

Life-Study of Leviticus Summary - Messages 26-30

The Law of the Trespass Offering

Like the meal offering and the sin offering, **the trespass offering is most holy**. This signifies that Christ as our trespass offering is most holy in dealing with his sins in our conduct. When we apply Christ as our trespass offering, **we should never apply Him in a loose or careless way**, much less a **sinful way**. Christ as our trespass offering is based upon His being the burnt offering to God. All the stronger ones can enjoy Christ as the trespass offering in ministering Christ to others. This enjoyment must be in a holy place. We experience **Christ as our covering**, protecting, and preserving power when we minister Him as the burnt offering to others. As long as we serve Christ to others, we will have as our enjoyment the very Christ whom we serve.

The Law of the Peace Offering

We who enjoy Christ as our offering to God should keep the excellent part of the person of Christ for God that we might not be put aside from the fellowship of the enjoyment of Christ. **We should offer the excellent part of Christ to God for His satisfaction**, with the **loving part of Christ in resurrection for the serving ones' enjoyment**. The enjoyment of Christ's loving capacity and strengthening power is related to God's anointing of us for our priesthood. We have been anointed by God to be priests, and **God has allotted to us Christ's loving capacity and strengthening power**. Hence, we can love and stand to serve God as priests.

The Consecration of Aaron and his Sons

Our consecration for the priesthood is not only before God but also **for the church life**. For our consecration, we need to be **washed by the Spirit**. As New Testament priests, we are **adorned** with all the attributes and virtues of Christ. We who have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Lev. 8:14-17 speak of the bull of the sin offering for the consecration of the priesthood. This signifies the **stronger and richer Christ as our sin offering** for the assuming of our New Testament priesthood. In the divine ordination, such a sin offering is applied to us that we may be prevailing priests serving God. Verses 18-21 speak of the ram of the burnt offering which signifies **the strong Christ as our burnt offering** for the assuming of our New Testament priesthood.

The second ram was used as a consecration offering for the consecration of the priesthood. We need a strong Christ for our consecration. **The redeeming blood of Christ cleanses our ears, hands, and feet** for the assuming of our New Testament priesthood. The blood of the redeeming Christ is also for the redemption from our sins.

The tender, excellent, and strong parts of Christ, with the three kinds of cakes, with His sinless but Spirit-mingled humanity in different aspects as food, are offered to God in Christ's resurrection as a satisfying and fragrant offering in the fellowship of His sufferings unto death on the cross for our assuming of the New Testament priesthood. **We have Christ as our daily food without sin, mingled with the spirit, and is so available and easy to take in**. We have the portion of Christ that is for God, and we have **Christ as our strength to stand**. In resurrection Christ is God's portion and our standing power.

God sprinkles us, and our conduct, with the compounded Spirit and the redeeming blood of the cross of Christ to separate us, to make us holy unto Him. **No matter how much God has been working on us, we still need more "coats" of the anointing oil**. After God's portion has been offered to Him and we have enjoyed our portion, something still remains. The inexhaustible riches of Christ should be kept in and by God's holiness. If we realize the seriousness of the consecration of Aaron and his sons, we will realize how much we need the Lord's mercy and the cleansing of His blood. May the Lord be merciful to us and may we hide under the covering of His blood. (Life-Study of Leviticus – Messages 26-30).