

## **He could have Created the Blood**

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In the first temptation, Satan suggested that Jesus turn stones into bread. It was to be a display of power in creating food to satisfy a physical need. At the marriage feast in Cana Christ did show that He could do something similar – as He turned water into wine.

When Jesus was in the garden before the crucifixion, He was essentially presented with a similar temptation. He could have just “created” blood to be shed for our cleansing. This is the essence of the devil’s temptation.

Though Christ prayed for an alternative plan of action, He would not produce a cheap substitute for the blood that was actually and painfully shed on the cross. Only His True blood had value.

When we treat that sacrifice lightly, we are reducing it to the level that Satan tried to take it.

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