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In John chapter 6, Jesus was not speaking about drinking the blood from His natural body or eating the flesh of His natural body. Jesus was talking about the “blood,” the life, that flows from His spiritual body. It is the Spirit of God that gives life. To drink of the water of life is to drink and be intoxicated by the very Spirit of God. Rev. 22:17 John 4:13

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life. John 6:54

Jesus’ flesh and blood speaks of His eternal Spirit. We are saved by the washing of regeneration and the renewal by the Holy Spirit whom Jesus poured out on us generously. Titus 3:5

The blood of Jesus which saves is His spiritual blood. His spiritual blood is His Holy Spirit. “Whoever believes in Me, streams of living water will flow from within him.” John 7:37 The living water is the Holy Spirit.

Jesus said, “If any man is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink! Out from his innermost being springs of living water shall flow. But He was speaking here of the Spirit.” John 7:37b, 38a, 39a

Romans 5:10b We are saved by His life.

John 6:56 He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me and I in him.

The indwelling Spirit allows that believers may be in the Father and that the Father may also be in us. John 17:21

The sprinkled blood of the new covenant is the Holy Spirit who gives life to those who believe. Hebrews 12:24

Believers have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Rev. 7:14 The blood of the Lamb is the white blood-washing work of the Holy Spirit.

1 John 1:7 “The blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.” The Holy Spirit purifies our hearts by renewing our minds teaching us the very words of Jesus.

The Bible states that it is the shed blood of Christ and His resurrection which is required for regeneration to be possible. The shed blood of the sinless Jesus makes regeneration possible for any person who hears, believes, and receives Christ as personal Savior. But the shed physical blood alone does not regenerate anyone. It is the Resurrection Life of Jesus that regenerates through the power and work of the Holy Spirit. Romans 5:10 and Titus 3:5 Only persons who hear the gospel, believe in Jesus, and receive Jesus as personal Savior become the elect of God. Election of those “in Christ” is always an election to service. No person is elected to regeneration according to the Bible. People who believe and receive the free gift are saved “in Christ” and are elected to purity of service. Election in the Bible is always to service and never to regeneration. Ephesians 1:3-14