

# Church in Regina

Being a Vessel Unto Honor, A Fully Equipped Man of God, By Being Empowered in the Grace  
Which is in Christ Jesus to Fully Accomplish Our Ministry in the Unique Ministry of God's Economy—Week 7

## Conducting Themselves in the World

### 1. In the Singleness and Sincerity of God

Why did Paul speak to the Corinthians about singleness? It was because the Corinthians were very complicated. They had many different ways... **The source of confusion and division among Christians today is the complications that are within the believers.** If all Christians became simple, there would be no problems among them. **The problems in a local church always come from complications.** If there is a problem in your locality, that problem comes from someone who is not simple but who is complicated. For this reason I always try to avoid being involved with a complicated person. Whenever you meet a complicated person, you should not try to argue with him or correct him. Any attempts at argument or correction will cause you to become trapped in complications...

From experience we have learned that **a person who is simple and single is also generous and full of liberality.** Those who are simple are those who give freely. For example, suppose a brother approaches a person so single and tells him that he is short of money to pay his rent. Immediately, the one who is simple will be willing to give that brother whatever he needs. This illustrates the fact that to be simple is to be generous. But **those who are complicated are not generous.** Instead of being willing to give freely, they may consider the matter in a complicated way and then give an amount that falls short of the need...

The Greek word rendered "singleness" is rich in meaning. The words singleness or simplicity are not an adequate translation. This word implies generosity, liberality, bounty, and willingness to give. If a married brother is simple, he will be very generous toward his wife, no matter what she does or how she treats him. However, if a brother is complicated, he will deal with his wife in a strict way.

**When we have singleness and generosity, we will also be sincere.** It is a common practice to close a letter with the words sincerely yours. Actually, this usually means "politically yours," or, at best, "politely yours." A person may write a long letter full of complications and then at the end say "sincerely yours." That is not sincerity. Only when you treat others in a single way and with generosity can you truly say "sincerely yours."

### 2. Not in Fleshly Wisdom but in the Grace of God

In verse 12 Paul refers to fleshly wisdom and the grace of God. **Fleshly wisdom is human wisdom in the flesh.** This equals ourselves, just as the grace of God equals God Himself. The grace of God is God for our enjoyment. The grace in verse 12 is the gift in verse 11, which the apostles received for the experience of resurrection in their sufferings.

Being **simple and single is an aspect of the expression of the life in resurrection.** Only when we live in resurrection and by the God of resurrection, not by ourselves, are we simple. It is when we live in resurrection that we are imitators of God. Although others may play politics with us, we will not be political with them. The most we will do is try to remove ourselves from the snare of complications...Only by living a life in the singleness and sincerity of God can we be constituted ministers of Christ and of grace. Those who are constituted in this way are needed in the church today...**Only those who truly live in the singleness of God** have been a profit to the recovery... **To live in resurrection is to live in the singleness of God** (Excerpts from The Life-study of 2 Corinthians, 2nd ed., pp. 9-15).

#### Local Announcements:

1. Prayer Meeting Grp 1 in person; Grp 2 by Zoom
2. Brothers' Mtg—Oct 27
3. Winter Training Deadline of Registration—Nov 1

#### 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 our spirit and for granting us grace that empowers us. We exercise our spirit and fan it into flame that we may live You as our godliness and overcome the degradation of the church.
2. Lord, keep us joined to You in one spirit. May our living be of the mingled spirit. Bring us further from being one spirit to being one souled with one another.
3. Lord, we welcome Your visitation. Enter into us and stay with us. How we treasure grace as the circulating Triune God, dispensing all that You are into us for our enjoyment.
4. Lord, in ourselves we are weak, short and unable to do anything. But by Your grace, we receive and enjoy what You are, what You give, and what You do on our behalf.
5. Make our tongue a pen of a ready writer. Empower us with grace that we would guard the good deposit and hold a pattern of the healthy words. Save us from mere knowledge that misaims our faith.
6. Lord, thank You for Your simplicity and singleness in heart. Thank You that we can come to You just as we are. May Your grace be with all of us that we would conduct ourselves in a way that is good for building up.

## North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Pray for the International Blending Conference in Baarlo, Netherlands on October 25-27.
2. Pray for the Canada Brothers' Conference in Montreal, Quebec on November 1-3.

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1. Pray for the propagation work in Saskatchewan. Strengthen the saints in Foam Lake, Yorkton and Stenen. Encourage them and supply them that there would be a lampstand in Yorkton for Your testimony. Remember Bro. Isaac, Bro. Charles, and Bro. William.
2. Pray for our contacts: Iris and her daughter and the Bible recipients: Christine, Ruby, Zahra and Jocelyne. Pray that they continually attend the small group/Bible study regularly.
3. Special petition and prayer for Sister Diana Ballao and the upcoming delivery of the twin boys. Pray for her parents—Alfonso and Renita Pagunsan. Open their hearts even now to receive the high gospel. Pray for their household salvation.
4. 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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