

7-7-2024 Sunday Sermon Message
Devotional of the Week: Psalm 91:1-16
Text: Leviticus 2:1-11

Title: **God predestined Christ's bride to be conformed to Christ until the day of the rapture**

The Apostle Paul, who received the revelation of the Gospel of Christ directly from the Lord Jesus Christ, testified that God predestined the bride of Christ, who believed in the gospel of Christ and was saved by grace and became a member of the body of Christ, the church, to be united with Christ:

"²⁹ For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.³⁰ Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified."(Romans 8:29-30)

Through today's words, we should realize "**how the Lord is sinless and how He died,**" and we should resemble Him. The bride of Christ is to be as spotless and unblemished as Christ. In order to achieve this, we must understand through the Word and prepare to become the bride of Christ. This is what the bride of Christ must prepare for, waiting for the rapture, the day of Christ's appearance.

The second chapter of the Book of Rites is about the Meat Offering, which is translated as "fire" in the KJV. When most people preach the gospel, they say, "Jesus, **who was without sin, died for our sins.**" **We are** to testify about the Lord and ourselves in Leviticus 1 through 5. In other words, we need to know the meaning of death, which is what our sin is and how the Lord died for it. Today, I hope you will take the time to realize the appearance of the Lord as He appears in the food sacrifice.

The first says that He is like fine powder. How fluffy is the flour? There was not the slightest bit of slimy stone or dirt mixed in. Isn't it the disposition of our Lord that the dough spreads evenly without any resistance as it is combed? Doesn't He always

accompany us wherever we go, with a single heart that loves us without any mixing? Isn't the world in the fine flour evenly spread everywhere the world of the fullness of grace that fills and overflows everywhere? The perfect Lord, who is neither pulled here nor there, It's a character. Isn't the fact that the Lord is such and that He "**died for us, who are rough, rough, and stoned, that we should die and live a life of faith as fine as He did, like Him,** without blemish"? In order to do so, we worship and listen to the Word. People have "religiousized" their faith, which should be as clean and pure as "fine powder," by mixing human thoughts with it. Therefore, we must resemble Christ by removing all the stones and specks that are in us.

The second is that the fine powder was burned by fire. "Fire" means "trials, afflictions, and refinements." Just as Christ said that he would suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, so he burned the fluffy one with fire.

For the third time comes frankincense. Frankincense is burned in the censer when the high priest enters the Holy of Holies. After all, it is a fragrance that spreads to God and all people. The fragrance of the Lord is pure and holy. The Apostle Paul testified about fragrance. He said, "**To those who believe there is the fragrance of Christ, but to those who do not believe there is the fragrance of death.**" The fragrance of sin unto death is only superficial. When Jesus said, "**Whoever believes in me will not be condemned, but whoever does not believe in me will be condemned because he did not believe,**" he was referring to the fragrance of life to those who believe and the fragrance of death to those who do not believe.

Fourth, leaven comes out. Jesus said: "Beware of the leaven of the Pharisees." He said. Beware of their false teachings. The leaven symbolizes sin. To burn the "unleavened bread" is to burn the sinless Lord. In the unleavened Lord there is only truth. The Bible says, "**All men are liars, but God alone is true.**" I'm saying. It means that there is truth only in the Lord. If something is mixed with the truth, it is already leavened. The Pharisees were

the ones who changed the word of God for men and taught it to be man. Because they teach by the things of men, people become slaves to people. They live tied to horses that don't matter.

In the fifth, honey comes out. **It says, "Neither leaven nor honey can be burned."** Honey is a natural sugar. Very sweet. However, spiritual honey, God's grace, is nothing compared to the sweetness of the flesh. He never chuckled at worldly jokes or small talk. It says that the only time He rejoiced was when the 70 disciples returned from preaching, and He rejoiced in the Holy Spirit. It says that the Lord wept, but it does not say that He laughed. David said, **"Your word is sweeter than honey and honeycomb."** It is spiritually sweeter to eat the Word than to eat honey in its natural state physically.

In the sixth, **it** turns out "oil". I was told to mix the oil. Then he told them to anoint it. The oil refers to the Holy Spirit. When the Lord came into the world, He was born of the Holy Spirit. He was also filled with the Holy Spirit. He applied oil all over his body.

In the seventh, there is a "fire pit" and a "griddle". The food was grilled over an open fire and griddle. The fire pit is hot on the inside and the griddle is hot on the outside. The Lord's suffering **is** twofold: "suffering like a furnace" **and** "suffering like a plate of iron." We need to think about how much the Lord burned before and after His crucifixion. Seeing what the Lord suffered, Matthew testified:

"²⁷ Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.²⁸ And they stripped him, and put on him a scarlet robe.²⁹ And when they had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews!³⁰ And they spit upon him, and took the reed, and smote him on the head.³¹ And after that they had mocked him, they took the robe off from him, and put his own raiment on him, and led him away to crucify him."(Matthew 27:27-31)

The Lord suffered an inner affliction that was bubbling like a furnace. When you think about it,

you realize grace, and when you realize grace, you have nothing to complain about. Nowadays, people simply **say, "Jesus died for me and was resurrected."** Because you know that, you don't have the faith to endure anything in your life. He said, **"Eternal life is to know God and Him whom He has sent."** Those who know who the Lord is and how His body was offered are long-suffering. That's why we have to be patient, even if our hearts burn like a fire pit.

The Lord also suffered like a sheet of iron. If the hearth is the inner suffering, the iron plate is the outward suffering that the Lord has received. The Lord's flesh is torn apart and withered, **and in the midst of His suffering, the Lord says, "My God, my God, why hast you forsaken me?"** and expired. He was crucified naked for six hours, and His body was burned and withered like a barbecue on an iron plate. When Jesus told us to roast the Passover lamb instead of water, it was a foreknowledge that Jesus, who became the Passover lamb, would be severely burned in the heat of the sun on the cross, and His whole body would shrink and become like a barbecue.

We need to think about what the Lord has suffered and our comfortable lives now. The Lord did not wear a single thread. His outer garments were divided among the Roman soldiers, and his undergarments were taken by lot. You can clearly see what underwear is. Leviticus 1 is a highlighting of the Lord, who died for our sins, and today's chapter 2 asks, "What is He like? He talks about it. He is speaking of being tempted in suffering and making us holy. Therefore, we must become holy like the Lord. Realizing this, the Apostle Paul **said, "Present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy, pleasing to God, and this is the worship you deserve."**(Romans 12:1)
"This is the will of God, even your holiness.(1 Thessalonians 4:3) Amen! Hallelujah!