

Church in Regina

An Overview of the Central Burden and Present Truth of the Lord's Recovery before His Appearing—Week 10

I would like to say a word especially to the teenagers who might be reading this message. While your classmates are talking in a worldly way, you may find yourself, at a certain point, unable to join in the conversation. Although nothing outward frustrates you, you do sense an inner forbidding. This **inward regulation** comes **from the life of God within you, the life which makes you a child of God**. Your classmates may be discussing sinful things in a happy, excited way, but the divine life within you does not allow you to say a word. Instead, it turns you away from them. That is the leading of the Spirit. **This leading of the Spirit marks you out as a son of God**. Because of this mark from the leading of the Spirit your classmates will wonder what has happened to you. They will wonder why you do not talk and what is different about you. They will wonder because they are sons of the devil and you are a son of God. You have the leading of the Spirit within you.

I would also like to say a word about fashions and styles of clothing. Today, the children of the devil have their styles and fashions. Surely all the modern fashions are the leading of the devil. Modern fashion is a mark of the children of the evil one. No Christian should dress himself in such a way. Although the churches in the Lord's recovery do not post a list of outward regulations regarding dress, within you, **you have the divine life which makes you a son of God**. When your friends, relatives, and classmates dress themselves in a devilish way, within you is a sense that does not allow you to dress yourself in that manner. This is the leading of the Spirit, the mark that designates you as a son of God.

How do we know that we are the sons of God? We know by the leading of the Spirit, for the leading of the Spirit puts a mark upon us. **The inward life constantly gives us a sensation or consciousness** that we should not behave ourselves like worldly people do. We must be different from our relatives, friends, classmates, and neighbors. As we obey the inward sense of life, we spontaneously display a mark which tells people that we are different from the devil's children, that we have the life of God within us which makes us sons of God. This is the leading of the Spirit...

This leading of the Spirit by the inward sense of the divine life does not happen as an accident. **It is a continual matter in our daily life, just like breathing**. Normal breathing is continuous breathing. When breathing becomes an accident, it is an indicator that something is wrong with our health. Since the leading of the Spirit is a matter of life, it should **continue normally in every aspect of our daily walk**. This is the leading of the Spirit. This leading of the Spirit in our daily life is the proof that we are sons of God.

If we do not live and walk according to this leading of the Spirit, we may be the children of God concerning which the Spirit witnesses with our spirit in crying, "Abba, Father," but we do not have the mark that designates us as the sons of God. **We may be God's children, but we do not have the growth which comes by living and walking according to the leading of the Spirit in life**. The leading of the Spirit marks us out as being the sons of God in the growth of life.

We need to realize **the difference between the children of God** in verse 16 and **the sons of God** in verse 14. The children of God are in **the initial stage of the divine life**, the stage which mainly concerns the birth, while the sons of God are in a more **advanced stage**, the stage which concerns the growth in life. In order to be children of God we need the *witnessing of the Spirit with our spirit*, but in order to be the sons of God we need the *leading of the Spirit by the sense of the divine life*. As long as we have the witness of the Spirit with our spirit, we have the assurance that we are the children of God. However, in order to have the proof, the mark, that we are the sons of God we need to have the leading of the Spirit and to live and walk according to the inner sense of the divine life. All real Christians are children of God, having the witness of the Spirit with their spirit, but not all have the mark that they are the sons of God who are growing in the divine life and living and walking according to the leading of the Spirit. Therefore, **we all must move forward in the growth in life from the initial stage of being the children of God to the more advanced stage, showing that we are the sons of God by bearing the distinct mark of the leading of the Spirit in life**.

(Excerpts from The Life-study of Romans, ch. 18)

Local Announcements:

1. Prayer Mtg—Feb. 13 by Groups
(Grp 1 in Person; Grp 2 by Zoom)
2. College Prairie Conference—
Feb. 17 to 18.
3. Church Pursuit (Family Day)—
Feb. 19.

Conferences and Trainings Information:

1. Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference—Feb.10-11, Taipei, Taiwan
2. International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones—Apr.12-14, Anaheim, CA
3. Memorial Day Blending Conference—May 24-27, Bellevue, WA
4. Summer Training—July 1-6, Anaheim, CA
5. International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones—Oct.4-6, Warsaw, Poland
6. Thanksgiving Blending Conference—Nov.28-Dec.1, Atlanta, GA
7. Winter Training—Dec.23-28, Anaheim, CA

Prayer Burdens

1. Lord, as God-men, we want to participate in Your divinity – to be the same as You are in life and nature but not in the Godhead. As children of God, we claim our right to share in Your life. This is not of our will but Your will.
2. Lord, cause us to partake of You and enjoy You day by day so we may be constituted with Your divine nature. Thank you for the divine life we have received, allowing us to even participate in Your very being that is holy.
3. Lord, not only do we participate in Your life and nature, but also in Your mind. We let Your mind be in us. Spread from our spirit to our mind and renew us. Strengthen our inner sense of life.
4. Transform us into Your image and lead us into glory. We want to reach the highest level of our salvation which is glorification. Thank You for giving us the right to participate in Your image.
5. Continue to do work on us – bringing us from merely being children of God, to sons of God and eventually, heirs to the kingdom. Transform us in our soul and transfigure our bodies so we can be Your full manifestation.
6. Lord, we thank You for a great future with a more splendid blessing before us. We pray that no one will become weary, but everyone will stretch forward, partake of the divine nature and bear the divine likeness. When we see You, may we be like You and see You even as You are.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the distribution of Bibles in Europe. Spread the translated, interpreted, and understood divine truths in Europe for the Lord's recovery and restoration.

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1. Pray for the Prairie College Conference in Edmonton on February 17 to 18, especially the new ones who are going: Eric, Christian, Mika, MJ, Chiara and Courtney.
2. Pray for positive and immediate approval of all the immigration papers of the newcomers and their settling down, that their personal lives will be blessed and that their church life will be enriched:
 - > Sorronda Family (Dana and Yeska)
 - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina)
 - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children)
 - > Pravin Family (Jerome and Abinaya and their two children)

WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

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

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