

Treasures of the Sanctuary—Lesson 8—“Daily Sanctification in the Sanctuary”

OPENING DISCUSSION QUESTIONS/TALK:

1. What kind of activities do you do every day without failing?
2. Do daily influences in our lives shape us over time—either for good, or for evil? How?

READING AND STUDY QUESTIONS:

1. We know that our sins have separated us from God (*Isaiah 59:2*). By whom do we have “access” back into the presence of God? (*Ephesians 2:18*)
2. How is God bringing people back to Himself? (*2 Corinthians 5:19; John 14:6*)
3. How does God refer to His special people who belong to Christ? (*1 Peter 2:9*) (*note: God also says, “Be ye holy for I am holy”-1 Peter 1:16*)
4. In the Sanctuary, after the Altar, and the Laver of the courtyard, you would come to the Holy Place. How often did the priests do their service there? (*Exodus 29:38, 39*)
 - a. What did this daily service involve? (*2 Chronicles 13:10, 11*)
5. **Moving nearer to the presence of God, through Jesus Christ, we come to the Holy Place.** What is this “**daily bread**” that we must receive to make us holy? (***John 6:51-58***) (*Note: the oil-lit lamp gave light to reveal each thing in the Sanctuary*)
6. How did God’s people gather the daily bread (Manna) in the wilderness? (*Exodus 16*)
 - a. *Every morning when there was dew on the ground this bread would appear (v.13-16). **The bread was just enough to meet everyone’s needs for the day (v.17-18). So, Christ will always be enough to meet our needs for the day!***
 - b. What will happen if we don’t gather the bread *fresh* every morning? (v.19, 20) Can we live from yesterday’s experience with God?
 - c. Do we need to gather the manna *early*, before the stresses of the day take over? (v.21)

7. Jesus is also called the “word” (*John 1:14*). Does God describe his Word as our daily bread? (**Matthew 4:4**)
- The Scriptures reveal Jesus Christ to us (John 5:39; 2 Timothy 3:15)*
 - The Word of God transforms our characters to make us like Christ (John 17:17; Psalm 119:9—this is how our life path may be “cleansed”; see also 2 Peter 1:4)*
 - Faith comes from hearing the word of God (Romans 10:17)*
 - Reading the Bible daily, morning and evening, will transform your life, save you from many sins, and bring success, and many blessings (Joshua 1:8; Deut. 17:18-20)*
 - God gave the Bible especially for people living in the last days (1 Corinthians 10:11)*
 - Is God’s word like milk that will cause us to grow? (1 Peter 2:2)*
8. What did the **Altar of Incense** symbolize for our daily experience with God? (**Revelation 8:4**)
- Did Jesus teach us to pray daily each morning? (Matthew 6:11)
 - Jesus said, “**Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation**” (**Matt. 26:41**).
 - Does Daniel give an excellent example of daily prayer for busy people? (**Daniel 6:10**) (*Note: Daniel, though a Statesman, was never too busy for God*)
 - What is the **example of Jesus** in personal prayer? (**Mark 1:35**) “*a great while before _____...and there prayed in a _____ place*”
 - Just like there was blood put onto the corners of the altar of incense, so, in “Jesus’ name” we should pray. (Leviticus 4:7; John 14:13, 14; 16:24)*
9. What do we learn from the golden **lamp-stand**?
- Jesus Christ is the great “light of the world” (John 8:12). By the Spirit of God living in us (oil) we may reflect the light of God to the world—sharing Jesus with others.
 - Jesus calls us to be his “light” for the world (Matthew 5:14-16) (like the glory of God was on Moses)*
 - Only as we share with others, the goodness of Christ, will we be blessed and spiritually watered ourselves (Proverbs 11:25) (note: only flowing water stays fresh!)*
 - Christ tells us to tell others (Revelation 22:17)*
 - Many great lessons about sharing Christ...the bread...can be learned from Ecclesiastes 11:1-6.*
10. Only the “Daily” experience with God can lead us to holiness (Sanctification). This alone can prepare us to finally, at last, enter into His Most Holy presence (Glorification)!

HEART QUESTION(S):

- Do you want to have the daily experience with God that will make us like Jesus? _____ Is this your commitment from today? _____ (*note: good habits get built one day after another. It takes about 6-8 weeks to well establish a good habit*)

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