

Back to the Basics

The Bible is our authority because ...

B. it is _____ in a dark world: v19

C. it comes _____ from God: v20-21

God's want's His people. true born-again Believers, to stop moving the landmarks of the Bible.

- stop messing with all the different versions which dilute / pollute / and substitute God's Words because God is NOT the author of confusion
- stop blending different "alternatives" for truth with His Word: Col. 2:8 ... ***Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.***
- stop relying on our own understand as truth and simply go back to basics that if God said it ... I believe it! To go back to the basics that if the literal sense makes good sense ... seek no other sense
- and to go back to the basics that to doubt God's Word and it's perfection, it's preservation and it's promises, is to doubt the very God who has created all things, is sovereign above all things, and able to do all things that He has promised.

Friends ... to move forward in 2023 let's go back to the basics of the blood and the basics of the Bible because to attempt to move forward by moving these landmarks to step away from God's blessing upon us.



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Proverbs 22:28

The basic principle of Proverbs 22:28 warns us against tampering with the long established landmarks ... i.e... the basic truths, standards, and principles of our faith as found in the Bible.

Last week, we began our 2023 theme—Back to the Basics, by examining the Landmark of Creation and the Landmark of God's Character.

This morning we continue with part two of the introductory portion of our theme series by looking at two additional and critical landmarks—the landmark of the Blood and the Landmark of the Bible.

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The first two landmarks of our series are Creation and God's Character . This morning we continue with ...

III: The Landmark of the _____: Gen. 3

The blood is a landmark that goes back to the Garden of Eden where we first find ...

A. blood is a _____ for sin: Gen. 3:1-8
Beginning with Adam and Eve, the blood of animals covered man's sin. It was temporary thus leaving man in guilt and shame of his sin.

With Jesus' blood, sins were not simply covered, but rather through Jesus' blood we find ...

B. _____ from sin
Matt. 26:28—***For this is my blood of the new testament, which is shed for many for the remission of sins.***

Some of the landmark doctrines of Jesus' blood are ...

- a believer is _____ by His blood
Romans 5:9— ***Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.***
- a believer is _____ with Jesus' blood
Eph. 1:7—***In whom we have redemption through his blood,***
- a believer's sins are _____ through His blood
Eph. 1:7—***In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;***
- a believer is made _____ by the blood of Jesus
Eph. 2:13 ... But now in Christ Jesus ye who sometimes were far off are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

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● a believer has _____ with God through His blood
Col. 1:20 ... ***And, having made peace through the blood of his cross,***

● a believer is _____ to God by His blood
Col. 1:20 ...***And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.***

● a believer's _____ is cleansed by His blood
Heb. 9:14

● a believer is _____ with Jesus' blood
Heb. 13:12

● a believer is _____ by the blood of Jesus
1 John 1:7

● a believer is _____ by His blood
Rev. 1:5

While the crucifixion of Jesus is messy, the Biblical landmark of Jesus' blood must never be removed because it is at the cross is where life is found.

IV: The Landmark of the _____: 2 Peter 1:19-21

One of the reasons many of the other landmarks of our faith have been moved is due to the fact that the landmark of the Bible has been greatly tampered with. But Peter shows us in 2 Peter 1:19-21 that the authority of God's Word is a great landmark of our faith...

A. the Bible is more _____: v19
