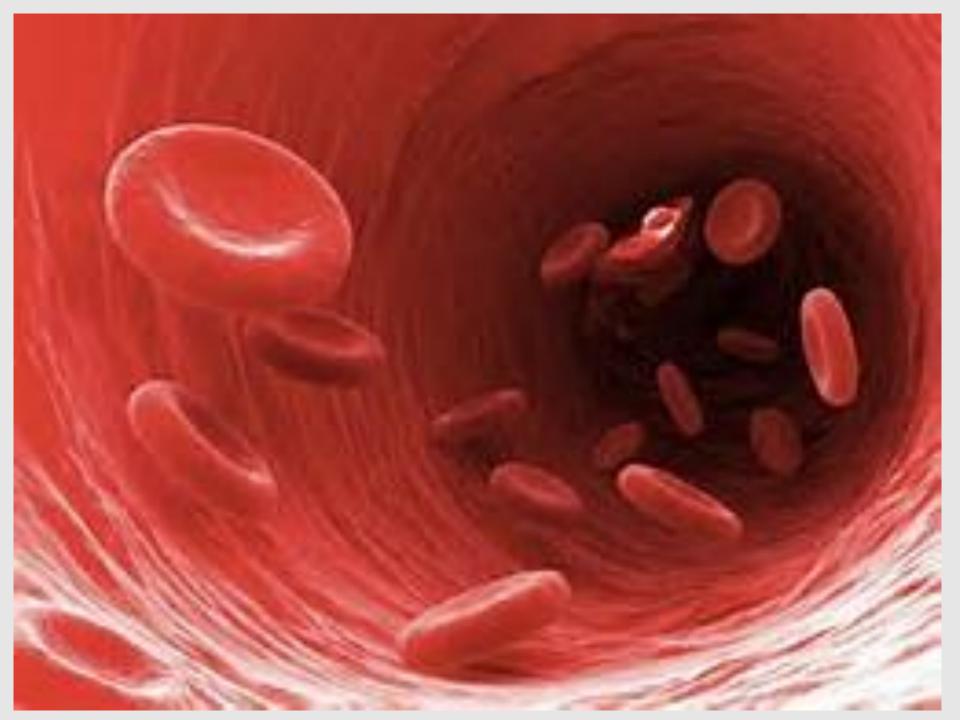


#### Blood is LIFE!

#### Blood <u>feeds</u> and <u>sustains</u> every cell in my body.

But you must not eat meat that has its LIFEBLOOD still in it. And for your LIFEBLOOD I will surely demand an accounting. (*Genesis 9:4*)





Plasma (water and other things)

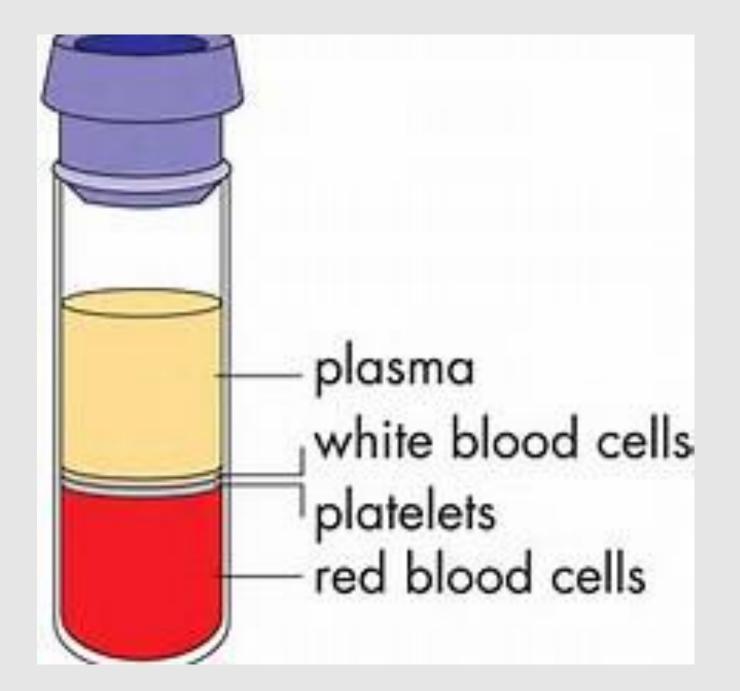
#### Red Blood Cells (RBCs)

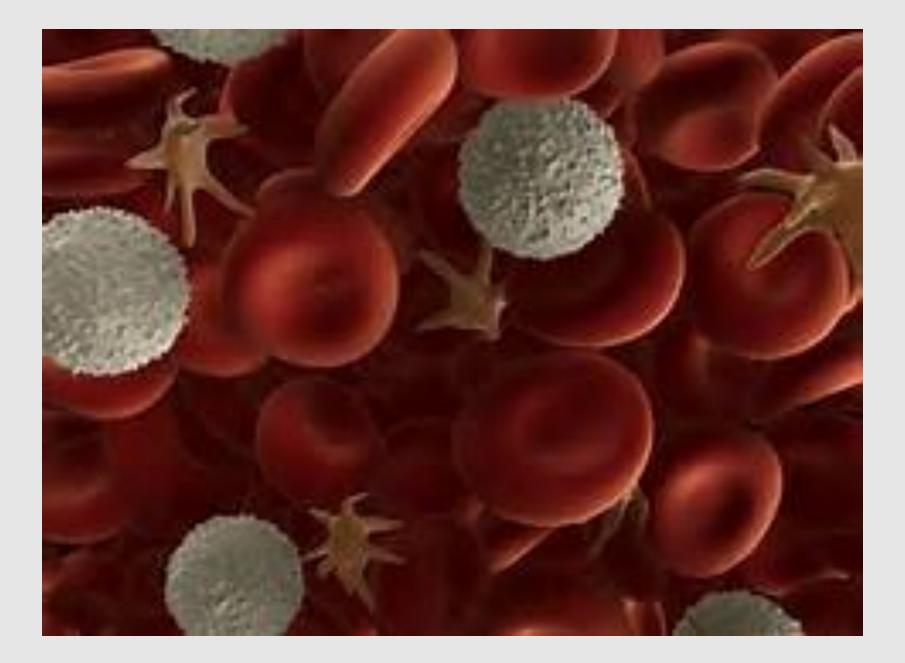
#### BLOOD

(45% cells, 55% plasma)

White Blood Cells (WBCs)

Platelets (cell fragments)





### **Red Blood Cells**

#### Platelets



The followers of Jesus were **shocked** and **revolted**. Many **deserted** him! (John 6:53-66)

# Blood <u>corresponds</u> to life. We come to his table to <u>partake</u> of <u>his</u> life.

#### Blood is **CLEANSING!**

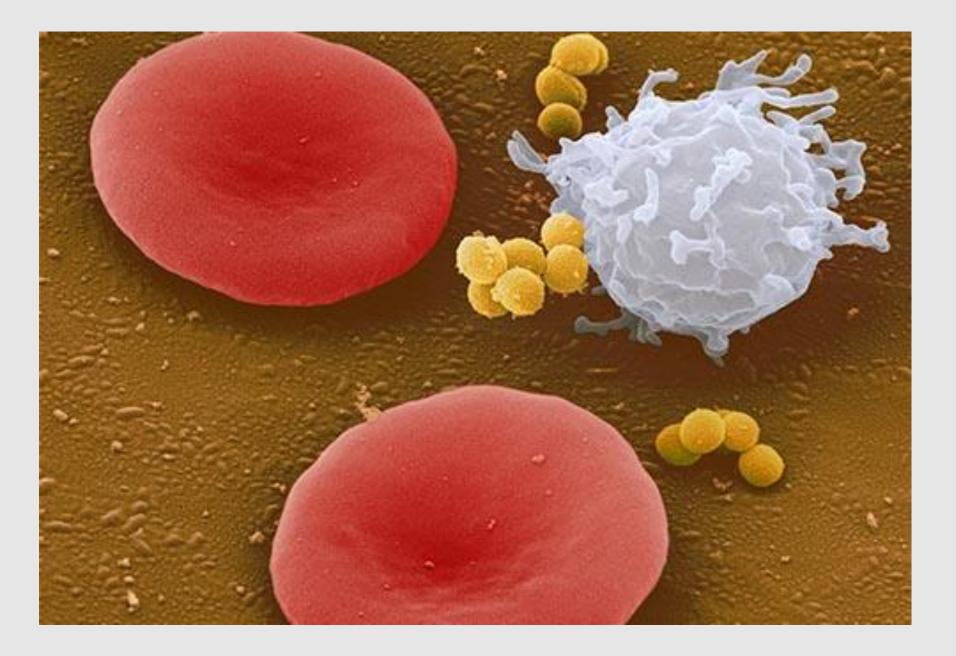
### The Bible <u>associates</u> blood with cleansing.

"... and the BLOOD of Jesus, his Son, CLEANSES us from all sins" (I John 1:7)

"These are those who have come out of the great tribulation. They have WASHED their robes and made them white in the BLOOD of the Lamb" (*Revelation 7:14*)

#### Blood cleanses <u>every cell</u> ... <u>absorbing</u> toxins, wastes, and debris





## Cleansing of <u>sin</u> is made possible by the blood of <u>Christ</u>.

How much more will the BLOOD OF CHRIST, who offered himself unblemished to God, CLEANSE our conscience from acts which lead to death, so that we may serve the living God! (*Hebrews 9:14*)

#### Red blood cell ... PROCESS = <u>humiliation</u> and <u>distress</u> in order to ingest contaminants of other cells

#### Blood is **TRIUMPH**!

#### SERUM ... <u>contains</u> the disease, but it is <u>weakened</u> (defeated) ... by the antibodies of <u>someone else</u>.

#### They fought the battle and <u>won</u>. Their victory is <u>available</u> for the new body to <u>appropriate</u>.

## Jesus allowed himself to be **infected** with **sin**.

God made him who had no sin to BE sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God. *(II Corinthians 5:21)* 

#### Jesus was a <u>carrier</u> of our disease, but his power triumphed over it.

We do not have a high priest unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who have been tempted in every way, just as we are, yet without sin. *(Hebrews 4:15)*  VACCINATION ... We overcome sin, not by <u>our own</u> resistance or vitality, but as a result of the victory of someone else. Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted. *(Hebrews 2:18)* 

They overcame him by the blood of the lamb. (Revelation 12:11)

#### This goes beyond <u>shed</u> blood. It is the victory of <u>shared</u> blood!

