

The Scarlet Thread

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Joshua 2:18*

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Chorus:

The scar - let thread, the Lamb Who died, prove God's great love, His plan di - vine
 To co - ver guilt I could not hide. His sac - ri - fice made par - don mine.

1. The choice was made to dis - o - bey; Man ate the fruit that fate - ful
 2. The time had come to ho - nor God With of - fer - ings to bring Him
 3. To A - bra - ham God gave a test He said to him, "Bring me your
 4. The Pha - raoh's heart would not re - pent. Nine plagues had come just one more
 5. The spies she hid from cer - tain death U - pon her roof, they held their
 6. My sin was great, God's Son was pure. My on - ly hope, God's mer - cies

day. In shame they hid be - hind a tree; Their sin re - quired a cov - er - ing. A coat of
 laud. So Cain pre - pared his ver - y best His fruits he want - ed God to bless. But A - bel
 best. Give up your son, I - saac will die. Up to the mount your path - way lies." He took the
 left. His old - est son would have to die; God's peo - ple planned to say good - bye. The Judge would
 breath. The search - ers came, she sent them on. With Ra - hab's help God's men had won. She left a
 sure. My fu - ture filled with pain and loss, Then Je - sus died u - pon the cross. As Je - sus

skin! A lamb must die to co - ver guilt they could not hide. The scar - let
 brought a lamb in - stead Its blood u - pon the al - tar shed. Cain's fruit was
 wood, he took the knife, He took his son to sac - ri - fice. An an - gel
 pass by one lamb's blood; The blood app - lied would stem the flood. God's mer - cy
 sign, a scar - let thread To save her house and all she had. The ci - ty
 cried, with His last breath He con - quered sin, de - feat - ed death. He paid the

thread of his - to - ry be - gan to point to Cal - va - ry.
 shunned u - pon that day While blood cleansed A - bel's guilt a - way.
 called "Ful - fill God's plan Set I - saac free; be - hold a lamb."
 shown once more to man, Re - vealed to us God's mas - ter plan.
 fell down came the wall, But Ra - hab's house sur - vived the fall.
 price, He bore my shame. He set me free, O praise His name!

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