

In order to Become a Living Sacrifice (A)

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The person, who needs to set indemnity conditions, has no freedom. He is a sacrifice. He who holds a self-concept cannot be a sacrifice. Also, he who becomes the sacrifice cannot act according to his own desires. If the master calls and tells, "You should climb up on the alter and shed your blood!" You must obey the master. You cannot resist. Like Isaac. Although you still own your authority over your own life, you should not have such an authority towards the parent. Therefore, you must not have a self-concept. Do you know what I say? ("Yes") This is how it is.

Until now, the mind and body have been fighting each other. As Heaven and earth were divided in creation, the relationship between the mind and the body is that of heaven and earth. In the past, the offering was cut into two and shed blood of indemnity in order to offer to God. However, now we are in the realm of merit where God and Satan recognized the past sacrifices that were shed blood and divided, and we can be one with the victorious foundation of the sacrifice; thus can be offered to God without dying. Therefore, we must offer ourselves as a living sacrifice to God and become new beings that are given new life from God. Unless we become such a substance, we cannot be true children of Heaven. Namely, unless you go beyond being a sacrifice and become a resurrected substance, you may not enter Heaven. Unlike the resurrected Jesus who is a spiritual being because his body was killed, you must reach

the standard where both your spirit and body are resurrected. Only by reaching that, are you qualified to enter the Kingdom of God on earth where both heaven and earth are perfected. Do you understand? ("Yes")

Therefore, you must not die. You cannot die physically. But, if you don't let go of the consciousness of your existence, Satan will hit you. Not God, but Satan will attack you. Such a person cannot be a sacrifice. Why was Jesus likened to a lamb? A lamb will never resist if the master sheers its coat or cuts the throat with a knife. A lamb only bleats one cry, "Baa," when the master takes its life.

This is different from other animals. It symbolizes obedience. It symbolizes honesty. This is the attitude for indemnity. If it resists, its nature will agree with Satan's. Satan is the master of opposition. Didn't Satan raise a flag of opposition against righteousness? He resisted God and went against goodness. To become a sacrifice, you must not have any elements of opposition.

A lamb was a symbol of Jesus, because Jesus never offered any resistance, nor opposition to God, like a lamb. After Jesus prayed three times at Gethsemane, he said, "as you will," and "not as I will, but as you will." He repeated this three times. His obedience and honesty are symbolized as a lamb. So, you should not have the concept of self-existence.

When offered, a person who needs to sacrifice himself for his redemption should not have any say on who will make the offering - should be upper class or lower class - in another words, a sacrifice should not have any class consciousness. You should go beyond classes and be obedient to anyone from any class. You should be ready to be an offering for a miserable person. You should be a sacrifice for a chief priest. Then, you are no longer bound by the class-consciousness. Why should you who would be a sacrifice go beyond class-consciousness? If you are bound by class-consciousness, you cannot stand in a position of the heart. In heart and love, there is no sense of class. Isn't this right? So, don't keep any class-consciousness. No more favoritism. When people come asking to redeem themselves from their sins, you will be able to deal with anyone fairly. You are in pitiable position - being a sacrifice. But you must strive to live such a way.

What is your position? A sacrifice to be offered. You must be offered both spirit and body. So, we cannot insist on our own position, saying, "I am so and so. I am a college graduate. I graduated from Tokyo University. Look, I am in a higher social status than you." You must forego such a concept.