

# 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 Bride to Make Herself Ready for the Lord's Coming—Week 12

In 1 Corinthians Paul uses the example of Israel enjoying the Passover, leaving Egypt, being baptized in the Red Sea, traveling in the wilderness, drinking of the spiritual rock that followed them, and eating of the spiritual food in the wilderness. Hence, in 1 Corinthians we see only two parts of the journey of Israel – their exodus out of Egypt and their living in the wilderness, where they wandered for forty years. In 1 Corinthians we cannot find the good land. The good land is not found until we come to 2 Corinthians.

2 Corinthians presents the good land. Although the words “good land” cannot be found in this Epistle, the word “grace” is mentioned multiple times. **Grace is Christ as the good land to us today for our enjoyment.** This is a deeper thought and understanding concerning the type of Israel. We should not gloss over this or quickly move through this point.

The **reality of the good land** in 2 Corinthians is **Christ Himself as the divine grace**; the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ is the central thought and the subject of 2 Corinthians. I hope we would be deeply impressed that the reality of the good land is Christ Himself as the divine grace. In this message we are using another word to describe the all-inclusive Christ as the good land, and that word is simply “grace”. When we hear, read, or fellowship regarding grace, we must **remember that grace is the all-inclusive Christ, the very embodiment of the processed Triune God who has been dispensed into us and is being worked into us to become everything to us.** His being everything to us means that He is *our life, our life supply, our strength and power, and everything we need.* Most Christians understand the term “grace” in a superficial and shallow way, that is, as “unmerited favor”. Yes, we totally agree that grace is unmerited favor. Grace is definitely a free gift from God; we would never object to this. However, we do not stop at saying merely that grace is unmerited favor.

Certainly, grace is not something we say when we thank God for the food, which we do. However, such an understanding of grace is totally shallow. We must see that **grace is not simply something that God does for us or something that God gives us.** Rather, **grace is God Himself in the Son as the Spirit coming into us** to be our enjoyment, even **our full enjoyment.** Grace is the all-inclusive Christ *to be what we cannot be but should be, to do what we cannot do but should do, to live for us, to enable us, to strengthen us, to empower us, to do everything for us, and to energize us* to face **every kind of situation.** Such grace is living grace. It is not a package that drops down out of the heavens. It is not God coming to save us out of whatever difficulty we may find ourselves in. Rather, it is God Himself coming to us as living grace, as real grace. Grace is Christ as the very embodiment of the fullness of the Godhead for us to enjoy (Excerpts from the Ministry of the Word. Vol. 28. No. 2. pp. 291-318).

It may be that the term grace is quite familiar to us, but we may have a very shallow understanding of this term. Many Christians consider that grace is unmerited favor, something given to us by the Lord freely... For instance, Christ's dying on the cross for our sins was something done for us freely. Undoubtedly, this was really grace. Forgiveness and justification are things given by God to us which are of grace. But **we must see** that the New Testament shows us that **grace is nothing less than Christ Himself** as the very embodiment of the processed Triune God for our enjoyment. Christ has come **not merely to do something for us objectively**, not merely to bring some good things from God to us freely. **The purpose of the work of Christ was so that He could come into us.** His dying on the cross was not the purpose but the means to fulfill the purpose of Him coming into us for our enjoyment in order that we may enjoy Him as our life, our life supply, our strength, and our everything. Grace is Christ coming into us as our full enjoyment (Excerpts from An Autobiography of a Person in the Spirit, CWWL, 1967, vol.2).

## Local Announcements:

1. Prayer Meeting Combined at AECC on September 3
2. Brothers' Meeting—Sept 1
3. Church Pursuit—Sept 2
4. Bible Distribution—Sept 6
5. Love Feast and Sisters' Meeting—Sept 8

## 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. Thank You, Lord for coming to us as grace, which is the reality of the good land. You came to enable us to endure any kind of situation. May we take any situation we're in as an opportunity to be stewards of the varied grace of God to others.
2. Save us from being indolent. Our labouring on You is our real occupation. Give us the heart to seek You diligently and experience You in every situation.
3. Lord, we consecrate ourselves to You sincerely. Not for anything else but to enjoy You and experience You. Cause us to live in the person and presence of Christ through the breaking and constituting work of the Spirit.
4. Lord, we give ourselves to be occupied by the Word so the Word can dwell in us richly. Infuse us with Yourself day by day to the extent that we are filled with God for Your glory and for one another's encouragement and building up.
5. Deliver us from our own choice and subdue us to go where You have chosen. We exercise our spirit to worship You in Your name, in the mingled spirit where the cross is and with the enjoyment of You.
6. Make us faithful to day by day enjoy, eat, and partake of You so that the temple may be enlarged and You can gain Your habitation – the unique incorporation of God and man which is Your Body today.

## North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Pray for the migration to six European cities and strengthening of lampstands. Pave the way for the migration of burdened saints to six cities—Barcelona, Brussels, Dublin, Lisbon, Rome, and Zurich—for Your testimony.

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1. Pray for our contacts: Abe Friesen, Shane McClellan, David Hyman, Lianne and Jeff Racette, Patricia Schurman and Daniel Clark, 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).
2. Special petition and prayer for Sister Diana Ballao and her pregnancy. May she have a normal delivery of the twin boys with no complications.
3. Pray for positive and immediate approval of all the immigration papers:
  - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina) - PR Application
  - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children) - PR Application
  - > Jerome Family (Pravin and Abinaya and their two children) - PR Application
  - > Miranda Family (Ann Margarete and her family) - PR Application

## 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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