



Day 5: Blood That Still Speaks

KNOW IT!

1 Peter 2:24

"He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed."

Leviticus 17:11

"The life of the flesh is in the blood... for it is the blood that makes atonement by the life."

Hebrews 9:22

"Without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins."

One criticism of the Shroud is that the bloodstains on it are still red. Usually, blood turns black over time as it oxidizes. However, trauma-induced deaths can result in the release of bilirubin, a liver byproduct that retains a reddish color permanently. Jesus suffered the most extreme trauma—scourging, crucifixion, and complete blood loss. The reddish stains may actually support, rather than refute, the authenticity of the cloth.

Jesus shed His blood to the very last drop for our redemption. These stains, preserved over millennia, testify not only to His death but also to His complete and total sacrifice.

LIVE IT! SHARE IT!

- **The blood of Jesus is not just symbolic. It accomplished something eternal—your salvation. Let it move you to gratitude and holiness.**
- **Spend time today thanking Jesus for His sacrifice and praying through 1 Peter 2:24.**
- **Share the message of the blood of Christ with someone who needs healing and hope.**

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