

John # 115

“Who He Was Before” *John 6:49-53*

**Just as manna sustained physical life for forty years in the wilderness, the Lord Jesus Christ provides and sustains eternal life for the believer in Him FOREVER!**

When a person rejects God’s only begotten Son, he cannot understand the concept of faith alone

in Him alone to do for us what we could never do for ourselves and so, he is usually offended by it.

**Salvation demands a non-meritorious free will decision compatible with God’s grace plan.**

Negative reaction to God's Word always looks for a loophole to criticize God, His plan or His representative.

***THE BLOOD OF CHRIST***

*“The blood of Christ” is the work of Christ on the cross and it represents His judgment for our sins.*

The physical death of the animal is analogous to the spiritual death of the Lord Jesus Christ.

**The animal hadn't done anything wrong, yet he was judged guilty and died physically and the Lord Jesus Christ hadn't done anything wrong, yet He was judged guilty for us.**

The Lord Jesus Christ, after His work (His substitutionary spiritual death) said in John 19:30- “It is finished. And bowing His head, He gave His spirit.” So, He committed His spirit but He did not bleed to death.

*The analogy is between the physical death of an innocent animal and the spiritual death of the sinless humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ.*

**The significance of the blood in the death of the Lord Jesus Christ is that it relates to millions of people who were saved in the Old Testament.**

There is no need to offer animal sacrifices anymore because Christ's sacrifice is once and for all.

*In Revelation 12:11, “over coming by the blood of the Lamb” refers to a Tribulational person accepting Jesus Christ as personal Savior, not “by” but “because of” the blood and being protected simply because he has entered the plan of God.*