

# **Church in Regina Newsletter**

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Exodus 29:1 "And this is what you shall do to them [the sons of Aaron] to sanctify them to serve Me as priests:..."

in Zechariah:

"The seven eyes are the eyes of the stone for <mark>building</mark>"

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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
- Fridays
  7:00PM to 9:00PM
  Brother Joseph's Place
- Friday/Saturday
  Evenings
  Saint's Home

This Weeks's Pursuit:

# HWMR - CRYSTALLIZATION STUDY OF LEVITICUS, Book 3, Week 1 (2)

The Basis of All Our Priestly Service—
the Fire from the Altar of Burnt Offering

Scripture Reading: Lev. 9:24; 6:12-13; 10:1-11; Heb. 12:29; Luke 12:49-50; Rev. 4:5; Exo. 3:2-6

The **source** of our service must be God Himself, and the **basis** of our service must be the fire from the altar. The basis refers to the ground, to the fundamental principles, upon which one stands. Our service needs not only a proper source but also a proper basis. Suppose the president sends someone to carry out an investigation. While that investigator may have been sent by the proper and official source, he still needs a proper basis to carry out his investigation and to do his work successfully. Likewise, in our service to the Lord we need the proper basis. Although the source of our service is God, we may still base our service on our own zeal or knowledge.

Leviticus 9 and 10 clearly unveil that the proper basis for serving God must be the fire from the altar of burnt offering. Apart from this basis our service is improper. We serve because we have been sent by God, that is, because He is Our source of our service and because there is a fire burning within us. God, who is the source of our service, is also the fire burning in us as our energy and fuel for our service. Thus, we cannot serve on the basis of our zeal, knowledge, ability, or training. Not only do such things disqualify us from serving, but basing our service on them will incur judgment upon our service. We need to view service as a very serious matter. We should not naively serve simply because there is a need, because we want to work for God, or because we have the ability and enjoy that kind of work. These cannot be the basis of our service. The unique basis of our service must be the fire from the altar. If we take other things as our basis of service, we may incur the judgment of God who, as we will see, is a consuming fire. He may let us go in this age, but in the next age the fire will test each one's work, to determine of what sort it is. (Except - The Ministry of the Word, Crystallization-study of Leviticus 2)

in Revelation:

"The seven eyes are the eyes of the Lamb for <mark>redemption</mark>"

#### 2018 SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

- International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
- ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018
- 3. Memorial Day Conference Kansas City, Missouri: May 25-28, 2018
- 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

#### THE FIRE FROM THE ALTAR BEING THE GENUINE MOTIVATING POWER OF SERVICE

The only thing that God does concerning man's service is to send His fire to burn within man. To serve God and to work for Him mean that man is joined to God and is mingled with God. It seems as though man is serving God. However, the service comes out of God; it does not originate in man. The service is God moving through man. Without the human element, there cannot be service. However, if there is only the human element, the service is not acceptable to God. In order for our service to have spiritual value and be acceptable to God, He must move through us and serve through us. This is the purpose of the altar. God is calling those who love Him and desire to satisfy His heart's desire to offer themselves on the altar.

In Romans 12:1 the apostle Paul exhorts us to **present our bodies a living sacrifice**... If we are willing to present ourselves **on the altar**, the divine fire will come down on us and pass through us. The issue of this burning will be our service, our work. On the one hand, it was Peter who stood up on the day of Pentecost to preach the gospel (Acts 2:14-41); on the other hand, it was God who preached the gospel. It was the fire of God burning in Peter and speaking through Peter. This is an example of man being gained by God and of God being gained by man. God and man were joined and mingled together.

Genuine Christian service is not of man. Rather, **genuine Christian service is God moving through man**. God does not force man to receive Him. God has erected an altar, and those who are willing, those who love Him, may come forward willingly to be dealt with, broken, and placed on the altar. Such a person can say, "Lord, here I am. My only desire is to satisfy Your need." If we would offer ourselves sincerely in this way, fire will descend from heaven and burn us. This burning will become the energy that moves us. The issue of this burning will be our service. God wants His fire to burn in us. (Excerpt from The Service for Building Up the House of God, Chapter 2)

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- 1. The evening Lord's Table Meeting tonight, November 18, 2018, is at Sister Venus' place at 6:30pm.
- 2. Please get 10 copies of the NT Recovery Version for our personal Bible distribution.
- 3. Churching in Saskatoon December 2, 2018

#### PRAYER BURDEN

1. We praise You, Lord as the **consuming fire**. Thank You we all have been burned by this fire; and we have been brought together by this fire. Burden us that we would also burn many others that the **fire of life** may burn on.

- 2. Lord, we cling to the **Word of God** that burns us and many of the things in which we have confidence in. Grant us a desire to serve You and know You as the God who is a consuming fire. Burn and energize us to **serve**, even to **sacrifice** our lives.
- 3. Lord, may the cause and issue of our **priestly service** be **based** on the **fire** from the altar of the burnt offering. **Purify** us that our service may come out of **Your burning**.
- 4. Lord, we want to serve You not out of ourselves but out of the **fire from the altar**. May we love You more to offer ourselves willingly, to forsake everything, and to place ourselves in Your hands to be broken.
- 5. Lord, we want to serve You in a genuine way. May we know the cross and place ourselves on the cross in order to be gained by You and to allow the divine fire to burn within us. May our work be of gold, silver, and previous stones and stand the test of fire in that day.
- 6. Lord, we don't want to serve You with **strange fire**, a fire based on our **natural self**. Save us from serving in this way and from suffering **spiritual death**. May we realize that we are but a **thornbush**, burning in spirit, serving You as slaves.
- 7. Please pray for:

#### Canada:

Offerings - Fellowship unto the Gospel Vancouver - construction of the Meeting Hall

#### **▶** GTCA:

Burnaby, BC

Vaughan, ON

London, ON

Terry & Ruth Kropf to go wherever the Lord may send them.

#### NTRV:

Translation in French language in Montreal (www.courantdevie.fr)

#### **Bibles for Canada**

All the saints to distribute 10 Bibles each.

Advertising the NTRV in every local church Offering for printing and translation:
English Bible = \$2000
French Bible = \$600

- 8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.
  - ▶ Sister Young and family moving to BC
  - ▶ Shepherds for Children's Meeting
  - ► Care for the Chinese-speaking families: Brother Jerry & Brother Jacky's family
  - ▶ Bible distribution in Saiast
  - ▶ Gain local testimony
  - ▶ Brother Dindo and family PR approval

### STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS "One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

### **Transformation for the Building**

November 12, 2018, Monday (Message 31)

In the building of the church we ourselves are used as material. Since we are the building material, we need to ask what kind of material we are. Are we wood or gold, silver or grass, precious stones or stubble? Many of us may answer this question by saying that we are in the process of transformation. Therefore, in a sense we are both wood and gold, grass and silver, stubble and precious stones. Using an example from the insect world, we may compare ourselves to a caterpillar in a cocoon in the process of becoming a butterfly. On the one hand, we are still a caterpillar; on the other hand, there are signs that we are becoming a butterfly. The process of transformation has begun, but it is **not yet complete**. We are all on the way of transformation; we are in the **process of being transformed**. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 31, section 2)

#### **Building or Destroying the Temple of God?**

November 13, 2018, Tuesday (Message 32)

First, we ourselves must become gold, silver, and precious stones. Then, spontaneously, we build ourselves into the Body. In this way we build ourselves up upon Christ as the unique foundation. The more we are transformed, the more we build upon Christ as the foundation. Furthermore, as we minister the Triune God to others—the Father as the golden element, the Son with His practical redemption, and the Spirit with the work of transformation—they will be infused and nourished. Then gradually one by one they will become the same category of precious materials. They will be in the same condition and situation, receive the same nourishment, and have the same destiny. Eventually, the Lord will get the church He desires—the Body as the corporate expression of Christ. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 32, section 2)

#### All Things for the Church and the Church for Christ

November 14, 2018, Wednesday (Message 33)

God uses everything to perfect us. Hence, all things are for us, we are for Christ, and Christ is for God. God uses everything to perfect us so that we may be the living Body of Christ. Therefore, we are the Body for Christ, and Christ is the expression of God. Thus, Christ is for God. God is expressed through Christ, Christ is expressed through us, and we are perfected through all things. If we see this, we shall not complain or have any preference, choice, or selection. Furthermore, we shall be content to receive all that God ordains for us. If God ordains a difficult church life for you, you should accept it and praise Him for it. God may ordain a difficult husband or wife. He may even ordain death. But even a difficult spouse or death itself is for us and is used to perfect us. Therefore, we need to receive what God has ordained and acknowledge that it is being used by Him to perfect us. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians chapter 33, section 3)

#### **Stewards of the Mysteries of God (1)**

November 15, 2018, Thursday (Message 34)

The subject of 1 Corinthians 4 is **stewards** of the mysteries of God. The focus of this chapter is neither Christ nor the church; it is the stewards of God's mysteries. In 4:1 Paul says, "In this way let a man account of us, as servants of Christ and stewards of the mysteries of God." The Greek word rendered stewards in this verse is of the same root as the word economy or dispensation in 1 Timothy 1:4 and Ephesians 1:10. It means a dispensing steward, a household administrator, one who dispenses the household supply to its members. The apostles were appointed by the Lord to be such stewards, dispensing God's mysteries, which are Christ as the mystery of God and the church as the mystery of Christ, to the believers. The dispensing service, the stewardship, is the ministry of the apostles. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians chapter 34, section 1)

#### Stewards of the Mysteries of God (2)

November 16, 2018, Friday (Message 35)

All the elders need to have the kind of humanity illustrated in this chapter. Only those elders with a genuine humanity can build up the church. Those who are clever, political, and who never offend others and never make mistakes cannot build up the church. However, I do not mean that those who are careless can be useful in building up the church. My point here is that elders with a true humanity, a humanity without pretense, can build up the church. All the saints need to have this kind of humanity. Both in the church life and in married life, we need to be genuine. We should not hide or pretend, but, like Paul, have a genuine humanity and a true spirituality. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 35, section 2)

#### **Upcoming Activities**

November 25, 2018 - Brother's Meeting

December 09, 2018 - Love Feast & Sister's Meeting
December 16, 2018 - Churching in Lloydminster

December 30, 2018 - Children's Fun Day