# **Church in Regina**

## NEW LANGUAGE CHRIST IS THE ONE PRAISED BY THE BABES AND SUCKLINGS & THE ONE WHO COMES TO DO GOD'S WILL (PSA.8:2; 40:8).

## Crystallization-Study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther-Week 1

### The Things Concerning Christ in the Book of Zechariah

The book of Zechariah reveals many things concerning Christ. First, **the redeeming Christ**, as **a man** and as **the Angel of Jehovah**, the embodiment of the Triune God, was sent by God to be with His humiliated people of Israel in their captivity, signified by the myrtle trees in the bottoms. Then Christ, as a man in His humanity, was the One sent by Jehovah of hosts and was also the Sender, Jehovah of hosts, dealing with the nations who plundered the people of Zion and touched them as touching the pupil of His eye.

Following this, Christ was **the Servant of Jehovah** and **the Shoot to be the stone with seven eyes** engraved by God for the removing of the iniquity of the holy land for the building of the temple of God. Christ was also **the topstone** of grace for the completion of the building of the temple of God. Christ as the Shoot for the building of the temple of God will bear majesty and will sit and rule on His throne as a Priest and as a King.

Christ as the King of Israel came into Jerusalem lowly and riding upon a donkey, even upon a colt, yet Christ as the Shepherd of God's elect was rejected and sold at the price of a slave, thirty pieces of silver. Christ as God's Fellow was the God-sent Shepherd, but He was attacked unto death.

At His coming, Christ will appear to the children of Israel as their **Redeemer** and **Savior**, the One who was pierced by them, and they will look upon Him and wail over Him. Christ came as **the real Prophet**, but He was rejected and wounded by Israel, who were His relatives, to make the base for their salvation and an open fountain for their sin and their iniquity.

At the end of this age, Christ will come to stand on the Mount of Olives and will fight with the nations that besiege Jerusalem. Then Christ as Jehovah will be King over all the earth in the millennium.

The Christ unveiled in Zechariah, the pierced One with whom there is the open fountain, is the centrality and universality of God's economy. As such a One, He is intimately involved with human history, in particular with the Persian Empire, the Grecian Empire, and the Roman Empire. The Roman Empire especially has been helpful to Christ. Christ was born under the Roman Empire. Without the Roman Empire, it would not have been possible for Christ to be born. He grew up, carried out His ministry, was crucified, resurrected, and ascended under the Roman Empire. Christ's death for the accomplishment of God's eternal redemption was consummated under the Roman Empire. The formation of the church and the preaching of the gospel also took place under the Roman Empire. Surely, the Roman Empire, whose influence in law and culture continues today, has been used by God to fulfill His intention to make Christ the centrality and universality of His economy.

#### A Word Concerning Our Need to Be Brought Into the Realm of God's Economy

Most Christians consider the Bible to be a book which teaches them to be good, ethical, godly, and spiritual. This is not wrong; it is right and good. But this is only for their own benefit; this is not at all for God. Teaching people to be good, moral, ethical, godly, and spiritual is only a minor point in the Bible. The major point in the Bible concerns God's economy, yet in Christianity today nearly no one talks about God's economy. The books of Isaiah, Daniel, and Zechariah are on Christ, not only as our Savior, Redeemer, and Deliverer but also as the centrality and universality of God's move to fulfill His economy on earth. Outside the Lord's recovery, where can you hear such a word? Because hardly anyone cares for God's economy, the Lord has been delayed for nearly two thousand years. The world situation is ready for the Lord Jesus to come back, but what about God's economy?

The center of God's economy is to have a Body to express Christ. Eventually, this Body will be Christ's bride to match Him as His counterpart and to come down to earth with Him to carry out the final step of God's economy. Today, the world situation is ready for His coming, but the Lord has not yet gained His counterpart. Therefore, He has no way to come back. He is still waiting...

According to His eternal arrangement, or economy, God desires to have the church, a proper church in the biblical sense. Christianity is a totality of organization, but the church revealed in the Bible should be absolutely organic and full of Christ as life, full of the Triune God in His consummation—the all-inclusive life-giving Spirit—to constitute us with God's life and nature and to join us with God as one spirit. This is God's economy through His dispensing. (Excerpts from Life-study of Zechariah, Chapter 14).

Announcements:	Church Meetings:	Contact Us:
♦ Brothers' Mtg—April 30 at 6pm	◆ Lord's Table, Lord's Day, 10:00-12:00PM	♦ Email:
<ul> <li>Churching/Blending Conference with Church in Edmonton—May 5 to 7</li> <li>Churching/Blending with Church in Lethbridge—May 14</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prayer Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00PM</li> <li>YP &amp; College Meetings, Fridays, 6:45-8:30PM</li> <li>Children's Meeting, Saturdays, 10:00-11:00AM</li> <li>Small Group, Fridays &amp; Saturdays, 7:00-9:00PM</li> </ul>	thechurchinregina@gmail.com ◆ Mobile Phone Numbers: 306.737.3315 306.216.0685 306.529.5386

## Prayer Burdens:

- 1. Thank You, Lord for Your eternal economy and the revelation of Your move in our history. Continue to prepare us to be Your bride so that we can hasten Your coming back.
- 2. Lord, thank You for Your lowly first coming—intimate and humble. Even though You were despised and attacked, and wounded on the cross, You became an opened fountain to deal with our sin and our impurity.
- 3. Lord, we pray to be part of your second and victorious coming! Make us the overcomers, who will reign with You as our King. We praise You as the One who will fight for the children of Israel, Your chosen people. You are the King over all the peoples' on the earth.
- 4. Lord, we open to Your skillful work in us. Continue to work Yourself into us in the divine history so that we can become the masterpiece of Your work, the poem of God.
- 5. Lord, as Your bride, we need Your beautifying word. As the warrior, we need Your slaying word. May we all come to Your word daily that we can have a real experience of the killing power of God's word to defeat our self, our greatest enemy.
- 6. Lord, thank You for being so favourable to us. Keep us in You and in Your economy, even in the centrality and universality of Your move on earth. Send us more rain and bless us with Your abundant blessing.

## North America/Other Burdens

1. Pray for the Lord's continual increase in this province, specifically the raising up of in Foam Lake, Saskatchewan.

# Church in Regina:

- 1. Lord, we pray for our new gospel contacts: Mike, Shanshan, Su, Tianyung, Mark, Ola, Caitlyn and Lysa. Strengthen their faith and recover them fully. Attract them with Yourself and open them to see the unique ground of oneness to leave degraded Christianity.
- Pray for the upcoming National College Training in Champaign, Illinois. We pray for our college students to be fully opened to the Lord that He may have a free way to speak and work in them.
- 3. Lord, we pray for the Nsengiyumva family. Bring them home to the church, the unique ground of oneness. Bring them to the proper church life and make them thirsty and hungry for You.

## Being Constituted with the Truth

## Having the Full Knowledge of the Truth

The New Testament says repeatedly that we should know the truth. Moreover, when referring to this matter, Paul repeatedly says that we should come to the full knowledge of the truth. This means that we must know not just a small part or one aspect of the truth but rather the truth in its entirety and in all its aspects. Paul also says that the church is the pillar and base of the truth. This implies that the truth in the Bible is like a large building that is not one-sided but complete on all sides with a foundation and a roof. If we are going to spread the Lord's recovery today, we must know the truth and be able to expound the truth. For this reason we must know every side of the truth without any biases or particular leanings.

The truth not only has many sides but also includes many crucial items. For example, the Bible speaks about God, Christ, the Holy Spirit, the believers, the church, the kingdom, and the New Jerusalem. The Bible begins with God, then continues with God's creation, man's fall, God's redemption, and God's entering into man to be man's life for man to be regenerated, sanctified, renewed, transformed, conformed to His own image, and ultimately brought fully into glory. In the midst of all these matters, the Bible also shows us the believers and the corporate church. This corporate church brings in the kingdom, consummating in the ultimate expression, which is the New Jerusalem in the new heaven and new earth. All these aspects are included in the truths of the Bible.

Considering the deeper and more detailed truths, the Bible speaks about the **two aspects of God's complete salvation: redemption** and **salvation**. The aspect of redemption includes forgiveness, cleansing, justification, reconciliation, and acceptance; the aspect of salvation includes His coming to regenerate, sanctify, renew, and transform us so as to conform us to His image and ultimately to bring us into His glory. This is God's complete salvation. We must **diligently learn** all these things, obtain the knowledge of them, and be able to speak them clearly to others. (CWWL, 1984, vol. 5, "Truth, Life, the Church, and the Gospel—the Four Great Pillars in the Lord's Recovery," ch. 4, pp. 393-394)

Events, Conferences & Trainings:

Chinese-Speaking Conference February 17-19, 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

March ITERO March 24-26, 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

<u>Memorial Day Conference</u> <u>May 26-29, 2023, Chicago, IL USA</u>

July Semiannual Training July 3-8 2023, Anaheim, CA USA

October ITERO October 5-7, 2023, Manila, Philippines

Thanksgiving Conference November 23-26, 2023, Dallas, TX USA

**Dec. Semiannual Training** December 25-30, 2023, Anaheim CA USA