

Church in Regina

NEW LANGUAGE

CHRIST IS THE STONE FALLING ON THE GENTILE KINGDOMS AND SCATTERING THEM AS CHAFF (DAN.2:34-356; MATT. 21:44)

Knowing, Experiencing, and Living the All-inclusive Christ for the Genuine Church Life —Week 5

In the Gospel of John there are **three main concepts**. The first concept is that **the Father has been expressed in the Son**. The Father has been seen and touched in the Son by men. John 14:9 says that he who has seen the Son has seen the Father. When the Son is in the midst of men, it is the Father who is in the midst of men. The second concept is that **the Son had to go and change His form to become the Spirit**. The third concept is that **the Spirit comes into us who belong to Him, to be with us forever**. Consequently, as He lives, we also live. We live together with Him, and we live by Him.

So, in chapter 15 we are shown just such a union. The Lord said that He is the true vine and we are the branches. We abide in Him, and He abides in us. Then in chapter 16 the Lord showed how the Spirit reveals all His reality into us so that we may experience and be led into the reality. Therefore, in these chapters of John the Lord said that **we need to pray while living on the earth, and we need to pray in His name**.

Based on the abovementioned concepts, we know that praying in the Lord's name bespeaks the fact that **we have a perfect union with the Lord** and that **such a union causes God to be manifested in us**. We need three chapters of the Scripture, John 14 through 16, to explain the matter of praying in the Lord's name. When we have a thorough understanding of these three chapters, we know what it means to pray in the Lord's name. Briefly, it means that we are in union with the Lord. **The Lord is the expression of God, this expression has become the Spirit, and the Spirit is dwelling in us**. When we have this perfect union with the Triune God, **our living becomes His living, and God is manifested through us**.

Please remember, therefore, that to pray in the name of the Lord means that we are united with the Lord, and we allow God to be manifested through us. Never consider in the name of the Lord as a phrase or a form that you have to use at the end of every prayer. At times it may not be necessary to add in the name of the Lord at the end of a prayer. To add in the name of the Lord does not necessarily mean that there is the reality, and not adding it does not mean that the reality of it is missing. It is **not a matter of formality but a matter of reality**. A person who truly prays in the name of the Lord is one with the Lord. His prayer, therefore, is the Lord's asking. He has been united with the Lord to such an extent that the two have become one.

Never understand praying in the name of the Lord in a superstitious way. More than once I have heard people explain it by using the following illustration: You have asked a rich man for something, but he would not give it to you. Later, you find out that he loves his son very much, so you go and make the same request in the name of his son. Then, as a result, the rich man gives you what you have requested because he loves his son. Similarly, when we, the sinners, come before God to ask for something, He will not give it to us. But when we ask in the name of His Son, God will give it to us because He loves His Son. If this is how you understand and explain it, you are simply superstitious. Actually, if God refuses you when you ask on your own, He will also refuse you when you ask in the name of His Son.

Acts 19 gives us an account of some who superstitiously tried to imitate Paul in casting out demons in the name of the Lord Jesus. Eventually, the demon said, "Jesus I know of, and with Paul I am acquainted; but who are you?" and he leaped upon them and wounded them (vv. 15-16). To cast out demons in this way is simply being superstitious. When Paul cast out demons in the name of the Lord Jesus, he could say, "I am one with the Lord Jesus, and for me to live is Christ." This is the meaning and the spiritual reality of in the name of the Lord. (CWWL, 1959, vol. 4. "Lessons on Prayer, p.212)

Announcements:

- ◆ Love Feast/Sisters' Mtg—Nov. 12
- ◆ Thanksgiving Conference
- Msg 1—Nov. 23 (7:30pm)
- Msg 2—Nov. 24 (4:00pm)
- Msg 3&4—Nov. 25 (4:00pm/7:00pm)
- Msg 5&6—Nov. 26 (4:00pm/7:00pm)
- **Msgs 2 to 6—Combined by Small Groups

Church Meetings:

- ◆ Lord's Table & Prophesying, Lord's Day, 10:00-12:00PM
- ◆ Prayer Meeting, Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00PM
- ◆ Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading MWF 8:30-9:00PM
- ◆ YP & College Meetings, Fridays, 7:30-8:30PM
- ◆ Children's Meeting, Saturdays, 10:00-11:00AM
- ◆ Small Group Meeting, Saturdays, 7:00-9:00PM

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Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord Jesus, we exalt Your name, the highest name in the universe. We boldly declare the name of Jesus is the greatest name. Praise You and praise Your Name! Praise You for the sum total of who You are in Your person and work.
2. Daily teach us, Lord to be in Your name, even to remain in Your name and be in Your very being. Thank You for committing Yourself to us, so now we can partake of Your name. Cause us to continually live in You and allow You to live in us.
3. Lord Jesus, we thank You for the divine oneness in the Divine Trinity. May we learn to pray to the Father in Your name, not through our self-worth but just by being one with You.
4. Lord Jesus, teach us to do everything in Your name, especially in our daily lives and our service in the church. Cause us to live our basic and ordinary Christian life in Your name. We confess that in many things we are still outside of You. Thank You that we can turn by simply calling on Your name.
5. Lord, we pray that we would all deal with our hearts. That whatever we speak will be words of grace and words for building. Forgive us for all the corrupt and idle word we speak. Keep reminding us of the seriousness of our loose words.
6. Lord, we want to in the reality of praying in Your name. Save us from outward forms of merely claiming that we pray in Your name. May our prayers be real ones, those that are surely in accordance with Your will.

North America/Other Burdens

1. Migration to six European cities and strengthening of lampstands—Barcelona, Brussels, Dublin, Lisbon, Rome and Zurich.
2. Canada Brothers Meeting—Nov. 10 to 12 in Vancouver, BC

Church in Regina:

1. Pray for each family. May we all continue to pursue the Lord in one accord. May the Lord save us from many distractions from our personal lives. May He keep our hearts simple, loving Him above all, and giving Him the first place and preeminence in all things.
2. Pray for the small group meetings. Strengthen and blend us all through these weekly meetings. Sanctify this time and pray for everyone's attendance to be a consecrated time to practice living the genuine church life.

Misaiming Concerning The Ultimate Destination of Believers

Misaiming: "Maybe there's not as much in [the Bible] about heaven as we would like to find. Since it is the ultimate destination of the Christian, you'd think there would be a bit more spelled out about the nature of heaven" (R.C. Sproul, Now, That's a Good Question!, 1996, pp. 285-286).

Truth: It is crucial that we know our spiritual destination because a proper view of where we are going will help govern the walk that takes us there. If heaven were truly our ultimate destination, it would indeed be remarkable how few details we are given...The error in this passage is its unscriptural assumption that heaven is our ultimate destination. According to Revelation 21:1-2, our ultimate destination is not heaven, but rather the New Jerusalem, on the new earth.

Since the Bible states that the New Jerusalem is the believers' ultimate destination, we would be wise to pay much attention to the significance of its details as a governing vision for our present daily walk. For example, the golden street (Rev. 21:21) signifies that we should walk according to the divine nature we received through regeneration. The river of water of life (22:1) tells us that we should continually partake of Christ as our life supply. The color of the city, jasper (21:18), equals the color of the One who was sitting on the throne (4:3), showing us that our destiny is to express the Triune God for eternity, and accordingly, that we should seek to express Him in our daily living. Since the Bible reveals our ultimate destination to be the New Jerusalem, it also provides us with a richly detailed portrait of it in order that each aspect of its significance may govern us in our present daily life (Affirmation and Critique, Vol V. No. 2, April 2000).

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