

CHURCH IN REGINA

Local Announcements

1. Prayer Meeting— July 15—Grp 1 by Zoom; Grp 2 in person
2. Sisters' Meeting—July 13
3. Brothers' Meeting—July 27

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 20

VEILS KEEPING US FROM KNOWING CHRIST

Concerning the revelation of God's Son in us, Paul covers two cases in 2 Cor. 3 and 4, the case of the Jews in particular and the case of the unbelievers in general. When the Jews read the Old Testament, they read it with their understanding veiled. In 2 Cor. 3:15 Paul says, "But even unto this day, when Moses is read, **the veil is upon their heart.**" **Do you know what this veil is?** It is the **religion** of Judaism. If you contact orthodox Jews today and speak to them about Christ, you will realize that they are covered with a thick, strong veil. The same is true of Moslems and even of many Christians. For example, many...who truly believe in Christ are covered with a veil of many layers, perhaps dozens of layers. One of these veils concerns the superstition that Mary is the mother of God. These believers persist in saying that they must continue to pray to Mary, the so-called mother of God, because they think their experience proves that prayers to the so-called holy mother are heard and answered...As you contact Christians today, you will find that virtually all Christians are veiled in some way. These veils keep them from seeing Christ.

Although Christ is spiritual and mysterious, God has created within us **an organ by which we can know Christ.** This organ is **the human spirit.** In his subtlety, Satan has blinded people to the fact that they have a spirit, or has otherwise kept them from using their spirit. Instead, he entices them to use their fallen mentality, which is blinded, darkened, and hardened. In 2 Cor. 3:14 Paul says that the Jewish **religionists are hardened in their thoughts.** To be hardened in this way is also to be blind and in darkness. Many Christians also are blinded, hardened, and darkened because they are covered with so many veils...

Furthermore, **the veils that cover today's Christians make them very touchy.** If they are touched even slightly, they are offended. The reason for this touchiness is that Satan, the subtle one, the touchy one, is **crouching in their minds.** Satan is lurking in the mentality of today's veiled Christians. What a pitiful situation that so many genuine believers in Christ are still veiled!

We need to **apply this word about veils to ourselves.** It is crucial that we be on the alert, for **it is possible for anything that is not Christ Himself to be used as a veil** by the subtle one. Satan may use even the Scriptures or the law given by God as veils. In Romans 7 Paul says that the law is good, holy, and spiritual. But even such a good, holy, and spiritual thing in the hands of Satan can become a veil. This indicates that **Satan can use even the highest spiritual gift to veil our understanding.** Thus, it is possible for anything that is not Christ Himself to be a veil...

THE NEED TO DROP OUR CONCEPTS

If we would receive the revelation of the Son of God, we need to **drop our concepts.** Every concept, whether spiritual or carnal, is a veil. I have spent many years groping in my search to learn how to have revelation. Eventually I discovered that **to have revelation** we need to drop our concepts.

God today is shining everywhere. **This age of grace is an age of light.** God is shining, and the Bible is shining also. The Bible is full of light, and it has been printed in hundreds of languages. Moreover, the all-inclusive Spirit moving on earth is full of grace. But although the Bible is shining and the Spirit is moving, many still do not receive revelation. The reason is that they hold to certain concepts and are veiled by these concepts. As you contact people from various nationalities, you will find that all of them are strong in their concepts. **This is also true among us in the Lord's recovery.** On the one hand, I worship the Lord for all the growth and improvement among us. On the other hand, I realize that **many veils still remain.** These veils are the concepts that blind us.

With respect to receiving revelation, **there is no problem on God's side...**The problem is altogether on our side. We need to drop the veils, that is, to drop our concepts. It is important for us to pray, **"Lord, help me to drop everything that is a veil."** If you hold on to your concepts while reading the Bible, you will be like the ancient Jews who had a veil on their mind whenever the Scriptures were read. But **if you drop your concepts as you read the Word, you will read it with an unveiled face.** Then the light will shine into you subjectively... We all need a **direct, personal, living contact** with the living Person of the Son of God. (Excerpts from the LS of Galatians, Msg. 4).

PRAYER BURDENS

1. We praise You, for coming as the seed of the woman to destroy Satan in us and to save us from sin and death. We open to You. We want to focus only on You. We want to enjoy You and let You bruise the serpent's head in our being. Dispense Yourself more into us today.
2. Lord, defeat the enemy in us. Be our blessing for our enjoyment today. We are one with You for Your kingdom to come. Praise You Lord as the threefold seed in humanity for the fulfilment of God's eternal economy.
3. Lord, we drop our concepts and turn our heart to You. We exercise our spirit as we come to Your word to have Christ revealed in us. Train us to redeem the time and spend time in the Word, in our spirit with an atmosphere of prayer. Reveal Yourself in us.
4. Praise You, Lord, we can daily receive the Spirit out of the hearing of faith. Lord, anoint our ears to hear Your speaking. Keep us in Your word and in the meetings of the church so that we may be infused with the Spirit.
5. Lord, bring us into the reality of "no longer I, but Christ lives in me". We believe that we have been crucified and identified with You in Your death, and we no longer live. We declare that the life we now live in the flesh, we live in faith, the faith of the Son of God. Make this our reality.
6. Lord, fill us with Yourself. Keep us calling on Your name. We want to sow unto the Spirit and not sow unto the flesh. We no longer belong to this world, and our unique boast is nothing of this world but the cross. Praise You for we are now a new creation in Christ.

North America/Europe/Other Burdens

1. Please pray for the upcoming conference in Drammen, Norway on July 18-20. Pray for the Lord's fresh speaking and for the gathering and blending of the saints into the reality of the Body and the preparation of the bride.

Church in Regina

1. Pray for the propagation work in Saskatchewan. Strengthen the saints in Foam Lake, Yorkton and Stenen. Remember Bro. Isaac, Bro. Charles, and Bro. William.
2. Pray for the purchase of the meeting hall.
3. Pray for the College Training from July 16-20 in Seattle. Remember our college students. May they gain You in this training. Have a thoroughfare in their being.
4. Special prayer for Bro. Matthew McCluskey's dad, Gino McCluskey, who is diagnosed with lung cancer. Strengthen their family and pray for household salvation.
5. 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.
6. 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