

Church in Regina

NEW LANGUAGE

CHRIST IS THE ONE FORSAKEN BY GOD (PSA.22:1; MATT. 27:46).

Crystallization-Study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther—Week 6

The Renewing of the Mind and the Resulting Transformation

The mind is the principal part of the soul. In some places in the New Testament, the mind and the soul mean the same thing. **Our mind is renewed within by the renewing Spirit.** This is only the beginning. The renewing Spirit **spreads** from our mind to our whole soul, which is composed of our mind, will, and emotion. The mind, will, and emotion together with the conscience in the spirit compose our heart. **The renewing of the mind is the renewing of the whole soul of man together with his spirit.** Hence, transformation results from the renewing of the mind. Romans 12:2 tells us that we are “transformed by the renewing of the mind.” First, our spirit is regenerated. After our spirit is occupied by the Lord, the Lord Spirit then spreads from our spirit to our mind. When our mind is renewed, we are brought on until our whole soul is transformed.

Transformation is not the same as change. It is the result of **a metabolic process**...When a person’s complexion is not good, he can put on powder and cosmetics to improve his complexion. But this is not transformation; it is only a change. What then is transformation? Suppose your face is yellow and pale and looks appalling. If you will eat nutritious food in the right proportions, the food in your body will produce a metabolic change in you after it is digested. On the one hand, this metabolism provides you with fresh supply. On the other hand, it eliminates the old elements. Gradually, your pale and colorless complexion will be gone, and your face will shine with a rosy complexion. This is not a change; it is transformation. The Lord Jesus is our life. **When He enters into us, He becomes a supply to us. This supply produces an effect in us.** It eliminates the old and the natural elements from us. In the end we are transformed and are full of His image (2 Cor. 3:18).

Saved from a Living Soaked with the Element of the World

After we are transformed by the renewing of the mind, a power will be produced in us that saves us from a living soaked with the element of the world. Romans 12:2 says, “Do not be fashioned according to this age.” To be fashioned according to this age is to be modern. This verse says that we should not be fashioned according to the modern way of this age. To be modern is to be fashionable; it is the appearance of this world before our eyes. I have experienced the simplest rural life, and I have also lived in the most modern cities. I discovered one thing: **everyone likes to be modern.** Whether the modern way is good or not, man loves it just the same. Everything that is modern and that is in conformity to this age is welcomed by man. **But we have to know that the age of this world and the modern way of this world are common and un sanctified.** Hence, we must not be fashioned according to this age. Rather, we should be renewed in our mind and be transformed in our soul. This will save us from a living soaked with the element of the world.

Setting the Mind on the Spirit and Minding the Things of the Spirit according to the Spirit.

To be renewed in our mind, we need to **set our mind on the spirit daily.** The result will be the renewing of the mind. While we are in the church life today, no matter what happens and what needs there are, we have to set our mind on the spirit. We should not set our mind on what is right or wrong or set it on our views. We must set our mind on the spirit. This will result in our mind being renewed.

Renewing is different from brainwashing. Renewing is the total replacement of all of man’s thoughts, notions, and conceptions. Brainwashing, on the other hand, is like putting powder on a person’s face. Renewing is an inward metabolism. When the Lord’s life and His Spirit enter into man, there is a turn. Furthermore, to be renewed in our mind is to hand over to the Lord our concepts, perceptions, and views through loving Him and fellowshiping with Him and through saying to Him, **“Lord, I take You as my life, my view, and my way.”** He is constantly operating within us. In this way our whole mind is renewed, and within us we will have a different view toward the world than we had before. This is not a change. This is an inward transformation in life. Hence, we have to set our mind on the spirit (8:6b). This will bring in the renewing of the mind.

(Excerpts from Salvation in Life in the Book of Romans, ch. 4).

Announcements:

- ◆ Memorial Day Conference remaining msg. 4 (May 28), msgs. 5 & 6 (June 4 and 5).
- ◆ **Bible Distribution—June 9**
- ◆ Winnipeg Conference—June 10-11
- ◆ Children’s Fun Day—June 17

Church Meetings:

- ◆ Lord’s Table & Prophesying, Lord’s Day, **9:30-12:00PM**
- ◆ 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, keep Your recovery pure, single, and holy without any mixture. Establish more Ezras and Nehemiahs today that will carry out a purging work. Thoroughly purge us and purify us from all mixture.
2. Lord, continue to deal with all the negative purposes of our heart, motive, aim and intention. Clear the passage of our spirit that there would be no mixture. We condemn it and purge it by the power of the Spirit.
3. Lord, have mercy on us that our ambition and capacity is with a proper heart. Make us pure in heart and single for Your recovery. We want to see You more and more so that we would gain You and be constituted with You.
4. We exercise ourselves to always have a good conscience towards You and others. But more so, cause our mind to consider nothing but You, our emotion to love nothing but You, and our will to choose nothing but You so that our heart seeks only You and have pure conscience.
5. Lord, save us from any impurity. Work in us and make us pure in our service for Your building. Break our outer man, tear it down, and separate it from the inner man.
6. Lord, not only do we need to be clean, but we also need to be pure – to be like transparent glass, purified by the cross. May our church life be of pure gold, altogether of the divine nature without any mixture.

North America/Other Burdens

1. Pray for all the meeting hall purchases/renovations in Europe: Munich, Germany; Malaga, Spain; Stuttgart, Germany; UK building project for a new training center.

Church in Regina:

1. Pray for the meeting hall purchase and our meeting with realtors. Give us the best place at the best price.
2. Lord, we pray for our new gospel contacts: Julie, Sandy, Lysa, Chiara, Katelyn and Su. 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.
3. 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.
4. Pray for the regular Bible distribution—Month of June: 9th and 23rd.

Using the Life-Studies

The Life-study Messages Leading People to Touch Life

The Life-study messages are not a set of philosophical or classical writings apart from the Bible. The Life-study messages do not merely expound the Bible and present the truth; rather, they also **bring people into the truth to enjoy and experience its riches**. Mere exposition of the Bible is just the impartation of knowledge, which causes people to know doctrines mentally. The Life-study messages **bring us into the depths of the Bible to touch and enjoy the life within** (cf. John 5:39-40).

After reading Exodus 12 many Christians only know that something happened on the night of the passover (v. 12); they do not know the meaning of what happened. However, today through the Life-study messages we can all understand the deep meaning of this matter and enter into the application of the precious blood, the enjoyment of the meat of the lamb, and the reality of the unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Therefore, the life-study of the Bible is **a proper and accurate study of the Bible** that ushers people into the Bible to obtain the life supply and enjoyment contained in it. (CWWL, 1984, vol. 5, "Truth, Life, the Church, and the Gospel—the Four Great Pillars in the Lord's Recovery," ch. 1, p. 364)

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 Training

December 25-30, 2023, Anaheim CA USA