

The Plan of Salvation - Advanced

In our last teaching of the plan of salvation, we learned that the Gospel is the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We also learned that to be saved we must partake of the Lord's death, burial, and resurrection.

To apply this in one's life one must believe, repent, be born again of water and of the Spirit, and finally we must endure to the end. We learned that to be born of water was being baptized into Jesus Christ's Death, and we learned that being born of Spirit, was the indwelling Spirit of God, that is received with the evidence of speaking in another tongue as the Spirit of God gives the utterance.

So to fulfill the partaking of the Lord's death, burial and resurrection, one must do what the Apostle Peter instructed us on the day of Pentecost. Which is found in...

Acts 2:37-39

37 Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

38 Then Peter said unto them, **Repent, and be baptized** every one of you **in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins**, and **ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost**.

39 For **the promise** is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

So what we see is:

Death

Repentance

Burial

Baptism in Jesus
Name

Resurrection

Receive the
Spirit of God

1 John 5:6

6 This is he that came by **water** and **blood**, even Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by **water** and **blood**. And it is the **Spirit** that bearth witness, because the Spirit is truth.

This verse tells us how Jesus Christ came. Which was by water and blood. Not water only, but by water and blood. And the Spirit bears witness, because the Spirit is truth.

Who is the Spirit that bears this witness?

John 14:16-18

16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;

17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

18 **I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.**

So we now see that Jesus Christ came by water and blood and the Spirit of truth, the Comforter, who the world cannot receive, because it can't see Him, but you the disciples could see, because He dwelleth with you and shall be in you, bore witness. Jesus then tells them I will not leave you comfortless but I will come to you. So then Jesus Christ is the Comforter, the Spirit of Truth.

So this Spirit, which is the Spirit of Truth, bears witness that Jesus came by water and blood.

How did he come by water and blood?

John 19:32-35

32 Then came the soldiers, and brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was crucified with him.

33 But when they came to Jesus, and saw that he was dead already, they brake not his legs:

34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out **blood** and **water**.

35 And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye **might believe**.

We have just learned in 1 John that the Spirit, which is the Spirit of Truth, is he that saw and bore record and here in John we learn it is so that we might believe.

1 John 5:8

8 And there are three that bear witness in earth, **the Spirit**, and **the water**, and **the blood**: and these three agree in one.

Now we are told that there is three that bear witness on Earth. The Spirit, the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. We know that the Spirit is the Spirit of Truth, the Holy Ghost; and that when the soldier pierced His side, there came out blood and water. So the question is what do these three agree in?

They agree in how to be Born again. The death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

<u>Death</u>	<u>Burial</u>	<u>Resurrection</u>
Repentance	Baptism in Jesus Name	Receive the Spirit of God
Blood	Water	Spirit

If the Spirit, water, and the blood agree in one, and it is Salvation, how then? (**John 19:34**) Showed us the blood and water represents Jesus' death.

So when you apply **Acts 2:38** Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.....

The blood represents your repentance, the dying out to ourselves, and we now live unto the Lord.

Hebrews 9:22

22 And almost all things are by the law purged with blood; and without shedding of blood is **no remission**.

The water represents burying yourself into the death of Jesus and this puts sin to death, through the faith of the operation of God, that we may become a new creature in Christ Jesus.

Romans 6:3-7

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.**

5 For **if** we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, **we shall be** also in the likeness of his resurrection:

6 Knowing this, that **our old man is crucified with him,** that the **body of sin might be destroyed,** that henceforth we should not serve sin.

7 For he that is dead is freed from sin.

Romans 6:12-13

12 **Let not sin** therefore reign in your mortal body, that ye should obey it in the lusts thereof.

13 **Neither yield** ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto sin: but **yield yourselves unto God,** as those that **are alive from the dead,** and your members as **instruments of righteousness** unto God.

The Spirit represents the Spirit of Truth, the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost that is promised to you after taking on the name of Jesus Christ in baptism, as read above from **John 14:16-18** .

Galatians 3:22-24

22 But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the **promise by faith** of Jesus Christ might be given **to them that believe.**

23 But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed.

24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be **justified by faith.**

We learn from Apostle Paul that the mosaic law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith and not the works of the law.

What we are going to learn now, is that the Old Testament Tabernacle was a shadow of things to come. We are going to focus upon the brazen altar, the brazen laver, and the Holiest of Holies.

Hebrews 8:1-13

1 Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such **an high priest,** who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

2 A **minister** of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which **the Lord pitched,** and not man.

3 For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.

The Lord offered himself as the sacrificial lamb, without spot or blemish unto God.

4 For if he were on earth, he should not be a priest, seeing that there are priests that offer gifts according to the law:

5 Who serve unto the example and shadow of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of God when he was about to make the tabernacle: for, See, saith he, that thou make all things according to the pattern showed to thee in the mount.

The earthly tabernacle was only a shadow of the heavenly.

6 But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry, by how much also **he is the mediator of a better covenant,** which was established upon better promises.

7 For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been sought for the second.

This is a reference of the Old Testament Covenant - the Law, to the New Testament Covenant - Grace

8 For finding fault with them, he saith, Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, when **I will make a new covenant** with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah:

9 Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not, saith the Lord.

This is the New Testament Covenant.....

10 For **this is the covenant** that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord; I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall be to me a people:

11 And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the least to the greatest.

12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness, and **their sins and their iniquities will I remember no more.**

13 In that he saith, A new covenant, he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

Death

Repentance

Blood

Brazen Altar

Burial

Baptism in Jesus
Name

Water

Brazen Laver

Resurrection

Receive the
Spirit of God

Spirit

Holiest of Holies

In the Old Testament, when someone committed a sin, they offered a sin offering unto the Lord. Each person had to bring a sacrifice, a young lamb or goat. The Brazen Altar was where the sacrifice was placed. It was here that the person who had sinned confessed their sin unto God and asked for atonement, which is to make amends for a wrong, and then they would slit the animal's throat.

The Brazen Altar, where the sacrifices were done, was a shadow of Jesus Christ, the sacrificial lamb of God, which was sacrificed as our atonement, to reconcile, which is to restore friendly relations, between us and God.

The Brazen Laver was used by the priest as a ceremonial washing before the offering of the sacrifice and before he was allowed to enter into the Holy Place.

The Brazen Laver was a shadow of the water baptism in Jesus name, where an old man is buried with Christ, and His blood remits or washes away our sins.

The Holiest of Holies was a special place that only the high priest bearing sacrificial blood, once a year, had access to. It also was where the Ark of the Covenant was placed. Inside the Ark was the law written on two tables of stone, a golden pot of manna, and Aaron's rod which budded and blossomed. The lid of the Ark was known as the mercy seat. It was made of solid gold and on either end was a cherub facing the other, with wings extended, looking down toward the mercy seat. This is where God would manifest Himself to the high priest.

The Holies of Holies was a shadow of our access to the Spirit of God. However, after the death of Jesus Christ the veil was rent in two, and the way to the Holiest of Holies became available to all, not to the high priest alone. We have this access by the blood of the lamb, Jesus Christ, and by His indwelling Spirit of the Holy Ghost.

Matthew 27:50-51

50 Jesus, when he had cried again with a loud voice, yielded up the ghost.

51 And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent in twain from the top to the bottom; and the earth did quake, and the rocks rent;

Hebrews 10:12-23

12 But this man, after he had offered **one sacrifice for sins for ever**, sat down on the right hand of God;

13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.

14 For **by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified**.

15 Whereof the Holy Ghost also is a witness to us: for after that he had said before,

16 **This is the covenant** that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them;

17 And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.

18 **Now where remission of these is**, there is no more offering for sin.

19 Having therefore, brethren, **boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood of Jesus**,

20 By **a new and living way**, which he hath consecrated for us, through the veil, that is to say, **his flesh**;

21 And having an **high priest over the house of God**;

22 **Let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith**, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

23 Let us hold fast the profession of our faith without wavering; (for **he is faithful that promised**;))