
- Deu 33:29 Happy [art] thou, O Israel: who [is] like unto thee, O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who [is] the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.
- 1Ch 11:14 And they set themselves in the midst of [that] parcel, and delivered it, and slew the Philistines; and the LORD saved [them] by a great deliverance.
- 2Ch 32:22 Thus the LORD saved Hezekiah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem from the hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all [other], and guided them on every side.
- Psa 34:6 This poor man cried, and the LORD heard [him], and saved him out of all his troubles.
- Psa 106:10 And he saved them from the hand of him that hated [them], and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.
- Psa 107:13 Then they cried unto the LORD in their trouble, [and] he saved them out of their distresses.
- Pro 28:18 Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but [he that is] perverse [in his] ways shall fall at once.
- Jer 4:14 O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from wickedness, that thou mayest be saved. How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?
- Jer 17:14 Heal me, O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou [art] my praise.
- Rom 8:24 For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?
- Rom 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

HEBREWS 12:1-3:

1THEREFORE THEN, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses [who have borne testimony to the Truth], let us strip off and throw aside every encumbrance (unnecessary weight) and that sin which so readily (deftly and cleverly) clings to and entangles us, and let us run with patient endurance and steady and active persistence the appointed course of the race that is set before us, Looking away [from all that will distract] to Jesus, Who is the Leader and the Source of our faith [giving the first incentive for our belief] and is also its Finisher [bringing it to maturity and perfection]. He, for the joy [of obtaining the prize] that was set before Him, endured the cross, despising and ignoring the shame, and is now seated at the right hand of the throne of God. Just think of Him Who endured from sinners such grievous opposition and bitter hostility against Himself [reckon up and consider it all in comparison with your trials], so that you may not grow weary or exhausted, losing heart and relaxing and fainting in your minds.