

Guidelines for the Exercise of the Lord's Day Prophesying
Message Seven : The Author (the Captain) of Salvation and the Forerunner Leading Many Sons
into Glory by Entering within the Veil and Going outside the Camp

I. Overview:

God created us for His glory, which is the expression of God; the highest service that we can render to God is to express Him in glory. As the Forerunner, Christ took the lead to enter into glory, and we, His followers, are taking the same way to be brought into the same glory. We are saved into glory through the process of suffering; all our sufferings help us to be transformed to become Christ's glorious bride. To enter within the veil means to enter into the Holy of Holies, where the Lord is enthroned in glory, and to go outside the camp means to come out of religion, from which the Lord was cast in rejection. The more we are in our spirit, enjoying the glorious Christ, the more we will come outside the camp of religion, following the suffering Jesus. The more we remain in our spirit to contact the heavenly Christ, who is in glory, the more we will go forth outside the camp of religion unto the lowly Jesus to suffer with Him. After the children of Israel worshipped the golden calf, Moses moved to a place outside the camp for both the Lord's presence and speaking were there, and his tent then became the tent of God. We need to enter within the veil and go outside the camp to have the closest and most intimate relationship with the Lord so that we can be persons who share a common interest with God and who can be used by Him to carry out His enterprise on earth.

II. Truth and Enlightenment:

Day 1 —

A. Explain God's goal.

God's goal is to bring His many sons into glory. His firstborn Son, the Lord Jesus, as the Pioneer, has fought into this glory. Now He is the Captain of God's many sons' salvation leading them into His glory by fighting. We, the many sons of God, are now on the way, fighting into the glory that God ordained for us.

B. Expound the words in Hebrew 2:10 that He had to be perfected.

Although He was perfect before His incarnation, He did not have the experience of human suffering. He had to be perfected through suffering before He could become the Captain of salvation. To be perfect here actually means to be qualified. In order to be qualified for this office, He had to experience human suffering.

Day 2 —

A. Describe this Jesus, who is God's expression, the effulgence of God's glory.

This wonderful man Jesus, who is the model, example, Forerunner, Pioneer, and Captain, one day entered into us. He is not only the Savior; He is the One who took the lead to run the race into glory, the One who has entered into the full expression of God, the One who, even today, is this full expression of God.

B. Expound while He is within the veil, He is entering into the glory.

On the one hand, this wonderful One is within the veil, dwelling there in the expression of God and as the expression of God. On the other hand, He has come into us. He is within us. He does not have to leave the glory in order to come into us. While He is within the veil and within us, He is ministering from there to here.

Day 3 —

A. Explain that sanctification is the holding line of God's economy.

Sanctification is the holding line in the carrying out of the divine economy. We say that sanctification is the holding line because every step of God's economy in His work with us is to make us holy. Today we all have been "hooked" by the "fishing" line of the divine sanctification. We were in the "ocean" of humanity, but this line reached us, and we have been hooked.

B. Expound the initial sanctifications of God.

We were in a heap of collapse, full of sin and death. But the Spirit came to seek us out, and He found us. Then He convicted us and stirred up our spirit to repent. This was our initial sanctification unto repentance. This seeking sanctification resulted in our repentance to bring us back to God.

Day 4 —

A. Expound the book of Hebrews encouraging us to enter within the veil.

Within the veil we can look away unto Him and can consider Him. We need to have direct contact with Him. Since He is within the veil, we also

must enter within the veil that we may see Him, look at Him, and consider Him in order to receive the transfusion and infusion of Him. Our spirit

is joined to the heavenly Holy of Holies. When we turn to our spirit, we enter within the veil.

B. Explain to enter within the veil and to go outside the camp.

To enter within the veil is to enter into the Holy of Holies where the Lord is enthroned in glory, and to go outside the camp is to come out of religion, whence the Lord was cast out in rejection. This signifies that we must be in our spirit, where, experientially speaking, the practical Holy of Holies is today, and outside religion, where the practical camp is today.

Day 5 —

A. Expound the basic principle of an idol being self-beautification.

Exodus 32:4 says that Aaron took the gold and “fashioned it with an engraving tool and made it into a molten calf.” The basic principle of an idol

is self-beautification. The point here is that it takes skill to fashion gold into a calf. Some may have the gold, but not have the skill to fashion it into a calf. But every maker of idols, like Aaron, is skillful, capable, gifted, and talented.

B. Explain self-beautification leading to idolatry.

In Exodus 32 the gold rings were taken from the ears of the wives, the sons, and the daughters and used to make the idol, the golden calf. Today’s culture promotes self-beautification. Men and women spend a great deal of money on items used to beautify themselves. Self-beautification leads to idolatry. Before the children of Israel made the idol of the golden calf, idols were already present among them in a different form.

Day 6 —

A. Why did Moses’ tent become God’s tent?

Before they made and worshipped the golden calf, the people of Israel as a whole were the unique realm and circle related to the Lord’s presence. But after they made and worshipped the golden calf, a separation came into being. Exodus 33:7 points out; Moses realized that the Lord’s presence would no longer be in the midst of the people, he removed his tent and pitch it outside the camp, some distance from the camp.

B. Expound Moses being a companion of Christ.

The Hebrew word rendered “companion” in Exodus 33:11 is different from the word for friend. As a friend of God, Abraham had been separated from idolatrous people, and he interceded for Lot. However, Moses was not only a friend of God; he was also a companion of God. The word companion includes the elements of friendship and the thought of intimate association. The Hebrew word for companion is “associate”.

III. Conclusion:

The more we follow Christ on His way, the more we need to be ready for the enduring hardship. Suffering is beneficial and immensely helpful to us. We should thank the Lord for the hardships we endure, because all of them serve as our helpers. The more we, as Christians, pray and love the Lord, the more troubles we will encounter. Based on our experiences, we can understand that many of the troubles that come upon us are exactly measured by God, neither too long nor too short, and arrive just at the right time. Do not be troubled by difficulties; no matter what happens to us, we should praise the Lord and declare that this is a process leading to glory. He is leading us into the glory He has already planted within us. This glory is like a seed that has been sown within us, which will undergo a process of growth and development before reaching the glory we are destined for.