

## “WORD OF LIFE”

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### 38. CHRIST IN HIS PERSON (18) – In the Fulfillment of the OT Prophecies

#### N 48. Shiloh—Pacifier

Hymns: # 1179 / # 222 / # 28

✚ “...the words which I have spoken to you are **spirit** and are **life**” (John 6:63)

[Prophecy]

Gen. 49:10 - The scepter will not depart from Judah, Nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet,  
Until **Shiloh** comes, And to Him shall be the obedience of the peoples.

[Fulfillment]

Eph. 2:14 - For He Himself is **our peace**, He who has made both one and has broken down the middle wall of partition, the enmity,

Eph. 2:15 - Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create **the two** in Himself into one new man, **so making peace**,

Eph. 2:16 - And might **reconcile both** in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it.

✚ “...to **reveal His Son in me...**” (Gal. 1:16a)

#### ❖ Christ as **Shiloh**, the **Pacifier**

- Genesis 49:10 is a **prophecy** concerning **Christ** as the **Pacifier**.

*“The scepter shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until **Shiloh** come; and unto him shall the gathering of the people be.”*

- As the **Pacifier** Christ is not only the **Peacemaker**;
- He is also the One who **rectifies** the situation between us and God and between us and one another.
- Christ has made propitiation for us so that there may now be **peace** between God and us.

- This was **fulfilled** in Ephesians 2:14-16.

*“He Himself is **our peace**, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of partition, the enmity.”*

*“Having abolished in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create **the two** in Himself into one new man, making **peace**.”*

*“And might **reconcile both** in one Body to God through the cross, slaying the enmity by it.”*

Here “**our**”, “**the two**”, “**both**”, **refer** to both Jewish and Gentile believers.

[verse 14]

- **Due** to the fall of mankind and the call of the chosen race, there was a separation between Israel and the Gentiles.

- **Through** Christ’s redemption this separation has been removed.

- **Now** in the redeeming Christ, who is the bond of oneness, **both are one**.

[verse 15]

- **By** Christ’s abolishing in His flesh the separating ordinances

- **and** creating the Jewish and Gentile believers into one new man peace was made between all believers.

[verse 16]

The **cross of Christ**,

- on the one hand, has slain the enmity caused by the ordinances which were given because of the flesh,
- on the other hand, has **redeemed us** with the blood of Christ shed upon it.

✚ “...let all the peoples **speak praise to Him ...**” (Rom. 15:11)

✚ **Christ** has accomplished **full redemption** for both Jewish and Gentile believers, He Himself is our **peace**, our harmony, and **made us one**. Not only us, the uncircumcised Gentiles but also the circumcised Jews were **reconciled** to God through the redemption of Christ accomplished on His cross. We were **reconciled** in **one Body to God**. **Christ** is **Shiloh**, our **Pacifier**.

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### Hymn 1179

- 1 My **old man** has been  
crucified with Him,  
With all its foul corruption  
deep within;  
And **buried** too  
its nature serpentine,  
Completely **finished**—  
this great fact is mine,  
I hold it fast.
- 2 But there's a **Person**  
in my spirit now,  
Born as a babe so small,  
so weak, so low;  
Who by the Word's pure milk  
will grow to be  
The overcoming inner man  
in me  
To gain my heart.
- 3 **Christ** as my **Person**  
must possess my heart  
And be preeminent in every part.  
The former owner died  
but haunts it still.  
O **Lord**, move in;  
my mind, emotion, will  
Now welcome Thee.
- 4 In spirit mingled,  
**we are one**, O **Lord**,  
The human and divine  
in **one accord**;  
Yet Thou must have  
a proper faculty  
That all Thy glorious personality  
May be expressed.
- 5 So, **Lord**, I give my heart  
to Thee today,  
That it may be Thy home  
in every way,  
A place for Thee to come  
and settle down,  
And all Thy grand recovery  
work to crown  
In one **new man**.

### Hymn 222

- 1 Dear **Lord**, we thank Thee  
for this **bread**,  
It is a **sign divine**;  
In it we see the mysteries  
Of God's unique design.
- 2 This **bread** Thy body signifies,  
Which Thou hast giv'n for us,  
That we may share  
Thy life divine,  
**Partaking** of Thee thus.
- 3 For us Thy body Thou didst break  
That Thou may thus **impart**  
Thyself as life to us that we  
May be Thy counterpart.
- 4 This **bread** thus also signifies  
Thy **body mystical**,  
Of which we living members are,  
With Thee identical.
- 5 Though we are many  
**grains of wheat**,  
Yet all one loaf, one bread;  
Remembering Thee  
in such a way,  
With Thee we all are fed.
- 6 As of this **bread** we all commune,  
Thou, **Lord**, dost satisfy;  
With all the saints we fellowship,  
And Thee we testify.

### Hymn 28

- 1 The **love** of **God** is greater far  
Than tongue or pen can ever tell.  
It goes beyond the highest star  
And reaches to the lowest hell.  
The guilty pair,  
bowed down with care,  
**God** gave His **Son** to win;  
His erring child He **reconciled**  
And pardoned from his sin.
- Chorus:*  
O **love** of **God**, how rich and pure!  
How measureless and strong!  
It shall forevermore endure—  
The saints' and angels' song.
- 2 When hoary time shall pass away,  
And earthly thrones  
and kingdoms fall;  
When men who here  
refuse to pray,  
On rocks and hills  
and mountains call;  
God's **love**, so sure,  
shall still endure,  
All measureless and strong;  
**Redeeming grace**  
to Adam's race—  
The saints' and angels' song.
- 3 Could we with ink the ocean fill,  
And were the skies  
of parchment made;  
Were every stalk on earth a quill,  
And every man a scribe by trade;  
To write the **love** of **God** above  
Would drain the ocean dry;  
Nor could the scroll  
contain the whole,  
Though stretched from sky to sky.