
SPIRITUAL MAPPING FOR EFFECTIVE SPIRITUAL WARFARE – Part 8

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8. Applying the Blood of Christ on Behalf of Our Cities

In the book of Exodus we see the Lord declaring to Moses that whatever household they put the blood of a lamb over, it would be spared from the work of the plague. "And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ye are; and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt." (Exodus 12:13)

In this verse the King James Version uses the word token instead of sign. Strong's Exhaustive Concordance defines token as a signal, flag, beacon, evidence or mark. The Lord says that the blood would be a "token" for them. In other words, the blood was to be evidence for them of His promise. In the same verse the word "see" means to consider, approve or advise self. Just think, when the Lord saw the blood on the door He advised Himself to pass over or spare them. WOW!

We are clearly taught in Scripture that the Blood of Christ far surpasses the work of the blood of lambs and goats. If the Lord paid such attention to the blood of an earthly lamb, how much more attention is He paying to and honouring the presence of the Blood of His Only Begotten Son?

In the book of Leviticus the fourteenth chapter, we read of the instructions given to the priests in order to cleanse the leper. Leprosy was not only a severe disease but in Scripture is also representative of sin. The Levitical account shows the sprinkling of blood being used to bring about cleansing. As we sprinkle or apply the blood of Christ in prayer, His blood does the even greater work.

We read of the prophetic word concerning the work of the blood of Jesus in the book of Isaiah. "So shall He sprinkle many nations, the kings shall shut their mouths at Him; for that which had not been told them shall they see; and that which they had not heard shall they consider." The word translated "sprinkle" in this passage is translated "startle" in the RSV. Just as if you were to take water with your fingers and flick it in someone's face, they would be startled, you would have their attention. That is what Christ did with His Blood. He got the attention of nations and kings, and the Blood caused them to see and hear that which they had not previously seen or heard. As we stand in the gap for our cities and apply the Blood of Jesus, we are loosing to them that which will get their attention. We cannot do the work of the Blood, but with the authority we have in Christ, we can apply the Blood so that it can do what it was the to do.

The following Scriptures tell us of the work of the Blood of Christ:

"That at time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the covenants of promise, having no hope, and without God in the world: but now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the Blood of Christ." Ephesians 2:12-13

"And having made peace through the blood of His cross, by Him to reconcile all things unto Himself, by Him I say, whether they be things in earth or things in heaven." Colossians 1:20

"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?" (Hebrews 9:14)

"For as much 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." (I Peter 1:18-19)

As we apply the Blood of Jesus over the souls in our cities, we are covering them with that which will draw them nigh to God, cleanse their consciences so they can serve the living God, and sanctify, redeem and reconcile them. One last Scripture on the work of the Blood is found in the book of Hebrews.

"And to Jesus the mediator of the new covenant, and to the Blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel." (Hebrews 12:24)

The word "speaketh" in the King James Version means to talk, to utter words, preach and tell. The word "better" means stronger, nobler, dominion, might, power and strength. The Blood of Jesus preaches, it tells, it utters, the dominion, the power and the nobility of Christ. As I apply the Blood over souls, the blood speaks to them and over them.

During work in our county, I have interviewed many leaders in the New Age Movement. They have told me things like, "I never go to a mall that I don't first drive around it with my crystals and DRIVE OUT the negative energy." Those bound in the deception of the kingdom of darkness are busy doing what they think is effective for the betterment of themselves and all men.

As God's people we possess the Truth. We hold the real weapons to bring down strongholds. Are we working as diligently as the enemy's camp? Are we applying the Blood of Jesus as we go into grocery stores, parks, hospitals or our children's schools? Are we diligently DOING what Scripture has taught us for the betterment of ourselves and all men?

We can do all things through Christ Jesus! That includes praying and warring on behalf of our (God's) cities.

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