

INSURGENCY

The God Who Bleeds - I
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Open in Prayer

Review Chapter 5 of the digital book *Insurgency*, and read Matthew 6:9-12 CSB

In this chapter Pastor Derwin writes: “[regarding the Passover and the Day of Atonement (Yom Kippur)] Both of these holy days for Israel are about sacrificial blood. In the First Exodus, which is celebrated in the Passover, and on the Day of Atonement, it was about the blood of slaughtered animals. However, in the New Exodus, God Himself, in Christ, is slaughtered. We have a God who bleeds for us.”

- Reflect on the reality that “God bleeds for us.” How does that change how we love God more completely (Upward)
- How does this reality point us to loving ourselves correctly? If God bled for us – He must really love us. Because His love is *for us*, does this change how we see ourselves in Christ? (Inward)

The God Who Bleeds:

1. **Broke us out of prison.**

Read Exodus 12:5-7 CSB and Exodus 12:12-13 CSB; and then read Isaiah 61:1 and Luke 4:18

- What prisons were or are we in?
- How does Exodus 12:5 point us to Jesus? (ref. 1 Peter 1:19)
- Our freedom was bought with a price – What was that price? (ref. Galatians 3:13)
- Why, at times, do we want to go back to our prison?

2. **He is our eternal Passover and eternal Day of Atonement.**

Read John 1:29 CSB

- What was the Passover? (ref. Exodus 12)
- What does the Day of Atonement and the two goats signify? (ref. Leviticus 16)

3. **Eternally forgives and forgets all our sins.**

Read Ephesians 1:7 CSB and Micah 7:18-19 CSB

- For Christ followers, what is the eternal reality of *all* our sins are forgotten? (ref. 1 John 7:9)
- If God no longer remembers our sins, who keeps bringing them up to us?
- How should we respond when the accuser lies to us?
- Who should we believe when we’re confronted with past sins?

4. Has made us powerful.

Read Revelation 12:10-11 CSB

- While “be better” and “10 steps to happiness” messages may sound good – is there real, everlasting power in these messages?
- What is the difference in “Christ-centered” sermons versus others? Why does this matter?
- Where is the true power to defeat Satan, sin, and death?

Soul-tattoo:

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