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Church in Regina

NEW LANGUAGE

CHRIST IS THE ONE WOUNDED FOR OUR TRANSGRESSIONS, WITH WHOSE STRIPES WE HAVE BEEN HEALED (ISA 53:5).

Crystallization-Study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther—Week 4

The Church—the Reprint of the Spirit

We need to realize that we have been born of God (John 1:12-13). Those human beings who have been born of God, today are the sons of God. Regeneration means that God has been born into our being. Now we have God's divine life (1 John 5:11-12) and divine nature (2 Pet. 1:4). How could we be the continuation of Christ, the enlargement of Christ, or the spreading of Christ unless we have Christ in us (Col. 1:27), unless we are a part of Christ (Eph. 5:30)? It is only possible for us to be Christ's continuation, Christ's Body, if we have Christ within us. The Body of Christ is surely a part of Christ. The church has Christ within. The church has the life of Christ and the nature of Christ, so the church is the Body of Christ, the continuation of Christ, the enlargement of Christ, and the spreading of Christ.

For centuries, however, no one has seen, not even the deeper saints, that the church is the reproduction of Christ. We can say this because the lampstand in Exodus was one, and the lampstands in Revelation are seven. The one lampstand has been reproduced. The unique lampstand in Exodus became a model, out of which came seven lampstands. The seven lampstands are exactly the same as the unique lampstand in nature, essence, shape, and every respect. Cakes may be made by putting the batter into a mold. By using the mold, the same cake may be made again and again. Christ is the mold, and the church is the reproduction of Christ. What is the church today? To say that the church is the Body, the continuation, the enlargement, and the spreading of Christ is not enough. We all have to see that the church is an exact reproduction of Christ. Christ was the unique lampstand, and all the churches are the lampstands in the same nature, essence, model, shape, and function. According to the lampstand in Exodus, we can say that the church is the reproduction of Christ, and according to the lampstand in Zechariah, the church is the reprint of the Spirit. The ultimate definition of the church is that the church is the reproduction of Christ and the reprint of the Holy Spirit.

When we say that we are the church, we have to realize that the church is the reproduction of Christ and the reprint of the Spirit. When we say that we are the church, we must realize that we have to be fully in the Spirit. Even if we are only partially in the flesh, we become a poor reproduction, a poor reprint. When we brothers and sisters come together, if we all are in the Spirit, we are the church. If we are outside the Spirit, we are not the church. Whether or not we are actually the church depends upon whether or not we are in the Spirit. If we are in the Spirit, we are the church. We have to admit that when we are outside the Spirit, we are merely the fallen race and the descendants of Adam...Are we standing as the church in our locality? Then we must be in the Spirit. If we are not in the Spirit, we are through with the church because the church is the reproduction of Christ and the reprint of the Spirit.

What is the church? The church is the lampstand. In the Lord's recovery we all have to see that the church is so high and so pure. The church is nothing less than Christ and the Spirit because both Christ and the Spirit are the lampstand, and the church is also the lampstand. This is a picture of regeneration and transformation. Christ has been regenerated into our being, and we are being fully transformed into His being (2 Cor. 3:18). He is the lampstand, and the church is also the lampstand. We have to see what the church is to such an extent. If we see this vision of the church, we will be afraid to exercise our flesh. We need to see that the church is absolutely something of Christ and in the Spirit. It is the lampstand, a reproduction of Christ and a reprint of the Spirit (Excerpts from The Church—the Reprint of the Spirit, CWWL 1975-1976, vol. 2).

Announcements:

- ♦ Sisters' Mtg—May 14
- ◆ Bible Distribution—May 19
- ◆ Brothers' Mtg—May 21
- ◆ Memorial Day Conference via Zoom—May 26 to 28

Church Meetings:

- ♦ 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:

1. Lord, give us the heart to take care of Your house so that we may have real enjoyment and satisfaction. We do not want to neglect the church. We want to give our all for Your interests.

- 2. Lord, You are the reality of every human virtue. Thank You, Lord that we have received You as our life and that Your divine attributes are expressed through our human virtues. Increase our desire to always choose You.
- 3. Lord Jesus, cause us to have the grace to be built up in the church so that You may have a dwelling place once You return. Lord, we give our whole church life for Your glory. Save us from living a church life out of convenience and without Your glory.
- 4. Lord, thank You that we are now one with You and joined with You in one spirit. Thank You for restoring our broken lamp, for adding another lamp, the Spirit of God, to search all the innermost parts of our being.
- 5. Lord, we open our whole being to You. Transform us so that we can bear Your image. We want to receive Your enlightening and have Your life supply us. Continue to shine upon us, so that we may be exposed, purged and purified.
- 6. Lord, continue to flow out of us as the Spirit. Supply us with more oil, that we may also supply oil to others. Snuff out all the negative things in us to reduce the flesh and the old creation in the church. May the church have more gold, more and more of the divine nature as we go on.

North America/Other Burdens

- 1. Pray for the 2023 Spring Central and Eastern Europe and Balkan (CEEB) Blending Conference in Bratislava, Slovakia on May 19 to 21.
- 2. Pray for the first Lord's Table Meeting in Rotterdam, the Netherlands on May 21.

Church in Regina:

- 1. Lord, we pray for our new gospel contacts: Julie, 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.
- 2. 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. Pray for the Bible distribution this upcoming Friday, May 19 at the University of Regina. Bring more students who are looking not only for salvation but for the church.

Coming to the Full Knowledge of the Truth

Redeeming the Time to Obtain a Proper Spiritual Education in Order to Teach the Truth

In order to teach the truth effectively, we need to obtain an adequate understanding of the truth. It is one thing to have a general knowledge of the truth concerning God's economy and another thing to be able to effectively present this truth to others. I encourage the saints to study one Life-study message with the corresponding verses, footnotes, and cross references of the Recovery Version of the Bible day by day, five days a week. If the saints practice this, in several years they will gain a proper understanding of the entire New Testament. We should learn to redeem the time to study the New Testament (cf. Eph. 5:16)...

If, by the Lord's mercy, we determine to spend time five days a week to read the Life-studies of the New Testament with the footnotes of the Recovery Version, after five years of persistent practice we will possess the adequate knowledge of the New Testament. We will acquire the knowledge of both the various subjects in the New Testament as well as the crucial points of the truth revealed in each book of the New Testament. The best way to study all the crucial points of the divine revelation in the New Testament is to read the Life-study messages and the footnotes of the Recovery Version according to the sequence of the New Testament, book by book, chapter by chapter (CWWL, 1984, vol. 1, pp. 61.66)

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, Manila, Philippines

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

Dec. Semiannual TrainingDecember 25-30, 2023, Anaheim CA
USA