## New Life Christian Fellowship

It gives life, carries nutrients, oxygen, antibodies. Is the most significance substance in the Bible - Blood.

In the Old Testament blood was currency, paying for temporary cleanness in God's eyes. If people offered their own blood to pay for a way into God's presence, it would cost more than their bodies could give; so they shed animal's blood, even sprinkling it on themselves, to make them clean.

What kind of a God wants this? Was it to shock people with the gory cost of their wrongs or is bloodshed God's way of dealing with "sin"?

In the New Testament we see the whole picture: Firstly: animal's blood was sacrificed and people were temporarily "ceremonially clean". Lastly: God made the ultimate sacrifice, Jesus: who provides a new way of cleansing people – forever.

Jesus' purity was sacrificed paying for the world's impurities. God is pure and can not mix with impurity, yet God wants to mix with us. That is where Jesus' blood comes in – it washes away all impurities: selfishness, bad words, thoughts and actions.

How can we get this cleansing? By believing in Jesus; letting him wash us, inside and out. He has done all it takes to transfuse us into his bloodline; giving life, purpose, belonging, hope.

Jesus said "remember me", by eating bread and wine, that represent his body and blood. This is not some weird "Twilight" activity, but a reminder of the fulfilled spiritual washing of our inner most being.

Without this deep cleaning God can not get to us, our imperfections repel Him. God can not be joined with impurity. There is only one way: through Jesus blood, shed on the cross. We must cover ourselves in Jesus' blood and consume it to live.

Jesus said: "Only insofar as you eat and drink flesh and blood, the flesh and blood of the Son of Man, do you have life within you. The one who brings a hearty appetite to this eating and drinking has eternal life and will be fit and ready for the Final Day. My flesh is real food and my blood is real drink. By eating my flesh and drinking my blood you enter into me and I into you. In the same way that the fully alive Father sent me here and I

live because of him, so the one who makes a meal of me lives because of me. This is the Bread from heaven. Your ancestors ate bread and later died. Whoever eats this Bread will live always."

Accept Jesus' blood transfusion, live forever today.