

CHURCH IN REGINA

Local Announcements

1. Combined Prayer Meeting— July 1
2. Brothers' Meeting—June 29
3. Church in Winnipeg Children's Bible Camp— Aug 21 to 24. Early registration June 15 to July 6.

Conferences & Training

1. Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference— Feb.14-16, Anaheim, CA
2. International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones— Apr.4-6, Anaheim, CA
3. Memorial Day Blending Conference—May 23-26, Phoenix, AZ
4. Summer Training—June 30-July 5, Anaheim, CA
5. International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones—TBD
6. Thanksgiving Blending Conference—Nov.27-30, Indianapolis, IN
7. Winter Training— Dec.22-27, Anaheim, CA

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Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (2)—Week 18

In the course of carrying out His economy, **God first handed down the law**. The law is His portrait, His image, His "photo"; **it is not His organic person**. Galatians 3:21 tells us that the law cannot give life because there is no life in the law. Although a photo cannot give life, it has its function. The law in God's economy is **used by God to expose sinners in their sinful nature and evil deeds**. Before His law all mouths are shut. We have violated, broken, every commandment of the Ten Commandments, from the first one to the last one. We have had numerous idols apart from God. We have not taken God as our satisfaction, neither have we taken what He has accomplished for us as our rest. Rather, we have forsaken God as the fountain of living waters to hew out for ourselves cisterns, broken cisterns, which hold no water (Jer. 2:13). We have not traced back to our beginning, our origin, to honor our source—the very God who created us. Furthermore, our hearts have been filled with murder, adultery, stealing, lying, and coveting. We have not lived out God's outward virtues according to His inward attributes.

David was a very devout person. In Psalm 1 he related how he appreciated the law and meditated in it by day and by night like a tree planted beside streams of water. However, after David's word of appreciation in Psalm 1, God repudiated David's concept and announced concerning His Anointed, "You are My Son; / Today I have begotten You" (2:7b). In resurrection God has begotten His Anointed as His firstborn Son. God's desire is that we listen to His anointed Firstborn instead of appreciating the law. Psalm 3 was written by David in his flight from his son Absalom's rebellion, which was the outcome of David's sin of murder and robbing a man of his wife. In Psalm 1 David was one who appreciated the law, yet in Psalm 3 he was fleeing from his rebellious son as a consequence of his murder and robbing a man of his wife. The result of David's appreciation of the law was murder and robbing a man of his wife. The law of God fully uncovered David's sinful nature and evil deeds. The entire book of one hundred fifty psalms shows us that **the law is used by God to expose man** in his sinful nature and evil deeds.

Now **the New Testament believers in God's economy are not under law but under grace**. The grace in God's economy is God's embodiment. God became flesh to dwell among us, full of grace, and of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. When God comes, grace comes. God's embodiment is grace to us. **When we receive grace, we obtain God**.

God's economy is to work out an organism for the Divine Trinity. How does He work this out? It is by His becoming flesh to be a man that His divinity and humanity might be united and mingled to produce a God-man. **This God-man is grace**. Whomever He meets, He is grace to them; wherever He goes, He is grace. He is simply grace. **If we have Him, we have grace**. Hence, in the Bible grace is called the grace of Christ. The embodied grace came for us to receive as our enjoyment and supply. However, there are few who see this today, even fewer who preach this, and very few who live this out.

If we experience the grace in God's economy, there will be a consummation—the organic Body of Christ. Christ to us is grace; as such, He comes into us to be our life and person. He not only lives in us but also lives with us. Moreover, He wants us to live along with Him. This is to enjoy grace as our inner supply. Such an enjoyment of grace **spontaneously produces a result**. This result is not merely that we do good. Rather, it is that **Christ lives with us and we with Him**. When we live Christ and magnify Christ, we become the living members, organic members, of Christ, and we all are organically joined as an organism, which is the church. This organism grows continually, and ultimately there will be a consummation—the New Jerusalem.

The last stanza of Hymns #840 says,

In God's house and in Thy Body
Built up I long to be,
That within this corporate vessel
All shall then Thy glory see;
That Thy bride, the glorious city,
May appear upon the earth,
As a lampstand brightly beaming
To express to all Thy worth.

(Excerpts from CWWL, 1991-1992, vol. 2, "The Law and Grace of God in His Economy," ch 4)

PRAYER BURDENS

1. Lord, Your grace is sufficient for us. We are weak but we boast in our weakness and depend upon the love of the Father, the grace of the Son, and the fellowship of the Spirit flowing within us.
2. Thank You, Lord for the threefold blessing of the Father's keeping us, of the Son's shining upon us, and of the Spirit's lifting up His countenance upon us. Continue to work Yourself into us and saturate us that we may receive grace and have peace.
3. Lord, grant us a total living that is a living of a person – the processed Triune God mingled with us to be our life and person. Dispense Yourself more into us and may we experience You more as grace in Your economy.
4. Lord, day by day we simply walk and behave according to the anointing. Have mercy on us that we would go on from being anointed to being sealed more and more by the Spirit until we have the impression that expresses God's image.
5. Keep imparting life into us and cause us to return again and again to our spirit. Save us from coming to the word for dead knowledge and make us living letters of Christ that others may read and know Christ in our being.
6. Lord, we open ourselves to be unveiled, to be unloaded and emptied so we can freshly receive You. Cause us to be ministers of the riches of Christ – not of doctrine but of the Spirit.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the ongoing Semiannual Training June 30 to July 5, 2025. Please pray for the release of the Lord's word to meet His present need for the building up of His Body and the preparation of His bride.

Church in Regina

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 the purchase of the meeting hall.
3. Special prayer for Bro. Matthew McCluskey's dad, Gino McCluskey, who is diagnosed with lung cancer. Strengthen their family and pray for household salvation.
4. Pray for the continuing of the Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading. Remember Bro. Nathan, Sisters Cassie, Ann Margarette, Doris Di, Julie Cao, Wendy Wang, and Tina Huang.
5. Pray for positive and immediate approval of all the permanent resident immigration papers:
 - > Alforte Family (Radam and Rosalina)
 - > Orolfo Family (Wilson and Jenny and their three children)
 - > Jerome Family (Pravin and Abinaya and their two children)
 - > Temonio Family (William and Melanie 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
- Home Meeting—Fridays 7:30-8:30PM
- Chinese-Speaking Bible Reading—Mondays 7:15-8:15PM
- College Meetings—Fridays 7:30-8:30PM
- YP Meetings—Sundays 4:00-5:30 PM
- Children's Meeting—Saturdays 10:00-11:00AM
- Small Group Meetings—Wednesdays/Fridays/Saturdays 7:30-8:30PM