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CHURCH IN REGINA

EPH.2:8 FOR BY GRACE YOU HAVE BEEN SAVED THROUGH FAITH, AND THIS NOT OF YOURSELVES; IT IS THE GIFT OF GOD.

NEW LANGUAGE CHRIST produced the church as His reproduction.

Church Meetings:

Lord's Table Lord's Day, 10:00 - 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

College Meeting Friday, 7:00 - 8:30 PM

Young People's Meeting Saturday, 5:00 - 7:00 PM

Children's Meeting Saturday, 10:00 - 11:00 AM

Small Group Meeting Friday, 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Conferences & Trainings:

Chinese-Speaking Conference February 18-20, 2022

April ITEROApril 1-3, 2022

Memorial Day Conference May 27-30, 2022

July Semiannual TrainingJuly 4-9 2022

October ITERO October 6-8, 2022

Thanksgiving Conference November 24-27, 2022

Dec. Semiannual Training December 26-31, 2022

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The Grace of God in the Economy of God—Week 1

Grace is God in His Trinity processed through incarnation, human living, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension to be everything to us. After passing through such a long process, the Triune God has become everything to us. He is our redemption, salvation, life, and sanctification. Having been processed to become the all-inclusive life-giving Spirit, the Triune God Himself is our grace.

The Son of God Living In Us

According to the concept of many Christians, God's grace is mainly a matter of material blessing. At the end of the year, some Christians gather together to count the blessings God has bestowed on them during that year and to thank Him for His great grace in sending these blessings. Then they proceed to thank the Lord for things such as a large home and new clothes. Such a concept of grace is much too poor!...

We have pointed out that, according to John 1:17, grace is greater than the law. Surely God Himself is higher than the law. However, if God remains objective to us, in our experience He will not be greater than the law. In order to be greater than the law to us, the Triune God must be subjective. Hence, in the New Testament, grace denotes the Triune God processed to become everything to us and to live in us. Nothing can surpass the living in us of the processed, all-inclusive life-giving Spirit.

We have pointed out that in 2:20 Paul says that he has been crucified with Christ and that Christ lives in him. Then in verse 21 he goes on to say that he does not nullify the grace of God. This indicates that the grace of God is the Son of God living in us. Certainly this is much greater than the law. The Son of God was incarnated not only to live on earth, to be crucified, to be resurrected, and to ascend into the heavens; He also came to live in us. This is grace...To go back to the law is to reject this grace. It is to reject the very Son of God who now lives in us. This is to nullify the grace of God. However, if we remain in Christ, enjoying Him as everything to us, we do not nullify the grace of God...

What Grace Does For Us

...How we must praise God for His grace and for what it has done for us! First, the Triune God became incarnated to live on earth to fulfill the requirements of God's righteous and holy law. Having fulfilled the law's requirements, He went to the cross and died there for our sins as our substitute. Through His death Christ has redeemed us. Therefore, redemption is the first item of what God's grace has accomplished for us.

After accomplishing redemption through His death, Christ was resurrected from among the dead to release the divine life from within Him. In resurrection He has become the life-giving Spirit to be received... As soon as a sinner responds to Him in this way, He as the life-giving Spirit enters into that one and through regeneration is born in him. Is this not an aspect of God's grace? It is the second item of what God's grace has done for us.

Third, from the time of our regeneration, Christ has been dwelling in our spirit to live in us and with us. By living in us, Christ enables us to have the kind of living that satisfies God. In His grace, Christ lives in us and with us. As Christ lives within us, He also ministers all His riches into our being in order to sanctify us, transform us, and make us sons of God in reality and practicality. In this way, we enjoy full sonship. (Excerpts from The Life-Study of Galatians, Ch. 11)

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Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord, thank You for revealing to us what grace really is. Thank You that grace is the Triune God Himself dispensed into our being so we can experience and enjoy day by day.

2. Thank You Lord, we can enjoy the Triune God as grace by the Father as the source, by the Son as the element, and by the Spirit as the application. Every day we open ourselves to You to receive, enjoy and experience such grace as our supply and everything.

- 3. Lord, thank You for being the incarnated God, the Emmanuel, as grace for our enjoyment. Day by day we receive and enjoy You as the living water of life, the bread of life, and the breath of life. Lord, we take You as our life and our person so we can live and move in You, with You, and by You.
- 4. Lord, thank You for positioning us in grace and making us the object of God's delight so we can enjoy all that God is to us. May we enjoy You and become Your enjoyment every day.
- 5. Thank You, Lord for Your mercy and grace that made us alive together with You and saved us. We know that this is not of ourselves, it is the gift of God. Lord, cause us to fully open to You to receive the abounding grace continually.
- 6. Lord, thank you for the good pleasure of Your will. We praise You for predestinating us unto sonship. We are willing to forget ourselves and get outside of ourselves to see only God, speak only God, and give true praise to God.

Europe/North America/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the upcoming European Young People's Conference in Male Ciche, Poland on July 31 to August 6. Please pray for the Lord's timely speaking to the European young people and their response - by loving and enjoying the Lord Jesus as the tree of life.

Church in Regina:

- 1. Pray for a regular bible distribution and the continual preaching of the gospel.
- 2. Lord, we pray for our individual pursuit of the Life-study messages.
- 3. Praise You, Lord for Bro. Jayden and Sis. Kate Wang's baptism. Continue to capture them with Your mercy, love and kindness. Shepherd them fully to enter in the enjoyment of the church life.
- 4. Pray for our young people and the upcoming SST on August 6 to 14. Use this time to sanctify them.

A Timely Speaking

Concerning the spiritual and divine things for the church, we must keep in mind four crucial points. First, we must go through the cross. Our native flavor should be crossed out by Christ. Both the Americans and the Chinese should be crossed out. In the church there is room for no natural person, but Christ is all and in all (Col. 3:11). On the cross both the Jews and the Gentiles were crossed out. Second, everything should be by the Spirit. Third, this is to dispense Christ to others. Fourth, everything is for the building up of the church. In other words, whatever we do should be through the cross by the Spirit to dispense Christ to others for the building up of the church as the Body of Christ.

(Excerpts from The Divine and Mystical Realm, ch. 6)

Announcements:

- 1. Open Coordination Meeting (for Camping) on July 24 at 1:30pm via Zoom.
- **2. Brothers' Meeting** on July 24 at 6pm.
- 2. Church Camping and Family Day on July 30 to August 1.
- 3. **YP Summer School of Truth** Online on August 6 to 14.
- 4. Children's Bible Camp on August 25-27 (with Church in Winnipeg). The deadline of registration is on July 24. > Cost/Child: \$40