

CHURCH IN REGINA

Meeting Place: 3860 Buckingham Drive E, Regina, SK, Canada S4V 3A1

Acts 2:42 "And they continued steadfastly in the teaching and the fellowship of the apostles, in the breaking of bread and the prayers."

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CHURCH MEETINGS:

Lord's Table Meeting

Lord's Day

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays

7:00 - 8:00 PM

Young People Meeting

Fridays

7:00 - 8:30 PM

Small Groupings

Fridays & Saturdays

7:00 - 8:30 PM

Seven ANNUAL FEAST

1. **International Chinese-speaking Conference**
Anaheim, CA
February 14-16, 2020
2. **ITERO (Spring)**
Anaheim, CA
March 27-29, 2020
3. **Memorial Day Conference**
Atlanta, GA
May 22-25, 2020
4. **Summer Semiannual Training**
Anaheim, CA
June 29 - July 4, 2020
5. **ITERO (Fall)**
Moscow, Russia
October 1-3, 2020
6. **Thanksgiving Conference**
Boston, MA
Nov. 26 - 29, 2020
7. **Winter Semiannual Training**
Anaheim, CA
December 21-26, 2020

HWMR—The WILL OF GOD

KNOWING AND PARTICIPATING IN GOD'S GREAT AND LOFTY WILL TO HEAD UP ALL THINGS IN CHRIST, WEEK 2

Scripture Reading: Eph 1:9-10; 4:15-16; Col. 2:19; 1 Cor. 8:1b

We believe that God is recovering the most difficult thing today. What worries us the most today is **the fulfillment of Ephesians 4**. It seems as though we never have to worry about the fulfillment of John 3:16... Ephesians 4 says that the work of the ministry is to arrive at the oneness of the faith.... I have studied the Bible, and I have prayed. **But I still do not have the assurance that the condition in Ephesians 4 will be fulfilled in the church today.** Among God's children today, there is much confusion, and there are all kinds of divisions. **When will we be one?** Today, there are all kinds of ministries; the situation is very complicated. How can this chapter be recovered?

Yet, brothers and sisters, we believe that there will be a day when God's recovery will reach the fulfillment of Ephesians 4. **God is doing a recovery work everywhere.** The ultimate work among all these works may very well be the recovery of the Body testimony. God's leading today is to bring us back to the beginning, and to be recovered to the condition of the beginning. (*Excerpt from Messages Given During the Resumption of Watchman Nee's Ministry, Chapter 64*)

What does it mean for us to hold the Head, as Col. 2:19 says? It is to grow into the Head by **acknowledging the authority of the headship of Christ**. When we acknowledge the authority of the headship of Christ, we grow up into the Head, we hold Him as the Head, and we put ourselves under Him as the Head. This means that in big things and small things, we take Him as our Head.

In a very simple way, in our shopping, in the way we dress, in going out to eat at some fast-food or restaurant, in the things we purchase that no one knows, and in the way we behave ourselves, in all things **we need to acknowledge the authority of the headship of Christ**, taking Christ as the Lord. The problem is that, even though we call on the name of the Lord and verbally acknowledge Him as being the Lord, in our daily life it is still us who is the Lord... How can we prophesy for the Lord in the meeting if we don't acknowledge the authority of the headship of Christ in our daily life?

We need to practice opening to the Lord about all things we are doing or about to do, and we need to take Him as the Head. The key to prophesying in the church meetings is **allowing Jesus to be the Lord**. And the only way we can do this is by being joined to the Lord as one spirit and living in the mingled spirit... The Christ who is obedient and submissive to God lives in us; we need to live Christ by living one with Him in all the aspects of our daily life, and the result will be that we take Christ as our Head.

We grow up into the Head through acknowledging the authority of the headship of Christ. In **Joshua 9** we see how Joshua and the leaders of Israel were tricked by the Gibeonites, who were a Hivite tribe who was to be destroyed, because they did not ask for the counsel of Jehovah but listened to their story and believed them.

If we don't **ask for the counsel of the Lord**, if we don't check with the Lord about all things, we're not under His authority nor do we acknowledge His headship. In everything we do, in everything we are, in every way we serve, we need to ask for the counsel of the Lord. When we buy a car, we need to check not only the price and what is our preference, but check with the Lord, Lord, what car are You buying through me? What car would You like me to buy? What kind of car should I have that would express You properly? When others come to us to tell us their problems and situations, we should not take the Lord's place and tell them what to do; rather, we should bring them to the Lord so that they may take the Lord as their Head and have His guidance in what to do.

Christ is the Head of everyone; God is the Head of Christ, Christ is the head of the man, and man is the head of the woman – this is **God's ordination**. However, due to the darkened philosophy in the world today, our understanding concerning the headship of Christ is tainted, and we need to be in the word of God so that we may be renewed in the spirit of our mind.

According to Eph. 5:23, the husband is the head of the wife as also Christ is the Head of the church... *The "woman's liberation"* completely rejects such a thought; but the way God **created** us, there's something in a woman's created nature to submit to her husband, and there's something in man's created nature to submit to Christ. As a wife, we should submit to our husband as God's representative authority. As a husband, we should submit to Christ as our Head. Christ is the Head of the church, and He is the Head of all things. We as believers participate in Christ's heading up by **being willing to be headed up in the church life**, that is, by growing in life and by living under Christ's light. **May we take Christ as our life and person so that His life of obedience would be lived out in us today!**

The building up of the Body of Christ under His headship is **in love and by love**.... This love is not the natural love; it is the divine love, it is God Himself as love being poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit. We need to realize that love is the most excellent way for us to build up the church... May we all be one with the Lord to raise up the saints, to heal the saints, to recover the saints, and to teach others in love! (*Excerpt Ministry of the Word, The Will of God, spoken message, Message two*)

Prayer Burden

1) Lord, thank You for recovering us, for placing us in the church to experience a deeper, higher, and wider **dispensation**. Continue to saturate us **until the fullness of the times**.

2) Lord, we confess that sometimes we are dead, dry, and detached from the body. But we praise You for breathing out the breath of life into us. By receiving the breath of life, **we rise up again and experience being headed up**.

3) Lord Jesus we love You. Thank You for the love with which You love us and for putting this love within us. Occupy the proper position in our being. **We hold on to what is true** - the New Testament economy, the all-inclusive Christ, and the church.

4) We acknowledge that You are the Lord and our Head. In our daily living, in small and big things, we allow You to be **the Lord**. Continue to increase and grow in us individually that corporately we would grow as Your Body.

5) Thank You Lord for our mingled spirit. We have wisdom to understand and revelation to see. Such capacity allows us to see the mystery of Your economy. Spread from our spirit to our mind. May we be filled with the Spirit to **live a praising and fighting church life**.

6) Lord, we want to **grow in You in all things** big or small. Keep us enjoying You so that spontaneously we would be built up for Your Body. Knit us and build us together in love and by love.

EUROPE AND AROUND THE GLOBE

- **Zurich, Switzerland**. Pray that the Lord would fully open up Switzerland for the gospel; all the local saints would be granted a heart full of living faith that cares for God's interest. Pray for the living situation of the saints in Zurich; due to their being spread out over the whole region of Zurich, it is difficult for them to meet during the week. May the Lord release the proper housing for all the saints in Zurich.

- On-going **Virtual European YP Conference**, July 31—August 3, 2020.
- Mass mailing of gospel tract to 854,000 households in Berlin, Germany.

ISRAEL

- Pray for the weekly gathering of the **brothers in Galilee**, that through much and thorough fellowship, there would be much **building up**

NORTH AMERICA

- **Western Canada Student Pursuit (May & June)**. Pray that the college students will be cared for virtually, be encouraged in the sessions, and their time be redeemed during this month. We pray for more fellowship for the college students and serving ones.

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

- We pray for the **strengthening of the Lord's Table Meeting**: the three homes and virtual monthly combined LTM .

- Lord, we pray for the **North America College Training** that all students would consecrate themselves as today's Samuel .

- We pray that the **college students** would see the rest of the year to be equipped with the truth for the gospel in the University of Regina

LIFE-STUDY OF LUKE

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

The Ministry of the Man-Savior in His Human Virtues with His Divine Attributes from Galilee to Jerusalem (14) (Message 36)

In chapter fifteen the full salvation accomplished by the Divine Trinity is clearly presented. But after this presentation the Lord Jesus does not stop speaking. Instead, He goes on to give the Pharisees another parable. In this parable we do not see salvation; we see the **prudence of a steward**. This indicates that after we have been received into the house of God, we should become stewards. Concerning the prudence of the steward, verse 8 says, *"And the lord praised the unrighteous steward because he had acted prudently; for the sons of this age are more prudent than the sons of light in their own generation."* In verse 8 the Lord Jesus explains that the sons of this age are more prudent than the sons of light in their own generation. The sons of this age are the unsaved ones, the worldlings. The sons of light are the saved ones, the believers. The phrase *"in their own generation"* refers to dealings with the people of their generation. Here the Lord certainly is not teaching us to be unrighteous. **Instead, He is teaching us to be prudent, that is, to do things at the right time, to take the opportunity at hand.** God's salvation issues in the stewardship. As saved ones, we should now serve our saving God as His stewards. (Life-Study of Luke, chapter 36)

The Ministry of the Man-Savior in His Human Virtues with His Divine Attributes from Galilee to Jerusalem (15) (Message 37)

The Lord told the Pharisees that from the time of John "the good news of the kingdom of God is preached." The Savior preached here the gospel of the kingdom of God to the Pharisees, the moneylovers. Money and sexual lust, incited by money, held them back from entering into the kingdom of God. Hence, the Savior's preaching hit these two things purposely and strongly in 16:18-31. In verse 16 the Lord also spoke about forcing one's way into the kingdom of God. **For the Pharisees to force their way into the kingdom, they needed to humble themselves and divorce their money, not their wives, that is, to overcome money and the lust incited by money.** As lovers of money, the Pharisees were incited by their riches to indulge their lust. When one was not satisfied with his wife, he could divorce her and get another one. Knowing their situation and realizing that, in a sense, they would be happy to hear that the law was over, the Lord seemed to tell them, "Don't think that it is no longer necessary to keep the law. The law will never pass away; it remains to condemn you. You are not free from the law in order to divorce your wives." **The Lord's dealing with the Pharisees here actually touches their riches and their lust.** His word deals with the matters of money and marriage. (Life-Study of Luke, chapter 37)

The Ministry of the Man-Savior in His Human Virtues with His Divine Attributes from Galilee to Jerusalem (16) (Message 38)

After speaking in chapter sixteen on riches, the Lord goes on in 17:1-10 to cover **four minor matters: stumbling others, forgiving others, faith, and realizing that we are unprofitable slaves.** Regarding this last point, we need to realize that we are actually not very useful. This means that no matter how much we have done for the Lord, we need to consider ourselves unprofitable slaves. The teaching in 17:1-10 was given by the Lord over **against the background provided by the Pharisees. As those who are enjoying the Lord in the New Testament jubilee**, we should not stumble others. On the contrary, we should do our best to **perfect, protect, and preserve others**. Second, if we are offended by someone, we should always be **ready and willing to forgive**. Furthermore, in any kind of circumstance or environment, we need to **exercise our faith**, believing in God and trusting Him for everything. Moreover, although we may be somewhat useful and profitable, we should humble ourselves and not think of ourselves as being useful. On the contrary, we should always consider that **we are unprofitable slaves.** (Life-Study of Luke, chapter 38)

The Ministry of the Man-Savior in His Human Virtues with His Divine Attributes from Galilee to Jerusalem (17) (Message 39)

In chapter 17 of the gospel of Luke, the Lord teaches us **not to stumble others**, to be always **ready and willing to forgive** when we are offended, to **exercise faith in our sovereign God**, and to **consider ourselves unprofitable slaves**. If we do these things, **we shall be kept in a high standard of morality**. We shall realize how merciful the Savior is. When ten lepers came to Him, He did not exercise any choice, selection, or preference, but healed them all. In this chapter we also see that when the Pharisees troubled the Lord with a difficult question concerning the kingdom of God, He indicated in His answer that **the kingdom of God is actually a living Person, the Man-Savior Himself**. The spiritual reality of this Person who is the kingdom of God is not observable to physical eyes. Hence, the kingdom of God does not come with observation. **In order to see the spiritual reality of the kingdom of God, we need spiritual perception.** As the living Person of the Lord Himself, the kingdom of God appeared in His first coming and in His suffering, and it will appear in His second coming, in the rapture of His overcoming believers, and in His destruction of Antichrist and his army. (Life-Study of Luke, chapter 39)

The Ministry of the Man-Savior in His Human Virtues with His Divine Attributes from Galilee to Jerusalem (18) (Message 40)

The unrighteous steward in chapter sixteen signifies us as the Lord's stewards. As we shall see, **the unrighteous judge in chapter eighteen refers to the righteous God**. The unrighteous steward signifies us serving the Lord, and the unrighteous judge signifies God avenging us. In this parable the Lord indicates that the believers in Christ have an opponent. This opponent is Satan, the Devil, concerning whom we need God's avenging. **We ought to pray persistently for this avenging and not lose heart.** We need to realize that as God's people in this stupefied and stupefying generation we are like a widow. In a sense, our Husband, the Lord, is absent. Furthermore, we have an opponent who is constantly persecuting us. What shall we do in a situation when we are persecuted and it seems that our God is not living, present, or just? **From this parable we learn to be a bothering widow, one who prays to God persistently.** The significance of this parable is profound, and we all need to know God as He is revealed here. We also need to see that **the kind of prayer described here helps us to enjoy the jubilee.** (Life-Study of Luke, chapter 40)

ANNOUNCEMENTS and SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

1. European Young People's Conference (EYPC); (July 31-Aug 3, Aug 29)
2. Semi-Annual Video Training. \$135 per trainee through the offering box.
3. The College Training is July 10-18, 2020. Deadline is June 28. Cost is reduced to \$25
4. The Brothers Meeting will be on Jun 28, 2020 at 6:00 PM through online at Zoom

College Training Schedule		
Date	Recommended Sessions	Training Meeting
Friday, July 10, 2020	4:00-5:30 PM	
Saturday, July 11, 2020	4:00-5:00 PM	7:30-9:00 PM
Monday, July 13, 2020	4:00-5:00 PM	7:30-9:00 PM
Wednesday, July 15, 2020	4:00-5:00 PM	7:30-9:00 PM
Friday, July 17, 2020	4:00-5:00 PM	7:30-9:00 PM
Saturday, July 18, 2020	4:00-5:30 PM	

Summer Video Training Schedule			
Date	Review	Testing	Message
Monday, June 29, 2020			Msg 1 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Wednesday, July 1, 2020	Review 1 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 1 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 2 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Thursday, July 2, 2020	Review 2 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 2 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 3 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Friday, July 3, 2020	Review 3 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 3 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 4 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Saturday, July 4, 2020	Review 4 - 3:30-4:00 PM	Testing 4 - 4:00-4:30 PM	Msg 5 - 4:30-6:00 PM
	Review 5 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 5 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 6 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Sunday, July 5, 2020	Review 6 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 6 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 7 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Monday, July 6, 2020	Review 7 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 7 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 8 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Wednesday, July 8, 2020	Review 8 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 8 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 9 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Thursday, July 9, 2020	Review 9 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 9 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 10 - 7:30-9:00 PM
Sunday, July 12, 2020	Review 10 - 3:30-4:00 PM	Testing 10 - 4:00-4:30 PM	Msg 11 - 4:30-6:00 PM
	Review 11 - 6:30-7:00 PM	Testing 11 - 7:00-7:30 PM	Msg 12 - 7:30-9:00 PM

Additional Note: *Church Pursuit, July 1, 2020 Wednesday 2:00-4:00 PM*

*All times in Regina time.