INTRO: Our word atonement expresses the thought of securing fellowship or agreement. The act of being at one. At-one-ment.

The blood atonement is the center of Christianity yet there are many who grossly misunderstand much of what the Bible has to say about this important matter.

I. WHY IS ATONEMENT NECESSARY?
   A. Because our sins have separated us from God.
      Isa 59:2; 1 JN 3:4
   B. Because all have sinned. Rom 3:10, 23; 1 JN 1:8, 10
   C. Because the wages of sin is death. Rom 6:23; Ezek 18:20
   D. Because, left to his own, man’s way is unlike God’s way, making fellowship impossible. Amos 3:3; Isa 55:8-9

II. HOW IS ATONEMENT ACCOMPLISHED?
   A. By shedding of blood. READ HEB 9:19-23
   B. Perfect atonement by perfect blood.
      READ HEB 7:19; 10:4, 11-14
   C. Christ died for all, but not all have accepted, Titus 2:11-12

III. HOW AND WHEN IS THE BLOOD APPLIED?
   A. The blood is applied when the penitent sinner obeys the gospel of Christ. And the blood continues to cleanse as long as we walk in the light as God is in the light.
      READ ROM 6:3-5, 16-18
   B. The blood continues to cleanse as long as we walk in the light as God is in the light, 1 John 1:7.

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