The Salt Covenant

"...all offerings must be seasoned with salt...." Numbers 18:19

Marriage is a sacred covenant between a man and a woman. It is being joined again the man and woman as they were in the beginning. They were also in union with God, their Father and Mother, although they may not have been completely aware of it. After the woman was taken from man, the woman was enticed and gave herself to the temptation, and the man followed her in the sin which separated them from God.

In Numbers 18:19 we see part of the process of joining again God with man, which was with A SALT COVENANT. “…It is a covenant of SALT forever (age abiding, age during, endure the age) before the LORD with you and your descendants with you.” Numbers 18:19

This was God’s Covenant with humanity, and salt was directed to be part of all the offerings in the Temple.

Salt symbolizes divinity - it was believed to be able to drive off demons, and it is interesting to note only the dark side forbids its use, you will not find any salt on the table or in the food served in any pagan religious offering.

Salt purifies - by analogy, the Believers are the salt of the earth "Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.” Matthew 5:13

Believers purify the world:

Salt is pure - germs cannot live in it. At first, salt burns when put on a wound and as it is killing the germs; but eventually it begins to soothe and feel good as the healing process begins. God’s anointed word will burn, but then soothe.

Salt adds flavor to the food and pleasure of a meal. Believers should add the salt of the Spirit to their words and actions.

“Let your speech always be with grace, SEASONED WITH SALT, that you may know how you ought to answer each one.” Colossians 4:6

Salt produces thirst, and the Believers should produce spiritual thirst in those around them.

Salt can only be ruined if it reacts chemically with some other substance, such as, the influence of deceitful riches, material cares, and sins of the world. Such as this will cause one’s Christ-like flavor to be lost.
The following was part of the wedding I did for John Clark and Ella Arvizu

Salt speaks of:

PURIFICATION, FLAVOR JUDGMENT (Lot’s wife)
Salt kills (judgment) that which is bad and preserves that which is good.
Salt Brings union between God and man, husband and wife, brothers and sisters.
Fire unites our salted offerings with Him (the fruit of our godly labor, our heavenly conversation, our lives in general).

We offer to God the best flavor, not our works of religious efforts and legalistic gymnastics.

Many today are offering things to God that are not seasoned with salt. They are religious in outward appearance, but they are lacking in love. Their service and gifts to God are not seasoned with grace, mercy, long-suffering, righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. These things are not a savor to Him. There’s no salt in their walk. Their flavor is gone. Our offerings of unbending dedication and tireless commitment to our churches should never be confused with the salt offerings of Jesus. So let our speech be seasoned with salt. We can correct when necessary; but in doing so, let our words be salted with understanding, mercy, grace, gentleness, forbearance, esteem, and love. Moreover, everything we do should be seasoned with salt.

And today John and Ella are symbolizing their salt covenant with God and each other by pouring their salt together in one container. Therein, the salt of the Lord from each vessel is now one and can never be separated. It is an everlasting, age-abiding covenant.

John and Ella you may now signify the offering of your lives one to the other by pouring your salt into this vessel.

The salt from you both have now been united and cannot be distinguished one from the other and can never be separated. It is all ONE SALT throughout your lives!

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