

Church in Regina Newsletter

Meeting Place: 3860 Buckingham Drive E, Regina, SK, Canada S4V 3A1

2 Cor. 5:21 "Him who did not know sin He made sin on our behalf that we might become the righteousness of God in Him."

"The manifestation of Christ is to destroy the works of the devil, undo (his work)"

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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

This Weeks's Pursuit: Crystallization Study of Leviticus, Week 07

The Reality of the Sin Offering, the Bronze Serpent, and the Destruction of the Devil

Reading: Lev. 4:3; 2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 8:3; John 1:14; 3:14; 12:31; 1 John 3:8b; Heb. 2:14

The **reality** of the sin offering ordained by God for His people in Lev. 4:3 is **Christ**; He was made sin on our behalf, so that we may become the righteousness of God in Him (2 Cor. 5:21). First of all, to set things straight, Christ never sinned, neither was He sinful; the Bible tells us that He came in the likeness of the flesh of sin, but He did not have sin in the flesh. We don't understand how can this be, but what we know is that God became a man, and the **essence** of Christ as the first God-man is God Himself.

Christ came in the likeness of the flesh of sin, and He went to the cross in the flesh; when His flesh was crucified, sin was condemned because sin is related to the flesh. God judged Jesus on the cross because He was a man in the flesh (without any sin in the flesh but still having the likeness of the flesh of sin), and so He judged sin. When God judged Jesus, He judged the flesh and sin.

The Lord Himself spoke of His crucifixion and its result in John 3:14 when He said that just as Moses raised the **bronze serpent** in the wilderness, so He will be raised up, and He will draw all men to Himself. The bronze serpent was raised on a pole in the wilderness; this serpent had the likeness of the snakes that were biting the Israelites, but it didn't have its poison. Christ was raised on the cross to be the bronze serpent; He didn't have the poison of sin, but He had the likeness of the flesh of sin, so God judged sin in the flesh. He was not only a sinful person in likeness, even as the bronze serpent was a serpent in form, but He was also made sin by God. This is both mysterious and wonderful, for if Jesus had not been made sin, sin could not have been judged when He was crucified.

"And through death to destroy the devil who has the might of death destroy (his person)"

2018 SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

- 1. International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
- 2. ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018
- 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

When the Lord **died** on the cross, Christ destroyed the devil – this is a fact, this actually happened, and this fact cannot be changed. But we shouldn't take in the thought that there's no devil around, so then we don't have to worry. God has His way of incrementally and gradually executing this act of destruction of Satan.

The devil is still active in this age of the **church**, and the main **responsibility** of the church is to maintain, proclaim, and **testify** the victory of Christ in the midst of the warfare. Therefore, we need to be aware of Satan's tactics. If we are angry, we should not sin, for we will give Satan a possibility to come in. We should not continue in the anger, and we should not allow the sun to go down on our indignation, our vexation, for if we do that, we give place to the devil. If we are aware of any anger in our being about any situation, we need to seek the Lord to let it go, so that we don't give place to the devil unintentionally. Especially in the family life between the husband and wife, and in the church life, we need to let it go!

Finally, praise the Lord, we can overcome the enemy because of the **blood** of the Lamb and because of the **word** of our testimony. The blood of the Lamb is for our redemption. The devil accuses us day and night – he slanders God to us, and he accuses us before God. We shouldn't talk to the enemy – simply point him to the blood, and then declare the word of our testimony. The word of our testimony is not a testimony of what we're experiencing, but a testimony of the Lord's victory! Hallelujah, Christ destroyed the devil! Once the Lord enlighten us, we repent and confess; but then Satan comes to accuse us – so we need to apply the blood of the Lamb, reject Satan's accusations, and counter them with the blood of the Lamb.

If the enemy still bothers us, we need to **speak** to him the word of our testimony, telling him that Christ destroyed the devil on the cross, Satan was defeated, and **Jesus is Lord and on the throne**! This is what an overcomer does; an overcomer is not a super hero, but one who overcomes because of the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony. Hallelujah!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Please get your copy of the Holy Word for Morning Revival Leviticus Book 2.
- 2. Almost all the saint will be attending the conference in Calgary on August 18-19, 2018. And they will be joining also in the Lord's Table Meeting, after the conference. For those who will stay, you have the option to meet at the meeting hall or at your homes.
- 3. We received a letter for the upcoming Thanksgiving Conference in Charlotte, North Carolina, on November 22-25, 2018. Please register on or before November 1, 2018.
- 4. Our combined prayer meeting on September 4, 2018, will be held at sister Evangeline's house

PRAYER BURDEN

- 1. Thank You, Lord for being our **Substitute**, even being sin itself. You are the **reality** of the sin offering. We appreciate Your being made sin on our behalf to be **judged** by God as the **unique sinner** once and for all.
- 2. We praise You for being the **Word** that became **flesh**, for **entering** into humanity and becoming **one** with sinful man, having the "**likeness of the flesh of sin**" so that God could **condemn sin** in the flesh.
- 3. We praise You as the **Son of Man** who was lifted up, the reality of the **bronze serpent**. Thank You for Your **death** that caused the **indwelling sin** to be **condemned** in the flesh and be **abolished** by God.
- 4. Thank You, Lord for dealing with the entire fallen human race. Although we are **serpents** with a **serpentine nature**, You became our Substitute who died for us in the **form** of a serpent, without having the **poisonous** element of the serpent.
- 5. Thank You, Lord for our salvation and for destroying, undoing, and dissolving the works of the devil. Praise You for being the Son of God who was manifested to destroy Satan's works, the power of sin, and taking away both sin and sins.
- 6. Praise You for crushing the head of the devil, for judging the ruler of this world and for casting him out. Hallelujah, through You as the reality of the sin offering, the devil has been destroyed!

7. Please pray for:

- Switzerland: The raising up of the lamp stand in St. Gallen, on August 26, 2018, 13 saints and 2 children
- ▶ UK: still pray the Training Facility at Woodland Camp, London
- The **ITERO** on October 4-6, 2018, in Ethiopia North Africa
- The church in **Lloydminster:** Longaquit family, Dabu family, Rivera family
- The church in **Saskatoon:** brother August Libio & family moving to Brampton, ON
- 8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.
 - ▶ Chinese speaking small group meeting
 - Brother Ric Salvador and family moving to Regina
 - ► Sister Kim Longaquit to settle in Regina Send brother Dindo and family to Canada
 - ► Church financial needs Children, Yp, Campus Work, Training

LIFE STUDY OF COLOSSIANS

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

The All-Inclusive Christ Versus Culture

August 13, 2018, Monday (Message 36)

Many things hinder the accomplishment of God's full salvation. Two of the more obvious hindrances are sin and worldliness. The most subtle hindrance, however, is culture. Culture frustrates God's chosen people from experiencing Christ and enjoying Him. The all-inclusive Christ is versus culture. However, we are not saying that we should drop our culture and act like barbarians. We are by no means encouraging anyone to act as if we are free of culture. Those who do not have Christ certainly need culture. As children are growing up, they need not only culture, but also the law. But after we have received Christ, we should not allow our culture to limit Christ or to frustrate us from experiencing Him. Prior to receiving Christ, all people need culture. But after receiving Christ, we should live according to Christ, not according to culture. Do not think that culture is unnecessary. Culture preserves, regulates, and improves people. But after Christ has come into us, in our experience we should begin to live by Christ. The problem is that Christ is limited by our culture. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 36, section 1)

Christ in You

August 14, 2018, Tuesday (Message 37)

If we were not in Christ, Christ could not be in us. According to the New Testament, Christ's being in us is based upon the fact that we are in Him. In John 15:4, the Lord Jesus said, "Abide in Me and I in you." If we abide in Christ, He will abide in us. Once again we see that to be in Christ is a matter of position, whereas to have Christ in us is a matter of experience and enjoyment. My burden in this message is not to tell you that we are in Christ. It is to point out that Christ is in us. Simply knowing that we are in Christ does not give us the experience of Christ or the enjoyment of Christ. However, this position does give us the right and privilege to claim the enjoyment and experience of Christ. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 37, section 2)

Christ Lives in Me

August 15, 2018, Wednesday (Message 38)

In the church life, God does not want us to be doing so much; He simply wants Christ to live in us and grow in us. If I have a vision of Galatians 2:20—that it is no longer I, but Christ who lives in me—I shall never assume that I can do anything. I shall spontaneously cease from all my trying, for I shall realize that I am nothing and nobody and that Christ is everything. As the One who dwells in us to be our life, He is everything to us. He is our holiness, our power, and our wisdom. But He needs to be given the opportunity to be everything in us. If we give Him the ground, He will come in to be everything and to do everything. This is what it means to let Christ live in us. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 38, section 3)

To Live Christ

August 16, 2018, Thursday (Message 39)

My burden in this message is that our eyes would be opened to see that what God wants is Christ lived out from within us. His concern is not that we be balanced, but that we be one with Christ and live Christ. God wants us to live Christ. You may be a young person, but you should live Christ, not the life of a typical young person. To be balanced, subdued, or refined is not the way to live Christ. The way to live Christ is in prayer to contact Christ as the lifegiving Spirit within us. As we pray ourselves into an atmosphere of genuine prayer, we shall live Christ spontaneously. I can testify that this is real and that we all can experience it. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 39, section 3)

Objective Revelation, Subjective Ministry, and Practical Experience August 17, 2018, Friday (Message 40)

The **subjective** ministry of the **objective** Christ is the completing of the word of God. Hence, the completing of God's word is not mere doctrine; it is a matter of ministry. Through the subjective ministry, the objective Christ becomes the very Christ in us, according to verse 27. In verses 25 through 29 Christ is no longer merely objective, for He is now the subjective Christ dwelling in us to be our hope of glory. He has become subjective because He has been dispensed into us through the ministry of the steward. Now the objective Christ has become the subjective Christ, the Christ living in us. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of Colossians, chapter 40, section 2)

Upcoming Activities

August 26, 2018 - YP Conference and Brother's Meeting
September 03, 2018 - Church Pursuit: The Kingdom, msg.1
September 9, 2018 - Church Love Feast and Sister's Meeting