

UNCLOG THE DRAIN

SCRIPTURE:

but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin. If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:7-9)

MATERIALS LIST:

- (1) clogged drain
- (1) metal hanger
- (1) drain cleaner

MAIN MESSAGE:

When a drain is clogged one of the only things that can really fix it is drain cleaner. When our lives are clogged with sin the ONLY thing that can clean it is the blood of Jesus Christ. The cleansing power covers up our sin and makes us new again, but we must do the will of our Heavenly Father to keep our souls as white as snow.

SONG: "Nothing But The Blood"

LESSON:

Recently, I noticed that our bathtub basin wasn't draining as well as it should. It would take approximately 15 minutes for a half-full tub of water to completely drain. Having to wait so long for the tub to drain isn't exactly my idea of fun or efficient.

I have a four-year-old son, so it could be a toy clogging the drain. I also have a wife who has hair that is about two and a half feet long, so it could be hair in the drain. I went and got a flashlight, and the best I could tell, it wasn't a toy. So it had to be my wife's long, beautiful hair that was stopping the water from draining.

To fix this, I first tried a metal hanger. I bent it and cut it and tried to stick it down the drain. I twisted and pushed and pulled the hanger out but got very little hair out. It just didn't work very well. I was going to have to try something that would get the job done. I went to the store and purchased some drain cleaner. The directions told me to pour a certain amount down the drain and to wait a few hours. After a few hours I was to run hot water and see if the drain was unclogged. The drain cleaner worked as advertised and ate away the clog.

When each of us makes the decision to become a Christian, the blood of Jesus Christ becomes our drain cleaner. It clears out the clogging of our sin and washes us white as snow. This doesn't mean we can willfully go on sinning and expect that the blood of Jesus will continue to cover us though. We have to continually walk in the Light, confess our sins, and do the will of God so that we will be covered by the true cleansing power of the blood of Jesus Christ.

PRAYER: Help us to focus daily on the sacrifice made for us, never taking for granted His shed blood.