"WORD OF LIFE"

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29. CHRIST IN HIS PERSON (9) – In Salvation

3. The Life

Hymn: 499 / Separation unto Reconciliation / 971

↓ IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD (John 1:1)

Col. 3:4 - When Christ our life is manifested, then you also will be manifested with Him in glory.

Rom. 5:10 - For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

LET US OFFER UP A SACRIFICE OF PRAISE CONTINUALLY TO GOD (Heb. 13:15)

***** "Christ our **life**." (Col. 3:4)

- > The life of God is the life of Christ,
 - The life of Christ has become our life.
- God, Christ, and the believers all have one life.
 - Christ, not our self, our soul, should be our life.
 - "Christ is our life" means that Christ has become us.
 - we should have one life and one living with Him
 - o we need to experience Christ in our daily living

For we...were reconciled to God through the death of His Son...be saved in His life " (Rom. 5:10)

- The reconciling **death of Christ includes** redemption and justification.
 - Christ died on the cross for our redemption.
 - Through redemption we have been justified by God and reconciled to Him.
 - We have been saved from hell and the judgment of God.
- The saving **life of Christ** saves us from many present problems:
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from the law of sin (Rom. 8:2).
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from worldliness (Rom. 12:2a).
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from our naturalness (Rom. 12:2b).
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from our individualism (Rom. 12:5).
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from divisiveness (Rom. 16:17).
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from self-likeness. (Rom. 8:29).
 - o by being conformed to the **image** of the Son of God
 - we need to be conformed to the likeness of the glorious Christ
 - We need to be saved in the life of Christ from our natural body (Rom. 8:23).
 - o eventually, in God's full salvation our body will be redeemed, that is, glorified

♣ WITH ONE ACCORD ... WITH ONE MOUTH GLORIFY THE GOD (Rom. 15:6)

- 4 Christ died on the cross as our **Substitute**, but there is still the need for us to be identified with Him in His life. The only way Christ's accomplishment in substitution can be applied to us in our experience is by our having Christ as our life.
- To be saved in His life is actually to be saved in the person of Christ Himself. As long as we are in Him, we are in the process of being saved in His life. He said, "I am the life" (John 14:6).

HYMN 499

- Oh, what a life! Oh, what a peace!
 The Christ who's all within me lives.
 With Him I have been crucified;
 This glorious fact to me He gives.
 Now it's no longer I that live,
 But Christ the Lord within me lives.
- 2 Oh, what a joy! Oh, what a rest! Christ now is being formed in me. His very nature and life divine In my whole being inwrought shall be. All that I am came to an end, And all of Christ is all to me.
- 3 Oh, what a thought! Oh, what a boast! Christ shall in me be magnified. In nothing shall I be ashamed, For He in all shall be applied. In woe or blessing, death or life, Through me shall Christ be testified.
- 4 Oh, what a prize! Oh, what a gain! Christ is the goal toward which I press. Nothing I treasure, nor aught desire, But Christ of all-inclusiveness. My hope, my glory, and my crown Is Christ, the One of peerlessness.

(Repeat the last two lines of each stanza)

SEPARATION UNTO RECONCILIATION

- God commends His own love to us, That You died on our behalf, For us, enemies and sinners Who were slated for God's wrath. We by sin were separated, From God's life were alienated. Then Your death propitiated And to God You brought us back.
- 2 On the cusp of crucifixion, In great agony You prayed; You besought the Father greatly That You'd from this hour be saved. But You rea'lized God's intention; Love outweighed Your apprehension, "Not as I will," Your submission To the Father for our sake.
- 3 When God made You sin entire,
 Dying for us on the cross,
 God withdrew from You in judgment,
 This by far Your greatest loss.
 You made reconciliation,
 Ending our great separation,
 Making us a new creation,
 One new man, formed on the cross.
- 4 Then the veil within the temple,
 Top to bottom, split in two,
 Rent because You're now our access
 To God's glory ever new.
 With the Father we've reunion,
 Face to face in holy union,
 Reconciled in sweet communion,
 Glorious twining through and through.
- 5 Separation has been dealt with, We from God no more exiled! Through Your sacrifice forgiven, We to Him are reconciled! We can live in resurrection, Joined to God through Your oblation, To express Your life and person, In our spirit, by the blood!
- 6 Praise the Son sent by the Father, Lamb of God Whom God made sin! Praise You for Your dread endurance, As that breach brought judgment in! Praise You for God's satisfaction With Your death and its transaction, And that Your brief separation Made us one with God fore'er!

HYMN 971

- 1 God's eternal purpose
 Is to join with man,
 Causing man, His vessel,
 To be born again,
 His own life imparting,
 Filling to the brim;
 Man may thus express Him,
 And be one with Him.
- 2 God in His own image
 Hath created man,
 That he may be able
 To fulfill His plan;
 That he may receive Him
 As the tree of life
 To become His fulness
 As to man the wife.
- 3 In His life's rich flowing
 Man will be transformed
 Into precious substance
 And to Him conformed.
 Thus will man be builded
 As His counterpart,
 Thus to be His dwelling,
 Satisfy His heart.
- 4 'Tis the holy city,
 New Jerusalem;
 With His saints God mingles,
 Makes His home with them.
 He becomes their content,
 His expression they;
 They shall share His glory,
 One with Him for aye.
- 5 He's the very center, Ruling on the throne; By His life the power, Saints are kept in one. By His light of glory, They are kept in light, Harmony enjoying In divine delight.
- 6 He's their living water,
 And their food supply;
 All their thirst and hunger
 He doth satisfy.
 He's for them the temple,
 In Himself they live,
 In His constant presence
 Worship ever give.