

# Church in Regina

Laboring on the All-Inclusive Christ Typified by the Good Land for the Building Up of the Church as the Body of Christ, for the Reality and the Manifestation of the Kingdom, and for the Bridge to Make Herself Ready for the Lord's Coming—Week 1

## Gaining Christ for Christ

...Christ today is the good land given to us by God in a very rich way. Nevertheless, all the riches of Christ, all that Christ is, remain separate from most Christians. As the One on the throne in the heavens, Christ is strong and powerful, but we are weak. He is rich, but we are poor. Whereas Christ is strong, powerful, and rich, we are weak, impotent, and poor. The reason for this situation is that we have not endeavored to gain Christ. However, **when we gain Christ, He becomes our experience.** Then Christ becomes in us what He should be. This means that **our gaining Christ is not only for our enjoyment but also for Christ to be what He should be.**

According to the New Testament revelation, Christ is perfect, complete, rich, and powerful. Furthermore, it is a fact that God has given such a Christ to us. Although He is wonderful, we are pitiful. If we see this, we will realize that there is a need for us to do something that will make Christ real to us and even to the unbelievers so that He will be what He should be. How can Christ be what He should be? **Christ can be what He should be only by our gaining Him.** If we gain Christ and experience Christ, Christ will become real to us. This is not only for us—it is also for Christ. This is to gain Christ for Christ.

## God's Need for Overcomers Who Struggle to Pursue Christ in Order to Gain Christ

Paul was one who struggled to pursue Christ in order to gain Christ (Phil. 3:8, 12). However, **very few of today's Christians, including us,** are like Paul. We may be seeking Christians, but we may pursue Christ only to a certain extent, being content with a **routine church life** and **routine work and service for Christ.** Following such a routine does not enable us to endeavor to gain Christ. Because so many Christians do not pursue Christ in order to gain Him, **God needs the overcomers.**

The Bible shows us that, first, God tried to work with the race of Adam, but the Adamic race was a failure. Then God had a new start with another race, with Israel, the race of Abraham. Eventually, Israel also failed God. Then God went to another people—the church. However, **although God has been working with the church for nearly two thousand years, God has not yet gained what He desires.** Thus, as early as the first century, the Lord came in to call for overcomers (Rev. 2:7, 11, 17, 26-28; 3:5, 12, 20-21; 21:7), and today **He is still sounding out the call for the overcomers.** Nevertheless, even among devoted Christians it is hard to find some overcomers, some who are pursuing Christ in order to gain Him.

At the time of Joshua, there were two or three million Israelites, but there were not many Joshuas and Calebs. There were not many endeavoring ones, genuine pursuers of God. Without such ones both the good land and the Giver of the land would have been idle. Both the land and the Giver of the land needed certain ones to take the land, possess the land, and enjoy the land. Those who possessed the land did a favor to the One who gave them the land.

We today need to take and possess the land for Christ. We need to gain Christ for Christ. If we do this, we will do Christ a favor. However, if we go on living a routine Christian life and church life, we will not be able to gain the land for Christ. For this, God needs some overcomers. There are millions of real Christians on earth today, but where are the overcomers? **God is calling for overcomers, but who will answer His call?** Who will respond to God's call by pursuing Christ in order to gain Christ? I hope that many among us will do Christ a favor by responding to God's call for overcomers (Excerpts from The Life-Study of Joshua Msg 6).

### Local Announcements:

1. Prayer Mtg—June 18—Group 1 in person; Group 2 by Zoom
2. Sisters' Meeting—June 16
3. Brothers' Meeting—June 30

### 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. We praise You, Lord for all Your recovering work. Though the enemy kept frustrating Your plan, You recovered us to enjoy the land. Give us a deeper appreciation of such an all-inclusive land.
2. Lord, enlighten us to see that the center of Your plan is the reality of the land. You are the all-inclusive One – the produce of the land, the water that flows forth, and the minerals for building the temple.
3. Lord, forgive us for not taking You as our life and encourage us to daily walk in the spirit where we are one with You. Save us from the principalities in the air that hinders us from enjoying You as the good land.
4. Lord, subdue our natural life gradually, little by little and day by day. As we grow in life, drive out all other idols. May nothing frustrate our possessing the good land.
5. Thank You, Lord for delivering us out of the authority of darkness and transferring us into Your kingdom. Strengthen us to defeat the “Canaanites” and fully enjoy the all-inclusive Christ.
6. Lord, empower us in the might of Your strength. As the church, we are here fighting the “gate guards” to gain the land. We put on the whole armour of God and withstand the stratagems of the devil.

## North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the ongoing Bible distribution. Distribution during the Torch Relay began on May 6 and will continue until July 17; after this, distribution will take place in French-speaking Europe during the Olympic and Paralympic Games until September 9.

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1. Pray for the college students who will be joining the College Training.
2. Pray for our contacts: Abe Friesen, Shane McClellan, David Hyman, Lianne and Jeff Racette, Anthony and Celeste Sernat and family, Orlando Sernat and family, Jun and Divine Linantud, Charles and Janet Argawanon (Yorkton SK), and William Mejares Temonio and family (Stenen SK).
3. 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:
  - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina)
  - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children)
  - > Jerome Family (Pravin and Abinaya and their two children)
  - > Miranda Family (Ann Margarette and her family)

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS:

- Lord's Table & Prophesying—Lord's Day 10:00-12:00PM
- Prayer Meeting—Tuesdays 7:00-8:00PM
- Home Meeting—Wednesdays 6:00-7:00PM
- 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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