

Nothing but the Blood
Brought Near by the Blood
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I. A Call to Remember Being Far Off (11-12)

II. A Call to Celebrate Being Brought Near by the Blood of Christ (13)

Points to Ponder: We are called to remember the reality of being “far off” from God so that we might stand in awe of the fact that we have been brought near by the blood of Jesus. So, let’s do some remembering. Remember and ponder the implications of our life without hope and with God in this world. Now allow yourself to marvel with a slack-jawed amazement that the blood of Jesus which flowed mingled down the cross 2000 years ago, has brought you near!

A Note to Parents: Please know that the children who leave the service during the sermon are looking at the same passage we are considering. We hope that you will initiate a conversation with them about this portion of God’s Word.

Next Week: We will continue our Lenten Sermon Series entitled *Nothing of the Blood* - a series in which we will ponder what the blood of Jesus accomplished for us. Our hope is that this season of Lent will prepare us well to marvel at our Savior’s death and resurrection in the week of Easter. Next week we will look at the text of **Colossians 1:19-20** *Making Peace by the Blood*.

