Prepared Drink offering

Php 2:14 Do all things without murmurings and disputings:

15 That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world;

16 Holding forth the word of life; that I may rejoice in the day of Christ, that I have not run in vain, neither laboured in vain.

17 Yea, and if I be offered upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all. {offered: Gr. poured forth}

Ge 35:14 And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, even a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon, and he poured oil thereon. jeopardized

It takes prayer, work---Fight—God Witnessing

Revival, true revival, will always lead us to do two things.

1) Worship God privately.

 But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet, and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is in secret; and thy Father which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly" ([Matthew 6:6](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Mt+6%3A6)). And when he had sent the multitudes away, he went up into a mountain apart to pray: and when **the evening** was come, he was there alone" ([Matthew 14:23](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Mt+14%3A23)). And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed" ([Luke 5:16](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+5%3A16)). And it came to pass in those days, that he went out into a mountain to pray, and **continued all night in prayer to God**" ([Luke 6:12](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+6%3A12)). And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed" ([Luke 22:41](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+22%3A41)). On the morrow, as they went on their journey, and drew nigh unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour" ([Acts 10:9](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ac+10%3A9)). And Cornelius said, Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing" ([Acts 10:30](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ac+10%3A30)).

2) Bear testimony to God's work in our lives.

Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me" ([Isaiah 43:10](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Isa+43%3A10)).

Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will declare what he hath done for my soul" ([Psalm 66:16](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ps+66%3A16)).

My mouth shall show forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day; for I know not the numbers thereof" ([Psalm 71:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ps+71%3A15)).

With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth" ([Psalm 119:13](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ps+119%3A13)).

And ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning" ([John 15:27](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jn+15%3A27)).

For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard" ([Acts 4:20](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ac+4%3A20)).

Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life" ([Acts 5:20](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ac+5%3A20)).

We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and therefore have I spoken; we also believe, and therefore speak" ([2 Cor. 4:13](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=2Co+4%3A13)).

These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke with all authority. Let no man despise thee" ([Titus 2:15](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Tit+2%3A15)).

2Sa 23:13—*And three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim.*

*14 And David was then in an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Bethlehem.*

*15 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate!*

*16 And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.*

*17 And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: is not this the blood of the men that went in jeopardy of their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.*

*1Ch 11:15 Now three of the thirty captains went down to the rock to David, into the cave of Adullam; and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim. 16 And David was then in the hold, and the Philistines' garrison was then at Bethlehem.*

*17 And David longed, and said, Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, that is at the gate!*

*18 And the three brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but poured it out to the LORD,*

*19 And said, My God forbid it me, that I should do this thing: shall I drink the blood of these men that have put their lives in jeopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.*

*Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Bethlehem, which is by the gate!*

*therefore he would not drink it.*

1. *Their Faith*
   1. *There faith worked by love*

*Ga 5:6 For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any thing, nor uncircumcision; but faith which worketh by love.*

*Ro 10:17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

* + 1. *Was demonstrated by hearing*
    2. *Was demonstrated by doing*
  1. *Their faith worked with Power*

*2Th 1:11 Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:*

1. *With courage-they could run the greatest hardships in his service*

*Ps 27:14 Wait on the LORD: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the LORD.*

*Ps 31:24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.*

*Nu 13:20 And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean, whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage, and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the firstripe grapes.*

*De 31:6 Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD thy God, he it is that doth go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.*

*De 31:7 And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou must go with this people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them; and thou shalt cause them to inherit it.*

*De 31:23 And he gave Joshua the son of Nun a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good courage: for thou shalt bring the children of Israel into the land which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee.*

*Jos 1:6 Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.*

*7 Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.*

*8 This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: for then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success.*

*9 Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the LORD thy God is with thee whithersoever thou goest.*

*18 Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.*

*Jos 2:11 And as soon as we had heard these things, our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you: for the LORD your God, he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.*

*Jos 10:25 And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed, be strong and of good courage: for thus shall the LORD do to all your enemies against whom ye fight.*

1. *With confidence*

*2Sa 23:16 And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines, and drew water out of the well of Bethlehem, that was by the gate, and took it, and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not drink thereof, but poured it out unto the LORD.*

*Eph 3:12 In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.*

*Php 1:25 And having this confidence, I know that I shall abide and continue with you all for your furtherance and joy of faith;*

**Commitment, Sacrifice, Duty, Devotion and Loyalty**: there were three soldiers who broke through the Philistine lines simply to secure water for David.

These three soldiers were from the elite force known as *The Thirty.*

During David's fugitive years when he was being fiercely pursued by Saul, he and his men were apparently camped out in the cave at Adullam. While hiding out there, a band of Philistines camped out in the Valley of Rephaim right below the cave stronghold, trapping and blocking any hope of escape for David and his soldiers. Sitting there in the cave with no fresh water supply, the men apparently began to discuss how refreshing a drink would be from the *good well water* of Bethlehem. At some point during the discussion, David wishfully stated how much he would love to have a drink of that refreshing water from Bethlehem.

Being so deeply devoted to David, three of his warriors set out to fulfill the desire of their commander ([2 Samuel 23:16](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=2Sa+23%3A16)). Somehow they fearlessly broke through the enemy line and secretly made their way to Bethlehem where the Philistines had set up a garrison to keep the Israelites of the area under their control. Without being spotted, the three devoted soldiers walked up to the well and drew water, then brought it back to David. David was so overwhelmed by the sacrificial devotion of the men that he refused to drink the water ([2 Samuel 23:16-17](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=2Sa+23%3A16-17)). Instead, he poured it out as a drink offering to the Lord. He valued the water so much that he used it as a symbol of blood, for it had been brought to him at the risk of the three warriors' lives (blood). Being symbolized as blood, the water could be used only as a drink offering presented to the Lord. A drink offering symbolized that the person was pouring out his life as an offering to God, submitting himself to the Lord—all he was and had.

1. selfless devotion demonstrated by these three soldiers! They were deeply, sacrificially committed to their commander David. And their commitment is a dynamic example for us, teaching us that we must be sacrificially devoted to the Lord Jesus Christ. Christ has done so much for us:

⇒  Saved us from the sin and bondages of this life.

⇒  Given us His Holy Spirit to guide, teach, protect, and provide for us day by day as we walk throughout life.

⇒  Given us the power to overcome and conquer all the temptations and trials that confront us.

⇒  Given us perfect assurance, guaranteeing us that we are acceptable to Him and will live forever in heaven with Him.

The Lord Jesus Christ has done so much for us that it explodes the human mind. Because of what He has done, we owe our lives to Him—all we are and have. We must give our hearts to Him, be totally devoted to Him, making an absolute commitment to follow Him and obey Him, loving and sacrificially devoting our hearts and lives to Him. This is the strong demand of Holy Scripture:

Eze 36:24 For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land.

Mt 14:22 ¶ And straightway Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.

**I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, *which is* your reasonable service. And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God" (**[**Romans 12:1-2**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ro+12%3A1-2)**).**

**So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple" (**[**Luke 14:33**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Lk+14%3A33)**).** **I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but Christ liveth in me: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me" (**[**Galatians 2:20**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Gal+2%3A20)**).**

**Yea doubtless, and I count all things *but* loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them *but* dung, that I may win Christ" (**[**Phil. 3:8**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Php+3%3A8)**).**

**And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might" (**[**Deut. 6:5**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Dt+6%3A5)**).**

**Blessed *are* they that keep his testimonies, *and that* seek him with the whole heart" (**[**Psalm 119:2**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Ps+119%3A2)**).**

**Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding" (**[**Proverbs 3:5**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Pr+3%3A5)**).**

**My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways" (**[**Proverbs 23:26**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Pr+23%3A26)**).**

**And ye shall seek me, and find *me,* when ye shall search for me with all your heart" (**[**Jeremiah 29:13**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Jer+29%3A13)**).**

**Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye *even* to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning" (**[**Joel 2:12**](http://www.crossbooks.com/verse.asp?ref=Joel+2%3A12)**).**

* *Your life is given to Christ His life in you given for the world to see*

*Pour out our lives to Jesus so His life for the gospel sake would manifest*

*Pour out our lives in prayer that His life in us would be poured out unto the lost*

*Pour out our lives in commitment unto each other for Christ*

*Pour out our lives into each other (be in prayer that He would be the gift)-power*

*Don’t just give a Cup of water put you whole faith and love in it*

*Don’t just shake a hand put your whole faith and love in it*

*Don’t just- give an offering*

*Don’t just- give a testimony*

*Don’t just- pray*

*Don’t just- minister, witness, work, fight, sing, teach, preach*