

The Church in Regina Weekly Newsletter

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"Receiving and Enjoying Grace ${\sf by}$ Exercising our Spirit and Enthroning the Lord"

Meeting Schedule

Lord's Table Meeting - Lord's Day
- YWCA 9:30 - 11:30 AM
Prayer Meeting, - Tuesday & Wednesday
- Saints Homes 8:30 - 9:30 PM
Small Group Meeting - Saturday evening
- Saints Homes
Young People's Meeting - Fridays
- Bro. Hendrick's House 7:00-9:00PM

Upcoming Activities

February - YP Skiing, Feb 6, 2015

- Love Feast, Feb 8, 2015
- Church Pursuit Feb 16, 2015 Msg-11, The All-inclusive Christ

Church Building

THERE IS NO GREATER JOY THAN BEGINNING THE DAY BY CONSECRATING OURSELVES TO THE LORD

Seven Annual Feasts

- 1. International Chinese-speaking Conference - Taipei, Taiwan February 21-22, 2015
- 2. International Training for elders and Responsible Ones - Anaheim, CA March 27-29, 2015
- 3. Memorial Day Conference St Louis, MO May 22-25, 2015
- 4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA June 29 - July 4, 2015
- 5. ITERO Aguas de Lindoia, Brazil October 1-3, 2015
- 6. Thanksgiving Conference Jacksonville, FL November 26-29, 2015
- 7. Winter Training Anaheim, California Dec. 21-26, 2015

RECEIVING GRACE UPON GRACE

John I:16 says, "Of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace." The phrase grace upon grace indicates that grace is like sea waves that come upon the shore one after another. For example, when we are newly saved, we touch the elements of His redemption, of His bearing of our sins, and of His being judged on our behalf. Our sins are forgiven, and we have joy and peace. Thus, we receive of His fullness. After a period of time, our inner being becomes bright and full of light. Then grace comes as life and continues to come as lowliness and submission to the Lord's kingship. Gradually, grace comes to us as the living of God in our humanity. Although we are a man living on the earth, the source of our living is the life of God within us. All these experiences cause us to not only see but also touch something, that is, to see and touch the element of His fullness as grace. In this way we receive and experience grace upon grace, and more of His element becomes our element. This is grace upon grace in our experience.

One co-worker received a word while in prayer: "To know Him and the power of His resurrection" (Phil. 3:10). He felt that this was the Lord's word to him, but he did not know the reason for this word. Not too long after, he encountered a particular environment that he could not bear. When he asked the Lord about this situation, he had an inward realization that the Lord allowed it so that he could know Christ and the power of His resurrection. Then he gave himself to the Lord, and throughout this time he experienced the power of resurrection... This is grace upon grace. Day by day, as we receive more of the Lord, more of His element becomes our element, and more of His fullness becomes our fullness.

BEING DELIVERED FROM THE FLESH BY RECEIVING OF THE LORD'S FULLNESS

After Paul says, "You have been made full in Him," in Colossians 2:10, he gives an example of being made full. Verse II says, "In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands, in the putting off of the body of the flesh, in the circumcision of Christ." We cannot deal with our flesh and lusts; however, there is an element in the fullness of Christ that can circumcise us. Once this element in His fullness enters into us, it has the effect of circumcising us.

For example, after being saved, our previous fleshly indulgences often continue to encumber us. However, as we gradually receive more of His fullness, these indulgences begin to fall away. Some weaknesses cannot be overcome quickly, even though others may admonish us and we may make many resolutions. As we receive grace upon grace, however, these weaknesses begin to fall away spontaneously.

ALL RECEIVING OF HIS FULLNESS

Although John 1:16 says, "Of His fullness we have all received," this does not mean that we have received everything of His fullness. His fullness is inexhaustible. The word all refers to us, to those who have received the fullness. Every saved person has received of His fullness. Paul received it, John received it, and we have received it. All the saved ones have received of His fullness. Although some have received more and others less, all have received. Furthermore, we have grace upon grace; we can receive, obtain, and enjoy grace upon grace. Every experience of grace involves an element of Himself. The more we receive His grace, the more we will be filled with His element, and the more His fullness will become our fullness. May we learn to be those who receive grace, ceasing from our struggling, striving, and reliance on ourselves. Everything that we have, we have received from Him. Praise the Lord that we can receive of His fullness as grace upon grace.

(Life and Building in the Gospel of John, Chapter 12, Section 3)

January 18, 2015

This Weeks's Pursuit: THE HEAVENLY VISION

Prayer burden

- The burnt offering reminds us that we must be **absolute** for God, yet we are not. Thus we need to **take Christ daily** as our burnt offering in His being the life that enables us to have a living that is perfect and absolute for God.
- 2. We need to realized that by the laying of hand on the burnt offering (Christ) means that we are **joined to Him**. Spiritually speaking, such a union, such an identification He becomes one with us and live in us. As He lives in us, He will repeat **in us** the life He lived on earth.
- 3. We need to take Christ as our burnt offering daily so that we may experience Christ in His experiences as the burnt offering, not imitating Christ outwardly but living Him in our daily life.
- We need to live in the principle of the Nazarites with a voluntary fourfold consecration to God.
 - Overcome worldly enjoyment and pleasure by enjoying Christ as the new wine.
 - Overcome rebellion, but be under the headship of the Lord
 - Overcome death, but be those who are full of life
 - Overcome natural affection, our love must be out of the divine love not our natural love.
- 5. Pray for the growth and increase of the church in **Regina**. For our generation to rise up as lovers of Christ and functioning members of the Body. Pray for our contacts and friends.
- Special prayers for Shannon Karok, that the Lord will continue to bless her with Himself as grace upon grace and give her strength and guidance with the situation she's facing.
- Overcoming Death by Being Full of Life and Standing Against any Death



THE VISION OF CONSECRATION - Message Six

Scripture Reading: Lev. 1:3-4a, 9, 16; 6:8-13; 7:8; 8:18; Num. 6:1-9, 22-27; Acts 1:12-14; 26:19

I. The Burnt offering (Lev.1:1-17) typifies Christ not mainly in His redeeming man from sin but in His living a life that is perfect and absolutely for God and for God's satisfaction and in His being the life that enables God's people to have such a living.

The burnt offering is God's food so that God may enjoy it and so that it will satisfy Him as "a satisfying fragrance to Jehovah". This offering was to be **offered daily**, in the morning and in the evening...The laying on of hands on the head of the burnt offering signifies our identification, **our union, with Christ**, by laying our hands on Christ as our offering, we are joined to Him, and He and we become one. In such a union all our weaknesses, defects, and faults are taken on by Him, and all His virtues become ours; this requires us to exercise our spirit through the proper prayer so that we may be one with Him in an experiential way.

We need to take Christ as our burnt offering daily so that we may experience Christ in His experiences as the burnt offering, not imitating Christ outwardly but living Him in our daily life. As we continually take Christ as our burnt offering, the more the outward expression of His beauty is ascribed to us for His magnification and the more we enjoy Christ as our enveloping power to cover, protect, and preserve us.

The ashes of the burnt offering signify Christ **reduced to nothing.** The Lord's desire is that all the believers in Christ be reduced to ashes. Since we are one with the Christ who has been reduced to ashes, we also are reduced to ashes, that is, reduced to nothing, to zero. The more we are identified with Christ in His death, the more we will realize that we have become a heap of ashes. When we become ashes, we are no longer a natural person; instead, we are a person who has been crucified, terminated, burned. ... When we are reduced to ashes, we are brought into the transformation of the Triune God to become the precious materials for the building of the New Jerusalem.

II. God desires that all His people be Nazarites, those who separate themselves unto God to be absolutely, utterly, and ultimately for God, that is, to be for nothing other than God—loving God, seeking God, living God, and being constituted with God to bless others with God for the expression of God.

A Nazarite is a type of Christ in His living absolutely for God in His humanity. The Nazarite's separation lasted for seven days, signifying a full course, even a **lifetime**... All overcomers live in the principle of the Nazarite with a voluntary fourfold consecration to God.

- 1. A Nazarite must **overcome** worldly enjoyment and pleasure, signified by his abstaining from wine and anything related to its source. Worldly pleasure leads to lustful intentions and lustful conduct. We must abstain from the worldly wine by enjoying Christ as the new wine to make us people who cheer God and cheer man.
- 2. A Nazarite must **overcome rebellion**, signified by his not shaving his head; not shaving the head signifies not rejecting, but being absolutely subject to, the headship of the Lord.
- 3. A Nazarite must **overcome** death, signified by his not being allowed to be defiled by the death of the relative closest to him or by the sudden death of one beside him. Death is more defiling before God than sin. We must be those who are full of life, which is "anti-death"; this depends on how much we exercise our spirit to pray, not in a general way but with a prayer that fights against the enemy. Death is everywhere. Society is filled with the germs of death. Because these germs are even in the church life, we need to pray daily, hourly, fighting against death, the last enemy of God.
- 4. A Nazarite must **overcome** natural affection, signified by his not making himself unclean for his father, mother, brother, or sister when they die. God does not want us to love with our natural love but with Him as our love.

Once our former separation has been made void, we must re-separate ourselves to God by taking Christ as the reality of all the offerings. Our separation unto God is for our being blessed by God to bless others with God in the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity for the carrying out of His eternal economy.

WEEK	LORD'S TABLE ATTENDANCE	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	HOME MEETINGS	OFFERING
Jan. 04 - Jan. 10, 2015	16	11	10		\$195.00
Jan. 11 - Jan. 17, 2015	22	11	12		\$130.00