

CHURCH IN REGINA

"1 John 2:6 He who says he abides in Him ought himself also to walk even as He walked."

HWMR Week 5—Living the Life of the One New Man instead of Our Culture by Learning Christ as the Reality is in Jesus

Living a Life of God for the Kingdom of God

We all need to see that **God's eternal plan**, which is His New Testament economy, **is to dispense Himself as the Triune God into His chosen people**. In order to accomplish His plan, He was **incarnated**, becoming a man named Jesus. When this man came out to preach, He began to sow Himself into God's chosen people. However, as the soil for the Lord's sowing, His chosen people had become fallen, damaged, and corrupt. Therefore, the Lord Jesus brought this soil to the cross and **crucified** it. Then He brought God's chosen people as the soil with Him into His **resurrection**. **Through His death and resurrection**, the Lord not only healed the soil, but also **became the replacement for God's people**. **By replacing them with Himself, He made them His reproduction; that is, He made them the same as He.**

When the Lord Jesus was on earth, He lived a life of God for the kingdom of God. **He did not live a life of culture, religion, or ethics**. Now His followers should live the same kind of life. This means that **His followers should live a life of God for the development of God's kingdom**.

It is crucial for us to see that **as God's people, as those who have been replaced by Christ and with Christ, we need to live a life that is absolutely of God**. We should not live a life that is of something other than the Triune God.

Day by day we need to put this vision into practice. This means that instead of living a life of culture, religion, ethics, morality, philosophy, improvement of character, and of trying to be spiritual, scriptural, holy, and victorious, **we need to live a life that is absolutely of God and for the kingdom of God**.

For example, a married brother should not try in himself to love his wife. Neither should he endeavor to be a pattern to others of what a good husband should be. To have this thought is to miss the mark of God's New Testament economy. Furthermore, it is to miss the vision of God's economy.

According to the vision of God's economy presented in the New Testament, as God's chosen people, those who have been replaced by and with Christ, **we should live only a life of God**. This means that if a married brother has the thought of trying to be a good husband, he should drop that thought and simply live a life of God. Such a brother needs to realize that he has been chosen by God and replaced by Christ, not that he should try in himself to be a good husband, but that he should live a life of God. He has not been destined to live a life of loving his wife; rather, he has been destined to live a life of God. Therefore, he should not live a life of culture, religion, or ethics. Instead of seeing these things, he should **see Jesus only**. Eventually, he will live in a way that is much higher than culture, religion, ethics, or morality. He will have a love for his wife that is much higher than his natural human love.

Church Meetings:

Lord's Table Meeting

Lord's Day
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays
7:00 - 8:00 PM

College Meeting

Fridays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Small Group Meeting

Fridays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Young Peoples' Meeting

Saturdays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Conferences & Trainings:

April International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones

April 16-18, 2021

International Memorial Day Conference

May 28-31, 2021

July Semiannual Training

July 5-10, 2021

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NEW LANGUAGE

Only Christ,
our Person,
must remain.

We should not be occupied **even with good things** such as ethics and improvement of character or be frustrated by these things. Instead, **we should be occupied, thoroughly filled, with the Triune God.** The One who lived a life fully according to and for God's New Testament economy, the One who has replaced us with Himself, is now the Spirit living through us. **We should not allow anything other than this One to fill us and occupy us** (Life-Study of Mark, Chapter 66).

The Corporate Living By the Perfected God-Men

Now, what is the reality of the Body of Christ? In brief, **the reality of the Body of Christ is a kind of corporate living, not a living by any individual.** This corporate living is the aggregate of many saints who have been redeemed, regenerated, sanctified, and transformed by the processed and consummated God within them. By this indwelling consummated God, these redeemed saints have been made actual God-men.

In regeneration a person is made a God-man, but he is not a matured God-man. When some babes are born, they are so small and weak that they have to be put in an incubator. But after much growth these little ones can become tall and husky. **We have been regenerated, but many of us are still like these little babes. We need to be nourished and perfected so that we can grow in life and become mature.** The procedure in the church work is to beget, to nourish, and then to teach and perfect so that the saints may be mature to be built in the local churches for the building up of the Body of Christ...

We know that God became a man to be a God-man...Who is He? He is God becoming a man, a real man. Yet this man would not live by Himself, by His own human life. Rather He rejected His human life. He denied Himself. He lived as a man by another life, by the life of God. He told us that whatever He did and whatever He spoke were not of Himself but of the Father who sent Him (John 14:10, 24). He was a real man living there, yet He was dying to His natural life. **He was dying to live, dying to His natural man to live by God's life. That dying to His natural life is the cross, and His living by the divine life is in resurrection.**

For thirty-three and a half years this God-man, Jesus, was a genuine man, but He lived not by man's life but by God's life. **To live such a life He had to be crucified.** The crucifixion mentioned in the New Testament transpired on the wooden cross on Mount Calvary. But you have to realize that before Christ was there in the physical crucifixion, **He was being crucified every day for thirty-three and a half years.** Was not Jesus a human being, a genuine man? Yes. But He did not live by that genuine man. Instead, He kept that genuine man on the cross. Then, in the sense of resurrection, He lived God's life. God's life with all its attributes was lived within this God-man Jesus and expressed as this God-man's virtues.

Such a life was there originally just in an individual man, Jesus Christ. But this life has now been repeated, reproduced, in many men who have been redeemed and regenerated and who now possess the divine life within them. All of them have been nourished, sanctified, transformed, and perfected not just to be matured Christians but to be God-men. **The reality of the Body of Christ is the corporate living by the perfected God-men, who are genuine men but are not living by their life but by the life of the processed God, whose attributes have been expressed through their virtues...**

We should not live by ourselves. According to God's design in His economy, **we were already put on the cross.** We should not call ourselves back off the cross. To remain on the cross is to bear the cross and be under the cross. I have been crucified. There is no more I. I am finished. I am through. But there is a new man with me. That is the resurrected God-created man uplifted with God's divinity in him. That man is actually God Himself. Now I live by that man. But if I do not practice to keep my old man on the cross, I can never live the new man. This is why in the first chapter of Philippians, Paul tells us he lived such a life by the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ (Practical Points Concerning Blending, Chapter 4).

Announcements:

1. Western Canada Churches Gospel Meeting on March 20 at 8pm (CST).
2. Brothers' Meeting on March 28 at 6pm.
3. Sisters' Meeting on April 4 at 2pm.

Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord, have mercy on us. Save us from imitating You by the exercise of our natural life. Instead, make us realize that God has put us into You as the mold. We are now living according to the reality as it is in Jesus.
2. We give ourselves to learn Christ, to be molded into the pattern of Christ. Lord, although we have put on the new man, we still lack in our experience. May we live Your life that manifested righteousness and holiness.
3. Praise You Lord for Your God-man living. Constitute our mind, emotion and will with Yourself. Make our living according to and for God's New Testament economy. Fill our human virtues with the divine attributes.
4. Lord, we allow nothing but You Yourself to fill us and occupy us. Instead of trying to be good, we want to see Jesus only. Strengthen us to live the life of a God-man through the power of Your resurrection.
5. Give us a pure heart to serve You without having our own purpose, goal, or idea. What we know and what we can do means nothing. Lord You are our Source. Make us one with You, trusting You in everything.
6. Lord, we deny our self, reject our purpose, and give up our ambition. Teach us to return to You and to seek Your will regarding any situation. Our only aim is to minister Christ to one another that we may grow in You.

Europe/Other Burdens:

1. Spring university conference online on March 26 to 28. May the Lord impart a heavenly vision that will capture and preserve the university students in Europe and direct them to live in God's economy.
2. London International Blending Conference on April 2 to 4.
3. Western Canada Churches Gospel Meeting on March 20. Open the hearts of many more college students, those who will voluntarily consecrate themselves, not only to be saved, but to be the overcomers who will bring You back.

Church in Regina:

1. Goal of 50 meeting ones by end of 2021. Synchronized prayer for our contacts every day.
2. Strengthen and preserve the brothers and sisters, all families, to love the Lord, His appearing, and continue to meet virtually.
3. Pray for Aitong Liu's immigration application. Select them in Your time that they may also come here, be saved, see the church and be Your testimony.
4. Pray for Sister Mika Miranda's acceptance to the University of Regina Nursing Program. May Your will be done in our sister and may she be a shining testimony in the University. Use her for Your purpose.