Words of Christ - cont.

spired of God is also profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for instruction which is in righteousness: that the man of God may be complete, furnished completely unto every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17).

As for Klopsch' red-letter edition of the Bible, it is worth noting that his desire to bring attention to the blood of Jesus was good. In fact, it was the blood of Jesus that dedicated his words as the new covenant. Jesus' blood was shed to establish the words of Christ. Jesus said: "... This cup is the new covenant in my blood, even that which is poured out for you" (Luke 22:20; see also I Corinthians II:25; Hebrews 9:18ff; 10:29; 13:20; Revelation 19:13).

Not only did Jesus shed his blood to establish his words, but others shed their blood also in connection with his words. For example, blood was shed to reveal the words of Christ (Acts 12:1; 22:20). Blood was shed to live the words of Christ (Revelation 6:9; 12:11; 16:6; 17:6; 18:24; 19:2). And finally, blood was shed to transmit the words of Christ later into other languages. So, when you pick up a Bible, let's remember Jesus' blood and all his words in the New Testament. - Chris Reeves

Sentence Sermons

- Let a pig and a child have everything they want and you will have a good pig and a bad child.
- If you don't feel as close to God as you once did; it was you that moved, not God.
- Worry is like a rocking chair; it gives you something to do but you don't get anywhere.
- Read your Bible everyday.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.

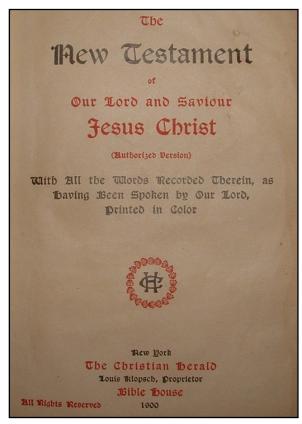
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

The first printing of a red-letter Bible was by the editor of the Christian Herald, Louis Klopsch in 1900. Approximately 60,000 copies were sold when it was first printed. Klopsch read Luke 22:20 about Jesus shedding his blood and decided to print a red-letter New Testament. The red letters, of course, would represent the blood of Jesus. The words Jesus spoke while living were printed in red and Old Testament prophetic passages referring to Christ were identified with red stars. The work of Klopsch was so impressive and influential at the time that he was invited by President Roosevelt to dine at the White House.

We must remember that <u>all</u> the words in the New Testament, both "red" and "black", are the words of Christ. No words are more important than others. One unintentional consequence of Klopsch's Bible was that many people began to say that the word of Christ in red were more important than the other words in the New Testament. And, they would say that Jesus spoke those words in red, but he didn't speak the other words. This, of course, is incorrect on both counts.

Jesus spoke all the words of the

New Testament. Yes, there many words that he spoke in person while he was here on earth. But, he also spoke the rest of the words recorded in the New Testament through the Holy Spirit sent to the apostles.



Jesus said the apostles would speak his words. Consider the following passages:

"He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him

that sent me (Matthew 10:40).

"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send receiveth me; and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me (John 13:20).

"He shall glorify me: for he shall take of mine, and shall declare it unto you. All things whatsoever the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he taketh of mine, and shall declare it unto you" (John I 6:14-15).

When the apostles preached and recorded their messages, they recognized that their words (spoken and written) were actually the words of Christ. The apostles said they spoke Jesus' words. Consider what Paul wrote in the following passage:

"If any man thinketh himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him take knowledge of the things which I write unto you, that they are the commandment of the Lord" (I Corinthians 14:37).

When we read a Bible, whether it has red letters or not, we must remember that <u>all</u> scripture is inspired of God. Paul wrote: "Every scripture in-