

**Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's day prophesying**  
**Message Twelve : Enjoying Christ as the Reality of the Peace Offering**  
**at the Lord's Table to Present the Total Picture of God's Economy**

**I. Overview :**

The peace offering signifies Christ as our peace with God that we may enjoy Him with God and with man in fellowship and joy. The peace offering is fulfilled primarily in our enjoying Christ at the Lord's table in the breaking of bread for the remembrance of Him and in the offering of Christ to the Father for the worship of the Father. Our enjoyment of Christ as these four offering has a result that the enjoyment of Christ as our peace offering for us to have fellowship with God and with our fellow believers. Christ as the peace offering is for the fellowship and enjoyment of five parties; not eating the fat, nor the blood, the peace offering is based upon God's satisfaction in the burnt offering. Eventually, the enjoyment of Christ as all the offering, issuing in the peace offering, will consummate in the New Jerusalem as the ultimate peace offering.

**II. Truth and Enlightenment :**

Day 1 --

A. Explain the primary fulfilment and illustration of the peace offering.

The peace offering is fulfilled primarily in our enjoying Christ at the Lord's table in the breaking of bread for the remembrance of Him and in the offering of Christ to the Father for the worship of the Father. The peace offering, which implies fellowship with the Triune God and includes the enjoyment of the Triune God, is illustrated in Luke 15:23-24 by the fattened calf as the peaceful enjoyment between the receiving father (God) and the returned prodigal (a sinner).

B. Compare the difference between the offering for thanksgiving and a vow.

The offering for thanksgiving is emotional and superficial, but the offering for a vow is determined and deeper. A vow is related to the will. A vow is like a marriage tie. The offering for thanksgiving, though, is based upon our feeling. A vow goes beyond our feeling. It is a tie that binds us regardless of feeling or circumstance.

Day 2 --

A. How do we know Satanic scheme and how to overcome it?

The fact that the peace offering is of different kinds is not due to Christ but is due to the different conditions of the offerers' enjoyment of Christ. Satan seeks to limit our enjoyment of Christ and to narrow the condition in which we are enjoying Christ. Therefore, we must learn to overcome all kinds of situations in order to avoid interruptions, so that we may be in a better and higher condition to enjoy a larger Christ.

B. How do we enjoy Christ depending on our conditions?

It is not Christ who differs in being either strong or weak; it is we who are either strong or weak. Christ Himself is strong. Whether we enjoy a strong Christ or a weak

Christ depends on our condition. If our condition is strong, we will enjoy a strong Christ. If our condition is weak, we will enjoy a weak Christ.

Day 3 --

A. What is the significance of the blood being sprinkled around the altar?

The blood was not brought into the Holy of Holies to appease God; it was sprinkled around the altar where the offerer was standing. This shows us that the blood of the peace offering gives us peace and assurance. When we see the blood of the peace offering, we have the assurance that our sins have been washed away. The blood of the offering was shed for our sake, and it is now before our eyes.

B. What are the five parties for the fellowship and enjoyment of Christ as the peace offering?

The five parties are God, the serving priest, all the priests, the offerer, and the congregation of cleansed people. The fat and the inward parts of the offering were God's portion; the four kinds of cakes and the right thigh as a heave offering were the portion of the serving priest; the breast as a wave offering was for all the priests; the flesh, the meat, of the offering was the portion of the offerer; and the remaining flesh of the cattle was for all the congregation.

Day 4 --

A. How should we clean up our uncleanness before going to the Lord's table?

Leviticus 7:20-21 signifies that the unclean person who partakes of Christ as his peace, as at the Lord's table, shall be put aside from the fellowship of the enjoyment of Christ. An unclean person is a sinful person. Such a person should be removed from the fellowship at the Lord's table. We should confess our sins in detail before going to the Lord's table.

B. Why shall you not eat any fat of an ox or of a sheep or of a goat?

This signifies that in their daily living the sons of Israel should consider God's food, as indicated by the fat of the ox, sheep, and goat, which fat signifies the tender, fine, and excellent part of the person of Christ. As priests, in our eating we need to be concerned about God's food and should not eat the fat, which is God's portion and must be offered to God for His satisfaction.

Day 5 --

A. What is the significance of that the fat and the blood of the offering were not to be eaten by the priests ?

Not eating the fat and the blood signifies that the best part of Christ is for God's satisfaction and that His blood for our redemption satisfies God's requirements. So, in the universe only Jesus' blood is edible to His believers. If we eat any other blood, we make the blood of Christ common. This is sin.

B. Explain the peace offering based on God's satisfaction in burnt offering.

The peace offering which God and we enjoy today is based upon Christ's being the burnt offering. This is indicated by Leviticus 3:5 and 6:12. Speaking of the peace offering, 3:5 says, "Aaron's sons shall burn it on the altar upon the burnt offering, which is on the wood that is on the fire; it is an offering by fire, a satisfying fragrance to Jehovah." Here we see that the burnt offering is a base for the peace offering to be received by God.

Day 6 --

A. Why is peace offering based on the sin offering and trespass offering?

According to the sequence of the offerings in 6:8—7:38, the peace offering is also based on the sin offering and the trespass offering. When the problem of our sin and trespasses is solved by Christ as the sin offering and trespass offering, and when God and we are satisfied with Christ as the burnt offering and the meal offering, we can offer Christ to God as the peace offering for our mutual enjoyment in peace.

B. Expound that God would have Christ to be four kinds of offerings to us.

In God's heart and in His desire, God would have Christ to be four kinds of offerings to us—the burnt offering, the meal offering, the sin offering, and the trespass offering. The burnt offering is the qualification for the sin offering, and the meal offering is the qualification for the trespass offering. When these four offerings are in action, the result is peace. This peace is what God desires. God's heart is that we would enjoy His economy around His Son, Christ.

### III. Conclusion :

The peace offering is fulfilled in our enjoying Christ at the Lord's table in the breaking of bread for the remembrance of Him and in the offering of Christ to the Father for the worship of the Father. Weekly the Lord's table meeting tends to be formalized; our prayers lack for presentation of experiencing Christ as all kinds of offerings, having spiritual terms added, lacking of the spiritual reality, and not many saints are properly functioning. As offerings of thanksgiving and praise, He would gain glory in our thanksgiving and praise to Him; so, not only singing but also more praises are needed. Especially during the section of worshipping Father, Christ as the reality of the peace offering that we enjoy at the Lord's table is for our thanksgiving to the Father and also for a vow to Him.