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NEW LANGUAGE

CHRIST, IN ETERNITY, IS THE WATER OF LIFE AND THE TREE OF LIFE. (REV. 22:1-2)

Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings—Week 6

The Way to Build

When Moses built the tabernacle, he built it according to the pattern that was shown to him in the mountain by God. This pattern was not according to man's opinion or imagination but was according to God's revelation (Exo. 25:40; 39:42-43; Heb. 8:5). The building of the temple was carried out according to the same principle. First Chronicles 28:11-19 indicates that the Spirit of God inspired David with the design for the construction of the temple. Although God desired that man build the temple, the design of the temple was from God. God did not give man any ground to make decisions in regard to this matter...God revealed to Moses the blueprint for building the tabernacle, and He revealed to David the blueprint for building the temple. Even though Solomon was the one who built the temple, he did not receive revelation directly from God; rather, he received it indirectly.

Solomon typifies Christ in His resurrection, and David typifies Christ in His death. The blueprint for the building of the church was not revealed at the time of Christ's resurrection; rather, God revealed the blueprint for building the church while Christ was passing through suffering on earth. The design for building the temple was revealed to David, not to Solomon. God did not wait until the time of Solomon to reveal the design for building the temple; rather, He revealed it while the tabernacle was wandering on the earth. Likewise, God did not wait until after the resurrection of Christ to reveal the principles for building the church; rather, He revealed them while Christ was passing through suffering on the earth. From Christ's speaking in Matthew 16, we can clearly see what the church should be.

We must pay attention to how the church should be built. The building of the church was revealed by Christ on earth and is being carried out by Christ in resurrection. When we live in resurrection and allow the resurrected Christ to have the ground in us, the blueprint revealed in Matthew 16 can be fulfilled, and when we live in resurrection, the blueprint of the church can be carried out in us...The group of people who prayed in the upper room in Jerusalem was in resurrection. They left everything behind; they forsook everything. They were able to pray in one accord because they rejected themselves, put themselves aside, and allowed Christ through the Holy Spirit to have a prominent position in them. They may have forgotten about Matthew 16, but they expressed the condition described in Matthew 16. On the evening of the day of Christ's resurrection, His Spirit entered into them, enabling them to pray in one accord for ten days. They lived in the Spirit of resurrection. Hence, on the day of Pentecost, God was able to produce the church through them and thus fulfill the word spoken in Matthew 16.

Every one of us should learn to reject ourselves and to live in the Spirit of resurrection. In the presence of the older brothers, we should live before God, and when they are absent, we should live before God in the same way. We should submit to the elders because of life, not because of regulation; we should submit to them in the Spirit of resurrection, not based on doctrine. As brothers and sisters in the church, we should submit to the elders, who are the authority in the church. If we do not submit, we are unlawful. This is according to doctrine. But if we simply act according to doctrine without living in the Spirit of resurrection, there is not much profit. The revelation seen by David was executed by Solomon. This means that the revelation of the church unveiled in the Scriptures can be carried out only by the resurrected Christ as the Spirit of resurrection...If there is no Spirit of resurrection in the church, the church will certainly become deformed. The blueprint of the church altogether depends upon the Spirit of resurrection. The church is where the Spirit of resurrection is...When we live in the Spirit of resurrection, the reality of Solomon's building of the temple is fulfilled within us; that is, the reality of David's design for the building of the temple is executed within us.

(Excerpts from Three Aspects of the Church, Book 1: The Meaning of the Church, CWWL, 1956, vol. 2)

Announcements:

- ♦ New MR book—1 & 2 Kings Vol. 2
- ◆ Sisters' Meeting on January 8, 2023.
- ◆ Campus Meeting will resume on January 13, 2023 at the UofR.

Church Meetinas:

- ♦ Lord's Table, Lord's Day, 10:00-12:00PM
- ♦ Prayer Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00PM
- ◆ YP & College Meetings, Fridays, 6:45-8:30PM
- ◆ Children's Meeting, Saturdays, 10:00-11:00AM
- ◆ Small Group, Fridays & Saturdays, 7:00-9:00PM

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Prayer Burdens:

Lord, gradually renew and enlarge our experience. We pray that we would all go on from the tabernacle church life to the temple church life for the building up of Your Body.

- Lord, thank You for the one Body. We pray for all the local churches—that we may all express the 2. testimony of the Body, the testimony of oneness.
- Lord, cause us not to be frightened of Satan's work. Praise the Lord for Your purpose cannot be frustrated 3. by anyone. Just as You do everything in resurrection, manifest Your resurrection in us for the building up of the church.
- Lord, may we continue to live in the Spirit of resurrection in our life and service. Encourage us to go un until 4. we eventually have the spiritual reality of the builded temple fulfilled in us.
- Lord, we pray to only hear praising, thanksgiving and singing in the church. Silence all the noise, opinions, 5. rebellions within and without. May we all be built up in quietness and practice to retreat and turn to our spirit.
- Lord, Your thoughts and Your ways are higher than ours. We forsake our ways and return to You and we just take the way of enjoying You in the church. May we all simply contact You, absorb You, enjoy You, love You, and dwell in the house of Jehovah all the days of our lives.

North America/Other Burdens

- Please pray for a new revival: The aspiration, realization and continuation of the new revival among all the saints in His recovery through the pursuit of the high peak truths, the practice of the God-man living and the universal shepherding of all the believers (the bringing in of the new revival).
- Please pray the kingdom prayer to loose the leading in the Lord's recovery and cooperation of the saints and churches with the Lord's move in the current world situation and crisis.

Church in Regina:

- Lord, we pray for the new immigrants—Dimarucot Family (Vicky, Michael, Vaughn, Mikhaela and Mikay) and 1. Morco Family (Marlon and Mechelle).
- Pray for the upcoming semester. May the new students, particularly those who got recently baptized (Lysa and Ola), continue to be cherished and be nourished in Your life through attending the weekly meetings on campus.

Misaiming concerning Regeneration

(Who concerning the Truth have misaimed—2 Tim. 2.18)

Misaiming: "Spiritual birth cannot be strictly and literaally the same in nature and mode with natural birth. It must be a mere analogy..."

(Robert Alexander Webb, The Reformed Doctrine of Adoption, pp. 184-185).

Truth: Claiming that spiritual birth (regeneration) does not involve the imparting of the life and nature of God into the believers in Christ, Webb denies the biblical truth that the believers have actually been born of God to become children of God possessing the life and nature of God (1 John 5:11-12; 2 Pet. 1:4). For Webb, regeneration is a mere analogy; for God, regeneration is a reality which involves the dispensing of the divine life and nature into the believers. Those who receive Christ, who believe in His name, have been given the authority to become children of God begotten of God (John 1:12-13). Webb has no right to regard as analogy what God regards as truth.

Events, Conferences & Trainings:

Chinese-Speaking Conference

February 17-19, 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

March ITERO

March 24-26, 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

Memorial Day Conference

May 26-29, 2023, Chicago, IL USA

July Semiannual Training

July 3-8 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

October ITERO

October 5-7, 2023, TBD

Thanksgiving Conference

November 23-26, 2023, Dallas, TX USA

Dec. Semiannual Training

December 25-30, 2023, Anaheim CA USA

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