

This page is designed for you to apply what you have learned from the Scriptures. Our goal is not just "to know" but to "act upon what we know." (His Word, Our Walk!)

We encourage you to discuss the following questions with family, friends and your LIFEgroup. Although you can review it on your own, it will be most useful to you when processed with others!

- 1. The plan of God for covering or removing sin has not changed. Why did it have to involve blood?
- 2. Why was this plan recorded before anything was created? What does this tell you about God?
- 3. Why is Jerusalem so important to God? Do you think that it is still important to Him today?
- 4. What surprises or puzzles you about the prophecy of Jesus about His suffering? What were your thoughts as we studied the 8-part prophecy?
- 5. Why do you think the apostles didn't understand this very clear teaching?
- 6. Your best thoughts from this study?



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TWO LESSONS FOR THIS SERIES:

- 1. The Kingdom of God is FUTURE, and yet it is PRESENT. Luke 17: 21 . . . 'because the kingdom of God is in your midst."
 - 2. Salvation is the KEY to entering the Kingdom.

THE PLAN OF GOD FOR REMOVING SIN

1. The blood of a lamb for a MAN.

Gen. 3:7 Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves... 21 The LORD God made garments of skin for Adam and his wife and clothed them.

2. The blood of a lamb for a FAMILY.

Ex. 12:3 Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household. . . .

3. The blood of a lamb for a NATION.

Lev. 16:15 "He shall then slaughter the goat for the sin offering for the people and take its blood behind the curtain and do with it as he did with the bull's blood: He shall sprinkle it on the atonement cover and in front of it.

4. The blood of a Lamb for a WORLD.

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

THE PLAN OF GOD FROM BEFORE THE BEGINNING OF TIME

Rev. 13:8 All inhabitants of the earth will worship the beast—all whose names have not been written in the Lamb's book of life, the Lamb who was slain from the creation of the world.

The plan of God has not CHANGED nor was it set by MAN. This plan was in place before the world BEGAN (καταβολή, katabolē — "from the founding of the world.")

Gen. 22:8 Abraham answered, "God himself will provide the lamb for the burnt offering, my son." And the two of them went on together.

Heb. 10:11 Day after day every priest stands and performs his religious duties; again and again he offers the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. 12 But when this priest had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God,

THE PLAN OF GOD FOR THE CITY OF JERUSALEM

Gen. 22:2 Then God said, "Take your son, your only son, whom you love—Isaac—and go to the region of Moriah. Sacrifice him there as a burnt offering on a mountain I will show you."

Luke 9:31 They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem.

Luke 9:51 As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem.

Luke 13:22 Then Jesus went through the towns and villages, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem.

Luke 13:33 In any case, I must press on today and tomorrow and the next day—for surely no prophet can die outside Jerusalem!

THE PLAN OF GOD ABOUT TO BE FULFILLED

Luke 18:31 Jesus took the Twelve aside and told them, "We are going up to Jerusalem, and everything that is written by the prophets about the Son of Man will be fulfilled. 32 He will be delivered over to the Gentiles. They will mock him, insult him and spit on him; 33 they will flog him and kill him. On the third day he will rise again."

- 1. Jesus had been talking to CROWDS but now He takes His apostles aside to speak to them PRIVATELY. He wanted them to be READY for what would happen very soon.
- This is not the FIRST time that Jesus did this. (9:22)
- 2. What was about to happen to Jesus had been CAREFULLY written in the Old Testament (prophets).
- 3. The plan shared by Jesus was very DETAILED.

a. Delivered — (paradidōmi)	Luke 22:4 And Judas went to the chief priests and the officers of the temple guard and discussed with them how he might betray Jesus.
b. To the Gentiles —	Luke 24:20 The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him;
c. Mock Him —	Luke 22:63 The men guarding Jesus began mocking and beating him.
d. Insult Him—	Luke 22:65 And they said many other insulting things to him.
e. Spit on Him —	Matt. 26:67 Then they spit in his face and struck him with their fists
f. Flog Him —	Mark 15:15 Wanting to satisfy the crowd, Pilate released Barabbas to them. He had Jesus flogged, and handed him over to be crucified.
g. Kill Him —	Luke 23:46 Jesus called out with a loud voice, "Father, into your hands I commit my spirit." When he had said this, he breathed his last.
h. On the third day, He will rise again —	Luke 24:6 He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you, while he was still with you in Galilee:

THE PLAN IS NOT UNDERSTOOD EVEN WEEKS BEFORE ITS FULFILLMENT

Luke 18:34 The disciples did not understand any of this. Its meaning was hidden from them, and they did not know what he was talking about.

- 1. Note that Luke says this in THREE different WAYS!
- 2. There are TWO possibilities why the disciples did not understand this teaching:
 - a. It was HIDDEN from them by God.
 - b. It was something that didn't FIT into their understanding of the MESSIAH.

TWO LESSONS

- 1. We have a GOD Who has a PLAN!
- 2. We must be careful to not MISS a portion of Scriptures because it does not FIT with our understanding or theology.