

## “WORD OF LIFE”

July 24, 2022

### 30. CHRIST IN HIS PERSON (10) – In Reproduction

Hymn: God has called us for His purpose / Hymn 1088 / Hymn 50

#### ✦ IN THE BEGINNING WAS THE WORD (John 1:1)

**John 12:24** - Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

**1Pet. 1:3** - Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**Eph. 2:6** - And raised us up together with Him and seated us together with Him in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus,

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

##### ❖ Christ has a reproduction.

- He is the grain of wheat (John 12:24).
  - The Lord Jesus, as a grain of wheat, fall into the ground and die
    - in order to produce many grains as His reproduction
    - through His death and resurrection He has produced the church as His reproduction
- He has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ (1 Pet. 1:3).
  - when Christ was resurrected, we, His believers, were all included in Him
  - when Christ was resurrected, we were resurrected with Him (Eph. 2:6)

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

✦ In His resurrection Christ imparted the divine life into us and made us the same as He is in life and nature to be His reproduction.

✦ Through His death and resurrection He has been multiplied and propagated. This propagation is for the producing of the church. Through His death and resurrection He has produced the church as His reproduction.

*(The Conclusion of the New Testament Ch. 30, point H)  
[This “word of life” was inspired by The Elder’s Training Book 8, Ch. 4]*

#### God has called us for His purpose

<b>1</b> God has called us for His purpose, His economy so glorious, For which He was fully processed; Consummated now is He! As the Spirit, He indwells us; As our God allotted portion, Working out His full salvation, Making us the same as He is.	<b>Chorus</b> Oh, may a clear, controlling vision of The Lord’s economy direct my heart, And burn in me until my spirit’s wholly set afire! With spirit strong and active we’ll press on To consummate God’s goal— New Jerusalem, Hallelujah!	<b>2</b> Jesus lived the God-man pattern, Set the way for us to follow, He denied His natural man and Was obedient unto death, Once He was the only God-man; Now we are His duplication. As the many grains we’re blended As His corporate reproduction.	<b>3</b> Living out His resurrection, Dying to the flesh and soul-life. Living by the mingled spirit, Natural man we will deny. Now we’re living in the Body, Every day we’re overcoming, Striving for the peak of Zion, Watching for our Lord’s appearing.	<b>4</b> God and man will have one living, Always in the mingled spirit; We two are incorporated One organic entity! This the vision of the ages Will control our daily living That the Lord may have His Body Shining as the holy city.
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### God was born a human being (Hymn 1088)

<p><b>1</b> God was born a human being As the Babe of Bethlehem, Passed He then through human living, Perfect blend of God with men. God, according to His plan, Lived a mingled life with man. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Amen!</p>	<p><b>2</b> Then with God this man was blended On the altar as He died; God and man and all creation On the cross were crucified. Man and all of God's creation, Sunk in total termination. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Amen!</p>	<p><b>3</b> Everything we are was ended, Terminated on the cross, Only man in God ascended, Man in Adam suffered loss. Hallelujah, we're elated, Our old man was terminated. Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Amen!</p>	<p><b>4</b> Like the grain of wheat that's buried In the earth to be increased, God's own life the death must suffer, Thus in man to be released. Oh, the Lord of all be praised; God released in man is raised! Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Hallelujah, Amen!</p>
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### Father, Thy Son beloved leads our praise (Hymn 50)

<p><b>1</b> Father, Thy Son beloved leads our praise After the banquet feast is had and done; How dear, how sweet to Thee the praise He leads, And in His praises joining we are one.</p>	<p><b>2</b> Father, we need no goodness more than Thee, Nor do we seek a love that's less than Thine; How we adore Thee now that here we know Thy searchless, uncreated life divine.</p>	<p><b>3</b> Father, within Thy love our love to Thee Grows, far transcending all our earthly ties; Thine own dear love in power leads our hearts Where Thine own presence deeply satisfies.</p>	<p><b>4</b> Father, by joining with Thy Son beloved, We all with gladness praise Thee now again; Joyfully feasting on Thy holy love, Tasting, as sons, the sweetness of Thy name.</p>
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