



# Church in Regina Newsletter

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Roman 8:29 "... predestinated to be **conformed to the image of His Son**, that He might be the Firstborn among **many brothers**;..."

## This Weeks's Pursuit: CRYSTALLIZATION-STUDY OF EZEKIEL - (Message 18)

### The Son of Man

#### and the Humanity of Jesus for God's Building

Scripture Reading: Ezek. 1:5, 26; 40:3, 5, 8; 41:16; John 1:51; Phil. 2:5-8

Why did God create man? The purpose is that man would become **God's building**. Man is meant to be the entity into which God will build Himself. He also intends that He would **build man into Himself**. Through this twofold building work, God intends to achieve a mutual dwelling place, constituted with both divinity and humanity. Man is destined for the **throne** and the **building**. [For this, we need] a unique humanity—one that is approved by God and is up to God's divine standard... [It is] not just any humanity that can be part of God's building; only the humanity of Jesus is meant to become part of God's building. The humanity with which we were born in our physical birth is insufficient for the building because it is fallen, damaged, and ruined... Fallen humanity cannot be part of God's building. God requires a particular humanity, a humanity that the world has never seen. Praise the Lord that the perfect humanity of Jesus exists.

When we talk about humanity, we must also include the human **life**, the human **nature**, and the human **living**. These three things together form a complete understanding of humanity. The porch entrances to the temple became narrower the higher they went. This shows that **the more we go on in our experience of God's building, the narrower the way becomes, and the more we will be restricted by Him**. Our failure to live by His humanity indicates that we have not sufficiently eaten and masticated (to eat bit by bit in a slow and fine way) His humanity. Only to the extent that we possess His humanity are we fit for God's building.

### MEASUREMENTS SHOW THAT HUMANITY IS FOR GOD'S BUILDING

[M]any measurements in the temple were of six cubits. This number signifies man, who was created on the sixth day. That the enlarged temple in Ezekiel's vision so often has measurements of six cubits indicates that humanity is the main material with which God's house is constructed. Within the tabernacle, gold was the material that was most visible: the frame and structure of the tabernacle were of acacia wood, but these elements were overlaid with gold. Gold signifies the divine nature of God. On the inside of the temple in Ezekiel, however, **wood**, not gold, is the most visible material. When we look into God's building as portrayed by the temple in Ezekiel, what we see is **humanity**.

### THE UPLIFTED HUMANITY

The **wood** in the holy building of God revealed in Ezekiel signifies the **uplifted, divinely enriched** humanity of Jesus. Even with the Lord, His humanity needed to be crucified, to pass through death, and to be brought into resurrection. Eventually, the Lord Jesus brought His humanity not only into resurrection and ascension but also into His enthronement. Thus, His humanity became uplifted and divinely enriched.

### THE WAY TO POSSESS THIS HUMANITY FOR GOD'S BUILDING

In resurrection, Christ, who was the only begotten Son of God in His divinity, was born of God in His humanity to be the firstborn Son of God. His humanity was "sonized," made divine; this "sonizing" in resurrection sanctified, uplifted, and transformed Christ's humanity, which He put on in incarnation. Now such an uplifted humanity is in the Spirit of Jesus and can become our experience so that we may become "Jesusly" human, having the humanity of Jesus for God's building. This becomes our experience and **enjoyment by drinking the Spirit of Jesus**. Another wonderful **way to access**, partake of, and possess the humanity of Jesus is **by eating Jesus and eating the word**. [As] we drink the Spirit of Jesus and eat His word, partaking of His humanity, this Spirit with His humanity is active to lead and guide us in what we should say or not say and in how we should behave. This is not to live by a code of ethics, nor is it to live by some teachings of morality; it is the inward operation of the Spirit of Jesus within us and **our cooperation with Him in our daily living to possess the humanity that builds up the church as the Body of Christ**. May the Lord bless all the local churches with the humanity of Jesus, Amen.

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▶ **Lord's Table Meeting**  
Lord's Day  
10:00AM to 12:00PM

▶ **Prayer Meeting**  
Tuesdays &  
Wednesdays  
Saints Homes  
7:30PM to 8:30PM

▶ **YP Meeting**  
Fridays  
7:00PM to 9:00PM  
Brother Joseph's Place

▶ **Small/Home Meeting**  
Friday/Saturday  
Evenings  
Saint's Home

### 2018

### SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

1. **International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018**
2. ITERO (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: April 13-15, 2018
3. Memorial Day Conference Kansas City, Missouri: May 25-28, 2018
4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA: July 2-7, 2018
5. ITERO (Fall) Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: October 4-6, 2018
6. Thanksgiving Conference Charlotte, North Carolina: November 22-25, 2018
7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA: December 24-29, 2018

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. We encourage the brothers and sister to enjoy the riches of Christ and send **feedback** to the questions in our **daily reading** of the **Life-study of Romans**.
2. Continue to visit our website daily **www.thechurchinregina.org**. The upper right corner have the links to our **newsletter** and our **readings** which we will use in our meetings.
3. The Lord has been merciful to us in reminding us regarding the purchase of the **Collected Works of Witness Lee**. This is an opportunity for us to respond to Lord. May we all go to the Lord to see how we can **participate** and **cooperate** with the Lord in this monumental milestone in church history.
4. First **combined prayer meeting** will be in our brother Hendrick's place, on **February 6, 2018**.

## PRAYER BURDEN

"...we..., were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,"

1. Lord, You are the **Son of Man** sitting on the **throne** and also the **Son of Man** at the **gate** of the temple **measuring** us, to **judge** and **possess** us, that we may be qualified to have the **proper humanity** required for Your building.

2. Lord, You are God becoming man, the **God-man** and also **man-God**, because it is Your delight and focus to **minge** Yourself with us, we **set our heart** towards You that You may **gain us** for Your corporate expression.

3. Lord, we **believe** into You as the **Son of God** that we may receive eternal life and make us **realize** and **experience** You as the **Son of Man** with **uplifted humanity** for God's building.

4. Lord, give a clear vision concerning the old man, our **fallen humanity** that has been **terminated** in Your crucifixion and the new man, our **God-created humanity** that has been **germinated** through Your resurrection.

5. Lord, we aspire to be Your glorious **testimony**, **train us** to know our **new being**, to know that Your essence is our **essence** and to know that You **become us** that You have **entered** into us, and to **declare** that "it's no longer we who live, but it is You who lives in us."

6. Lord, our salvation made us experienced the **Spirit of divinity**, but we also want to **grow** to experience the **Spirit of humanity** to be our **standing** and to have the highest **human virtues** that we may keep the **oneness** of the Spirit for Your building.

7. Please pray for:

- The **gaining** of families, to have more solid **contacts** in the communities and grant the local saints of the **120** cities with the heart and the supply to **shepherd** the seeking ones that have been contacted by the **51** GTCA teams.
- The **health** and **safety** of all the GTCA teams and a quick **recovery** for all the ones that are sick, and the **blending** and **building** up with the local saints and the ones participating in the gospel trips.

8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.

- **Conference** Saskatoon and Regina
- The Collected Works of Witness Lee
- Redeeming the time for the growth in life
- YP and Children's work/meeting
- **Small group** in **Moose Jaw & Oxbow**
- Sister **Malou** Ballao pregnancy

### Saved in Life from Naturalness

January 29, 2018, Monday (Message 41)

Redemption, justification, and reconciliation have been accomplished by the death of Christ on the cross. Through Christ's death, the problems between us and God on the **negative side** have been solved. But God's purpose on the **positive side** to **build up the Body** as the corporate expression of His Son must still be fulfilled.

Along with being saved from **sin** and from **worldliness**, we need to be saved in life from **naturalness**. Romans 12:2 tells us to be transformed by the renewing of the mind. For the building of the Body, we need the renewing of our mind, we need this transformation in order to **be saved from our naturalness**. We need not only an outward change, but also an **inward change**. Transformation involves a metabolic change in our being. A new element, a divine, holy, heavenly element, must be added to our natural element to produce a metabolic, organic change. The result of such a change is an organic transformation for the building up of the Body.

### Saved in Life from Individualism

January 30, 2018, Tuesday (Message 42)

Christ died on the cross for our redemption; through redemption we have been justified by God and reconciled to Him. Now there is nothing between us and God. However, we still need to be saved in Christ's life from **individualism**, that is, from being individualistic. God's intention is not to have a group of individualistic believers. On the contrary, it is to build up the Body for the fulfillment of His purpose. In order for this purpose to be carried out, we need to be saved from individualism. We need the Lord's mercy and grace to **consecrate** ourselves to Him that He may deal with us, and we must allow Him to live in us. In order to **be saved from individualism** and to be built up in the Body, we must **be willing** for the Lord to deal with our mind, emotion, and will according to His desire.

### Saved in Life from Divisiveness

January 31, 2018, Wednesday (Message 43)

In our natural life there is the tendency to be **divisive**. **Divisiveness** is worse than naturalness or individualism. If someone is individualistic, he prefers to be left alone. But to be divisive is to cause division in an active way. In contrast to those who are individualistic, the divisive ones are aggressive to form parties. Christians today are not only divisive but also divided. Instead of judging divisiveness in others, **we should judge our own divisive nature**. There is the strong natural tendency in all of us to **insist** that all believers be the same as we are. Such insisting exposes the very element of divisiveness rooted deep within our natural being.

In order to be saved from **divisiveness**, **we need the growth in life**. The more we grow in Christ's life, the more we shall be saved in His life. The greater our measure of Christ, the less divisive we shall be. We need to be watchful concerning this divisive element within us. We also need to pray that the Lord will grant us the **genuine growth in life** so that we may be saved from divisiveness.

### Saved in Life from Self-Likeness (1)

February 01, 2018, Thursday (Message 44)

All that Christ has accomplished on the cross is an objective fact, but we need a subjective experience of this fact, an experience in life. The only way Christ's accomplishment in substitution can be applied to us in experience is by our having Christ as our life.

According to Matthew 16, Satan is the reality of the self. **Self** is the incarnation of Satan. As Christ is the embodiment and expression of God, so self is the embodiment and expression of Satan. **Every human being is a self**. Not only were we born with the self and in the self, but we were born a self. **As long as we are natural, we express the self**. To be **saved from the self** is to be conformed to the image of the Son of God. This means that to be saved from the self is to be made truly a son of God. Everything that happens to us is God's best for us. Through the work of transformation, **He is conforming us to the image of His Son**.

### Saved in Life from Self-Likeness (2)

February 02, 2018, Friday (Message 45)

Christ was designated the Son of God according to the divine essence of holiness through the process of death and resurrection. As saved ones, we have the Son of God in our spirit. He was sown into us. Once again, the Son of God is **concealed** in humanity, this time **in our human life**, in our humanity, in our flesh. To **be saved from our self-likeness**, from the expression of the self, we need conformation for glorification. As believers in the Lord Jesus, we also have the **divine essence** of holiness, which is the Spirit of holiness, the very Christ, in our spirit. Because this holy essence is still **concealed within our humanity**, we need to pass through a process under God's sovereign arrangement that will enable this **essence to saturate our entire being**. Christ today is the Spirit of holiness, the very divine essence of holiness working organically within our being. He sanctifies us by saturating us with this holy essence. This involves a process of spiritual metabolism. Through sanctifying us in this way, He is bringing us, the many sons, into glory.

### Upcoming Activities:

- › February 11, 2018 - Love Feast
- › February 06, 2018 - Combined Prayer Meeting (Hendrick Tan's place 7:30PM - 8:30PM)
- › February 19, 2018 - Church Pursuit; (Experience of Life, msg 16; Brother Joseph's place)
- › February 25, 2018 - Brother's Meeting