

## Message Five

# Eating Christ as the Meal Offering to Become the Reproduction of Christ for the Fulfillment of God's Purpose

Scripture Reading: Gen. 1:26-27; Lev. 2:1-16; Luke 1:31-32, 35; 2:11

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- Luke 2:11 Because today a Savior has been born to you in David's city, who is Christ the Lord.

### **I. The meal offering typifies Christ in His humanity as food for God and especially for those who have fellowship with God and serve Him—Lev. 2:1.**

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### **II. We need to eat Christ as our meal offering so that He can live again on the earth through us in His divinely enriched humanity—v. 3; John 6:57, 63:**

- Lev 2:3 And what is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'; it is a thing most holy of Jehovah's offerings by fire.
- John 6:57 As the living Father has sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me.
- John 6:63 It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.
- A. By eating Christ as our meal offering, we become the reproduction, duplication, and enlargement of Christ as the meal offering—an offering composed of humanity oiled with divinity in resurrection through Christ's death and without leaven or honey—Lev. 2:1-16.
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- B. By eating Christ as our meal offering, we can live and magnify Him, the wonderful, excellent, and mysterious God-man who lived in the Gospels—Luke 1:35; 3:22; 4:1, 18a; 23:14.
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
- Luke 3:22 And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form as a dove upon Him. And a voice came out of heaven: You are My Son, the Beloved; in You I have found My delight.
- Luke 4:1 And Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, while being tempted for forty days by the devil.
- Luke 4:18a "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, because He has anointed Me to announce the gospel to the poor; ...
- Luke 23:14 Said to them, You have brought this man to me as one who turns the people away, and behold, I have examined Him before you and found no fault in this man regarding the accusations you bring against Him.

### III. The Gospel of Luke unveils the God-man living of the Lord Jesus, the Man-Savior as typified by the meal offering—Lev. 2:1-16:

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#### A. In the Gospel of Luke we see the kind of man that God intended to have in Genesis 1 and 2—Luke 8:39; Gen. 1:26-27; 2:7, 9:

- Luke 8:39 Return to your house, and relate what great things God has done for you. And he departed, proclaiming throughout the whole city what great things Jesus had done for him.
- Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.
- Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- Gen 2:7 Jehovah God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living soul.
- Gen 2:9 And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
1. God's purpose is to have a corporate God-man in order to express Him and represent Him—1:26-27; Luke 1:68-69, 78-79.
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    - Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

- Luke 1:68 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has visited and accomplished redemption for His people,
- Luke 1:69 And raised a horn of salvation for us in the house of David His servant,
- Luke 1:78 Because of the merciful compassions of our God, in which the rising sun will visit us from on high,
- Luke 1:79 To shine upon those sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
2. The incarnation of Christ is closely related to God's purpose in His creation of man—Rev. 4:11; Eph. 1:9; 3:11; Gen. 1:26-27; John 1:14; Luke 1:35.
- Rev 4:11 You are worthy, our Lord and God, to receive the glory and the honor and the power, for You have created all things, and because of Your will they were, and were created.
- Eph 1:9 Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself,
- Eph 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord,
- Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.
- Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
3. The Lord Jesus, the God-man, is a composition of the divine essence with all the divine attributes and the human essence with all the human virtues—vv. 35, 75; 2:40, 52.
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
- Luke 1:75 In holiness and righteousness before Him all our days.
- Luke 2:40 And the little child grew and became strong, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him.
- Luke 2:52 And Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature and in the grace manifested in Him before God and men.
4. The conception of the Savior was God's incarnation (the mingling of God and man as typified by the meal offering), constituted not only by the divine power but also of the divine essence added to the human essence, thus producing the God-man of two natures—divinity and humanity—Lev. 2:4-5; John 1:14; Matt. 1:18, 20; Luke 1:35:
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- Matt 1:18 Now the origin of Jesus Christ was in this way: His mother, Mary, after she had been engaged to Joseph, before they came together, was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit.
- Matt 1:20 But while he pondered these things, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife, for that which has been begotten in her is of the Holy Spirit.
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.

- a. The Man-Savior is a genuine man with the real human nature and the perfect human virtues for the qualification to be man's Savior—1 Tim. 2:5; Heb. 2:14; cf. John 19:5.
- 1 Tim 2:5 For there is one God and one Mediator of God and men, the man Christ Jesus,
- Heb 2:14 Since therefore the children have shared in blood and flesh, He also Himself in like manner partook of the same, that through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil,
- John 19:5 Then Jesus came out, wearing the thorny crown and the purple garment. And he said to them, Behold, the man!
- b. He is also the complete God with the true divine nature and the excellent divine attributes to empower and ensure His ability to save man—Col. 2:9; 1 John 1:7; Acts 20:28.
- Col 2:9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,
- 1 John 1:7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.
- Acts 20:28 Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among whom the Holy Spirit has placed you as overseers to shepherd the church of God, which He obtained through His own blood.
- c. When He was on earth, the Man-Savior lived a life that was the mingling of the divine attributes and the human virtues; this is the highest standard of morality—Luke 2:40, 52.
- Luke 2:40 And the little child grew and became strong, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him.
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- d. Christ expressed in His humanity the bountiful God in His rich attributes through His aromatic virtues, by which He attracted and captivated people, not by living His human life in the flesh but by living His divine life in resurrection—Matt. 4:18-22; 19:13-15; Mark 16:7; Luke 8:1-3.
- Matt 4:18 And while He was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen.
- Matt 4:19 And He said to them, Come after Me, and I will make you fishers of men.
- Matt 4:20 And immediately leaving the nets, they followed Him.
- Matt 4:21 And going on from there, He saw another two brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets; and He called them.
- Matt 4:22 And immediately leaving the boat and their father, they followed Him.
- Matt 19:13 Then little children were brought to Him that He might lay His hands on them and pray, but the disciples rebuked them.
- Matt 19:14 But Jesus said, Allow the little children and do not prevent them from coming to Me, for of such is the kingdom of the heavens.
- Matt 19:15 And after He laid His hands on them, He went on from there.
- Mark 16:7 But go, tell His disciples and Peter that He is going before you into Galilee. There you will see Him, even as He told you.
- Luke 8:1 And soon afterward He journeyed from city to city and village to village, preaching and announcing the gospel of the kingdom of God; and the twelve were with Him,
- Luke 8:2 As well as certain women who were healed of evil spirits and infirmities: Mary, who was called Magdalene, from whom seven demons had gone out,
- Luke 8:3 And Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many other women, who ministered to them out of their possessions.
- e. The divine nature with its attributes was expressed in the Lord's human nature with its virtues; thus, the living of the Lord Jesus was humanly divine and



divinely human—1:26-35; 2:7-16, 34-35, 40, 52.

- Luke 1:26 And in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,
- Luke 1:27 To a virgin engaged to a man named Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's name was Mary.
- Luke 1:28 And he came to her and said, Rejoice, you who have been graced! The Lord is with you.
- Luke 1:29 And she was greatly troubled at this saying and began reasoning what kind of greeting this might be.
- Luke 1:30 And the angel said to her, Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found grace with God.
- Luke 1:31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus.
- Luke 1:32 He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to Him the throne of David His father,
- Luke 1:33 And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.
- Luke 1:34 But Mary said to the angel, How will this be, since I have not known a man?
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
- Luke 2:7 And she bore her firstborn son; and she wrapped Him in swaddling clothes and laid Him in a manger because there was no place for them in the inn.
- Luke 2:8 And there were shepherds in the same region, spending their nights in the fields and keeping watch over their flock by night.
- Luke 2:9 And an angel of the Lord stood by them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them; and they feared greatly.
- Luke 2:10 And the angel said to them, Do not be afraid; for behold, I announce to you good news of great joy, which will be for all the people,
- Luke 2:11 Because today a Savior has been born to you in David's city, who is Christ the Lord.
- Luke 2:12 And this will be the sign to you: you will find a baby wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger.
- Luke 2:13 And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly army, praising God and saying,
- Luke 2:14 Glory in the highest places to God, and on earth peace among men of His good pleasure.
- Luke 2:15 And when the angels departed from them into heaven, the shepherds spoke to one another, Let us go then to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us.
- Luke 2:16 And they came in haste and found both Mary and Joseph, and the baby lying in the manger.
- Luke 2:34 And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary His mother, Behold, this One is appointed for the falling and rising up of many in Israel and for a sign spoken against-
- Luke 2:35 And a sword will pierce through your own soul also-so that the reasonings of many hearts may be revealed.
- Luke 2:40 And the little child grew and became strong, being filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was upon Him.
- Luke 2:52 And Jesus advanced in wisdom and stature and in the grace manifested in Him before God and men.

B. The Gospel of Luke unveils the ministry of the Man-Savior in His human virtues with His divine attributes—7:1-17, 36-50; 10:25-37; 15:11-32; 23:42-43.

- Luke 7:1 After He completed all His words in the hearing of the people, He entered into Capernaum.
- Luke 7:2 And a certain centurion's slave, who was highly valued by him, was ill and about to die.
- Luke 7:3 And when he heard about Jesus, he sent to Him some elders of the Jews, requesting that He would come and completely heal his slave.

Luke 7:4 And when they came to Jesus, they entreated Him earnestly, saying, He is worthy of Your granting this to him,

Luke 7:5 For he loves our nation, and he himself built the synagogue for us.

Luke 7:6 And Jesus went with them. But already, when He was not far from the house, the centurion sent friends, saying to Him, Lord, do not trouble Yourself, for I am not fit for You to enter under my roof;

Luke 7:7 Therefore, I did not count even myself worthy to come to You. But speak a word, and let my servant be healed.

Luke 7:8 For I also am a man set under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my slave, Do this, and he does it.

Luke 7:9 And when Jesus heard these things, He marveled at him, and turning to the crowd following Him, He said, I say to you, Not even in Israel have I found such great faith.

Luke 7:10 And when those who had been sent returned to the house, they found the slave in good health.

Luke 7:11 And soon afterward He went into a city called Nain, and His disciples went with Him, as well as a large crowd.

Luke 7:12 And as He came near the gate of the city, behold, one who had died was being carried out, an only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a considerable crowd from the city was with her.

Luke 7:13 And when the Lord saw her, He was moved with compassion for her and said to her, Do not weep.

Luke 7:14 And He came near and touched the bier, and those carrying it stood still. And He said, Young man, to you I say, Arise.

Luke 7:15 And the dead man sat up and began to speak. And He gave him to his mother.

Luke 7:16 And fear took hold of all, and they glorified God, saying, A great prophet has been raised up among us, and, God has visited His people!

Luke 7:17 And this report concerning Him went out in the whole of Judea and in all the surrounding region.

Luke 7:36 Now a certain one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He entered into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table.

Luke 7:37 And behold, there was a woman in the city who was a sinner, and when she learned that He was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster flask of ointment.

Luke 7:38 And she stood behind Him at His feet weeping and began to wet His feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head, and she kissed His feet affectionately and anointed them with the ointment.

Luke 7:39 But when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said within himself, This man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what sort of woman this is who is touching Him, because she is a sinner.

Luke 7:40 And Jesus answered and said to him, Simon, I have something to say to you. And he said, Teacher, say it.

Luke 7:41 A certain moneylender had two debtors: one owed five hundred denarii and the other fifty.

Luke 7:42 But since they had nothing with which to repay, he graciously forgave them both. Which of them therefore will love him more?

Luke 7:43 Simon answered and said, I suppose the one whom he graciously forgave the more. And He said to him, You have judged correctly.

Luke 7:44 And turning to the woman, He said to Simon, Do you see this woman? I entered into your house; you did not give Me water for My feet, but she, with her tears, has wet My feet and with her hair has wiped them.

Luke 7:45 You did not give Me a kiss, but she, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing My feet affectionately.

Luke 7:46 You did not anoint My head with oil, but she has anointed My feet with ointment.

Luke 7:47 For this reason I say to you, Her sins which are many are forgiven, because she loved much; but to whom little is forgiven, he loves little.

Luke 7:48 And He said to her, Your sins are forgiven.

Luke 7:49 And those who were reclining at table with Him began to say within themselves, Who is this who even forgives sins?

Luke 7:50 But He said to the woman, Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.

Luke 10:25 And behold, a certain lawyer stood up and put Him to the test, saying, Teacher, what should I do to inherit eternal life?

Luke 10:26 And He said to him, What is written in the law? How do you read it?

Luke 10:27 And he answered and said, "You shall love the Lord your God from your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole strength and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

Luke 10:28 And He said to him, You have answered correctly; do this, and you shall have life.

Luke 10:29 But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, And who is my neighbor?

Luke 10:30 Jesus, taking up the question, said, A certain man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who having both stripped him and beat him, went away, leaving him half dead.

Luke 10:31 And by coincidence a certain priest was going down on that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the opposite side.

Luke 10:32 And likewise also a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the opposite side.

Luke 10:33 But a certain Samaritan, who was journeying, came upon him; and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion;

Luke 10:34 And he came to him and bound up his wounds and poured oil and wine on them. And placing him on his own beast, he brought him to an inn and took care of him.

Luke 10:35 And on the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper and said, Take care of him; and whatever you spend in addition to this, when I return, I will repay you.

Luke 10:36 Which of these three, does it seem to you, has become a neighbor to him who fell into the hands of the robbers?

Luke 10:37 And he said, The one who showed mercy to him. And Jesus said to him, Go, and you do likewise.

Luke 15:11 And He said, A certain man had two sons.

Luke 15:12 And the younger of them said to the father, Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me. And he distributed to them his living.

Luke 15:13 And not many days after, the younger son, having gathered everything together, went abroad to a distant country and there squandered his estate by living dissolutely.

Luke 15:14 And when he had spent all, a severe famine occurred throughout that country, and he began to be in want.

Luke 15:15 And he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country; and he sent him into his fields to feed hogs.

Luke 15:16 And he longed to be satisfied with the carob pods which the hogs were eating, and no one gave him anything.

Luke 15:17 But when he came to himself, he said, How many of my father's hired servants abound in bread, but I am perishing here in famine!

Luke 15:18 I will rise up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

Luke 15:19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.

Luke 15:20 And he rose up and came to his own father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion, and he ran and fell on his neck and kissed him affectionately.

Luke 15:21 And the son said to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.

Luke 15:22 But the father said to his slaves, Bring out quickly the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.

Luke 15:23 And bring the fattened calf; slaughter it, and let us eat and be merry,

Luke 15:24 Because this son of mine was dead and lives again; he was lost and has been found. And they began to be merry.

Luke 15:25 Now his older son was in the field. And as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing,

Luke 15:26 And calling to him one of the servants, he inquired what these things might be.

Luke 15:27 And he said to him, Your brother has come, and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has received him back healthy.

Luke 15:28 But he became angry and was not willing to enter. And his father came out and entreated him.



- Luke 15:29 But he answered and said to his father, Behold, so many years I have been slaving for you and have never neglected a command of yours, and you have never given me a goat that I might be merry with my friends;
- Luke 15:30 But when this son of yours came, who devoured your living with harlots, you slaughtered for him the fattened calf.
- Luke 15:31 And he said to him, Child, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours.
- Luke 15:32 But we had to be merry and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life, and he was lost and has been found.
- Luke 23:42 And he said, Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.
- Luke 23:43 And He said to him, Truly I say to you, Today you shall be with Me in Paradise.
- C. As revealed in the Gospel of Luke, the Lord Jesus had the highest standard of morality—1:31-32, 35, 68-69, 78-79:
- Luke 1:31 And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus.
- Luke 1:32 He will be great and will be called Son of the Most High; and the Lord God will give to Him the throne of David His father,
- Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said to her, The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore also the holy thing which is born will be called the Son of God.
- Luke 1:68 Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has visited and accomplished redemption for His people,
- Luke 1:69 And raised a horn of salvation for us in the house of David His servant,
- Luke 1:78 Because of the merciful compassions of our God, in which the rising sun will visit us from on high,
- Luke 1:79 To shine upon those sitting in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.
1. The highest standard of morality is the standard of life required by God—a life in which the divine attributes are expressed in the human virtues—Matt. 5:48.  
Matt 5:48 You therefore shall be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.
  2. The highest standard of morality is the living of the One—the Lord Jesus Christ as the Man-Savior—whose life was a composition of God with the divine attributes and man with the human virtues—Luke 1:35.  
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  3. A living where the human life is filled with the divine life and where the human virtues are strengthened and enriched by the divine attributes is what we call the highest standard of morality—6:35; 7:36-50.  
Luke 6:35 But love your enemies, and do good and lend, expecting nothing in return, and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the unthankful and evil.  
Luke 7:36 Now a certain one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He entered into the Pharisee's house and reclined at table.  
Luke 7:37 And behold, there was a woman in the city who was a sinner, and when she learned that He was reclining at table in the Pharisee's house, she brought an alabaster flask of ointment.  
Luke 7:38 And she stood behind Him at His feet weeping and began to wet His feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head, and she kissed His feet affectionately and anointed them with the ointment.  
Luke 7:39 But when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he said within himself, This man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what sort of woman this is who is touching Him, because she is a sinner.  
Luke 7:40 And Jesus answered and said to him, Simon, I have something to say to you. And he said, Teacher, say it.  
Luke 7:41 A certain moneylender had two debtors: one owed five hundred denarii and the other fifty.  
Luke 7:42 But since they had nothing with which to repay, he graciously forgave them

- both. Which of them therefore will love him more?
- Luke 7:43 Simon answered and said, I suppose the one whom he graciously forgave the more. And He said to him, You have judged correctly.
- Luke 7:44 And turning to the woman, He said to Simon, Do you see this woman? I entered into your house; you did not give Me water for My feet, but she, with her tears, has wet My feet and with her hair has wiped them.
- Luke 7:45 You did not give Me a kiss, but she, from the time I entered, has not stopped kissing My feet affectionately.
- Luke 7:46 You did not anoint My head with oil, but she has anointed My feet with ointment.
- Luke 7:47 For this reason I say to you, Her sins which are many are forgiven, because she loved much; but to whom little is forgiven, he loves little.
- Luke 7:48 And He said to her, Your sins are forgiven.
- Luke 7:49 And those who were reclining at table with Him began to say within themselves, Who is this who even forgives sins?
- Luke 7:50 But He said to the woman, Your faith has saved you. Go in peace.
4. God is expressed in the living that is according to the highest standard of morality—5:12-16.
- Luke 5:12 And while He was in one of the cities, behold, there was a man full of leprosy. And when he saw Jesus, he fell on his face and begged Him, saying, Lord, if You are willing, You can cleanse me.
- Luke 5:13 And stretching out His hand, He touched him, saying, I am willing; be cleansed! And immediately the leprosy left him.
- Luke 5:14 And He charged him to tell no one: But go away, show yourself to the priest, and offer the gift for your cleansing, even as Moses directed, for a testimony to them.
- Luke 5:15 But the word concerning Him spread abroad all the more, and great crowds came together to hear Him and to be healed from their infirmities.
- Luke 5:16 But He Himself often withdrew in the wilderness and prayed.

#### **IV. By partaking of Christ as the meal offering, we become the reproduction of Christ—the church as a corporate meal offering—Lev. 2:1-4; 1 Cor. 12:12; 10:17:**

- Lev 2:1 And when anyone presents an offering of a meal offering to Jehovah, his offering shall be of fine flour; and he shall pour oil on it and put frankincense on it.
- Lev 2:2 Then he shall bring it to Aaron's sons the priests, and he shall take from it his handful of its fine flour and of its oil with all its frankincense. And the priest shall burn it as its memorial portion on the altar, an offering by fire, a satisfying fragrance to Jehovah.
- Lev 2:3 And what is left of the meal offering shall be Aaron's and his sons'; it is a thing most holy of Jehovah's offerings by fire.
- Lev 2:4 And when you present an offering of a meal offering baked in the oven, it shall be of fine flour, unleavened cakes mingled with oil or unleavened wafers anointed with oil.
- 1 Cor 12:12 For even as the body is one and has many members, yet all the members of the body, being many, are one body, so also is the Christ.
- 1 Cor 10:17 Seeing that there is one bread, we who are many are one Body; for we all partake of the one bread.
- A. Romans 8 reveals that, as believers in Christ, we should be a duplication of Christ as the meal offering; we should be a copy, a reproduction, of Christ and thus be the same as He is—vv. 3, 2, 13, 11.
- Rom 8 be omitted,
- Rom 8:3 For that which the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God, sending His own Son in the likeness of the flesh of sin and concerning sin, condemned sin in the flesh,
- Rom 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.
- Rom 8:13 For if you live according to the flesh, you must die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the practices of the body, you will live.

- Rom 8:11 And if the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you.
- B. If we eat Christ as the meal offering, we will be constituted with Christ and thereby become the enlargement of Christ as the meal offering—the church as the corporate Christ, the corporate meal offering—Lev. 2:3; 1 Cor. 12:12; 10:17.
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- C. The meal offering, which is our daily supply, is not merely Christ but Christ with the church life—1:30, 2, 9:
- 1 Cor 1:30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became wisdom to us from God: both righteousness and sanctification and redemption,
- 1 Cor 1:2 To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints, with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, who is theirs and ours:
- 1 Cor 1:9 God is faithful, through whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
1. Our hunger is satisfied not only by Christ but also by the church life; therefore, we should feed not only on Christ but also on the church life.
  2. We eat the meal offering not only in the first form as flour—the individual Christ; we also eat the meal offering in the second form as a cake—the corporate Christ, the church—John 6:57b; 1 Cor. 12:12; 1:2.
 

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- D. We need to be blended together into one Body by living the meal-offering church life—12:24:
- 1 Cor 12:24 But our comely members have no need. But God has blended the body together, giving more abundant honor to the member that lacked,
1. The flour meal offering signifies both the individual Christ and the individual Christian; the cake meal offering signifies the corporate Christ, Christ with His Body, the church—Lev. 2:4; 1 Cor. 12:12; 10:17.
 

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John 12:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

- a. In order to be blended in the Body life, the meal-offering church life, we have to go through the cross and be by the Spirit, dispensing Christ to others for the sake of the Body of Christ.
- b. Fellowship blends us; that is, it tempers, adjusts, harmonizes, and mingles us, causing us to lose our distinctions and saving us from leaving the impress of our personality upon the church's life and work so that Christ can be all and in all—cf. Col. 3:10-11.
  - Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,
  - Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

**V. By partaking of Christ as the meal offering, we may possess the humanity of Jesus for the Lord's recovery, for the spiritual warfare, and for the kingdom of God—2 Tim. 2:19—3:14; 2 Cor. 10:1-5; Rev. 1:9; Rom. 14:17:**

- 2 Tim 2:19 However the firm foundation of God stands, having this seal, The Lord knows those who are His, and, Let everyone who names the name of the Lord depart from unrighteousness.
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1. Because of the degradation of the church and the corruption of society, we are in a situation that requires the Lord's humanity for His recovery:
  - a. In order to have the Lord's recovery in such a degraded time, we need a proper humanity.
  - b. In order to stand up in this degraded age, what we need is not mainly the divine power but the humanity of Jesus—2:24-25.  
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- c. The Lord is doing a recovery work in which He needs a people who take Him as their humanity—3:10-12.
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2. In the midst of the degradation of the church and the corruption of society, we are here for the Lord's recovery, and for this we need the humanity of Jesus to fulfill God's purpose—1:9.
- 2 Tim 1:9 Who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to His own purpose and grace, which was given to us in Christ Jesus before the times of the ages
- B. We need the humanity of Jesus for the spiritual warfare—2 Cor. 10:1-5:
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1. The spiritual warfare between the enemy and the saints is mainly dependent upon the humanity of Jesus—Gen. 3:15; 1 Cor. 15:47; Heb. 2:14.
- Gen 3:15 And I will put enmity / Between you and the woman / And between your seed and her seed; / He will bruise you on the head, / But you will bruise him on the heel.
- 1 Cor 15:47 The first man is out of the earth, earthy; the second man is out of heaven.
- Heb 2:14 Since therefore the children have shared in blood and flesh, He also Himself in like manner partook of the same, that through death He might destroy him who has the might of death, that is, the devil,
2. For the church to fight the spiritual warfare, we all need the proper humanity—Eph. 5:17—6:13.
- Eph 5:17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.
- Eph 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissoluteness, but be filled in spirit,
- Eph 5:19 Speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and psalming with your heart to the Lord,
- Eph 5:20 Giving thanks at all times for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to our God and Father,
- Eph 5:21 Being subject to one another in the fear of Christ:
- Eph 5:22 Wives, be subject to your own husbands as to the Lord;
- Eph 5:23 For a husband is head of the wife as also Christ is Head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the Body.
- Eph 5:24 But as the church is subject to Christ, so also let the wives be subject to their husbands in everything.
- Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her
- Eph 5:26 That He might sanctify her, cleansing her by the washing of the water in the word,
- Eph 5:27 That He might present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish.

- Eph 5:28 In the same way the husbands also ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his own wife loves himself.
- Eph 5:29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, even as Christ also the church,
- Eph 5:30 Because we are members of His Body.
- Eph 5:31 For this cause a man shall leave his father and mother and shall be joined to his wife, and the two shall be one flesh.
- Eph 5:32 This mystery is great, but I speak with regard to Christ and the church.
- Eph 5:33 Nevertheless you also, each one of you, in the same way love your own wife as yourself; and the wife should fear her husband.
- Eph 6:1 Children, obey your parents in the Lord, for this is right.
- Eph 6:2 "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with a promise,
- Eph 6:3 "That it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth."
- Eph 6:4 And fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but nurture them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord.
- Eph 6:5 Slaves, be obedient to those who are your masters according to the flesh with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as to Christ;
- Eph 6:6 Not with eye-service as men-pleasers but as slaves of Christ, doing the will of God from the soul;
- Eph 6:7 With good will serving as slaves, as serving the Lord and not men;
- Eph 6:8 Knowing that whatever good thing each one does, this he will receive back from the Lord, whether he is a slave or a free man.
- Eph 6:9 And masters, do the same things toward them, giving up your threatening, knowing that both their Master and yours is in the heavens, and there is no respect of persons with Him.
- Eph 6:10 Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.
- Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil,
- Eph 6:12 For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.
- Eph 6:13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
3. To fight the battle against the enemy, we must exercise the humanity of Jesus—2 Cor. 10:1.
- 2 Cor 10:1 But I myself, Paul, entreat you through the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who (as you say) in person am base among you, but while absent am bold toward you,
4. In ourselves we do not have the proper humanity, but we have Christ within us, and His humanity is the proper humanity for the spiritual warfare—Col. 1:27; 1 John 4:4.
- Col 1:27 To whom God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory,
- 1 John 4:4 You are of God, little children; and you have overcome them because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.
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- Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.
1. For God to have a kingdom on the earth, there is the need for His redeemed and regenerated people to possess the humanity of Jesus and to have the proper human virtues—1 Cor. 6:9-10; Gal. 5:19-21; Eph. 5:3-5.
- 1 Cor 6:9 Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be led astray; neither fornicators nor idolaters nor adulterers nor effeminate nor homosexuals

- 1 Cor 6:10 Nor thieves nor the covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor the rapacious will inherit the kingdom of God.
- Gal 5:19 And the works of the flesh are manifest, which are such things as fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness,
- Gal 5:20 Idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, outbursts of anger, factions, divisions, sects,
- Gal 5:21 Envyings, bouts of drunkenness, carousings, and things like these, of which I tell you beforehand, even as I have said before, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.
- Eph 5:3 But fornication and all uncleanness or greediness, let it not even be named among you, as is fitting for saints,
- Eph 5:4 And obscenity and foolish talking or sly, filthy jesting, which are not becoming, but rather the giving of thanks.
- Eph 5:5 For this you realize, knowing that every fornicator or unclean person or greedy person (who is an idolator) has no inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
2. When we have the humanity of Jesus, we will not only be in the kingdom of God—we will be the kingdom of God—Rom. 14:17.
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3. The overcomers become qualified to reign with Christ by having the humanity of Jesus worked into them—Rev. 20:4, 6.
- Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of the testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and of those who had not worshipped the beast nor his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.
- Rev 20:6 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection; over these the second death has no authority, but they will be priests of God and of Christ and will reign with Him for a thousand years.