



Shiloh Messenger

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CELEBRATORY SUPPER

"Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb" Revelation 19:9

As We enter into this season and what it represents , We take great delight in remembering why We celebrate. This is for sure, not a once a year celebration for Disciples of Christ, but a Sacred privilege that we get to participate in... not just once a year.. Or even certain times.... BUT YET OFTEN! So on this Newsletter, We believe we have been prompted by HOLY SPIRIT to review the beauty and sacredness of HIS BODY & BLOOD. There is such magnitude in partaking of The Lord's Supper, (Communion). We never want to misrepresent the immeasurable extent that this meal holds. It is not a ritual, nor routine, nor a traditional act. THIS MEAL, when taken wholeheartedly and celebrating JESUS with a heart of gratitude, strengthens us with HOLY GHOST Power, Wisdom, and Revelation. Each time we intentionally pause, and purposely take the Holy sacraments that represent HIS BODY and HIS BLOOD, we are celebrating what JESUS paid for through HIS horrific suffering of being beaten, bruised, and HIS Body marred upon recognition. HE took the punishment of a criminal, the worst form of execution there could be, and HE took All of Humanity's Sins upon HIMSELF. HE died on that old rugged cross, was buried in a tomb, and then raised on the 3rd day. HE in this process took the keys from the devil for us to be set free for who-soever will receive THIS GIFT. THIS IS THE GREATEST GIFT that there will ever be. HE rescued us off the slave block. HE purchased us with HIS BLOOD. HE took our sin and HE took our disease. HE bought back our relationship with OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN. HE literally has given us LIFE and to The FULL. We were bound for hell for all of eternity, BUT JESUS!!! How could we not celebrate this KING? We are now still in this world but not of it, IF we indeed have repented of our sins, and accepted JESUS' Invitation to LIFE. We, as HIS beloved Bride have been given authority that HE purchased. What are you doing with the BLOOD BOUGHT AUTHORITY THAT JESUS PURCHASED FOR YOU? What we do depicts our gratitude and our remembrance of HIM. It is a life depiction of gratitude all the time, not just seasonal, and those times of the year that are memorable, but JESUS is to be celebrated everyday, ALL DAY. JESUS gave HIS first Disciples instructions regarding THE MEAL, (Matthew 26:26-29.) So we see that it was the night of the final and last Passover supper that Jesus introduced The New testament "Lord's Supper". The original Passover marked the exodus of the children of Israel out of Egypt. Exodus Chapter 12. If the Death Angel saw the blood of the lamb that was slain over the door posts of the homes, God's people were passed over.. Protected! Then every year afterward this Passover Meal was continued in sacred remembrance giving Thanks to God for HIS Deliverance. This was a shadow of what was to come. JESUS IS THE PURE HOLY LAMB OF GOD. We no longer as HIS FOLLOWERS celebrate a lamb being slain, BUT WE CELEBRATE THE LAMB THAT WAS SLAIN, HIS NAME IS JESUS! HE met with those early Disciples before HIS crucifixion, and they celebrated the PASSOVER MEAL. JESUS gave instructions and told them that HE would not have this meal again with them until HE meets with HIS DISCIPLES at the marriage Supper of The Lamb. (Revelation 19:9). This Celebratory Supper is such a tangible expression of beauty, gratitude, power, revelation, wisdom, and healing as we have the privilege of hosting HOLY SPIRIT as we await JESUS coming again! Many do not take the privileged opportunity of taking this meal. Many only partake of this power packed meal on certain occasions set on a calendar, but yet THIS MEAL is truly for our benefit as THE BLOOD BOUGHT DISCIPLES OF THE LORD JESUS. HE gave this instruction, "As often as you do this, you do it in remembrance of ME." Some may think.. Well I do not have to partake of The Lord's Supper to remember HIM. This is true, yet there is more to be had when we intentionally initiate and prepare ourselves to partake of the bread and the cup and reflect upon precious scripture designed strategically by HIM for us. It is indeed the meal that heals, It is surely the meal that we get to reflect upon... and if taken properly, then repentance should occur prior receiving the bread and the cup regarding any sin that Holy Spirit reveals to each of us individually. When observed wholeheartedly it strengthens us in our sanctification. It assuredly is a remembrance of what JESUS has delivered us from. It is a sacred meeting with HOLY SPIRIT. And it is yet a beautiful invitation to say to HIM, THANK YOU JESUS!!! AND MARANATHA!! (COME QUICKLY LORD JESUS)! Yes, we can do this without taking the bread and the cup... BUT HE GAVE US AN EXAMPLE AND INSTRUCTIONS.. EVERYTHING HE DID WAS ABSOLUTE PRECISE, PERFECT, AND PURPOSEFUL. This Celebratory Meal has great weight as the very principalities and powers of this dark world have to watch us CELEBRATE OUR KING AND DECREE HE IS COMING AGAIN!!! **HE Prepares a table for us in the presence of our enemies! (Psalm 23:5). We encourage you , if you are indeed HIS BELOVED, and been REDEEMED BY HIS BLOOD, to refresh your remembrance of the beauty of redemption, and celebrate HIS invitation and HIS instructions regarding this celebratory and most sacred meal. We are closer than has ever been to celebrating with HIM at the marriage Supper of The Lamb. Are you preparing to be prepared? Are you Receiving all HE Purchased for you with wholehearted gratitude by allowing nothing to be dormant that HE gave HIS BODY AND BLOOD FOR? We encourage you to live out everyday as RESURRECTION DAY!

Shiloh Graduate

It was Dec. 2005 when I surrendered my life to the Lord and was radically saved from a 20-year addiction to drugs and alcohol. My life was new, and I was on fire with love and adoration for this beautiful Jesus that rescued me from the hell that my life had become. I was new, re-born. I went where He told me to go, and I said what He told me to say. Helping others get free from the sin that was holding them captive. It was a glorious time of my life. But I had a secret-Sexual Immorality namely Porn. **“A little leaven leavens the whole lump”**. I loved the Lord with all my heart and felt like such a failure. A phony. I would fast. repent. fast repent. Again, and again. Cry out and have weeks sometimes months of freedom only to fall again. I was confused. This was my life for 8 long years. My spirit got compromised and when I was at a place of weakness, I started using drugs again. My problems compounded and I drifted from serving the Lord to just being a guest, a spectator on Sundays and Wednesdays. My drug use separated me from my God and after two long years I was being arrested and heading for the 2nd time back to Prison for Possession. **“Your sins will find you out!”** Every blessing was now gone. This was one of my darkest hours that the Lord years before warned me would happen if I did not stop. He always warns us. I still can see my daughters face when the Judge gave me 4 ½ years in prison. Then I heard the Lord say nevertheless I will be with you. After 2 ½ years I was released onto parole and with all that was my former life in Christ gone and with the hopelessness of my life I began drinking. A week later after 10 years I had a needle in my arm. **“Sin is never satisfied, and hell is never full.”** This went on for some time till a friend of mine told me about Shiloh Ministries. When he told me about the program and that its not just a rehab but more like a School of Ministry, a discipleship program I knew immediately that though I had been saved for 15 years I had never been disciplined. I knew I needed to go. May 15th, 2021, I finally made it to Shiloh. The peace and presence of the Lord was tangible and welcomed me like an old friend. The brothers here took me in and the training began. The Lord over the year has been able to deal with many issues that were root problems in me that would compromise my walk. Like Fear of Man, Opinions of Others, need for acceptance, judgments, fear, and many more. The teaching one receives is sound truth that replaces all the lies we pick up as we go through this fallen world. The pressing presses out the bad and presses in His good. The year is the most difficult wonderful experience I wish all had opportunity to experience. Freedom is found by the one that is hungry for it. After my year I was asked to intern, and I humbly accepted and now I have the awesome yet weighty responsibility of leading and guiding the students that the Lord brings here. I thank you for helping Shiloh do what they do here because I have the awesome pleasure of witnessing our God bring the hearts of these men back into the unity of faith that is in Christ Jesus. And through Him go on to do great exploits for our King. To Him be the glory.. (Micah 7:13 **“Do not gloat over me my enemy though I have fallen I will arise, Though I sit in darkness the LORD will be my LIGHT!!”**)



Shiloh Ministries is one of The Lord's many Ministry tools to reconcile men for restoration. We are blessed to be used of Him to preach the un-searchable riches that are in Christ Jesus (Eph. 3:8). Everyday we are hearing such wonderful testimonies of our Graduates pursuing their calling of a Godly husband, father, missionary, Staff person at local Churches and a minister of reconciliation in the work place. We are asking that you prayerfully consider financially supporting Shiloh Ministries every month. The Lord's ministry at Shiloh has always been financially free for the man who desires freedom from his addictions. Because of this, we simply trust The Holy Spirit to lead people to give financially. This ministry is grateful to those who express gratitude to God by co-laboring with us in discipleship. The expenditures are huge managing a campus that houses over 30 students, staff & interns. Please prayerfully consider Shiloh Ministries every month as good ground for your financial seed. We invite you to visit our web-site and read our Testimony section. It bares witness of our graduates fruit that is on display, for The Glory of God. Thanks for your giving to The Lord's Ministry at Shiloh!

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