Outline of the Messages for the Full-time Training in the Fall Term of 2022

GENERAL SUBJECT: LIVING IN THE REALITY OF THE BODY OF CHRIST BY LEARNING CHRIST AS THE REALITY IS IN JESUS

Message Ten

Living in the Reality of the Body of Christ by Experiencing Christ as the Reality of the Offerings

Scripture Reading: 2 Cor. 5:21; 1 Pet. 2:24; John 6:57; 1 Cor. 10:17; 2 Cor. 1:9; Eph. 1:21; 2:14-17; Phil. 2:17; Heb. 2:17-18; 4:14-16; 10:5-10; Rev. 1:18; 2:8

- I. Christ is the fulfillment, the replacement, and the reality of all the offerings—Heb. 10:5-10.
- II. As the reality of the sin offering, Christ was made sin on our behalf and died on the cross to deal with the sinful nature of our fallen being—2 Cor. 5:21; Rom. 8:3; John 3:14:
 - A. Christ was made sin for us so that through His death on the cross sin might be condemned—Lev. 4:1-3, 13-14, 22-23, 27-28.
 - B. Satan's evil nature in man's flesh was judged on the cross through the death of Christ in the form of a serpent so that the believers may have eternal life—John 3:14-16; 1:14; Rom. 8:3.
 - C. As the One who did not know sin, Christ was made sin on our behalf for us to become the righteousness of God in Him—2 Cor. 5:21.
- III. As the reality of the trespass offering, Christ bore up our sins in His own body and was judged by God on the cross to deal with our sinful deeds that we might be forgiven in our sinful conduct—1 Pet. 2:24; 3:18:
 - A. Taking Christ as our trespass offering with the confession of our sins is the way to keep ourselves in the fellowship of life for our growth in life unto the maturity in life—1 John 1:2-3, 5-9; Acts 24:16.
 - B. Taking Christ as our trespass offering to receive forgiveness of sins issues in our fearing God and loving God—Psa. 130:4; Luke 7:47-50.
- IV. The burnt offering, which was wholly for God's satisfaction, as food for God, signifies Christ as God's pleasure and satisfaction, as the One whose living on earth was absolutely for God—Lev. 1:3; Num. 28:2-3; John 5:30; 6:38; 8:29:
 - A. By laying our hands on Christ as the burnt offering, we are joined to Him, and He and we become one; in such a union, all our weaknesses, defects, and faults are taken on by Him, and all His virtues become ours—Gal. 2:20a.
 - B. We need to take Christ as our burnt offering daily so that we may experience Christ in His experience as a burnt offering, not imitating Christ outwardly but living Him in our daily life—Lev. 1:2-4; 6:12-13; cf. 2 Tim. 2:6; 2 Cor. 5:14-15; Phil. 1:19-21; Acts 27:22-25.

V. As the reality of the meal offering, Christ in His perfect humanity is food for God and for those who have fellowship with God and serve Him—John 7:46; 18:38; 19:4, 6:

- A. The meal offering typifies Christ in His humanity as food for God and especially for those who have fellowship with Him and serve Him—Lev. 2:2-4.
- B. If we eat Christ as the meal offering, we will become what we eat and live by what we eat—John 6:57; 1 Cor. 10:17.
- C. As believers in Christ and members of Christ, we should be the reproduction of Christ as the meal offering—2 Cor. 4:10-11; 1 Cor. 10:17.

VI. As the reality of the peace offering, Christ is the Peacemaker, the One who became the peace between us and God by dying for us—Eph. 2:14-15:

- A. The issue of enjoying Christ as our sin offering, our trespass offering, our burnt offering, and our meal offering is the enjoyment of Christ as the peace offering—Lev. 3:1-2; 6:12; 7:37.
- B. Christ is the peace between God and God's people for their co-enjoyment—cf. 1 Cor. 1:9.
- C. We need to experience Christ as the peace offering for the Body of Christ—Eph. 2:14-17; 4:3; 6:15; Col. 1:20-22; 3:15.
- D. In the church life, we need to be at peace in everything, in every way, and with everyone; for this we need the Lord of peace to give us peace continually in every way—Heb. 12:14; 1 Thes. 5:13b; 2 Thes. 3:16.

VII. As the reality of the wave offering, Christ is the resurrected, living One—Rev. 1:18; Acts 2:24:

- A. The wave offering typifies Christ as the resurrected, living One—Lev. 7:30; 23:10-11; Rev. 1:18; 2:8.
- B. As members of the Body, we need to experience Christ in His resurrection and be brought into resurrection—Eph. 2:5-6; Phil. 3:10-11.
- C. God is working through the cross to terminate us, to bring us to an end, so that we will no longer trust in ourselves but in the God of resurrection—2 Cor. 1:9.

VIII. As the reality of the heave offering, Christ is the powerful One in ascension and exaltation—Eph. 1:21:

- A. The heave offering, an offering heaved up before the Lord, typifies Christ in ascension and exaltation, the One who is "far above all"—Lev. 7:14, 32; Eph. 1:21.
- B. In His ascension Christ was given to be the Head over all things to the church—vv. 22-23.
- C. In His heavenly ministry in ascension, Christ is bearing us in the presence of God and caring for all our needs according to God's desire—Heb. 2:17-18; 4:14-16.

IX. As the reality of the drink offering, Christ is the One who was poured out as wine before God for His satisfaction—Phil. 2:17:

- A. The drink offering typifies Christ as the One poured out as the real wine before God for His satisfaction—Exo. 29:40-41.
- B. The vine depicts the sacrificing Christ, the Christ who sacrificed everything of Himself, and out of His sacrifice He produced new wine to cheer God and man—Judg. 9:13.
- C. The drink offering typifies not only Christ Himself but also the Christ who saturates us with Himself as heavenly wine until He and we become one to be poured out for God's enjoyment and satisfaction and for God's building—Matt. 9:17; Phil. 2:17; 2 Tim. 4:6.