

# CHURCH IN REGINA

ROM. 8:6 FOR THE MIND SET ON THE FLESH IS DEATH,  
BUT THE MIND SET ON THE SPIRIT IS LIFE AND PEACE.

## NEW LANGUAGE

Christ is  
the Lord Spirit.

### Church Meetings:

#### Lord's Table

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

#### Prayer Meeting

Tuesday, 7:00 - 8:00 PM

#### YP & College Meeting

Friday, 6:45 - 8:30 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 ITERO

April 1-3, 2022

#### Memorial Day Conference

May 27-30, 2022

#### July Semiannual Training

July 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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## Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life—Week 2

**Question:** *What is the difference between our natural goodness and the goodness that issues from life?*

**Answer:** In the Bible there are good people and bad people. Some people are good while some are not good. There are two kinds of goodness, as seen in the stories of Esau versus Jacob and David versus Saul. Esau was an ethical man, but Jacob was a crafty person. Esau never deceived anyone and, in terms of ethics, he was a virtuous man. On the contrary, Jacob was always a supplanter and a base person. In the story of David and Saul, Saul wanted to kill David, but when David was given the opportunity to kill Saul, he did not kill him. The generosity of David was a kind of goodness. However, Esau's goodness and David's goodness were different. The goodness of Esau came out of his **own effort**, but the goodness of David was **the issue of the power of God**.

By nature, many Christians may be like Jacob—loving to supplant—while many unbelievers may be generous. From such a perspective, many Christians seem to be inferior to unbelievers according to nature. Take the case of Jacob, who was crafty from the time he was young. Jacob cheated his brother, his father, his uncle, and his wives. The name Jacob can mean "crafty" and "struggler." Although he was such a person, the Bible tells us that Jacob was the one that God loved (Rom. 9:13). From a human perspective, Jacob was far from being a good person. Nevertheless, he was dealt with by God to the point that when he reached old age, God changed his name to Israel (Gen. 32:28). Moreover, while Jacob was dying, when he blessed Joseph, he genuinely and boldly said that God was the One who had shepherded him all his life (48:15). At that point he did not have any tricks; he simply bowed himself at the head of his bed (47:31). When he spoke, he spoke for God. Jacob's maturity in his old age was the work of God and was altogether different from Esau's natural nobility. This is the difference between natural goodness and goodness that issues from life.

On the other hand, although David was one who lived before God and had fellowship with God, **when God's hand departed from him**, he committed a sin (2 Sam. 11). When David's goodness was not sustained by the power of God's life, it did not last. **When a person is apart from God, he is evil and filthy**. Only when he is living before God is he a noble and upright person, having the genuine goodness of life.

*(Excerpts from The Path of Our Growth in Life, CWWL, 1950-1951, vol.3)*

## Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord, we aspire to be those who take the principle of life as our standard of living. Save us from being entangled and enslaved in the battle between right and wrong.
2. Lord, grant us a keen discernment by checking with the life inside us whenever we do something. Raise our standard from mere good conduct. May our lives be based on the inner life.
3. Lord, renew our minds that we may actively set it on the spirit and not on the flesh. May our life decisions be made according to Your ruling life and anointing within.
4. Lord, strengthen our inner man, our spirit. Guard our thoughts in all the situations that we face. We want to follow You by doing things according to the inner sense and the deep consciousness of our spirit.
5. Lord, enlighten us some more that we would not be led astray and be "past feeling". Make us those who can really have the sense of life. We want to be one with You to such an extent that we will have the strongest, richest, and keenest feeling of life.
6. Lord, save us from anything that cuts off our enjoyment of You. Increase our enjoyment in our spirit and our enjoyment of the genuine, New Testament ministry.

## Europe/North America/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the European University Training in France, Germany, UK & Ireland in September. Please pray that many students and serving ones throughout Europe will be released from all entanglements and register this month to sanctify this time for the Lord's blessing and move.
2. Please pray for the 32 Ukrainian young people who attended the European Young People's Conference - that they will remain in the Lord's word and be prepared as God's overcomers.

## 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 **Bible** and the **Life-study messages**.
3. Lord, we pray for each family in Regina. Strengthen each one to **go on in the church life**.
4. Raise up **new ones** and bring **more families** to Regina through our continual preaching of the gospel or through immigration.
5. Pray for the **new school year**. Preserve our **next generation** from the evil and perverted age.

## A Timely Speaking

### THE SECRET OF FEEDING AND SANCTIFICATION

...[W]ithout feeding, there can be no sanctification. **Sanctification is by feeding**. The more we feed on the word of God, the more we are sanctified. The word on which we feed sanctifies us. In John 17:17 the Lord Jesus prayed, "**Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.**" The word contains the element with which God sanctifies us.

It is by feeding that **we receive the element** with which God sanctifies us, and it is by feeding that **we receive the riches** with which God renews us, transforms us, builds us up, conforms us, and glorifies us.

~Excerpts from The Secret of God's Organic Salvation—  
"the Spirit Himself with Our Spirit", ch. 2

### Announcements:

1. **Church Pursuit** on Labour Day Holiday, September 5 at 4pm via Zoom.
2. **Bible Distribution and Welcome Dinner** at the University of Regina on September 9 at 5:30pm to 7:30pm.
3. **Love Feast** on September 11.
4. **Sisters' Fellowship** on September 11 at 3:00pm via Zoom.