

CHURCH IN REGINA

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1 Timothy 2:4, "Who [God] desires all men to be saved and to come to the full knowledge of the truth."

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CHURCH MEETINGS:

Lord's Day

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays - Saints' Home
 7:30 Pm - 8:30 PM

Young People Meeting

Fridays
 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Small Groupings

Fridays & Saturdays
 Saints' Home

Seven ANNUAL FEAST

- International Chinese-speaking Conference**
 Anaheim, California
 February 15-17, 2019
- ITERO (Spring)**
 Anaheim CA
 April 5 - 7, 2019
- Memorial Day Conference**
 Seattle, WA
 May 24-27, 2019
- Summer Semiannual Training**
 Anaheim, CA
 July 1-6, 2019
- ITERO (Fall)**
 Bangalore, India
 October 3-5, 2019
- Thanksgiving Conference**
 Houston, TX
 Nov. 28 - Dec. 1, 2019
- Winter Semiannual Training**
 Anaheim, CA
 December 23-28, 2019

HWMR - THE EXPERIENCE OF CHRIST, Week 2

Knowing and Experiencing Christ as the Pattern

Scripture Reading: Phil. 2:3-9; 1:19-21a

Christ is **exalted** in our daily life as we, by the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, take Him as the **crucified life to be the pattern of our daily life**...Saints often complain about being weak in their family life, daily life, and church life. The reason for **our weakness** is the **lack of living a crucified life**. There are couples who are in discord. Although both the husband and wife may know this teaching, the problem is that neither is willing to live a crucified life. As soon as one is willing, resurrection comes in, and they experience the sweetness of resurrection. **The crucified life is the gateway to resurrection**. If we remain in our situation, we remain in our weakness and also in disobedience... The Lord created **submission** for us to experience even in our family life.

Paul let this **mind of Christ** be in him, and he become a reprint of that pattern. The Lord desires that we all would be a reprint of His pattern....We cannot have the reality of the Body of Christ if our church life is one of rivalry for vainglory, selfish ambition, or other thinking and motivations. The key to the **reality of the Body** is our **becoming a reprint** of Christ's **pattern**...

Why do we emphasize so much the matter of **living a crucified life**? Yes, **it is by the resurrection power that we can live such a life**, but why is it so important? It is because this is the kind of life that the Lord Jesus lived; He as the first God-man took the lead to live a crucified life from His birth to His death, and He **set a pattern for us**. **Through regeneration** this **pattern** was **wrought into us**, and in our spirit we have a crucified life. When we live the crucified life, we can experience the power of the resurrection of Christ, for resurrection power always follows the living of a crucified life. As Paul pointed out in Phil. 3:10, our **aspiration** should be **to know the power of Christ's resurrection** and the **fellowship of His sufferings**, being **conformed to His death**.

When we live a crucified life, we know the power of resurrection and the fellowship of Christ's sufferings. This is our urgent need today in the church life; **we need to experience Christ as our pattern by living a crucified life**... When we **turn** to the Lord, **exercise** our spirit, and choose to **live** Christ, we will live a life with no rivalry and vainglory – **we will live a life of magnifying Christ**. But when we do not live a crucified life, we will have rivalry and we will seek vainglory. This seeking for vainglory and living in rivalry among the saints in Philippi troubled the apostle Paul, so he wrote an epistle to them. **His antidote is for us to see the pattern of Christ in His self-humbling and self-emptying, and take this crucified life as our pattern; this will open the gate of resurrection and will bring us into the power of resurrection. We may want to be exalted and be in glory, and this is what the Lord has destined us for; however, we should not seek glory but seek the Lord, pursue Him, experience Him, enjoy Him, and take Him as our pattern by living a crucified life**. The highest life on earth is the crucified life; whenever we as believers in Christ live a crucified life, **God will bring us into resurrection** (Phil. 3:10-11).

Oh, may we **know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death!** This is not to seek to be "put to death" and to "put ourselves down" in an outward way, neither is this being ascetic or retreating from the world. **This is to exercise our spirit in our daily life and live by another life, the crucified life in our spirit, so that we may experience the power of resurrection daily!**

Lord Jesus, we want to be those living a crucified life daily so that we may experience the power of resurrection! Amen, Lord Jesus, we turn to You. We refuse to live by our natural life; we refuse to live in rivalry and vainglory, and we choose to live a crucified life one with You! Amen, Lord, we want to experience You and enjoy You as our pattern of living a crucified life; may You be wrought into us and be lived out of us for the church life today. May we choose to live a crucified life so that God may bring us into resurrection!

Prayer Burden

1. Lord, we want to experience You more by **letting this mind be in us**. This mind is **living** and is Your very **person**. We **open** to the **transforming work** of this mind. **Mingle** more of Yourself with us that we would **be found in You**.

2. Praise You Son of God, You **emptied** and even **humbled** Yourself. You gave up Your high **standing** and became a **slave** for us. We take You as our **pattern**. **Teach us** to **live a crucified life**. Thank You for bringing humanity back to the **form of God** in glory.

3. Lord, You are the representation of **submission**. You **emptied** Yourself and took the **form of a slave**. You were **obedient** even unto **death**. We want to **learn obedience** in suffering and to **submit** to Your will. Thank You for being the **submissive** one in us.

4. Thank You Lord for being our **pattern** and our **standard**. In ourselves we cannot follow the divine pattern or reach the standard. But praise You Lord for **being in us**. You are **operating** and **working** in us. We have a **self-emptying** and **self-humbling** life within us.

5. Lord, You are not only our **pattern** but our **life**. **Save us** from a life of rivalry and vainglory. We want to **live** the **highest life**, a **crucified life** of self-emptying and self-humbling. Only by **living** the crucified life can we experience the **power of resurrection**.

6. **Show us** our urgent need to **experience** You as our crucified life. We seek no glory for ourselves. Lord, **we want only You**. You are the **crucified life** and the **power of resurrection**. **Rescue us** from any thoughts of rivalry and vainglory.

7. Please pray for:

- ISRAEL

- The **translation** and production of the hymns in Arabic language

- EUROPE

- The recent Autumn **University Conference** in **UK**, for the senior high, university, and young working saints - may they all will learn together how to advance in their **experience** and **enjoyment** of Christ
- **Jette** (Brussels), Belgium Conference on December 6 - 8, 2019
- The **Arabic-speaking saints Conference** on December 6-8, 2019 in Waldeck, Gut Elim

- US- The Winter Training in Anaheim

- Pray for the sick brothers and sisters

- Brother **Joe** lim - Taguig, Philippines
- Sister **Gloria** - Saskatoon, SK
- Brother **Mark** Haberl - Winnipeg, MB
- Sister **Ellen** Julba - Vancouver, BC

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

- To **seek** the Lord and **live** a crucified life
- Taking Christ as our pattern that we may become the **reproduction** of Christ
- The **Campus Work** at the University of Regina
- The children, YP and College work
- The **readings** of the **Life-Study** messages, & the daily personal **pursuing** of the truth
- For the purchase of a lot **property** for the church

LIFE-STUDY OF 1 PETER

“One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy”

November 25, 2019, Monday: (Msg. 21) **Christian Life and Its Sufferings (3)**

1 Peter 2:24 speaks of Christ as our Savior, our Redeemer. As our **Savior**, Christ “*carried up our sins in His body onto the tree.*” The “tree” is the cross made of wood. When Christ carried up our sins onto the cross and died, that death accomplished many things. The death of Christ **terminated** us, and this termination can **keep us away from sin**. Through Christ’s death we can be kept away from sins so that we may live to righteousness. **Daily we are undergoing the inward working of the cross of Christ, and daily we are being made alive so that we may live to righteousness.** **Righteousness** is a matter of God’s government. We have been saved by our Savior to live a life that matches the righteous requirements of God’s government. God is righteous and His government is established upon righteousness. Therefore, as God’s people living under His government, we must have a righteous life. **We must live to righteousness...** the Savior saves us to live a life of righteousness, a life that fulfills the righteous requirements of God’s government. (Life-Study of 1 Peter, chapter 21)

November 26, Tuesday: (Message 22) **Christian Life and Its Sufferings (4)**

1 Peter 2:21 says, “*For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered on your behalf, leaving you a model that you should follow in His steps.*” The very Christ who is the grace within us has become a **model**, a master copy, the original copy, to be used in the process of spiritual xeroxing. As we have pointed out, through this process, **we become a reproduction of Christ.** Now we have Christ as the **Shepherd** and **Overseer** caring for our souls. Christ’s shepherding does not mainly take care of our body or our spirit; it primarily **takes care of our soul**. However, as the Shepherd and Overseer, Christ takes care of us **from within** our spirit. He does not shepherd us or oversee us from the heavens. **Today our Shepherd and Overseer is in our spirit, indwelling us as the life-giving Spirit.** His shepherding and overseeing **begin** from our spirit and **then** spread to every part of our soul...—the mind, emotion, and will—and takes care of all our problems, needs, and wounds. This is our Christ! (Life-Study of 1 Peter, ch. 22)

November 27, 2019, Wed.: (Msg.23) **Christian Life and Its Sufferings (5)**

In **1 Peter 3:7**, Peter says that husbands and wives are “*joint-heirs of the grace of life.*” **Grace of life** is God **as life** and **life supply** to us in His Trinity—the Father as the **source** of life, the Son as the **course** of life, and the Spirit as the **flow** of life, **flowing within us** with the Son and the Father. All believers are heirs of this grace... the **grace of life** is the Triune God processed to become the all-inclusive, life-giving, **indwelling Spirit**. The Triune God is **now within us** as the **grace of life**. Both husbands and wives are joint-heirs of this grace of life. We inherit the grace of life together.

...All the items of our eternal inheritance are related to the divine life which we **received** through **regeneration** and which we are **experiencing** and **enjoying** throughout our entire Christian life. All husbands and wives need to see that in their married life the husband and wife are **co-heirs** of such an inheritance, in particular, of the grace of life. (Life-Study of 1 Peter, chapter 23)

November 28, 2019, Thursday: (Message 24) **Christian Life and Its Sufferings (6)**

In **1 Peter 3:14-22**, we see two major problems that have been debated over the years one problem **related** to Christ’s death and the other **regarding** baptism in relation to His resurrection and ascension. Through these verses, we see how important it is to sanctify the Lord in our hearts. In **sufferings** that come from opposition and persecution, **we should sanctify Christ as Lord in our hearts**. If we are terrified and troubled by persecutors, it will appear that we do not have the Lord in our hearts. Therefore, in suffering persecution we should **show others that we have Christ within us as Lord**. This is to **sanctify** Him, to **separate** Him, from the false gods, **not degrading** Him to be as the lifeless idols. We also see that we must **care for our conscience**, which is to care for our spirit before God. If we would have a good manner of life and sanctify the Lord in our daily life, we must take care of our conscience. **We need to be justified by our own conscience. No one knows us as thoroughly as our conscience does...** A renewed conscience enlightened by the indwelling Spirit is **trustworthy** in its testimony and accurate in its judgment. (Life-Study of 1 Peter, chapter 24)

November 29, 2019, Friday: (Message 25) **Christian Life and Its Sufferings (7)**

In the New Testament, we have the **water of baptism**, which **saves** us from the world, and **separates** us from it. This baptism is our first **appeal to God for a conscience that is both good and pure**. **Before** we believed in the Lord and were baptized, we were **sinner**s. But when we were enlightened through the preaching of the gospel, we came to realize that we are very sinful. Then we **repented, believed** in the Lord, **received** His forgiveness, and were saved. But our repentance and believing **need** an **outward expression**. This expression is **baptism**. Therefore, baptism and our believing, our faith, are two aspects of one thing. **However**, baptism itself does not put away the filth of the flesh. **But baptism does enable us to have the assurance and the testimony that we appeal to God for a good and pure conscience. Through faith and through baptism we all have been put into an organic union with the Triune God.** It is through the **resurrection of Christ** that we are brought into the Triune God. Now **in** the Triune God and **with** the Triune God, we enjoy the divine life and the life-giving Spirit...to make the **figure of baptism real** and **living** to us in our experience. (Life-Study of 1 Peter, chapter 25)

ANNOUNCEMENTS and SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

1. Combined **Prayer Meeting** on December 3, 2019, is at Sister Evangeline's place at 7 P.M.
2. Our **Love Feast & Children’s Fun Day** is on December 15, 2019.
3. Our **Church Pursuit** and Combined **Prayer Meeting** will be on December 31, 2019.