

Church in Regina Newsletter

Meeting Place: 3860 Buckingham Drive E, Regina, SK, Canada S4V 3A1

The Definition of the Three Parts of Man (1):

In order to accurately and adequately define the spirit, soul, and body we must first identify the sphere in which each part functions. **First** and most crucial is **the spirit**, the faculty that enables man to communicate with God. With his human spirit, man can worship God, serve God, and know God intuitively. **Second**, the **soul** is that part which forms the personality of man and enables him to contact and function within the psychological realm. Finally, the physical **body** with its five senses enables man to relate to and communicate with the physical world. We will now examine each of these three parts in detail to see how they are defined throughout Scripture (Watchman Nee, Christian 9-10).

The Soul

The soul, the “person” of man, is likewise composed of three parts: the mind, the will and the emotion. God’s Word proves this clearly and definitively.

First, the Scriptures consistently identify the mind as part of the soul. For example, the Psalmist exults, *“I will praise You, for I am awesomely and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, and **my soul knows**”* (Ps.139:14).

Knowledge, no doubt, pertains to the mind. In addition, Lamentations 3:20 says, *“My soul remembers them well and is bowed down within me.”* To remember is another function of the mind. These verses clearly indicate that there is a part of the soul that knows and remembers; this part is the mind.

My soul remembers them well

The will is also part of the soul. Job had much to say about the will, for example, *“So that my soul would choose strangulation and death rather than my bones”* (Job 7:15). He also said, *“My soul refuses to touch them...”* (6:7). Both choosing and refusing are functions of the will, a part of the soul.

Tell me, you whom my soul loves

Finally, we can see from the Word that the emotion is part of the soul. In Song of Songs 1:7, the Shulamite speaks to her beloved, *“Tell me, you whom my soul loves.”* Second Samuel 5:8 records the opposite feeling: *“And David said on that day, Whoever would strike the Jebusites, let him go up to the watercourse and strike the lame and the blind, who are hated by David’s soul...”* And in Psalm 86:4, David experienced a change in feeling: *“Cause the soul of Your servant to rejoice...”* Since love, hate and rejoicing are clearly expressions of the emotions, it is obvious that the emotion is the third faculty of the soul (Witness Lee, Economy 55-56).



The Body

The body of man with its five senses is that part which contacts the physical world. This physical body as man’s outward frame is God’s provision for his existence; without it man would be unable to exist in the material realm. Originally, man was created with a pure, undefiled body. But due to man’s fall his body was changed in nature, transmuted, thus becoming the fallen flesh full of lust. Hence, man’s body is a corrupted body as Paul observed in Romans 7:18, *“For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, nothing good dwells”* (Witness Lee, Basic 41).

Church Address:

2514 Truesdale Drive,
Regina, SK, S4V 0W4

Contact Numbers:

306 216 0685 Hendrick
306 737 3315 Joseph
306 540 3214 Sonny

Meeting Schedule:

Lord’s Table Meeting

Lord’s Day
10:00AM to 12:00PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays & Wednesdays
Saints Homes
8:00PM to 9:00PM

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:

- ▶ April 29 - May 01, 2016 - Conference in Winnipeg and Edmonton
- ▶ May 08, 2016 - Love Feast
- ▶ May 23, 2016 - Church Pursuit, Experience of Life Message 4
- ▶ May 29, 2016 - Children’s Fun Day

PRAYER BURDEN

1. Lord, we praise You for giving up Yourself for our sins so You might **rescue us out** of the present evil age according to the will of God our Father.
2. Lord, we do not cease praying and asking that You may **fill us** with the full knowledge of Your will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding.
3. Lord, deliver us from the influence of religion, traditions, organizations, and falsehood. Strengthen us to **come out of Babylon** and empower us so that Babylon will come out from us.
4. Lord, we realized that religion as the world has been crucified to us and we have been crucified to religion, widen the gap between Your recovery and today's deformed and degraded Christianity so that You can **accomplish Your purpose**.
5. Please pray for Germany:
 - a) Lord, we pray for the saints in Frankfurt and Main, Germany, who will take the ground and commence the Lord's table on Lord's Day, **May 15, 2016**. This is for Your testimony of victory and is a real glory to You Lord and a shame to the enemy.
 - b) Lord would firmly establish Your lampstand and provide a strong advancement in the church life in Frankfurt.
 - c) Lord, remember those who are migrating to Germany, may this flow of migration will continue for the strengthening of the churches and for the bearing of remaining fruit among local Germans and the refugees.
6. Please pray for Thessaloniki, Greece:
Lord we pray for the conference on May 20-22, 2016. Lord, use this conference to solidify those whom You have gained and even bring other seeking ones who would join themselves for Your eternal purpose.
7. Please pray for the church in Regina:
Lord, remember our small group meetings and home meeting.

"For we must all be manifested before the judgment seat of Christ..."

This Weeks's Pursuit: The Crucial Points of the Major Items of the Lord's Recovery Today

The Lord's Recovery versus the Present Evil Age and the Eschatology of the Church

Scripture Reading: Gal. 1:4; 5:4; 6:13-15; Rev. 11:15; 19:7-9; 21:2, 10-11

I. The Lord's recovery is versus the present evil age—the evil age of religion—Gal. 1:4:

Galatians 1:4 says that the Lord Jesus Christ "gave Himself for our sins that He might **rescue us** out of the present evil age according to the will of our God and Father". An **age** refers to a section, an aspect, the present or modern appearance, of the world as the satanic system, which is used by Satan to usurp and occupy God's people in order to keep them away from God and His purpose. According to the context of Galatians, the present evil age in 1:4 refers to the **religious world**, the religious course of the world, the Jewish religion; this is confirmed by 6:15-16, which speaks of the religious world which to the apostle Paul was crucified. **The purpose of Christ's giving Himself for our sins was to rescue us, to pluck us, to extricate us, out of the present evil age**. Christ's death on the cross to deliver us from the present evil age was according to the will of God, which concerns Christ and the church.

Religion is something **formed by the human mind** under Satan's instigation and inspiration in order to oppose God's economy. Religion is something for God and for the benefit of people, yet it is without Christ and apart from the Spirit of Christ. To be religious is to worship God and serve God without Christ or the Spirit; whenever we become religious, we become ensnared in the present evil age.

Satan formed the religious world to keep us away from God, the will of God, and God's eternal purpose. Satan utilizes religion to keep people from Christ and the church as God's will. As long as Satan can keep us away from Christ and His Body as the will of God, he is satisfied. The religious age is evil because it keeps people from Christ and the church. Nothing is more evil in the sight of God than that which keeps us from Christ. The religious **snare deprives us of all the benefits of the indwelling Christ**.

The Lord has no way to fulfill His purpose in religion, including Judaism, Catholicism, and Protestantism. Between us and religion is the cross; religion as a world has been crucified to us, and we have been crucified to religion.

For Paul, the present evil age was Judaism; for us today, the present evil age is deformed and degraded Christianity. We need to realize how much we need to be delivered from the influence of religion in the present evil age. The church is the living Body of Christ, but what surrounds us today is a religion—deformed and degraded Christianity—full of traditions, organizations, performances, and falsehoods; the Lord cannot accomplish His purpose in this situation. We all need to be delivered from religion, from Christianity as the present evil age; we must come out of Babylon, and Babylon must come out of us. The history among us in the Lord's recovery has been a history of coming out of Christianity—a history of coming out of and being outside of the present evil age. Because the Lord's recovery is different from today's religion—deformed and degraded Christianity—it is impossible for there to be reconciliation between the recovery and Christianity. We need to maintain the gap between the Lord's recovery and Christianity; the wider this gap is, the better, because it is a gap between us and the present evil age.

II. There is not only an eschatology of the world, the study of the end of the world, but also an eschatology of the church—Rev. 11:15; 12:10; 21:2, 10-11; 22:16:

The eschatology of the church involves the Catholic Church, the Protestant church, and the original and recovered church. The expression the recovered church refers to the original church, the church according to the divine revelation in the Scriptures. The apostles established the original church, but even while Peter, John, and Paul were still living, the church fell from its original state to a degraded state, a deformed state, even a transmuted state. As indicated by 2 Timothy, 2 Peter, and 2 and 3 John—letters of recovery—the recovered church came into being not long after the original church had been established.

The real condition and end of the Catholic Church are revealed in Revelation 17. In the Protestant church there are many "tares," false believers.

The original and recovered church is the genuine church:

- ▶ In the recovered church we always take the **narrow way**.
- ▶ Those who participate in the recovered church learn the special lessons of the Christian life.
- ▶ To know Christ.
- ▶ To know the flesh and the self.
- ▶ To learn how to be crucified to live the God man life.

At His coming back, the Lord will judge and deal with the Catholic Church, the Protestant church, and the original and recovered church. He will summon all His genuine believers in every kind of church to His judgment seat to be judged and dealt with by Him. In that judgment the Lord will discern whether they have built with gold, silver, and precious stones or with wood, grass, and stubble. The overcomers who are transformed into gold, silver, and precious stones will be rewarded to be in the New Jerusalem in the thousand years of the kingdom. Religion will be terminated, but the bride of Christ will be prepared. Eventually, **all genuine believers will be in the ultimate consummation of God's purpose—the New Jerusalem**.

WEEK	LORD'S TABLE MEETING	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	HOME MEETING	OFFERING
April 17 - April 23, 2016	20	11	10	6	\$120.00
April 24 - April 30, 2016	22	11			\$320.00