



Treasures for the Soul

Series 8 Episode 2

**THE LORD TREASURES
THE NEW COVENANT
AND BREAK-BREAD
MEETING THE MOST**

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PROLOGUE

Brothers and sisters, today's topic of Treasures for the Soul is **"The Lord Treasures the New Covenant and Break-Bread Meeting the Most"**. How do we know that? First, it's foretold by the Passover. The Lord was also crucified for us on the day of the Passover. Second, the Lord specifically revealed to Paul, who was not at the last supper, the importance of the break-bread meeting. Third, we break the bread every week in remembrance of the Lord. Fourth, in the break-bread meeting, we have to receive the bread and cup ourselves. Fifth, the Lord said before the last supper that He desires to eat this feast with the disciples. Sixth, the early churches also treasured the break-bread meeting. The new covenant and break bread meeting demonstrate the love dream of the Infinite One. May you also treasure the new covenant and the break-bread meeting.

MESSAGE

It's so wonderful that when the Israelites were about to leave Egypt, they had to kill a lamb on Passover and put its blood on the two doorposts and the lintel of the house. Then they would receive peace. In fact, the Lord Jesus was nailed on the cross on the day of the Passover.

It's amazing that the Lord ate the feast of the Passover, and He also died on the cross on the same day. The Passover was the foretelling of His death, but was also the exact day when the Lord died. It's very amazing and precious. What happened that night was very important, and it was recorded at great lengths in the Bible. Paul had not yet believed at that time, and of course he was not with the Lord and His disciples, but the Lord later specifically revealed to him the events on that night. In I Corinthians 11, he used half of the chapter to describe the feast, and what happened that night. This shows how important this feast is, and how much the Lord treasures it. He had Paul speaking to the churches once again about this feast. Though Paul was not there, the details were revealed to him so clearly, as if he had been there.

It's so precious that the Lord treasures the new covenant very much. I feel that we haven't treasured it enough, even though every day I give thanks that He established the most beautiful covenant in the universe by His blood. He will use eternity to express it to us. It's the most complete and blessed eternal love covenant. He truly desires us to

experience this, because it includes His love dream. We're His love dream. He was longing to dwell in our hearts. In John 17, the Lord prayed in His last prayer that He would be in us. He describes at length in earlier chapters about being in us, and us being in Him. This is indeed His love desire. He loves us so much that He desires to be the closest to us. The feast is also unique. We have to eat the bread and drink from the cup. When you receive a gift from somebody, you won't eat it because it's probably something inedible. But we take the bread and cup every week for the rest of our lives. I feel very blessed for all the gifts I received from brothers and sisters. Yet I can't take them out and review them every week. The bread and cup uniquely express a deep meaning.

I have been remembering the Lord for decades, more than fifty years. But I still haven't exhausted the meanings of this feast. It's still fresh. By asking us to eat the bread and drink from the cup, the Lord shows how much He desires us to gain Him, and enjoy the precious effects of Him shedding His blood. His desire to eat the feast with the disciples also shows His heart toward us. He's very joyous for your presence in the meeting. He desires each of us. He really treasures this meeting.

The early churches also treasured this meeting very much. Paul treasured this meeting so much that when visiting the churches, he often stayed until after the break-bread meeting. Our relationship with Him is so deep and precious. The Infinite One paid such a high price. When the infinite One established the covenant by His blood, this

demonstrates the importance of it. It's to fulfill the love dream of the infinite One. Moreover, this meeting is established with us. Truly we each personally have a part in it. Our action of eating the bread and drinking from the cup demonstrates that we take part in Him. In John, the Lord tells us to eat His flesh. In fact, He wants so much to give Himself to us.

I recall a song: "You offered Yourself as a sacrifice on the cross so that You can give me the everlasting You. Now I can enjoy Your infinite love and offer myself to You. You and I are most deeply united, belonging to each other throughout eternity. You even established this eternal love covenant by Your blood."

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“And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.” (Acts 20:32)

Paul loved the brothers and sisters in Ephesus! However, he could not always stay with them. He longed for them to understand God’s words and to be able to stand firm in the truth.

The Lord has given us precious truths. We want to share these truths in an organized way by producing short messages with clear topics. This way, we hope the listener can absorb the truths more easily. We hope to help brothers and sisters to build their foundation so that we may all know God and His purpose more deeply. Both audio messages and notes are available for download.

Brother Daniel Yu has shared with us the abundant enlightenment that he received from the Lord. We translated his messages with the aim to share them with non-Chinese brothers and sisters. This way we can learn and progress together, and receive the same blessings.



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