

Loved, Freed, Exalted

Revelation 1:5B-6

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What is more important, that we love God or that God love us?

Knowing that God loves me and wants me is a game changer – Rev.1:5b-6.

Christ loves us (v.5b)

1. Notice John includes himself in v.5b.
2. John 15:13
3. How can we regularly get the message that we are particularly and currently loved by Christ?

Christ has freed us (v.5b)

1. Freed us
2. Rom.6:1-14, we don't continue sinning!
3. Freed by his blood:
 - Matt.26:28 (Heb.13:20), What can ratify a New Covenant with Christ? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Matt.26:28, What can provide forgiveness of our sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - John6:53-56, By what means is eternal life given? By Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Acts20:28, How was the Flock of God obtained? With Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Rom.3:25, What holds back the Wrath of God? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Rom.5:9, Wherein are we justified? By Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - 1Cor.10:16, In what is the communion cup a participation? In Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - 1Cor.11:27, Of what are unworthy takers of communion bread guilty? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Eph.1:7, Through what do we have redemption in Christ? Through Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Eph.2:13, How have we been brought near to the promises of God? Through Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Col.1:20, How has God made peace with sinners? Through Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Heb.9:12, By what do we enter the holy places of God? Through Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Heb.9:14, What purifies our conscience from dead works to serve the living God? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Heb.13:12, Through what are the people of God sanctified? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - 1Pet.1:2, We were elected by God for the sprinkling of what? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - 1Pet.1:18,19, What ransoms us from our futile ways? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Rev.1:5, Through what are we freed from our sins? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
 - Rev.12:11, Through what do we conquer Satan? Nothing but the blood of Jesus!
4. Christ's blood changes us from sinning to living; from sinning to loving; from sinning to conquering, and from sinning to serving the true God.

Christ exalts us (v.6).

1. Exod. 19:5-6
2. 1 Pet. 2:4-10
3. Rev. 5:10; 20:6
4. What is meant to be made a kingdom and priests? How does active participating church membership help?
5. Dan. 2:44
6. Matt. 21:42, 43
7. Eph. 2:11-22
8. Jesus first sermon was: "Repent for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
- 9. *Along with my brothers and sisters, I am a kingdom, priests to Christ's God and Father.***
10. How do we build this kind of "kingdom, priests to God" identity into ourselves and our kids?