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FUNDAMENTALISTS, AWAKE!

A few months ago, there appeared in the daily papers an article telling about the sale of human flesh for food in the markets of the famine districts in China. Oh, the horror of it! Shortly after this, there appeared an article in "The Defender" of May, 1936, telling about the faith and practices of a very vicious sect in Cuba, the "Brujos", who, the article reads, "Believe that to eat the living heart of a child, and to drink its blood, will ward off evil spirits and heal diseases. We know of cases where fathers have pinched holes into the veins of their own children in order to extract blood." Oh, the unspeakable horror of such a thing! May God greatly bless Mr. Arthur Pain, who is working to turn these Brujos, thru repentance and faith, to the shed blood of our Lord Jesus Christ as the one and only antidote for sin, disease, and devils.

And now we find another horror in our very midst. Though not quite so gruesome to us here in America, perhaps, this hideous practice is certainly far less excusable and even more horrible in its extent and meaning to our Christian faith. The fact is, HUMAN BLOOD is being collected and bottled right in Chicago, is being brot into Wheaton, and is being used as an antidote for disease; and, mind you, at the fabulous price of over one hundred dollars per pint. Doubtless, many who read this will at first exclaim, "I do not believe it." But it is in behalf of just such persons that these words are written, for less than six months ago the writer was one of you, but was suddenly awakened out of the sleep of ignorance by an eye-opening experience. The details of that experience are of no moment here, but, as the result of prayerful research, the outgrowth of it is seen to be highly significant.

Believing, as all Fundamentalists do, that God's Word is the Infallible Rule of Faith and Practice, let us look, first of all, to that Word for a moment. Let us see what the Word says about blood, and for the moment, the blood of the sacrificial lamb as first used under God's Own direction thru Moses. Turn to Exodus 12, and read the first twenty verses to get the full setting for the vital thirteenth verse. Note the exactness of every detail of preparation and application. And then give your whole attention for a little time to those wonderful words, "And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where you are, and when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of Egypt." Oh, what a wonderful night that was, when Israel - for the moment wholly obedient to her then little-known God - went out of Egypt, cleansed from all of the terrible Egyptian diseases, for we read in Psa. 105:37 "He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one feeble person among their tribes." Think of it long and often! Saved from the long Egyptian slavery; saved from the Egyptian diseases; provided with their silver and gold (really their back wages); "every hoof" with them (Ex. 10: 24-26); "not an Egyptian dog moving its tongue against man or beast, that ye may know how that the Lord doth put a difference between the Egyptians and Israel." (Ex. 11:7). How wonderful to realize that all this came about just by the simple preparation and application of the blood - animal blood at that - according to God's instructions! Just plain, simple obedience - no quibbling, no questionings, no hesitating resulting then, as always, in VICTORY - "Blessed blood-bot VICTORY," victory, complete, full, and free - tho the blood then used was typical and not actual!

And that blood was not taken inwardly for the feebleness from which they were that night delivered. Moreover, they were sternly prohibited from taking any blood inwardly, for, "Whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you, that eateth any manner of blood; I will even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will cut him off from among his people. For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls; for it is the blood that maketh atonement for the soul." (Lev.17:10;11) Not taken inwardly nor applied

outwardly to the body directly - verily no - but used obediently as an act of faith in connection with the altar. And this also applied to the "strangers" i.e. Gentiles that might be among them - none could escape the ruling of Israel's God in this matter in those days. And He is still the same God, for He says in Mal.3:6 "I am the LORD, I change not." But some will say right here, "I am not under law but under grace and what you are quoting is under the law." Well, let us see about that. Turn to Acts 15, and read about the several vexing questions that came up at one time in the Church at Antioch, so that they sent to the apostles at Jerusalem for rulings on these matters; and they received this answer, "That ye abstain..... from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and from things strangle and from fornication." (verse 28-29) Note that out of four vital points mentioned, two referred to eating blood, for "things strangled" cannot be properly bled afterward - a large portion of the blood remaining in the flesh. And note also that this ruling was given to the Gentile Church; for some seem to think that the Scripture gives more liberty to the Gentiles than to the Israelites.

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Now let us look back into that experience of Abraham in Mount Moriah, and see how jealously and zealously God guarded His prescribed order of things, long before Moses was called to set it in definite arrangement. Abraham was living among the heathen who, in their folly were doing many very bad things - among them, offering their own offspring for their sins. In order to show Abraham the wickedness of this practice, and how utterly useless was the offering of any sacrifice outside of His Own provision, He let Abraham go thru that terrible experience, and there showed him that the blood of his son - marvelous as was his birth - could not be substituted for His special provision of even a mere beast for that purpose. Wherefore Abraham said, "The LORD will see, and provide" - that is, provide His Own Sacrifice, which, at that time, was only a beast, but was, nevertheless, God's Own special provision, in His Own prescribed order, for that particular time. (Gen. 22:1-14)

And let us also look at God's sharp dealing with Eli for allowing his sons to trifle with the sacrifices, and not offering them in their Divinely given order. Read I Sam. 2:27-30, with special reference to verse 29 and the words, "Why kick ye at My sacrifice?" Oh dear reader, can you not see how sternly God kept the way open for the Sacrifice of His Only Begotten Son, so that when He came He could speak those nighty Words, "Verily, verily, I say unto you, Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink His blood, ye have no life in you." Read the entire passage - John 6:51-66 - and note how they stumbled over His precious Life-giving Words, saying, "This is a hard saying, who can hear it?" and "From that time many of His disciples went back, and walked no more with Him." And we are now impelled to wonder how many of His professed followers, even earness Fundamentalists, who read these words will, in this dark hour of terrible apostasy turn back, and fail to apply His Word to this present day, sinful practice.

In the foregoing, we have dealt briefly with the blood of beasts as typical of the real Atonement of the Precious Blood of Christ; and recalled how powerfully God blessed the type when it was applied obediently in full accordance with His detailed instructions; and noted how exactingly careful they were to be not to use the blood in any other manner, especially taking it inwardly; and we have particularly observed how Jesus told them that they must eat His Flesh and drink His Blood, or they could have no life in them. (Of course this could only be a direct act of faith, but He made no explanation at that time, so far as the record goes.) We have also mentioned Abraham's attempt to substitute the blood of his son for the blood of beasts, as were the heathen around him and how God corrected him, and made him use the sacrifice that He Himself had provided.

Now let us proceed further into the subject of human blood used as a sacrifice for sin and a remedy for disease. During the world war, it was openly reported (and the writer never heard of any attempt at denial) that the Roman

Catholic church caused printed circulars, dropped from airplanes, to be scattered over Belgium. Through these circulars, it was declared that all who went into the war and shed even a few drops of their own blood for their country would be saved eternally. About the same time, the writer was told that some of the churches in Canada were proclaiming the same pernicious doctrine, the intent of which was to induce men to volunteer for the war by thus falsely assuring them of their eternal salvation through the shedding of their own blood. Only think, dear reader, of the horrors of that infernal lie that men could be saved eternally by the shedding of their own blood. Think of how many thousands probably went into that war, resting on that vain hope, only to wake up and find that they were damned thru the lies told them in the name of the Lord, by those who falsely professed to be His followers.

And now let us turn back to the statement in paragraph two, "Human blood ... is being brot into Wheaton, and is being used as an antidote for disease;" and to that foregoing statement we would now add this: that it is being so used by many professing Christian people who would scorn the thought that they could procure their Eternal Salvation by the shedding of their own blood - whether by a part or all of it, whether by the blood of their fellow men applied either inwardly or outwardly by an attempt to exercise a direct faith therein. And yet many of these same people, who loudly proclaim themselves "Fundamentalists", have never been awakened to these facts. While they would not think of depending upon human blood for their Eternal Salvation, yet they use it freely for healing and immunizing from disease, utterly ignoring the words, "Whatsoever man there be of you that eateth any manner of blood shall be out off from among the people." Please bear in mind that an injection into the veins is a more direct application than assimilation thru the digestive system.

Now to the finals: As the direct result of the "eye-opening experience" before referred to, the writer was compelled to look into the matter of "blood serums". In the "Winston Simplified Dictionary", Advanced Edition, under "serum" are these words, "The yellowish, clear, watery fluid of blood, remaining after coagulation." In the "New International Encyclopedia", Vol. 17, under "Serum Therapy" are these words, "Blood removed from persons in the death agony, or a few hours after death, is strongly germicidal against typhoid and colon bacilli." In a circular issued by a laboratory that sells this human blood in Chicago, are these words, "This serum is prepared by pooling the bloods from 20-30 adults, convalescing or recently recovered from scarlet fever." Most of these so-called "shots" that are so much used today for contagious diseases are thus composed and prepared, and then injected directly into the patient's blood stream.

Oh, the horror of it! The curse of it! The PAGANISM of it! The CANNIBALISM of it! Think of the SIN of it in the light of God's Word! "How can Satan cast out Satan?" Jesus asked his accusers. In the same way, we ask you, "How can disease cast out disease?" How can the injection of the dead, diseased blood of your fellow-men into your own diseased blood-stream cast out the disease that is therein? How can you "eat any manner of blood" in disobedience to God's Word, and hope to find the blessing that comes only with obedience? Consider carefully the prophetic admonition of Isaiah 28:18 and note its close application here: "And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it." You can never be healed of the coming "overflowing scourge" by the blood of your fellow-men, substituted for the All-Atoning Blood of Christ. Listen: "He that despised Moses' law died without mercy under two or three witnesses; of how much sorer punishment, suppose ye, shall he be thot worthy, who hath trodden under foot the Son of God, and hath counted the blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified, an unholy thing, and hath done despite

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unto the Spirit of grace?" (Heb. 10: 28-29) Note the words, "Of how much sorer punishment". So many people seem to think that the "Spirit of grace" is such a gentle, indulgent Person that they can do just about as they please, since they are "under grace" and "not under law". What a misconstruing of those mighty words! Note the contruction Paul himself puts upon them in their very context, "For sin (i.e. law-breaking, I Jn. 3:4) shall not have dominion over you: for ye are not under the law but under grace." What then? shall we sin (break the law), because we are not under the law, but under grace? God forbid." (Rom. 6:14-15) Now turn back to the solemn warning immediately following the above reference to the "Spirit of grace" (Heb. 10:30-31). "For we know Him that hath said, 'Vengeance belongeth unto me, I will recompense," saith the Lord. And again, 'The Lord shall judge His people.' It is a fearful thing to fall into the hands of the living God."

And now dear Brother and Sister Fundamentalist, we would say to you with Peter who, on that great day just after Pentecost when five thousand men were saved, exhorted them thus: "And now, brethren, I know that in ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers." (The term "rulers" corresponds of course to present day teachers and doctors.) Most of you, like the writer, have not hitherto understood the real meaning of serums. And some, who have had more understanding thereof, have not considered the matter seriously in the Light of God's Word. We Christians are far too prone to subject our problems, first of all, and sometimes only, to the light of science - very often "falsely so-called". But now you must certainly see how entirely anti-Spriptural are these "shots" of human blood, or "any manner of blood".

Wherefore we beseech you, brethren, "Repent ye, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord." They heeded Peter's admonition that day, and Oh what a glorious "refreshing" came - five thousand men were saved. And so shall we receive the promised "times of refreshing" if we fully meet God's conditions. But we shall never have the much prayed for revival in Wheaton, this great center of Evangelistic education, until we deeply repent of this worse than paganistic use of "any manner of blood".

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