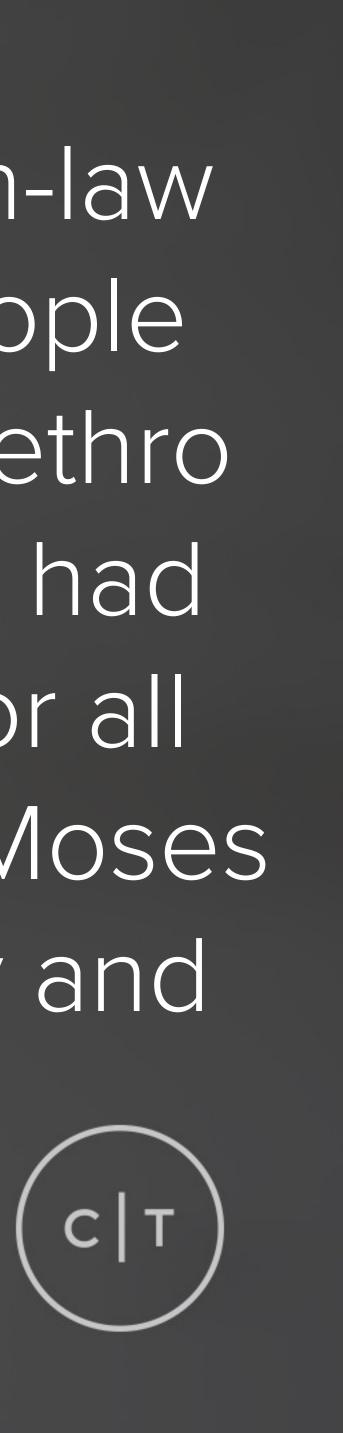
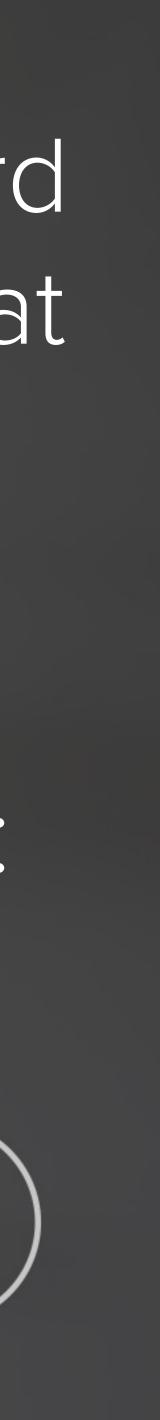
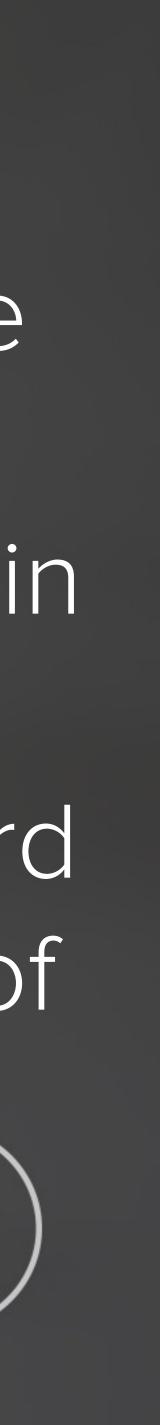
¹⁸Then Moses went back to Jethro his father-in-law and said to him, "Let me return to my own people in Egypt to see if any of them are still alive." Jethro said, "Go, and I wish you well." "Now the Lord had said to Moses in Midian, "Go back to Egypt, for all those who wanted to kill you are dead." ²⁰So Moses took his wife and sons, put them on a donkey and started back to Egypt. Exodus 4:18-26 (NIV)



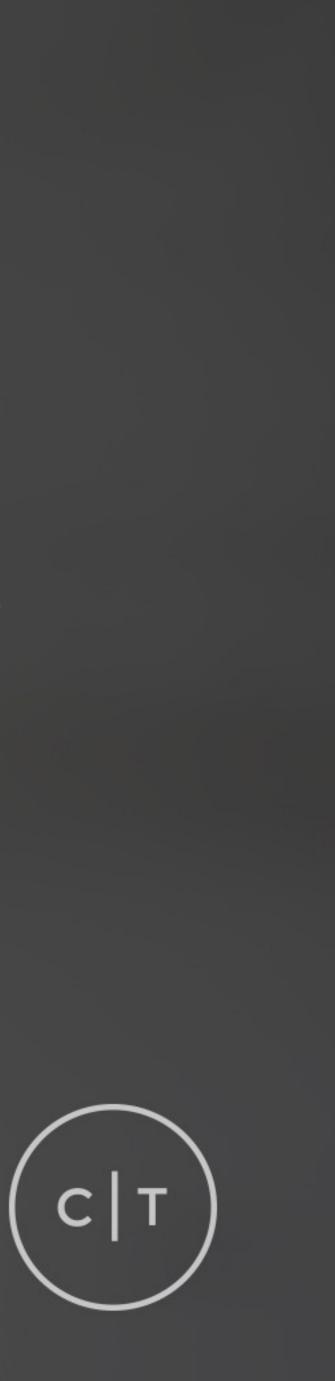
And he took the staff of God in his hand. ²¹The Lord said to Moses, "When you return to Egypt, see that you perform before Pharaoh all the wonders I have given you the power to do. But I will harden his heart so that he will not let the people go. ²²Then say to Pharaoh, 'This is what the Lord says: Israel is my firstborn son, 23 and I told you, "Let my son go, so he may worship me." Exodus 4:18-26 (NIV)



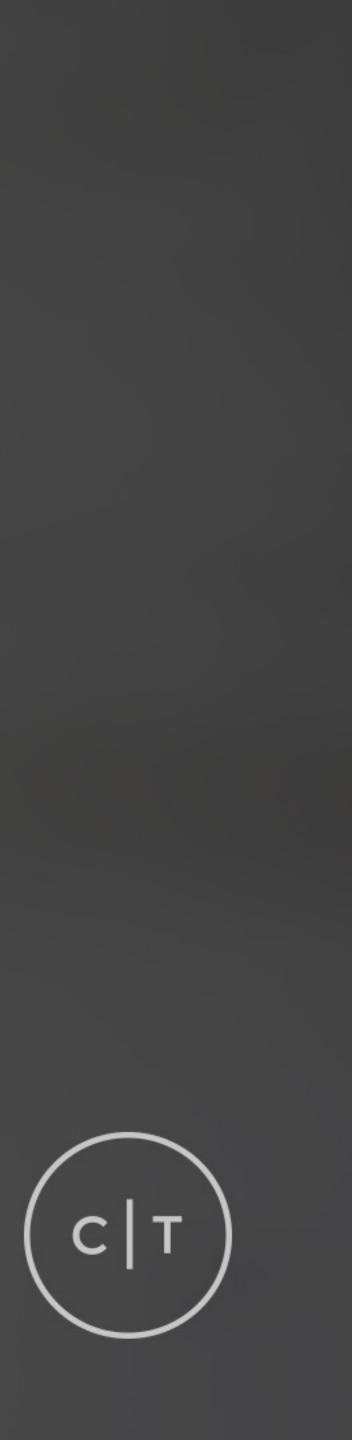
But you refused to let him go; so I will kill your firstborn son." ²⁴At a lodging place on the way, the Lord met Moses and was about to kill him. ²⁵But Zipporah took a flint knife, cut off her son's foreskin and touched Moses' feet with it. "Surely you are a bridegroom of blood to me," she said. 26So the Lord let him alone. (At that time she said "bridegroom of blood," referring to circumcision.) Exodus 4:18-26 (NIV)



A CLEAR MISSION AND A CLEAN HOUSE



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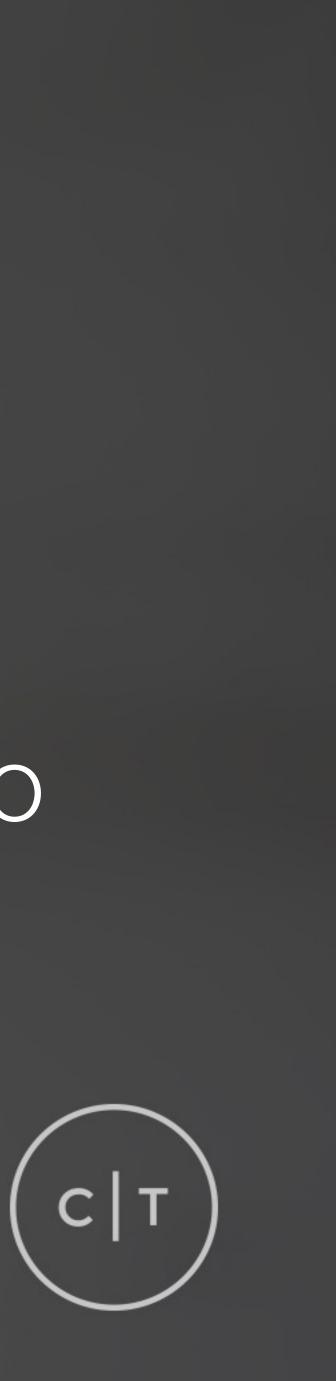
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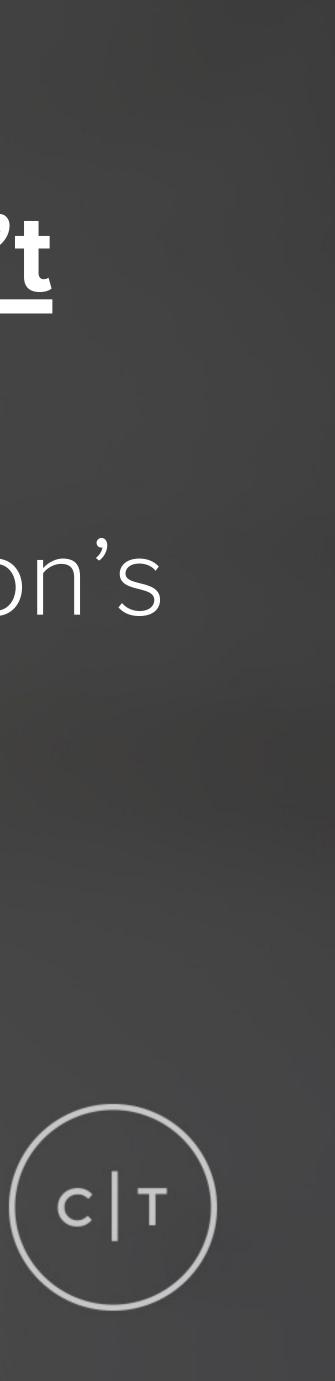
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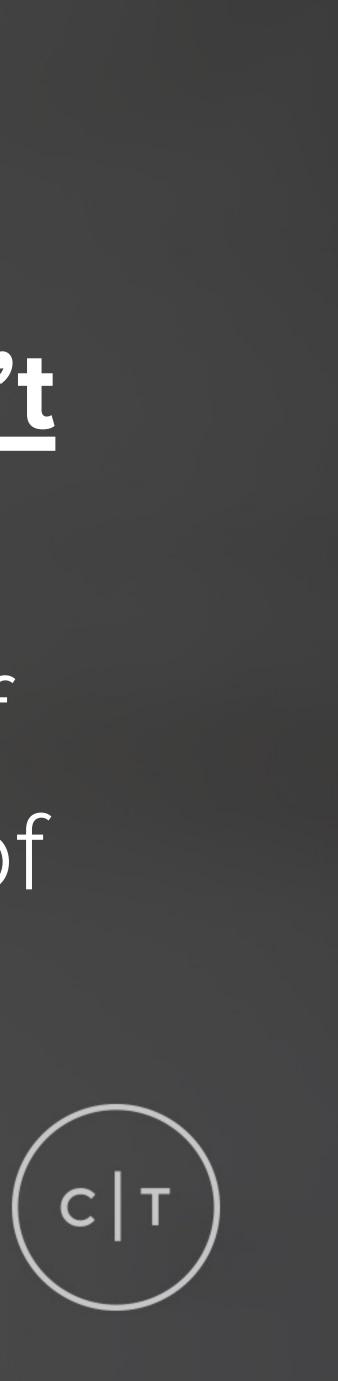
Unless The Blood is Applied, We Won't Move On In Our Mission



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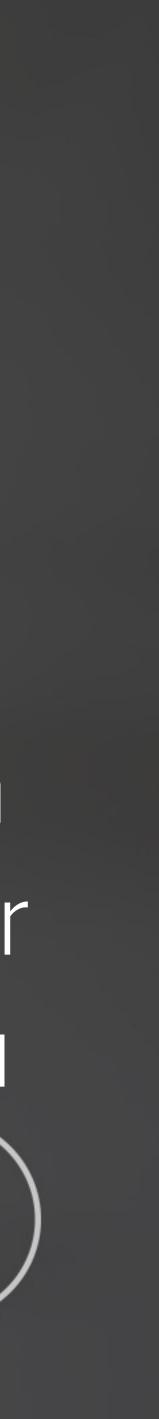
The same way Moses was a Bridegroom of blood to Zipporah, Christ is a Bridegroom of blood to us.



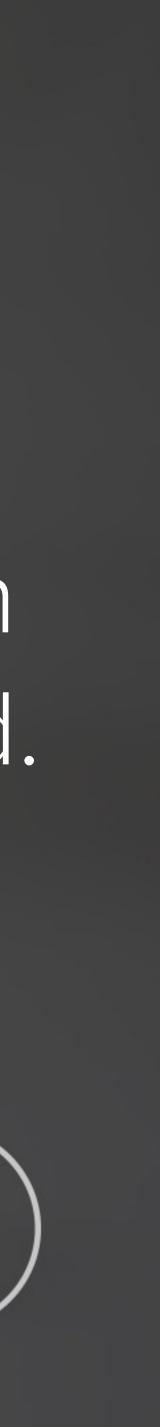
In the New Testament, circumcision is identified with the cleansing work of Christ.



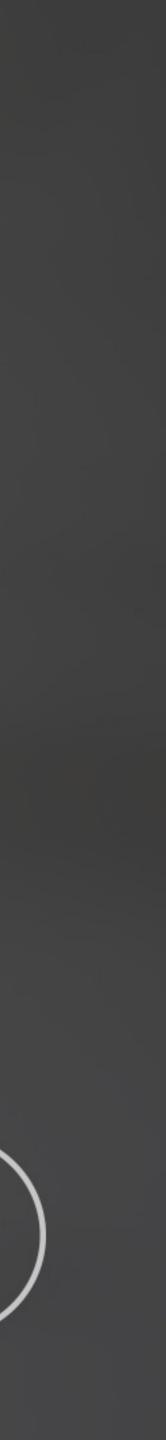
For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, nand in Christ you have been brought to fullness. He is the head over every power and authority. In him you were also circumcised with a circumcision not performed by human hands. Your whole self ruled by the flesh was put off when you were circumcised by Christ... Colossians 2:9-15 (NIV)



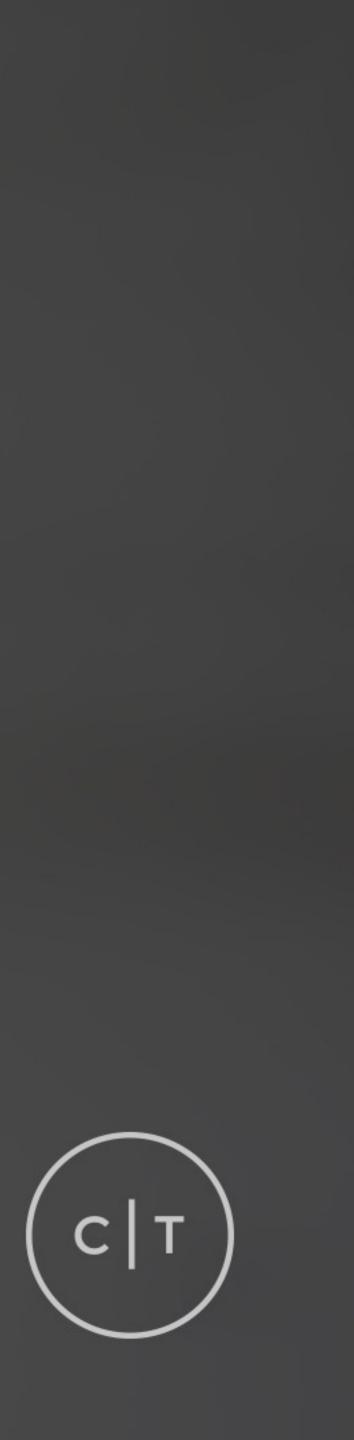
¹²having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through your faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead. ¹³When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins... Colossians 2:9-15 (NIV)



¹⁴having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. ¹⁵And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. Colossians 2:9-15 (NIV)

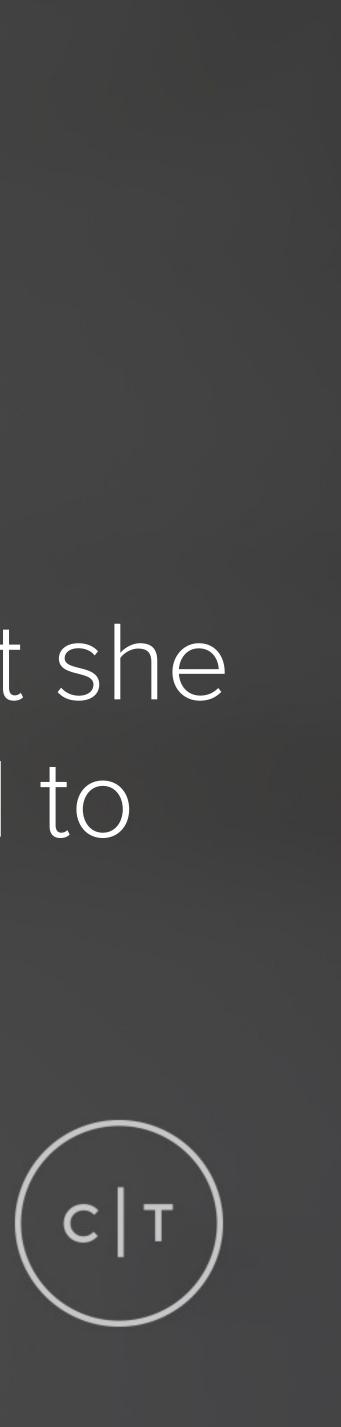


Once We Come Under The Blood, We Can Move On



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So the LORD let him alone. It was then that she said, "Surely you are a bridegroom of blood to me!" because of the circumcision. Exodus 4:26 (NIV)



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forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1:9 (ESV)

But if we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to

