**Island Glades Gospel Centre**

**Theme**: **The Christian Priesthood in Hebrews 10:19-25**

1. The **C**haracter of the **C**hristian Priesthood. Heb. 10:19-20
2. The **C**haracter of our High Priest. Heb. 10:21
3. The **C**onditions of the Christian Priesthood. Heb. 10:22
4. **The Commitment of Priests. Heb. 10:23-25**

**The Sacrifices of Holy Priests**

**The Sacrifice of What I am. Rom. 12:1, 2**

a. The **C**all to **S**acrifice.

i. A **R**eal Appeal - *I beg of you, please*

ii. A **R**estricted Appeal - *brethren*, i.e. believers only

iii. A **R**easonable Appeal - ***therefore*** *by the mercies of God*

b. The **C**oncept of **S**acrifice - *that you present…*

i. The **O**ffer - *present;* Cf. Heb. 8:3

Gk. *paristemi* = to place beside or near, to present, to offer, to put at one’s disposal; Aorist tense – a once and for all decision

* A Willing**ness** to **S**acrifice All we Are: Cf. **Lk. 2:22**; I Sam. 1:27, 28; Mt. 2:11 - *Present* a Levitical term for presenting the victims and offerings.
* A Prepared**ness** to **S**urrender All we Have.  *Present* is the same as *yield* in **Rom. 6:13**
* A Readi**ness** to **S**ubmit all the Way. Heb. 11:8

ii. The **O**ffering - *your bodies* Cf. I Cor. 3:16, 17; 6:19, 20

The eyes – to **L**ook on the fields. Jn. 4:35

The tongue – to **L**aud the Lord God. Psa. 35:28

The ear – to **L**isten to the still small voice. I Sam. 3:10

The hands – to **L**ift up in prayer. I Tim. 2:8

The feet – to **L**ead others to Christ. Rom. 10:14, 15

The whole person – to **L**ive for Christ. Gal. 2:20

***Kept for the Master’s Use*** by Frances Havergail

Recap: Let Us **Hold Fast the Profession of Our Faith:**…***An holy priesthood*** *to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God by Jesus Christ*

I Pet. 2:5

The **C**all to **S**acrifice – Rom. 12:1, 2

The **C**oncept of Sacrifice – *by the mercies of God*

The **C**onditions of **S**acrifices.
*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.***

A Personal Testimony (Cont’d)

**MY TESTIMONY:** *that ye may* ***P****rove what is the* ***G****ood, Acceptable and* ***P****erfect* ***Will of God****.*
**Stage 1** – The Lord’s **C**hoice,
 my **C**onversion - Sept. 17, 1950
 my **C**onfession – Oct. 22, 1950

**Stage 2** – My **C**onsecration – seeking and ***proving*** the **W**ill of God

 From a ***C****olt* to a ***D****onkey* to an ***A****ss* to a ***B****ull*. – 1950-1953

 } From a Sun**day** to a Fri**day** – **1954** (1 week), – 1957-58

 } From Open-air to inside a Garage (1954-56)

12 years } From **B**utterworth to **B**ayan Lepas – 1959-**1966**

 From **P**enang to **P**J(KL) to **P**ahang – 1967, **1968**

 } The **F**light to **F**reedom via *Pulling Cables* – 1969 (1May)

12 years } The Land of the **F**ree to an Island of **F**loods – 1969**-1980**

12 years } From a Sek. **M**en.HK to a **M**aktab PSP – **1981-1992**

*Stage 3 – My* ***C****ontributions – doing the* ***W****ork of God – 1954-….*

*Stage 4 – My* ***C****ommendation –* ***1996…***

**To be Continued in Pt. 4c – The Commitment in the Christian Priesthood.**