



Church in Regina Newsletter

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Rom. 12:1, I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to **present** your bodies a **living sacrifice**, holy, well pleasing to God,

Our service must come out of the burning of God's **fire**. This fire should be the energy, the driving force, the impulse within us.

This Week's Pursuit: Crystallization Study of Leviticus, Week 03

The Continual Burnt Offering— a Living Sacrifice

Scripture Reading: Lev. 1:3-4, 8-9; 6:9, 12a, 13; Heb. 12:29; Rom. 12:1

In this universe there is such a One who lived a life absolutely for God... Christ came to do **the will** of the Father; He came in the Father's **name** and not in His own name. He **did** nothing from Himself, and He **spoke** not His own words but as His Father taught Him... He was God incarnate; He **lived absolutely** for God, and He **offered Himself** to God as the burnt offering, without blemish or spot. While everyone else is for himself, God made the provision to have Christ as the spotless Lamb as our burnt offering that we may lay our hands on Him and be identified with Him.

From the time we were born we are taught to develop **ourselves**, live for **ourselves**, do things by **ourselves**, and take care of our **ourselves**. By default we live for **ourselves** and to **ourselves**. We were meant to **live for God** and be absolutely for God, but we live for **ourselves**. Therefore, Christ came as the reality of the **burnt offering**, fulfilling the type of this offering through His living on earth. He lived a perfect human life, and He did everything from God, to God, and for God's glory. His words were God's words, His actions were God's actions, and He took the Father as the source and goal of everything He said and did.

The Divine Trinity seen in the Type of the Burnt Offering

The entire Divine Trinity is revealed in the type of the burnt offering – Christ **the Son** is the burnt offering, the tent of meeting, and the offerer; Jehovah as the Receiver and the fire is actually **God the Father**; and the water washing the inward parts is a type of **the Spirit**. The entire Divine Trinity works together and coordinates together to make a way for us to enter into God, experience God, and be absolutely for God.

The Need for Continual Burnt Offering

Today in our Christian life and in our church life there's a need for the **continual** burnt offering, that is, there's the need for a continual consecration, a continual offering ourselves to the Lord. The burnt offering is so significant and wonderful: the entire Divine Trinity is involved in the aspects of this offering, and Christ Himself is the burnt offering; all the details of the burnt offering are so rich in meaning, but what is the application of this offering to our experience in the church and the Christian life?

According to the law of the burnt offering, this offering had to be offered continually on the altar, **day and night**, and the priests had to add wood on the fire day and night... In the application of the burnt offering to our experience, although we cannot say that the burnt offering is our consecration, we can say that it is **intimately related to our consecration**. Our consecration is intimately related to the experience of the burnt offering.

Never say that you consecrated when you first got saved – **that's too long ago**. Don't say you consecrated last month or last year. **Every day** there has to be a fresh application of our consecration. We need to live a life of a continual burnt offering, and our consecration should not be only so often but **continual**. Whether we are up or down, victorious or defeated, we need to consecrate ourselves to the Lord. Whether we feel like it or not, our burnt offering has to be **continual**. Our consecration is not an activity that we do from time to time, when we are up in our Christian life, but a living, a life. We need to live a life of continual consecration, a life of continual burnt offering for God's satisfaction, in our Christian life and church life.

The **daily burnt offering** in the Old Testament typifies that we in the New Testament who belong to God should offer ourselves daily to God (Num. 28:3-8). We need to daily offer ourselves to God, renewing our consecration to Him in the morning and in the evening, determining not to do anything but turning our life over to Him. It is good to tell the Lord early in the morning and late in the evening, "*Lord, thank You for this day: I offer myself to You, and I take You as my burnt offering. I am just an unprofitable slave – I do all I can, but I take You as my burnt offering, for You are the One who is absolute for God and wholly for His satisfaction. When God sees our consecration, He appreciates our being a living sacrifice, and He is satisfied.*"

Then our **service** will be out of God, not out of ourselves, but a sweet fragrance of Christ.

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Lord's Table Meeting

Lord's Day
10:00AM to 12:00PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Saints Homes
7:30PM to 8:30PM

YP Meeting

Fridays
7:00PM to 9:00PM
Brother Joseph's Place

Small/Home Meeting

Friday/Saturday
Evenings
Saint's Home

2018 SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

1. International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
2. ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018
3. Memorial Day Conference Kansas City, Missouri: May 25-28, 2018
4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA: July 2-7, 2018
5. ITERO (Fall) Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: October 4-6, 2018
6. Thanksgiving Conference Charlotte, North Carolina: November 22-25, 2018
7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA: December 24-29, 2018

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. The Arcola Community Centre Administrator requested if we can end our **meeting** promptly at noon because there will be another group using the hall after us on July 29, 2018. Please note that our meeting next week will be from **9:45am to 11:45am**.
2. For the YP registered for SST, please get your "**things to bring and not to bring**" list from brother Hendrick after the meeting.
3. **Sisters' meeting** will be on **July 22, 2018**, at **3:00 pm** in Sister Marilyn's home.

PRAYER BURDEN

1. Lord Jesus, we realize that we are not for You but so much for **ourselves**, so we need to take You as our **burnt offering**. We take You as our burnt offering so that we may be enabled to **be for God**.

2. Lord Jesus, thank You for living a life of **not doing anything out of Yourself, not doing Your own work, not speaking Your own words, not doing Your own will, and not seeking Your glory**. You are the only One qualified to be the burnt offering and we want to experience You in Your experiences as the burnt offering so that You in us may enable us to **live** a **restricted life** that is **wholly** for God.

3. Lord, we want to enjoy the **divine dispensing** of the Divine Trinity by enjoying and experiencing You in the type of the burnt offering. Dispense Yourself into us that we may **partake all riches of the Divine Trinity as seen in the burnt offering**.

4. Lord Jesus, we **consecrate** ourselves to You. Shine on us more today so that we may live a life of the **continual** burnt offering. We don't want to look at our **low condition** and our **feeling of not being qualified**. We simply **exercise our spirit**, place ourselves on the altar and consecrate ourselves to You for Your satisfaction.

5. Lord, we present ourselves as **living sacrifice** to God. Although we are many, there is only **one sacrifice** and **one service** offered in the **one Body of Christ**. Thank You Lord that as we offer ourselves to You **continually**, You can also use us **continually**.

6. Lord, we pray that our **service** to You be based on the **fire** from the altar of burnt offering. Spare us from making our **own fire** with which to serve You. May we simply offer ourselves to You in a practical way for Your holy service and may be allow You to come in to **burn in us** and **burn us** so that we may be well-pleasing to You.

7. Please pray for:

- ▶ **Spain**: the final **payment** of \$260,000 for the purchase of the meeting hall in Madrid due on July 30
- ▶ **GTCA**: the ongoing **follow-up** and the **shepherding care** for the many people who were contacted and who received a Bible and books
- ▶ **UK-London**: the **University Training** on August 12-17, 2018, at Bower House, to perfect and told the college students into a useful vessels in the Lord's hand for the building up of His Body
- ▶ **Poland**: Senior, YP, Parents & Children **Conference** to run concurrently in July 29 to August 4, 2018

8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.

- ▶ Young people and serving ones who are going to **SST** on August 6-11, 2018
- ▶ the saint to be **rooted** and **walk in Him**
- ▶ Sister **Kim Longaquit** moving to Regina
- ▶ Special prayer for brother **Dindo Ballao** and family coming to Canada

LIFE STUDY OF COLOSSIANS

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

Presenting Every Man Full-Grown in Christ

July 16, 2018, Monday (Message 16)

Even in preaching the gospel, **our aim should be to impart life in order to present others mature, full-grown, in Christ**. As we preach the gospel to unbelievers, minister Christ to them, and help them to receive the Lord, our goal is not merely that they should be saved from the lake of fire and from God's condemnation. Our goal is not only for them to experience God's forgiveness; it is to minister Christ into them so that they may eventually be presented full-grown in Christ. If we fail to impart Christ to others as we preach the gospel, our gospel preaching will fall short of God's standard. Christ must be infused into all those to whom we speak. **Imparting Christ should be our aim in our gospel preaching**. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 16, section 1)

Struggling According to the Operation of Christ

July 17, 2018, Tuesday (Message 17)

Only after their hearts had been comforted could the Colossians receive the revelation concerning Christ. Because this matter is so important, this book emphasizes the heart instead of the spirit. We cannot present others full-grown in Christ unless their hearts have been comforted. If their hearts have not been cherished, they will not be able to receive anything we minister to them concerning Christ. Therefore, **the first step in presenting others full-grown in Christ is to comfort their hearts unto all the riches of the full assurance of understanding**. Especially the leading ones should look to the Lord for the grace to be able to comfort all the distracted, dissatisfied, and disappointed hearts. When the hearts of the saints have been comforted, it will be easy for us to minister the riches of Christ to them. But if the saints have problems in their hearts, they will have trouble with their minds. **The only way to solve the problems in the mind is for the hearts to be adjusted through the Lord's cherishing**. This is a crucial lesson for us all to learn. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 17, section 3)

Christ—the Mystery of God

July 18, 2018, Wednesday (Message 18)

God Himself is a mystery, and Christ is the mystery of this mystery. Surely we cannot fathom such a mystery simply by reading the letter of the Scriptures. Since Christ dwells in our spirit, we need to exercise our spirit in order to know Him as the mystery of God. Never regard Christ as a mere object to be known in an outward way. As the crucified and resurrected One, He is living both on the throne in the heavens and in our spirit as well. Hence, it is of utmost importance that we exercise our spirit to contact Him. This means that **we must open up from the depths of our being and call on Him**. Our spirit is our deepest part, deeper than the heart and all the parts of the soul. Therefore, **to exercise our spirit is to open the deepest part of our being to call on the name of the Lord Jesus and to contact Him as the living One within us**. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 17, section 1)

The Experience of Christ as the Mystery of God

July 19, 2018, Thursday (Message 19)

If we would experience Christ as the mystery of God, **we need to have the full knowledge of Him as God's mystery**. We have pointed out that Paul struggled for the Colossians that their hearts would be comforted **"unto the full knowledge of the mystery of God, Christ"**. **In order to have the full knowledge of such a mystery, our whole being needs to be exercised. If we simply believe in Christ without loving Him, we cannot have this knowledge**. Likewise, if we love Him partially but not wholly, we cannot have the full knowledge of Him. We need to love the Lord Jesus with our whole being. For this reason, Mark 12:30, quoting Deuteronomy 6:5, says, **"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind, and with all thy strength."** **When our entire being is exercised to love the Lord Jesus, we shall gain the full knowledge of Him**. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 19, section 1)

To Walk in Christ, the Mystery of God

July 20, 2018, Friday (Message 20)

Having the full assurance that the all-inclusive Spirit is mingled with our spirit, **we should set our minds on this mingled spirit**. By doing this, we are spontaneously setting our minds on Christ. Then we must go on to walk in this mingled spirit. This means that **we must live, move, behave, and have our being according to the spirit**. In this way we shall experience Christ and enjoy Him as the good land. Nothing in the New Testament is more central, crucial, and vital than walking according to the mingled spirit. **Christ as the all-inclusive Spirit dwells in our spirit to be our life, our person, and our everything. Our need today is to return to Him, to set our minds on the spirit, and to walk according to the spirit**. This is to walk in Christ as the mystery of God. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 20, section 3)

Upcoming Activities

July 22, 2018 - Sister's Meeting, Sister Malou's place at 3:00 PM

July 28, 2018 - Brother's Meeting, Brother Dario's place at 6:00 PM

July 29, 2018 - Churching at Lloydminster, Brother Dario and Eric