

# **Church in Regina Newsletter**

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Colossians 1:12 "Giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you for a share of the allotted portion of the saints in the light;"

"In Canaan, there is a rich produce and the matter of the enjoyment of the riches of Christ"

# This Weeks's Pursuit: THE SPIRITUAL WARFARE OF THE CHURCH AS THE NEW MAN (5)

The Formation of a Corporate Joshua to Possess the Good Land by Defeating the Satanic Forces Scripture Reading: Deut. 8:7-10; Josh. 1:2-3, 6-9, 16-18; 5:11-12; Col. 1:12

If we look at the Old Testament, God called Abraham and gave him the good land, but then Abraham went to Egypt, and God had to bring him out of there. Then, Abraham's descendants ended up in Egypt again with Moses...From the day we were saved, our Christian life has been the life of warfare. Israel, when they ate the Passover lamb, [it is] from that moment that the warfare really began. They ate the Passover and Pharaoh chased them and Jehovah fought for them. They crossed the Red Sea and in Exodus 15, they sang the song of Moses. Moses sang, "Jehovah is a man of war; Jehovah is His name".

God had to rescue them and bring them up to Canaan from there. Many years later, the enemy came again and took the people in captivity in Babylon for seventy years, and God had to rescue them and bring them back to the good land to build the temple and the city of God. God's work is always to recover the land for His people's enjoyment, while the enemy's work is always to frustrate, spoil, and hinder the enjoyment of the land, and he always does something to bring the land into chaos.

When we come to the matter of the **spiritual warfare**, we need to realize that spiritual warfare is necessary not merely to fend off the problems, troubles, and attacks of the enemy, so that we can have a good and peaceful life on this earth. Rather, spiritual warfare is needed for God to...make the all-inclusive Christ – as typified by the good land – be everything to us, His people, so that we may enjoy Christ, take Christ as our everything, and build the church as the temple for God's expression and the city for His dominion. This is the crux of the spiritual warfare, that is, that God would bring His people into the **full enjoyment of Christ** as the all-inclusive good land so that they would **build His temple and city** for Him to have an **expression** and **representation** on earth.

"In Canaan, there are enemies and there is the matter of spiritual warfare to deal with the devil"

### 2018 SEVEN ANNUAL FEAST

- 1. International Chinese speaking Conference, Taipei: February 16-18, 2018
- 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
- 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

### **Contact Numbers:**

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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
- Friday/Saturday
  Evenings
  Saint's Home

### The Good Land

To the children of Israel the **good land** provided everything they needed for their living and existence: water, wheat, barley, vines, fig trees, pomegranates, olive trees, animals, milk, honey, stones, iron, copper. All these items are **types of Christ**. Christ is the water that springs from valleys and hills to water us. Christ is the wheat, which signifies the incarnated and crucified Christ, and the barley, which signifies the resurrected Christ. The vine typifies Christ as the sacrificing One who cheers God and man; the fig tree, the sweetness and satisfaction of Christ as our life supply. The pomegranate typifies the abundance and beauty of the life of Christ. The olive tree typifies Christ as the man filled with the Spirit and anointed with the Spirit as the oil of exultant joy. The animal life typifies Christ with His redeeming life. Milk and honey typify Christ in His richness and sweetness. The stones, the iron, and the copper, typify Christ as the materials for building and fighting.

When we speak of the church as the new man, it's not about having saints of different races and backgrounds coming together and being one, but it's about the all-inclusive Christ who is everything to us. The land that God promised the children of Israel was one flowing with milk and honey, but there were also some pagan tribes who lived there, and Israel had to fight against them and defeat them. The measure to which Israel defeated and removed the pagan tribes was the measure to which they entered into the possession of the good land. Similarly, in our **spiritual experience**, the measure to which we fight to possess Christ as the good land is the measure in which we enter into the enjoyment of the all-inclusiveness of Christ together with all the saints.

#### Fighting for the Good Land

The **good land** is ours! We have already been transferred from the authority of darkness into the kingdom of the Son of God's love, and now we just need to enter into the possession and enjoyment of the good land, the all-inclusive Christ. Also, we need to fight for our enjoyment and fight for the enjoyment of the brothers and the sisters, so that together we may apprehend with all the saints what the universally vast dimensions of Christ are, and we may be filled with all the fulness of God to express Him and represent Him corporately on earth.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 1. Brother's meeting tonight, October 28, 2018, is at brother Dario's place at 6 PM.
- 2. YP meetings will at brother Gabriel's place every Friday at 7 PM.

#### PRAYER BURDEN

- 1. Lord, we want to enjoy and experience You as the **allotted portion** of the saints in the light. You are the **all-inclusive good land** that provides for all our needs. We want to eat You, drink You, live in You, breathe You in, walk in You, and be clothed in You, so that we may be fully one with You for the fulfillment of God's purpose.
- 2. Lord, show us the **stratagems** of the enemy to keep us from enjoying the all-inclusive Christ. We want to **fight** the **spiritual warfare** by being one with You, **standing** in Your victory, and **entering** into the full enjoyment of the good land!
- 3. Lord, we are on a **battlefield**. Make us the Joshua and Caleb's of today, those who fight against Satan's aerial forces so that we can gain more of You. Subdue the enemy, cast Satan out and drive him out from our being and the church.
- 4. Lord, we want to be formed into a corporate Joshua so that we may possess the good land and defeat the satanic forces. We stand against any passivity, and we reject the self and the natural life. We want to be one with You and Your heart's desire and in Your move on earth today.
- 5. Lord, we respond to Your call, strengthen us, prepare us, to take the initiative to drive out any aspect of our natural life so that we may enter into the enjoyment and possession of the good land Christ, in His all-inclusiveness.
- 6. Lord, make us all willing to be trained, prepared, and qualified to enter into the good land! Keep us enjoying the blessing of God in His Divine Trinity in the church life, and build us up together. Make us your Nazarites who overcome natural affection, earthly pleasure, rebellion and death.

#### 7. Please pray for:

#### Canada:

Offerings - Fellowship unto the Gospel Ottawa - purchase of Meeting Hall Vancouver - construction of the Meeting Hall Brothers' Meeting - Surrey Nov. 9-11, 2018

#### ▶ Israel:

The shepherding of the Arabic-speaking saints in the Galilee to continue with much encouragement of Spirit

#### USA

Beginning Nov. 1, 2018, Free Bible Ad on Spanish Radio Stations that many Spanish-speaking radio listeners would hear the ad and order a free study Bible in California.

- 8. Please pray for the church in **Regina**.
  - ▶ Sister Young and family moving to BC
  - ▶ Shepherds for Children's Meeting
  - ▶ MHL & the 5 Points of Baptism Training
  - Fully understand and see the vision of the spiritual warfare.

#### LIFE STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

# **God's Wisdom in a Mystery, Christ as the Deep Things of God** October 22, 2018, Monday (Message 16)

... Do you know what your destiny is as a Christian? Your destiny is the mysterious and hidden Christ, the One who is the wisdom of God, the center of God's economy and our portion. Have you ever heard that Christ is your destiny? We all know that Christ is our Redeemer, Savior, Lord, Master, and even our life. But probably you have never realized that Christ is your destiny. Nevertheless, this marvelous fact is revealed in 2:7. Here Paul says that there is a **wisdom**, a mysterious, hidden wisdom, a wisdom hidden in God, which is Christ Himself. Furthermore, God has predestined this wisdom for our **glory**. This surely indicates that God has made Christ to be our destiny... This destiny will eventually lead us into glory. (Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 16, sec. 3)

#### **Communicating Spiritual Things by Spiritual Words to Spiritual Men**

October 23, 2018, Tuesday (Message 17)

We must resist the temptation to lower the spiritual standard. Instead, we must seek to bring others up to this standard. Having seen the vision of God's economy, we must maintain the standard of this vision, even when others encourage us to come down to their level with the claim that they cannot understand what we say. This kind of demand has come to me many times and from many different directions. Nevertheless, I refuse to descend to the level of human wisdom. On the contrary, I encourage others, by God's mercy, to come up to His standard. We simply cannot communicate spiritual things by means of Greek philosophy, Chinese ethics, or with the expressions common to American culture. Spiritual things can be communicated only by spiritual things, that is, by spiritual words. This is an important lesson for us to learn. (Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 17, section 3)

## The Two Spirits in Knowing Christ as the Depths of God October 24, 2018, Wednesday (Message 18)

We have pointed out that one who lives in the mingled spirit is a **spiritual man**. A spiritual man stands in contrast to the soulish man. According to the context of these chapters, to be soulish is to be Greek and to live according to Greek culture. Philosophers and those who admire human wisdom are soulish people. The spiritual persons are those who exercise their spirit to coordinate with the Spirit of God. Because they live in the mingled spirit, they are truly spiritual and they have spiritual **knowledge**, **discernment**, and **communication**. Here in the mingled spirit we enjoy Christ not in a superficial way, but as the **depths of God** and even in the depths of God. We enjoy Him in a way that eye has not seen, ear has not heard, mind has not thought, and heart has never imagined. We enjoy Christ in a way beyond all we have ever dreamed. (Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 18, section 3)

# The Spirit of Man Knowing the Things of Man and the Spirit of God Knowing the Things of God (1)

October 25, 2018, Thursday (Message 19)

The Pharisees and the Sadducees thought that because they knew the Old Testament they also knew God. Although they endeavored to follow the Old Testament to a certain extent, they did not have the **true knowledge of God**. Do you think that the priests worshipping God in the temple actually knew Him? No, they did not know Him at all. Likewise, the Pharisees, Sadducees, and scribes did not know the things of man. They did not know their own position, condition, and need. Only the Lord Jesus knew both the things of man and the things of God. Because the religionists exercised their natural mentality, they could not know these things. The Lord Jesus, however, exercised His spirit. According to Mark 2:8, in His spirit He perceived the thoughts and motives of the Pharisees. Because He exercised His spirit with the Spirit of God, He could know both the things of man and the things of God. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians, chapter 19, section 4)

# The Spirit of Man Knowing the Things of Man and the Spirit of God Knowing the Things of God (2)

October 26, 2018, Friday (Message 20)

If we would fulfill the Lord's desire to have the **proper church life** on earth as His expression and as a preparation for His coming back, we must exercise our spirit to **know the things of man**, and we must also trust in the indwelling Spirit to know the things of God. Then we shall know that what God wants is not speaking in tongues, healing, or miraculous gifts. The Lord has recovered these matters, but they are not the center or the goal of His recovery. What the Lord wants is not tongues-speaking, healing, or the lengthening of legs; He wants a church composed of believers who are filled, saturated, and infused with Himself to be His Body for His expression. For this, we

need the real experience of the indwelling Spirit, not merely the outward gifts of the Spirit. (Excerpt from the Life-Study of 1 Corinthians. ch. 20, sec. 3)

### **Upcoming Activities**

October 28, 2018 - Brother's Meeting

November 11, 2018 - Love Feast and Sister's Meeting

November 12, 2018 - Church Pursuit (Msg. 3 The Kingdom)