

THINK ON THESE THINGS (Philippians 4:8)

The Power Is In The Blood

AM Sermon - Daniel Schramm

OUR FAMILY NEWS

Pray: Josiah, Helen Spicer, Emily Hatley, Bill and Peggy

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Radio Programs: Listen to "Searching the scriptures", our weekly radio program on KMBQ 99.7 Sunday mornings beginning at 9:00 AM.

Today's Scripture: "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," Revelation 1:5 (KJV (WS))

Wisdom for Today: "Sing praises to the LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings. When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them: he forgetteth not the cry of the humble." Psalm 9:11-12 (KJV (WS))

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God's Plan of Salvation

HearRomans 10:17
 BelieveMark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6
 Repent Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10
 Confess Romans 10:9-10, Matthew 10:32-33
 Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16
 Remain Faithful.....Matt 24:13; Rev 2:10; James 1:12

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

CONTACT INFORMATION

MEETING TIMES

Sunday:
 Bible Classes: 10AM
 AM Worship: 11AM
 PM Worship: 5PM

Wednesday:
 Bible Study: 7PM

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"I was glad when they said unto me, Let us

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Bill Beebe

Jesus lived as a carpenter for the first thirty years of His life and we really have no information about this time of His life on earth. We are given an insight to His attitude toward life and God when Luke writes (Luke 2:42-49); "⁴² And when he was twelve years old, they went up to Jerusalem after the custom of the feast. ⁴³ And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind in Jerusalem; and Joseph and his mother knew not of it. ⁴⁴ But they, supposing him to have been in the company, went a day's journey; and they sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance. ⁴⁵ And when they found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him. ⁴⁶ And it came to pass, that after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors, both hearing them, and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers. ⁴⁸ And when they saw him, they were amazed: and his mother said unto him, Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us? behold, thy father and I have sought thee sorrowing. ⁴⁹ And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" But in the last three years, when He conducted His ministry we see His true nature. He was a humble man, but a man of power.

Jesus knew the power that He had, after all He created the universe; "¹⁶ For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: " Colossians 1:16 (KJV (WS)). He knew that there were mansions in Heaven awaiting the souls of the saved "¹ Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. ² In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you." John 14:1-2 (KJV (WS)). His power was demonstrated to the world by the miracles that He performed. From turning water into wine (John 2:3-10) to raising Lazarus from the dead (John 11:1-44) and walking on water (John 6:19) Jesus demonstrated His power. But He was also meek. "²⁹ Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls." Matthew 11:29 (KJV (WS)). Most of us misunderstand the true meaning of meekness as it was applied to Jesus. We think that being meek is equal to being cowardly. But the real meaning, especially as it refers to Jesus is "power under control" He freely gave himself for our salvation, even though He asked God to let Him forgo the torture and death that He knew He was going to go through for us; "³⁸ Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me. ³⁹ And he went a

go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt."

Matthew 26:38-39 (KJV (WS))

But the real power of Jesus for us is not in the miracles that He did but in the blood that He shed. Because He was willing to bend His will to that of God the Father and give up the life He had lived He, bought and paid for our salvation with His own blood. Peter tells us "forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you," 1 Peter 1:18-20 (KJV (WS)).

The power to wash away our sins and present salvation to us is not in His miracles, not in the life He lived and not even in His teachings but in His blood. This is not meant to diminish the value of His teachings, or the miracles He did. But the power to save us is in His blood. It is the blood He was willing to shed that has the power to save us; "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." Hebrews 9:12 (KJV (WS)). We have to make contact with the blood of Jesus in order to access the salvation offered by God. Paul tells us in Romans 6:3-4 (KJV (WS)) "³ Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? ⁴ Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." It is in His death, were His blood ran from the flogging of his back, the crown of thorns thrust harshly down onto his forehead, the nails in his hands and feet and finally the sword wound in His side that we sinful humans find forgiveness and salvation. It is there that we can find the peace that passes understanding (Philippians 4:7). It is the blood of Jesus that God used to present salvation to us. Because of this, the power is in the blood. The power to wash away our sins and the power to allow us entry into heaven. All we are asked to do is have an obedient faith, Jesus's death and the blood He shed does the rest.

Schedule of Events