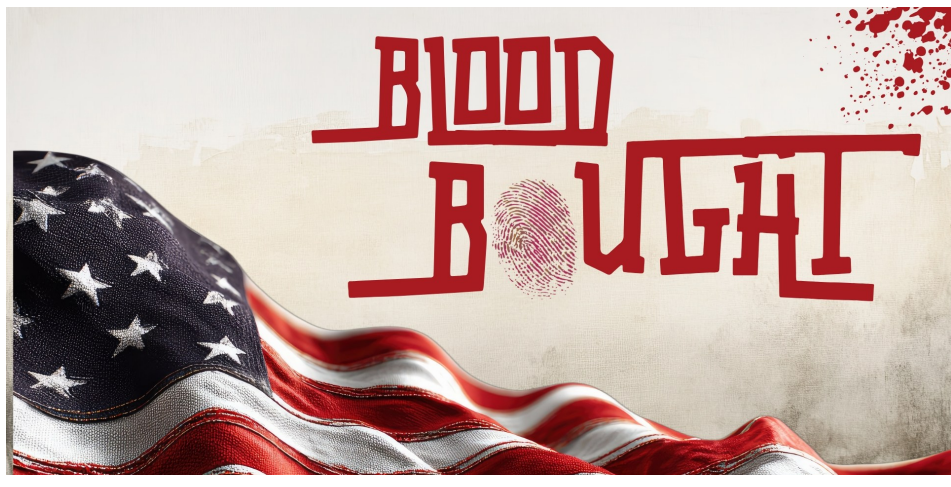




July 12th, 2026 "Blood Bought"

LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—SERVE THE WORLD

Just as the American colonies sought liberation from oppressive rule, people find freedom from sin and death through Jesus.

Both forms of freedom involve a transformative declaration:

One of national independence and the other of eternal independence.

✦ Blood Bought Freedom has three key elements:

1. The Voice of Freedom. *Hebrews 12:24, Genesis 4:8-10*

✦ **The Blood of Jesus speaks of...**

- a. Forgiveness; **Colossians 1:14**
- b. Mercy; **Ephesians 2:4-5**
- c. Grace; **Romans 3:24-25**
- d. Cleansing; **1 John 1:7**
- e. Liberty; **Hebrews 10:19**
- f. Peace; **Colossians 1:20**

Christ's blood liberates sinners from death's penalty, transforming what would otherwise be an accusation into an intercession.

Ephesians 1:7

*What Jesus did on the cross wasn't symbolic—the blood actively "redeems" or "buys back" those held captive by sin, effecting **genuine liberation** rather than nominal deliverance.*

Galatians 5:1 (NIV)

2. Price of Freedom. *1 Corinthians 7:23*

James 1:14, 2 Timothy 2:22-26

"The price of freedom may be high, but never so costly as the loss of freedom". ~Ronald Reagan

John 8:34-36

3. The Responsibility of Freedom. *Galatians 5:13*

✦ True freedom is found in living according to God's will and purpose.

1 John 3:16, John 3:16,17

Challenge: "How might I use this freedom to bless others and to shine the light of Christ?"

**all scripture taken from the New Living Translation unless otherwise noted.*