Daily Devotion For May 24, 2022

. . unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood." Revelation 1:5

Yesterday morning I had an appointment with my primary care physician to get the test results of my recent blood tests. Prior to the blood test I was careful to watch what I was eating so my glucose level would be in the normal range as well as my cholesterol.

Praise the Lord that all my numbers were within the "normal" range. As we read through the Bible, we find that the word "Blood" is mentioned 460 times. Fourteen times in the New Testament Jesus spoke of His own blood. Why? Because by the shedding of His blood, He accomplished the possibility of our salvation. He paid the penalty for our sin and redeemed us. Hebrews 9:22 says "without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness."

The blood of Jesus Christ not only redeems us, it justifies us. Being justified means more than being forgiven. I can say, "I forgive you," but I can't justify you. But God not only forgives the past, He clothes you in righteousness as though you had never committed a sin. Yet it cost the blood of His Son on the cross.

Thought For Today: What can you do today to thank God for the shedding of His son Jesus on the cross. Claim the shed blood of Jesus on your behalf and rejoice that in Jesus Christ your sins are forgiven.

Today's Prayer Focus: Thank God for the sacrifice of His son Jesus on the cross. Remember that His blood has cleansed you from all your sin.