



## Lesson 6

# THE CELESTINE WAY OF LIFE

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Celestines believe that our bodies are temples of God and it is our duty to love them, care for them well, and honor them inside and out by the foods and drinks we put into them and the way we dress and adorn them. Almost all of the lifestyle choices of Celestines come from this premise.

The three key words of Celestines are **Love**, **Faith** and **Stewardship**. Stewardship encompasses anything or anyone that cannot protect itself, as well as specific callings and responsibilities someone may have been given in Celestine Light.

As such, Celestines are protectors of animals, both wild and domestic, and protectors of the Earth's environments. However, a very important point is we are not fanatics in these areas, and not being fanatical about anything, is an aspect of Celestine Light.

We realize there must often be compromise with other parties that have a vested interest. We consider that, as we strive to have the best possible outcome for the world, and the animals that cannot defend themselves.

**Vivus 23:8-9** *"You must understand that Elohim made the Earth as a temple for man to live in and prosper and gave man a body most intricate to be cared for and loved, and these are the temples of God."*

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*“Be good stewards of the temple of your body and the temple of the Earth and keep the commandments of Sinai and you will be giving the greatest homage to God that man can give.”*

### **THE 5TH COMMANDMENT:**

*You are a temple of God. Do not defile your temple inside or outside, but keep yourself clean and pure that the Celestine Light of Elohim may illuminate you.*

Living the Celestine Way of life means doing our best every day to live the 12 commandments and follow the teachings Yeshua gave us in the Oracles for daily living.

One of the primary distinctions of Celestines is we are either some variant of vegetarian, or for those still transitioning, pescatarian, which is someone that still eats fish.

In the Oracles, Yeshua, or angels, admonished on multiple occasions to not eat the flesh of animals that have warm blood and nurture their young. Here are some examples:

### **THE 11TH COMMANDMENT**

*You shall not maim or murder, wherein you shall not grievously injure or take the life of anyone, save it be in defense of mortal attack upon you or your family or your home. Nor shall you kill to eat as food any animal, or bird, or creature of the sea that is of warm blood or nurtures its young, save it be in times of famine or pestilence, when food is not found in the garden and the storeroom is empty. Nor shall you join yourself to armies that bring war to other lands, but only to defend against a destroyer upon your land, and then only after every way of honorable peace has failed. And if it be that you must take a life for any of these causes, you shall make your heart right again with God*

*with fasting and prayer and have a spirit of love and peace before you enter again into the house of God.*

**Nexus 4: 28-29** *“Therefore, from this day henceforth eat not the flesh of any creature of warm blood or any that nurtures its young.*

*“Eat only fruits and vegetables that still retain the essence of vitality and grains that have been soaked in water so that new life springs forth from their seeds before they are made into bread.”*

**Nexus 8: 6** *“According to the admonitions of the angel Gabriel whom visited Miryam when Yeshua was conceived, they ate not the flesh of any animal of warm blood or that nurtured its young nor drank anything except pure water and wine of the pure grape. And whenever possible, they ate not any creature that had been killed at all, or of any plants except those that had just been harvested and still retained the essence of vitality.”*

**Nexus 8: 11-18** *As Yosef and Miryam approached, a priest said unto Yeshua, “You say Elohim desires man to not eat the meat of creatures of warm blood and is more pleased if man eats meat not at all of any animal or fowl or even fish, but only plants and a little of honey and eggs and milk foods.”*

*Yet the sacred scrolls tell us that Elohim said unto Noah, “The fear of you and the dread of you shall be upon every beast of the earth and upon every bird of the air, upon everything that creeps on the ground and all the fish of the sea; into your hand they are delivered. Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you.”*

*And Yeshua answered unto him, “Verily, those are the false words of men written into that which is sacred to justify themselves, for the scrolls also say of that day, and God saw the earth and behold, it was corrupt; for all flesh*

*had corrupted their way upon the earth.”*

*Then were many of the priests angry with him insomuch that they desired to rend their garments, for he had said that some of that which was sacred to them was of men, not God, but they were restrained because of his youth.*

*And another priest said, “The sacred scrolls tell us that Elohim has said that man is to have dominion over the fish of the sea and the fowl of the air and everything that moves upon the earth. By this, we also know that man can eat the clean creatures of the world if he desires, for they are under his dominion.”*

*Yeshua answered him with authority, saying, “Verily, dominion does not grant permission for man to kill animals as he desires, merely allows that Elohim has sanctioned man to use them to help with his labors, and with thanksgiving, take a little of their honey and milk and eggs to make into food as needed. But to kill them without great cause is to turn upon God, the creator of all.*

*Had Elohim desired man to eat the flesh of animals, he would have made the bodies of man into great hunters with large sharp teeth and claws like the bear and the lion, not weak and frail, with small teeth and thin little nails, less than even the cattle and the chickens.”*

*Consider instead that man was made in the very image of God, and do you think that Elohim would desire to see the reflection of God wantonly killing those creatures which Elohim has made to also have a life?*

**Vivus 97: 93** *“So it is that some that have always killed wantonly kill with less relish and then with none and then even with sadness, often more than the men of earth, most who still kill animals and birds of warm blood for food, when simple plants and the fruits of the animals and the earth would give them superior food without killing.”*

*Celestines consider themselves to be part of the Family*

of Light and feel a close kinship with other Celestines. We strive to be helpful when our brothers or sisters are in need.

Celestines also have a unique lay ministry. No member is paid to be a minister, although anyone working in any capacity for the church can be compensated for expenses incurred.

All worthy members, both male and female can be ordained to the priesthood beginning at age 12. There are 14 priesthood offices. They are not linear, meaning you don't aspire to be ordained to any. Each has its own area of responsibility and stewardship. Celestines are called to their priesthood office by revelation received by the local leader of the congregation.

It is possible, especially in areas of limited numbers of members, that an individual can hold multiple priesthood offices at the same time.

Each priesthood office is given specific keys and authority to fulfill their stewardship in that priesthood office.

For instance, 12-14 year olds are ordained only to the office of Acolyte. The only priesthood keys they are given at this young age is to prepare the sacrament.

Deacons, which can be between 14-16, can pass the sacrament. Deacons can also ordain other Deacons or Acolytes.

Priests and Priestesses, who must be at least 16-18 years old, or often new adult members, can bless the sacrament and ordain Acolytes, Deacons and other Priests. They also have the keys and authority to lay on hands for healings and to participate in Circles of Power.

Higher levels of the priesthood may perform marriages, and many other important functions.

Celestine Priesthood holders gather together to form

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Circles of Power. These are used for various purposes from ridding a land of negative energy vortexes, to influencing government leaders to make wise decisions for the benefit of the people, to increasing each priesthood holders own powers and abilities. Circles of Power can also be used to contain and vanquish harmful entities.

**To learn more about Circles of Power please read Vivus chapter 64:100-146**

Part of being a Celestine is also exhibiting good character traits. It means not being prejudiced or biased against any people for their race, sexual persuasion, religion, education or economic level, or any other reason.

Though we are still a young and small church we are already planning on creating Celestine Light communities that are mostly self-sufficient and can provide employment for any members that desire it, in various community businesses.

As part of the practice of treating our bodies like temples of God, Celestines do not smoke tobacco or anything else. We do not take hallucinogenic or mind altering drugs unless prescribed by a doctor. Many Celestines do not drink alcoholic drinks at all. But it is permissible, as long as we limit it to not more than 1 glass a day of a drink whose alcohol content is 5% or less. If the particular drink we wish to consume, such as beer or wine, is slightly more than that percentage, we will dilute it with water, or some other substance to insure it still falls under the 5% alcohol range.

**Vivus 66: 20-21** *“Therefore, in the Communities of Light, see that those things that promote the light are encouraged, while those that promote the darkness or needlessly tempt the adversary within are forbidden.*

*If a brother or sister wishes to partake of the sins of the*

*world such as gambling, or unrighteous sexual gratification, or taking drink or herbs that addle the mind, or eating to gluttony, or exercising unrighteous dominion over others, let them leave the community and go and live in the world they wish to be like, until they have repented and are ready to live again among the Children of Light, in the ways of Celestine Light.”*

Celestines also are very careful about non-alcoholic drinks they consume that may have stimulating or other physical or mind altering effects, such as energy drinks and some coffees and teas, both of which contain the addictive drug caffeine. The amount of caffeine the drinks contain can vary widely depending upon the type of preparation and the quantity consumed. While many Celestines abstain from caffeine drinks, for those who still like their morning coffee or caffeinated tea we ask that they keep their daily caffeine intake under 100mg. Higher amounts assure caffeine addiction, which is not honoring the temples of our body.

**Here’s an example of the caffeine content of various drinks & foods:** For a more complete list visit InfoPlease.

Of course most of these items also contain copious amounts of sugar, which can cause all kinds of problems in your body and with your health.

Starbucks Coffee venti, 20 fl. oz.	415mg
Bang Energy Drink, 16 fl. oz.	357mg
Starbucks Coffee tall, 12 fl. oz.	260mg
Starbucks Caffi Mocha grande, 16 fl. oz.	175mg
Monster Energy Drink, 16 fl. oz.	160mg
Starbucks Espresso doppio, 2 fl. oz.	150mg
Starbucks Tazo Awake-Brewed Tea, 16 fl. oz.	135mg

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McDonald's Coffee large, 16 fl. oz.	133mg
Awake Caffeinated Chocolate Bar, 1.55 oz.	101mg
Starbucks Tazo Chai Tea Latte grande, 16 fl. oz.	95mg
Starbucks Frappuccino Coffee, 9.5 fl. oz.	90mg
Red Bull Energy Drink, 8.4 fl. oz.	80mg
Starbucks Tazo Green Tea Latte grande, 16 fl. oz.	80mg
FDA official limit for cola and pepper soft drinks, 12 oz.	71mg
Cold Stone Creamery Mocha Ice Cream, 12 fl. oz.	52mg
Green tea, brewed for 3 minutes, 8 fl. oz.	35-60mg
TCBY Coffee Frozen Yogurt large, 13.4 fl. oz.	42mg
Arizona Iced Tea, black, all varieties, 16 fl. oz.	30mg
Hershey's Special Dark Chocolate Bar, 1.5 oz.	20mg
Arizona Iced Tea, green, all varieties, 16 fl. oz.	15mg

One other area that is peculiar to Celestines, at least in our modern casual sex world, is the intent to refrain from sexual intercourse when not in a married relationship.

Celestines believe very strongly in marriage and devote teaching time to help members have more harmonious and expansive relationships. This is good for the adults and any children in the relationship. Though legal, formal marriage is by far the right choice for Celestines, we realize that is not always possible, even with a couple that love each other and want to stay together.

**Vivus 73: 27-37** *“Much grief is left behind, and many fine qualities emerge, when a young man and a young woman marry shortly after their eighteenth year, as is the custom among most of the diverse peoples living in the land of Palestine.*

*The blessings of this are evident in lasting marriages of love, where righteous lust is satisfied at home with the*



*beloved; where affections do not wander; where children grow up balanced, comforted in their hearts, and delightful in their dispositions.*

*But there are some, such as the Didorites, that disdain marriage and simply choose to take mates and live together for such time as it pleases them.*

*The results of this are equally evident: In the years of early adulthood, lust for others besides their companion is rampant, fornication and adultery are common, relationships seldom last even until the oldest child is of age, and growing up without an example of committed love produces young men who live for lust and are incapable of a deep and abiding love.*

*In years of later adulthood, the passions of lust fade, even into nothingness, leaving those who built their lives upon nothing, with an emptiness that cannot be filled.*

*Verily, I declare unto you, as in all things, you reap what you sow, and those that sow iniquity shall reap the whirlwind. Before the last Child of Light leaves this land, the Didorites shall be no more. Their days are already numbered.*

*They shall be consumed unto death by the fires created from their lusts. That which gave them pleasure shall give them pain, which pain shall increase day by day until many will take their own lives rather than suffer another day.*

*Those who take not their life, but endure the pain hoping for relief from sources unknown, merely prolong the inevitable, and their end shall be all the worse, until the Didorites are no more.*

*So shall misery and unhappiness, and often disease and early death, fall upon all who seek to gratify their carnal lusts without a bond of love and a commitment of fidelity in marriage. And those who live long in the years shall most often find only a great loneliness at the end of their sojourn in life.*

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*But even for the lost, there is always redemption if they will repent in fullness and sincerity and choose to live in the light. But let them not procrastinate their day of repentance, for they know not when their last breath shall be, even this day.*

*I tell you these things that you might learn the wisdom that comes from the Celestine Light, that you might understand that impure thoughts and unrighteous lust are most easily conquered by an early marriage, founded on love, where lust is given fulfillment within the marriage, and the man seeks the pleasure of his wife or wives, first and foremost.”*

Marriage is considered archaic in some countries and couples just move in together. But there is seldom relationship or financial security in that choice, because either partner can chose to walk away at any time without any obligations for child support.

Some countries recognize “Common Law Marriages” when couples have been together for a specified number of years. Most often that is 10 years. Common Law marriages are usually afforded the same legal protections as regular marriages, but the chance of the relationship ending before the 10 years is reached is high. In those cases, there is most often no legal recourse for spousal or child support.

We also recognize that someone in a moved in together relationship may join Celestine Light and desire to have a formal marriage, but their partner, who is not a part of Celestine Light does not.

Because of these realities, the church will consider unmarried couples that are living in a committed, monogamous relationship, to be fulfilling the requirements of marriage for sexual relationships. However, it is our strongest desire to see couples that are not formally married to become so as soon as possible.

The fact is that if one or both members of a couple are unwilling to be formally married and afford each other and their possible children full legal protection, reveals a lot about their true commitment to the relationship.

After reading this lesson, please contemplate it deeply and follow the Admonition of the Apostles to pray about it that your heart and mind can testify of the truth.

“Therefore, we would ask that when you read these things, which the spirit of God has led you to read, that you would not blindly heed the exhortations of men.

“But go in humility to seek out God, in a quiet place of solitude, in the brightness of the Sun. And upon your knees, with palms together, with an open heart humbly desiring to know the light of truth, lift up your face to the warmth of the Sun, and in the name of Yeshua the Messiah, ask to know the truthfulness of our words...

*“And if you shall ask with a humble spirit, with an open heart, and in all sincerity desiring to know the truth, the spirit of God shall flow into you.*

*“And you shall know the truth and the truth will set your spirit free; and with an overflowing joy in your heart and a clear knowing in your mind, the Holy Spirit of God will testify to you; whereby you may know the truth of all things.”*

**Nexus 2:6-9**

