

**Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's Day Prophesying**  
**Message Five : Eating Christ as the Meal Offering to Become**  
**the Reproduction of Christ for the Fulfillment of God's Purpose**

**I. Overview :**

The meal Offering typifies Christ in His humanity as food for God and for those who have fellowship with God and serve Him. We need to eat Christ as our meal offering to become the reproduction, duplication, and enlargement of Christ. The Gospel of Luke unveils the God-man living of the Lord as typified by the meal offering; when He was on earth, the Man-Savior lived a life that was the mingling of the divine attributes and the human virtues, and this is the highest standard of morality. Romans 8 reveals that as believers, we should be a duplication of Christ as the meal offering and we eat it not only in the form as flour but also as a cake which is the corporate Christ. 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.

**II. Truth and Enlightenment :**

Day 1 --

A. How should we live a life of meal offering?

We need to have the four positive elements—fine flour, oil, frankincense, and salt—but not the two negative elements—leaven and honey. If this is our situation, we will be a proper meal offering, an offering composed of humanity oiled with divinity in resurrection through Christ's death and without leaven and honey. This kind of life is food to satisfy God and also to nourish us.

B. What kind of life did Paul live out?

In Acts 27 and 28, many things were disappointing and discouraging, but Paul nevertheless lived a life of the highest standard. In Paul the wonderful, excellent, and mysterious God-man, who lived in the Gospels, continued to live through one of His many members. This was Jesus living again on earth in His divinely enriched humanity.

Day 2 --

A. Explain the conception of John the Baptist.

The conception of John the Baptist and that of Jesus the Savior are strikingly different in essence. The conception of John the Baptist was God's miracle, accomplished with the overage human essence, merely by the divine power, without the divine essence being involved, thus bringing forth a mere man who was only filled with the Spirit of God but lacked the nature of God.

B. Describe how the conception of the Savior was constituted.

The conception of the Savior was God's incarnation, the constituted not only by the divine power, but also of the divine essence added to the human essence, hence producing the God-man of two natures—divinity and humanity. Through this, God joined Himself to humanity that He might be manifested in the flesh and might be a Man-Savior.

Day 3 --

A. Explain what is the living of the highest standard of morality.

The Gospel of Luke reveals that in the Man-Savior we have the mingling of the divine attributes with the human virtues to produce the highest standard of morality. He is also the God-man, the complete God and a perfect man, the mingling of the divine attributes with the human virtues. The divine nature with its attributes and the human nature with its virtues are for the living of a life in the highest standard of morality.

B. Why do we say that the purpose of the meal offering is to satisfy God?

The top portion of the meal offering, the portion containing the frankincense, was burned in fire for God's satisfaction. Christ today is the reality of the meal offering. He alone has the fragrance that ascends to God for His satisfaction. In the entire universe, Christ is the only person who can be offered to God in fire to produce the fragrance that satisfies God and makes Him happy and joyful. As the members of Christ, we should be His duplication and live the same kind of life He lived.

Day 4 --

A. Expound the meal offering with the individual and corporate aspects.

Today Christ does not live merely in an individual way; He also lives with His Body, the church. Christ lives before God in a corporate way. He is the Head, and He has His Body with its members. Therefore, with the meal offering in the form of a cake we have the church life. The mingling of flour and oil will produce dough, which is then baked in an oven and becomes a cake. This cake is a symbol of the church life.

B. Explain which are the two forms of the meal offering.

The meal offering which is our daily supply is not merely Christ but Christ with the church life. Now we are feeding on Christ, and we are also feeding on the church life. 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. We will see a meal offering church life in all the churches.

Day 5 --

A. Expound the thought of blending in the Bible.

Leviticus 2:4 consisted of cakes made of fine flour mingled with oil. Every part of the flour was mixed, or mingled, with the oil. That is blending. This fine flour comes from wheat grains, and the wheat grains come from the one grain of wheat, which is Christ. We are the many grains so that we may be ground into fine flour for making the cake. Here we can see the thought of blending in the Bible.

B. How is the humanity of Jesus necessary for the church service?

The humanity of Jesus is necessary for the church service, which involves the co-workers, elders, deacons, and deaconesses. All the verses related to these serving ones mention something concerning the human virtues of the proper humanity. Paul did not tell Timothy to be an example in power, but in love, in word, and in the way he conducted himself. This is all a matter of humanity. All the qualifications for the church service are human virtues.

Day 6 --

A. Why do we need the humanity of Jesus for the spiritual warfare?

The spiritual warfare between the enemy and the saints is not so much in divine power but in the proper humanity. For the spiritual warfare, we need the humanity of Jesus. To fight the battle against the enemy, we must exercise the humanity of Jesus in our daily walk. Our family life needs the humanity of Jesus.

B. How is the humanity of Jesus necessary for the kingdom?

For God to have a kingdom on the earth among the younger generation, there is the need of a group of people to be redeemed and regenerated in order to take the humanity of Jesus. For the kingdom of God we need the proper human virtues, and for all these proper human virtues, we need the humanity of Jesus. When we have this humanity we will not only be in the kingdom of God; we will be the kingdom of God.

### **III. Conclusion :**

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. This is a crooked and perverted age today and Satan is doing his best to destroy the humanity; the humanity of Jesus is a strong and powerful testimony to the contrary in such a degraded and corrupted time. The Lord had been tempted three times by the devil in the wilderness, and standing in the position of the Son of Man, He defeated the enemy by the humanity of Jesus. In 1 Cor. 6:10, Gal. 5:6, Eph. 5:5, and some other verses mention about many things of unrighteousness, evils, flesh, and unlawfulness from our spirit, soul and body; those who lack of the humanity of Jesus are not qualified to inherit the kingdom of God. This proves that the humanity of Jesus is related to the kingdom of God.