

Church in Regina Newsletter

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LIVING BY THE LAW OF LIFE

What we do in our daily living depends upon the law we are living by. To **do good** is a law, to **do evil** is another law, and to **live by life** is still another law. Do not think that you can do anything without a law. Everything we do as Christians in our daily living is a function of one of the laws. Suppose I become angry at a brother. I may try to suppress my anger and say to myself, "Although you are angry with this brother, you must not show it. If you lose your temper, you will also lose your face and cause a problem." Such behavior is not genuine; it is political. Furthermore, it cannot last very long. Some who suppress their anger develop

stomach trouble as a result. Although we may be political in this way, eventually the law of the satanic life will cause us to lose our temper. To suppress our temper is to play politics; to lose it is to live according to the law of sin. If we are genuine, real, and frank, whatever we do or say will be a function of one of these laws.

Everything is determined by the law we live by each day. If we live by the human life, the law of the human life will function. However, the human life is weak, and its law is fragile because of the presence of the law of the satanic life, which is much stronger. **Hallelujah, we have**

the strongest law in us, the law of the Spirit of life! We should live not by our human life but by the divine life.

In Romans 8 Paul says that we should walk according to spirit. To walk according to spirit is to live by the divine life. When we live by the divine life, the law of this life, the strongest law, works within us. No law can defeat the law of the divine life. By this law we are freed from every difficulty. Do not be concerned about your problems. **As long as you walk according to the spirit and live by the law of the divine life, this law will work for you spontaneously.** (*Life Study of Romans chapter 37, section 4*)

"This Weeks's Pursuit: Crystallization-Study of Exodus (2)"

The Covenanting God and His Covenants (2) The Contents of the New Covenant

Scripture Reading: Isa. 42:6; 49:8; Jer. 31:31-34; Heb. 8:8-12

I. Based on the fact that Jeremiah prophesies concerning the new covenant, the book of Jeremiah may be considered an Old Testament book that is also a New Testament book— 2:13; 17:9; 13:23; 23:5-6; 31:31-34; Heb. 8:8-12.

II. Christ Himself is the new covenant, the new testament, given to us by God—Isa. 42:6; 49:8:

God's salvation, God's blessings, and all of God's riches have been covenanted to us, and this covenant is Christ. The reality of all the hundreds of bequests in the New Testament is Christ. Christ is the reality of the new testament, the reality of all that God is and of all that God has given to us; therefore, Christ is the new testament.

The way to receive and enjoy Christ as the covenant to us is to exercise our spirit, to live according to our spirit, and to remain in our spirit, with which is the very Christ, by calling on Christ our Lord's name.

III. The contents of the new covenant (Jer. 31:31-34; Heb. 8:8-12) include the following four blessings as God's bequests to us:

A. "I will impart My laws into their mind, and on their hearts I will inscribe them".

Every life has a law and even is a law. God's life is the highest life, and the law of this life is the highest law. The Triune God has been processed through incarnation, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension to become the law of the Spirit of life installed in our spirit.

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Meeting Schedule:

Lord's Table Meeting

Lord's Day
10:00AM to 12:00PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Saints Homes
8:30PM to 9:30PM

YP Meeting

Fridays
7:00PM to 9:00PM
Brother Hedrick's Place

Small/Home Meeting

Friday Evening
Saint's Home

Seven Annual Feasts

1. International Chinese-speaking Conference, Anaheim, CA February 12-14, 2016
2. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Spring) Anaheim, CA - April 8-10, 2016
3. Memorial Day Conference Washington, DC May 27-30, 2016
4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA - July 4-9, 2016
5. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Fall) Gold Coast, Australia - October 6-8, 2016
6. Thanksgiving Conference San Jose, CA - November 24-27, 2016
7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA - December 26-31, 2016

Upcoming Activities

- ▶ January 31, 2016 - Brother's Meeting
- ▶ February 14, 2016 - Love Feast
- ▶ February 15, 2016 - Church Pursuit, Experience of Life, Message One

PRAYER BURDEN

1. Lord, we thank You for the covenant You made with us, and enacted by means of Your blood through Your death on the cross. Now You are **in our spirit**, as the all-inclusive, life-giving, indwelling, consummated Spirit - the **reality of the new testament**.

2. Lord, we just want to **enjoy** You by exercising our spirit, to live according to our spirit, and remain in our spirit by **calling** on Your name.

3. Lord, open us and reveal to us that we have a **will** full of **bequests** that our sins have been **forgiven**, that You put Yourself as **life** into our spirit, that You are **God to us**, and that we have the spontaneous inward **ability** to know You.

4. Lord, You **“installed”** the law of the Spirit of life into us and we want to **“switch on”** to daily practice walking according to spirit, to mind the things of the spirit, to put to death the practices of our body, to be led by the Spirit, to cry, to witness and to groan so we can experience You.

5. Lord we pray for the Canada Training on Eldership. The GTCA cities: Laval, QC, Mississauga, ON, Abbotsford (including Fraser Valley, Chilliwack, and Langley), BC.

6. Lord we pray for the church in **Regina**. Walk according to the mingled spirit to fulfill the righteous requirement of law in us.

“For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.”

There are three different **laws in the three different parts of our being**:

- a. The law of sin and of death derives from Satan, who as sin resides in our flesh—7:18, 23.
- b. The law of good in our mind, that is, in our soul, derives from our natural human life—v. 23.
- c. The law of the Spirit of life derives from the Triune God installed in our spirit—8:2, 16:

The divine birth has **transferred us into a new realm**, the realm of the divine life with its law, a realm in which there is no sin, world, or flesh. In this realm all victories are unconscious and effortless because the law of the Spirit of life is upholding us, not our own will. The law of life, the law of the Spirit of life, is the processed Triune God as the life-giving Spirit dwelling in our spirit. The law of life is the spontaneous power of life; it is the natural characteristic and the innate, automatic function of life.

The **function** of the law of life is: **To make us God in life, nature, and expression but not in the Godhead, shaping us into the image of the firstborn Son of God so that we may become His corporate expression. To constitute us the members of the Body of Christ with all kinds of functions.**

We enjoy the dispensing of life into our being for the accomplishment of God’s economy by the working of the law of the Spirit of life. We need to cooperate with the installed and operating law of the Spirit of life by “switching on” this law. God’s economy is to dispense Himself into our being by and as the law of the Spirit of life so that our being might be constituted with His being to be one constitution with His being.

The law of the divine life “sonizes” us for the building up of the Body of Christ. When the law of life, which is in our spirit, spreads into our inward parts— our mind, emotion, and will—it becomes several law. This spreading is the imparting, and the imparting is the inscribing. By the working, the spreading, of the law of life within us, God makes us the same as He is in life, nature, and expression.

We are **conformed** to the image of the firstborn Son of God by the working of the law of life. The firstborn Son is the prototype, the standard model, for the mass reproduction of the many sons of God, who are His many brothers, to constitute His Body for God’s corporate expression. God’s way to mass reproduce this prototype is to work His living prototype, the firstborn Son, into our entire being. If we cooperate with and open up to this wonderful prototype, He will spread outward from our spirit into our soul. The indwelling prototype, the firstborn Son of God, automatically works in us as the law of life to conform us to His image, to “sonize” us. In His recovery the Lord is working desperately among us to make every one of us the same as the firstborn Son. The Body of Christ as the new man is the corporate reproduction of the standard model, the firstborn Son of God.

B. “I will be God to them, and they will be a people to Me”.

For God to be our God means that He is our inheritance, and for us to be God’s people means that we are God’s inheritance. In the new covenant we have the privilege of having God as our God and of being His people—the enabling of life for us to participate in the enjoyment of God in fellowship with Him so that He can be known by us, apprehended by us, and lived by us.

C. “They shall by no means each teach his fellow citizen and each his brother, saying, Know the Lord; for all will know Me from the little one to the great one among them”.

The function of life enables us to know God in the inward way of life. We can know God subjectively from within by the sense of life, which is the feeling, the consciousness, of the divine life within us. The sense of life involves both the feeling of death and the feeling of life and peace. The sense of life makes us know whether we are living in the natural life or in the divine life and whether we are living in the flesh or in the spirit. We should live according to the sense of life in the principle of life, not according to the principle of right and wrong, the principle of death. To know God is to live God; through the spontaneous, automatic function of the divine life within us, we have the capacity to know God, to live God, and even to be one with God in His life and nature so that we may be His corporate expression.

D. “I will be propitious to their unrighteousnesses, and their sins I shall by no means remember anymore”.

Christ made propitiation for our sins to appease God’s righteousness, to reconcile us by satisfying the demands of God’s righteousness—. The precious and all efficacious blood of Christ resolves all our problems so that we can remain constantly in fellowship with God to continually enjoy His organic salvation. Before God, the redeeming blood of the Lord has cleansed us once for all eternally, and the efficacy of that cleansing need not be repeated.

However, in our conscience we need the instant application of the constant cleansing of the Lord’s precious blood again and again whenever our conscience is enlightened by the divine light in our fellowship with God. Once God forgives us, He erases our sins from His memory and remembers them no longer. Forgiveness of sins means the removal of the charges of sin against us before God that we may be delivered from the penalty of God’s righteousness. When God forgives us of our sins, He causes the sins that we have committed to depart from us. God’s forgiveness of our sins results in our fearing Him and loving Him in our restored fellowship with Him.

IV. The new covenant will ultimately issue in the New Jerusalem, the embodiment of God’s new covenant to express God in a corporate way to the uttermost for eternity—Gal. 4:26-28.

WEEK	LORD’S TABLE MEETING	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	HOME MEETING	OFFERING
Jan. 10 - Jan. 16, 2016	24	11	12	5	\$100.00
Jan. 17 - Jan. 23, 2016	22	11	12	6	\$270.00