

THE SERPENT AND THE LAMB!

*“Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but may have eternal life.”
John 3:14-15*

The snake is a symbol of sin, the curse and evil. Why is Jesus comparing himself to the snake on the pole? He is the lamb of God not a cunning snake. We all were bitten by the snake of sin and got infected by the sin-virus, because we all come from Adam. We all carry death on the inside of us. First spiritual death and secondly physical death. We are all on death row. On the cross Jesus was infected with our sin-virus. He had to drink the bitter cup. It contained every sin, every sickness and every curse known to mankind. Jesus was made sin, was made sickness and became the curse. He became everything we were so we could become everything He is. He became the serpent on the pole. Jesus died our death. He was separated from the Father for us. He went to hell for us – until sin was paid and righteousness restored. Why couldn't sin and death keep Jesus in hell? No man who entered hell ever came out of hell. Jesus was the first and only man who went into hell and came out of it. How did it happen? It happened because of his sinless blood. His blood conquered every sin, every curse and every sickness. **“Now may the God of peace, who through the blood of the everlasting covenant brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus...”**
Hebrew 13:20

A shepherd shared this story:

“A rattlesnake bit one of my sheep in the face about a week ago. Deadliest snake that lives around here. The sheep's face swelled up and hurt her terribly. But the old rattlesnake didn't know the kind of blood that flows through the sheep. Anti-venom is most often made from sheep's blood. The sheep swelled for about 2 days but the blood of the lamb destroyed the venom of the serpent. I was worried but the sheep didn't care. She kept on eating, kept on drinking and kept on climbing because she knew she was alright.

Often the serpents of this life will reach out and bite us. They inject their poison into us but they cannot overcome the Blood of the Lamb of God that washes away the sin of the world and the sting of death.

Don't worry about the serpent or his bite, just make sure that the Lamb's Blood is flowing through your veins.”

During the Covid-19 pandemic I flew into Nigeria and was asked by an immigration officer if I am vaccinated (which I was not)? I told the officer: “Yes I am vaccinated! I am vaccinated with the blood of Jesus!” He smiled at me and said: “You may pass!” He must have been a Christian! If you want to enter heaven you need a vaccination pass. You must be vaccinated with the blood of Jesus otherwise you may not enter heaven. As the blood of the sheep overcame the poison of the rattlesnake likewise the blood of Jesus overcame every sin, every sickness and every curse – apparently that took 3 days and 3 nights.

Through His blood Jesus forgave all our sins, healed all our sicknesses and declared every curse null and void. This however does not happen automatically. I have to apply the blood of Jesus by faith. No one gets into heaven automatically. Jesus said that we must drink His blood and eat His flesh otherwise we have no life in us, John 6:53-56. No matter what may come our way we already have overcome every pandemic, every curse and every sickness, because of our faith in the blood of Jesus. It is our protection, our salvation, our deliverance and our healing!

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