

CHURCH FELLOWSHIP – February 3, 2019

Announcements

- On February 10, we will have the annual business meeting for the church in Bellevue.
- Fill out the household information form. The Business office will update the phone list if there are changes.
- We are starting week 1 of the *Holy Word for Morning Revival* on “The Reality of the Body of Christ.” Copies are available in the bookroom.
- Online registration for the high school retreat is due by 2/10. After this date, there is a \$10 late fee. Final registration closes on 2/17.
- We are reading messages 41 and 42 from the *Life-Study of Numbers*. The reading schedule is posted on the church website.
- If you would like a tax report for 2018, please email bellevuefinanceservice@googlegroups.com

Burdens for Prayer

- London Training Center
- Gospel trips around Europe and America
- Germany
- Meeting hall modifications (parking permit)
- Prayer meeting
- Northwest localities

This Week: February 4 – February 10

Morning Revival: *The Reality of the Body of Christ*, week 1

Hall Cleaning: Downstairs – Issaquah/Sammamish
Upstairs – Central Bellevue

Saturday	8:30am	Breakfast
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Lord's Day	9:30 am	Lord's Table
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February	
8-10	Conference in Spokane, WA
March	
1-3	High School Retreat
29-31	Conference in Missoula, MT

LIFE-STUDY OF NUMBERS

MESSAGE FORTY-ONE

FIGHTING (10)

VIII. THE STATUTES

A. Concerning the Offerings

2. Offered to God at Their Appointed Time

In this message we will consider further the statutes concerning the offerings in Numbers 28 and 29.

The first four feasts, which are in the first half of the year, have already been fulfilled, but the last three feasts, which are in the second half of the year, will be fulfilled in the future. The first four feasts have been fulfilled through Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension. The last three feasts are related to the Lord's second coming and will be fulfilled at the time of the Lord's coming back.

f. A Burnt Offering for the Day of the Blowing of Trumpets

Numbers 29:1-6 speaks of the burnt offering for the day of the blowing of trumpets. This day was the first day of the seventh month, the beginning of the second half of the year. On this day a holy convocation was to be held with no laborious work. There was no need of human labor because everything had been done by God Himself. The offering for this feast was the same as that offered at the beginning of the month, with the exception that one young bull was offered instead of two.

g. A Burnt Offering for the Day of Propitiation

There was also to be a burnt offering for the day of propitiation (vv. 7-11). On the cross, Christ accomplished propitiation. To propitiate is to appease. Propitiation is not a matter of propitiating God but of propitiating the situation between us and God. We should not think that God was angry with us and needed to be appeased. No, God loves the world, and propitiation is needed because of our fallen situation,

not because God is angry. Our situation was full of problems, full of sins, and needed to be propitiated. Through His death on the cross, Christ dealt with our sins, and in so doing He propitiated our situation with God so that we could be redeemed, forgiven, and justified. When we repented, believed in Christ, and received Him as our Savior, we experienced this feast.

The feast of propitiation has a double application. Spiritually this feast has been applied to us, and literally it will be applied in the future to the Jews. After the Lord Jesus has descended from the air to the earth, the Jews will repent, mourn, and return to God, receiving Christ as their Savior. This will be the literal fulfillment of the feast of propitiation.

The feast of propitiation was on the tenth day of the seventh month. A holy convocation was held with no work. On this day, the people afflicted themselves, that is, they repented, mourned, and felt sorrowful for their sin. The offering on this day was the same as that offered at the beginning of the month, with the exception that one young bull was offered instead of two.

h. A Burnt Offering for the Feast of Tabernacles

In Numbers 29:12-38 we have the burnt offering for the feast of tabernacles. This feast lasted seven days, beginning from the fifteenth day of the seventh month. A holy convocation was held on the first day with no laborious work. The offerings, which typify different aspects of Christ, consisted of two rams and fourteen male lambs a year old without blemish and thirteen young bulls on the first day, reduced by one bull on each of the six succeeding days, with their meal offering and drink offerings, as a burnt offering. In addition, a male goat was offered as a sin offering. On the eighth day, which signifies resurrection, a solemn assembly was held. The offering on this day was the same as that offered at the beginning of the month, with the exception that one bull was offered instead of two young bulls.

The feasts of the blowing of trumpets, propitiation, and tabernacles all took place within a brief period of time in the seventh month. The fulfillment of these feasts will take place nearly at the same time. The feast of the blowing of trumpets will be fulfilled at Christ's coming back (Matt. 24:31), when God will call the Jews together from their dispersion back to the land of their fathers. The feast of propitiation will be fulfilled on the day of Israel's return to God, after they have been gathered back to their fathers' land (Rom. 11:26-27; Zech. 12:10-14). The Jews will afflict themselves by praying, fasting, and repenting. Then God will forgive them, and the feast of propitiation will be applied to them. Finally, the feast of tabernacles will be fulfilled in the coming millennium for a thousand years as a conclusion of all the ages of God's old creation. The fulfillment of this feast will be a dispensational, joyful

blessing for God's redeemed people to enjoy with God for a full period of time in God's old creation.

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Bible Reading Schedule with Footnotes	
Lord's Day, February 3 rd	1 Cor. 12:12-22
Monday, February 4 th	1 Cor. 12:23-31
Tuesday, February 5 th	1 Cor. 13:1-13
Wednesday, February 6 th	1 Cor. 14:1-12
Thursday, February 7 th	1 Cor. 14:13-25
Friday, February 8 th	1 Cor. 14:26-33
Saturday, February 9 th	1 Cor. 14:34-40