



Church in Regina Newsletter

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Isaiah 12:3-4 "...in that day, Give thanks to Jehovah; call upon His name! Make His deeds known ...; Remind them that His name is exalted."

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Meeting Schedule:

Lord's Table Meeting

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

Prayer Meeting

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

YP Meeting

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

Small/Home Meeting

Friday/Saturday Evening
Saint's Home

Seven Annual Feasts

1. International Chinese-speaking Conference, Anaheim, CA: February 17-19, 2017
2. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Spring) Anaheim, CA, USA: Mar 31 to Apr. 2, 2017
3. Memorial Day Conference New York, NY: May 26-29, 2017
4. Summer Training Anaheim, CA: July 3-8, 2017
5. International Training for Elders and Responsible Ones (Fall) Leipzig, Germany: October 5-7, 2017
6. Thanksgiving Conference Phoenix AZ: November 23-26, 2017
7. Winter Training Anaheim, CA: Dec. 25-30, 2017

THE ETERNAL WORD

The **Word** is the definition, explanation, and expression of God; hence, it is God defined, explained, and expressed. The Word is not separate from God. It is not that the Word is the Word and God is God, and that they are thus separate from each other. Rather, the two are one; hence, the next clause says that the Word was God. That the Word is God implies that God in His person is not simple; He is triune. Not God the Son only, but the complete Triune God.

LIFE BEING THE LIGHT OF MEN

GOD BEING THE WORD TO BE CONTACTED AND OBTAINED BY US

John 1: 4 says, "*In Him was life.*" In this God, who is the Word, is life. Whenever we touch Him and obtain Him, we are enlivened inwardly. We can all testify that when **we were saved we touched life**, and God was no longer objective to us; He became subjective to us. He is no longer a mysterious, untouchable, unfathomable God but a God who has entered into us as the Word for us to practically contact and obtain. When God contacts us as the Word, we become living, strong, and spontaneously transformed in life. Hence, we can testify that we have life in us.

GOD BEING LIGHT TO SHINE IN US

After speaking of life being in the Word, John continues, saying, "*The life was the light of men.*" The life in the Word was the light of men. The **life was the light** is a great word. The life is the light, and wherever there is life, there is light. Conversely, death is darkness, and wherever there is death, there is darkness. When a person touches death, he is in darkness. **Since the life is the light, those who are full of life also have the shining of light. Whoever has life also has light**, but whoever loses the sense of life within becomes inwardly dead and dark.

The most wonderful aspect of the Lord Jesus' salvation is that God is no longer hidden in mystery. He did not remain in eternity; **He is the Word who uttered Himself forth, speaking Himself into His believers.** The Christian life begins with believing in the gospel. The gospel is the word of God; the

"Life is in the light, and this life is the light of man. Wherever the light shines, life comes in. Wherever life comes, the Spirit is also there. Wherever the Spirit is, Christ is there. Wherever Christ is, God is there. Wherever God is, life is there. Life is in the light."

gospel is God speaking to us. The content of the gospel is the Lord Jesus Himself. When we heard the gospel and were moved, we contacted the Spirit, we contacted the Lord Jesus, and we contacted God. When we opened to the Lord and believed in Him, receiving the word of the gospel, we received God Himself. Our believing and receiving made us living ... When we received the word of the gospel, we received the **life in the Word**. **Now we can endure what others cannot endure and bear what others cannot bear, because God as the Word has entered into us to be our life.** This life enables us to live a heavenly life on earth, living a life that others cannot live and taking a way that others cannot take.

We also can testify that whenever we touch this life, light shines brightly within us... We became inwardly clear, and the light within us was shining and illuminating the way of glory before us. **Our life became bright and full of hope. The shining of light, which began in this age, will continue to the next age and from today unto eternity.** (Life and Building in the Gospel of John, Chap. 4, Sec. 1)

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. Love feast is going to be on December 10. Special note for this love feast as this is going to be the last week of our Brother Ivan.
2. We want to encourage the saints to read the life-study messages and answer the questions.
3. A reminder to the children's coordinator to plan our children's fun day this December.
4. We have a burden for the small group meeting in Moose Jaw. The saints there are open on Saturday afternoons. Please let us know if any can go even at least once a month.

Upcoming Activities:

- ▶ November 26, 2017 - Brother's Meeting
- ▶ December 01, 2017 - Campus Work
- ▶ December 10, 2017 - Church Love Feast
- ▶ December 18, 2017 - Children's Fun Day

PRAYER BURDEN

“And You cause them to drink of the river of Your pleasures. For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light, we see light”

1. Lord, in Your **light**, we see **light**. Open us to see that life is not simply something that comes out from You, but **life** is You yourself, and You are the **light of life**, and this life is the our light.
2. For with You is the **fountain of life**, shine in us that we may have life, make us willing to **obey** Your operation in us that we may be **filled** with light, and **sense** Your **sweetness** and Your **presence**.
3. Lord, forgive our **ignorance**, we put aside our human concepts, and we take only of You as **the One living in us**. Forgive also our **hypocrisy**, not to bring our natural virtues into the church, but to simply **allow You to operate in us** and break us.
4. Lord, have mercy on us, enlighten us to see that our unwillingness to obey Your **leading** and **dealing** with us is **rebellion**, Lord, let the cross break us so that we do not bring in our **natural capability** which restrict the **flow of life** in Your work.
5. Lord, **renew** our **mind** so that we may be able to do Your work according to Your thoughts, subdue our stubborn **will** make it **strong** and **pliable**, and Lord, direct our **emotion** to **love** whatever You loves and hate whatever You hates.
6. Lord, we look to You to open our eyes and show us that our very person hinders the flowing out of life, open the **pathway of life** to us, the **pathway of death** of remaining on the cross through our circumstances and environment that we may be conformed into Your image.
7. Please pray for:
 - Financial support for the **translation** of the NTRV into **French**
 - That the Lord would arrange the **political situation** in **South Africa** so that the training may be carried out in a safe and peaceful environment
 - That the Lord will send experienced brothers who can provide **leadership** to the work in **Germany**
 - For people to see the advertisement space in **North Bay California** and order a free Bible to learn God’s revelation
8. Lord, enlighten us in **Regina**

- **meetings** - children, youth, campus, groups
- the worldly holidays **fellowship** for the juniors
- **Bible** distribution
- **small group** meeting in **Moose Jaw**
- **financial support** for the trainees/training

This Week’s Pursuit: KNOWING LIFE AND THE CHURCH - (Message 2)

The Knowledge of Life

Scripture Reading: Gen. 2:7-9; Psa. 36:7-9; John 12:24-26; 2 Cor. 4:10-12; Rom. 8:13; Matt. 7:13-14

I. Christ as life is the reality of the tree of life, which is the center of the universe—Gen. 2:9; John 1:4; 10:10; 14:6; 15:1; 6:35, 63; 1 Cor. 15:45b:

Life is the goal of God’s creation. God’s organic salvation, being saved in Christ’s life, is the goal of the process of God’s judicial redemption. **Life is God Himself in Christ as the Spirit** flowing out to be enjoyed by man and to please and satisfy man. **God is in Christ, Christ is the Spirit, and the Spirit is life.**

Life is the Lord Himself as the bread of life for us to eat. Life is the light, light overcomes darkness, and light is in God’s word. If we want to touch life, we need the word, the inner feeling given to us by the Spirit; such a feeling is the living word of God. If the Spirit in us gives us a word or a feeling to open our mouth and praise the Lord, we should receive this word and open our mouth to praise the Lord; thus, we will have light within, and this light is life, the Spirit, Christ, and God. When we respond to this feeling and offer a prayer of praise to the Lord, we sense the satisfaction of life, the sweetness of Christ, the presence of God, and the moving of the Spirit. All the beauty, power, brightness, and ability of the church come from the fact that Christ as life is her inward content; the church is the result of life, and life is the content of the church.

II. We need to see the obstacles that God’s life encounters in man:

The **first** problem that God’s life encounters in us is that we do not realize the darkness of our **human concepts**: We need to see that the only thing that matters in the Christian life is how we take care of the living Christ in us. Being a Christian means not taking anything other than Christ as our aim; many people have difficulty in their spiritual life after they are saved, because they do not know the pathway of life, and they do not take Christ as their life.

The **second** problem that life encounters in us is **hypocrisy**. A person’s spirituality is not determined by outward appearance but by how he takes care of the indwelling Christ. Our natural goodness is false spirituality and is actually a great hindrance to life; the expression of life involves rejecting our natural disposition and preference and simply allowing Christ to operate in us and break us. If we always do things according to our disposition and natural being, the outcome will always be hypocrisy.

The **third** problem that life encounters in us is rebellion: Christ operates and moves in us in order to make us clear about His will and requirements for us and about His leading and dealing with us. However, if we do not obey but go against the feeling within, not accepting His leading or paying the price, this unwillingness and opposition are rebellion. The sin that we commit the most frequently and most severely is not outward and visible; rather, it is the sin of disobeying the sense of Christ in us; Christ is living in us, and He is constantly giving us an inward sense of life.

The **fourth** problem that life encounters in us is our natural capability: Many brothers and sisters truly love the Lord, are zealous for the Lord, and are very godly; nevertheless, their greatest problem is the strength and greatness of their capabilities and abilities; consequently, Christ has no ground or way in them. We may be capable and talented, but we do not consider these things as sin or filthiness; instead of despising our natural capabilities, we treasure them; if they remain unbroken in us, they will become a problem to Christ’s life.

There is one solution to all these obstacles in us—we must pass through the cross and let the cross break us; if we want Christ’s life to be unhindered in us, we must experience the breaking of the cross and allow these obstacles to be dealt with and removed.

III. We need to see the subjective obstacles encountered by God’s life in us:

A proper Christian is one whose mind, will, and emotion cooperate with his spirit; an abnormal Christian is one whose mind, will, and emotion cannot cooperate with, and even contradict, his spirit; thus, he lives under a veil.

The **first** subjective problem is the problem of our **mind**: If the things we want to do originate from our thoughts, then these things will be nothing more than religious activities, even if they are successful; they are not a testimony of Christ lived out from our spirit. Although we have the

WEEK	LORD’S TABLE MEETING	PRAYER MEETING	YP MEETING	HOME MEETING	OFFERING
Nov. 12 - Nov. 18, 2017	21	12	9	8	\$300.00
Nov. 19 - Nov. 25, 2017	22	12	8	10	\$760.00

life of Christ within, we do not cooperate with Christ's life in our thoughts and actions, and so this life cannot be lived out from us. When our mind is set on the spirit, our outward actions are in agreement with our inner man, and there is no discrepancy between us and God; He and we are at peace, not at enmity; the result is that we feel peaceful within.

The **second** subjective problem is the problem of our **will**: Even though our mind often understands the intention in our spirit, and we know the will of God, we are unwilling to submit and obey. We may understand, know, apprehend, and deeply sense that the Lord wants us to do a certain thing, but our will refuses to submit and surrender, and we lose the Lord's presence. Both a strong will and a weak will to carry out the Lord's will are hindrances to God's life; a will that has been dealt with is both strong and pliable by being subdued and resurrected by the Lord; having a will that can cooperate with God is a great matter.

The **third** subjective problem is the problem of our **emotion**: Our emotion needs to have God's emotion, and we need to fully enter into God's emotion. We should love whatever God loves, like whatever God likes, and hate whatever God hates; our emotion and His emotion should become one emotion. From all this we can see that our person is truly an obstacle for the living out of God's life; this is why we need to be broken and why we daily need to be strengthened into the inner man so that Christ can make His home in our heart, the main parts of which are the mind, will, and emotion.

IV. We need to see the pathway of life—Matt.7:13-14:

A part of God's work in His salvation is to pave a clear way for His life in us; this work is accomplished through the death of the cross. There is life in a grain of wheat, but unless the grain falls into the ground and dies, the life within the grain will not be released. **The way of life is the way of death**; when there is the death of Christ operating in us, there is a way for the life of Christ to come out of us. The cross of Christ is experienced by us through the Spirit. The stronger the Holy Spirit's work in us is, the stronger our experience of the cross will be; wherever the Holy Spirit works, there is a putting to death by the Spirit, and resurrection life can be manifested in and through us.

The discipline of the Holy Spirit also carries out the work of the cross in us: For our spiritual understanding, it is not enough only to know the Holy Spirit; we must also know the "all things" in our circumstances, a Christian who is spiritual and lives before God needs to "read" three things every day: **first**, he needs to read **the Bible**; **second**, he needs to read **his inward sense of the spirit**; **third**, he needs to read **his environment and circumstances**, which are the persons, matters, and things around him; God arranges our environment and circumstances to cause all persons, matters, and things to work together for good, that is, for transforming and conforming us to the image of God's firstborn Son. The environment that the Lord has created for us causes us to know the Lord's grace and experience the Lord's power.

V. We need to see a vision of how the life of God can be lived out of us:

- We need to realize and know that the life of God is in us.
- We need God to open our eyes to see that our natural man, our very person, is a hindrance to the life of God.
- We need to see that we have been crucified on the cross, and we must hate our self; the more we see God, know God, and love God, the more we abhor ourselves and the more we deny ourselves.

VI. "What every church today needs most is the things of life. All our work and activity must come out of life...Unless it comes out of life, our work and service will neither last nor bear much weight. If we want our work to bear abundant and lasting fruit, we must have a foundation in life...Our work should just be the releasing of the life of the Lord, the imparting and supplying of the Lord's life to others. May the Lord have mercy upon us and open our eyes to see that the central work of God in this age is that man may gain His life and grow and mature in His life. Only the work which comes out of His life can reach His eternal standard and be accepted by Him"—The Knowledge of Life, pp. 57-58.

"One Life-Study a Day Makes One Holy"

LIFE-STUDY OF GALATIANS

November 20, 2017, Monday

Message Thirty: **CRUCIFIED TO THE RELIGIOUS WORLD TO LIVE A NEW CREATION**

The new creation spoken of in 6:15 is the old creation transformed by the divine life, by the processed Triune God. **The old creation was old because God was not part of it; the new creation is new because God is in it. We who have been regenerated by the Spirit of God are still God's creation, but we are now His new creation.** However, this is real only when we live and walk by the Spirit. Whenever we live and walk by the flesh, we are in the old creation, not in the new creation. **Anything in our daily life that does not have God in it is the old creation, but what has God in it is part of the new creation.** If we would be in the new creation, we must enter into an organic union with the Triune God. Apart from such a union, we shall remain in the old creation. But now by the organic union with the Triune God we are in the new creation. Here in the new creation neither circumcision nor uncircumcision are anything or avails anything.

By the cross we are separated from the religious world. If we are still involved with the religious world, we shall not be able to live a new creation. We should be able to say that the religious world has been crucified to us and that we have been crucified to the religious world. **We should be able to testify that even if we tried to go back to that world, we would be rejected by it, for we have been crucified to it.** Paul says concerning those who walk by this rule, "peace be upon them and mercy." Paul opens his Epistles with a word about grace and peace. This is true of Galatians (1:3). But at the end of Galatians, Paul mentions peace (v. 16) before grace (v. 18). **Grace is the Triune God becoming our enjoyment, and peace is the issue, the result, of this enjoyment. Whenever we enjoy the Triune God as grace, we have peace.**

1) What is the new creation spoken of in 6:15?

- The new creation spoken of in 6:15 is the old creation transformed by the divine life, by the processed Triune God.

2) "By the cross we are separated from the religious world. If we are still involved with the religious world, we shall not be able to live a new creation. We should be able to say that the religious world has been crucified to us and that we have been crucified to the religious world. We should be able to testify that even if we tried to go back to that world, we would be rejected by it, for we have been crucified to it."

November 21, 2017, Tuesday

Message Thirty-One: **THE BRANDS OF JESUS AND THE GRACE OF CHRIST**

In verse 16 he says, "And as many as shall walk by this rule, peace be upon them and mercy, even upon the Israel of God." But instead of following this immediately with a word about grace, Paul refers to bearing in his body the brands of Jesus. Then he says, "The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers" (v. 18). When Paul wrote to the Galatians, he was expressing the concept and feeling within him. As he was writing about peace and grace, he had the realization within him that he enjoyed peace because he was bearing the brands of Jesus. **The brands of Jesus kept him in a peaceful condition. Through the enjoyment of grace, Paul was brought into a peaceful state. He was maintained in this peace by bearing the brands of Jesus.**

The spirit in 6:18 is our regenerated spirit indwelt by the Spirit, who is the focus of God's promised blessing stressed so much throughout the book of Galatians. It is in this spirit of ours that we experience and enjoy the Spirit as the focal blessing of the New Testament. Hence, we need the grace of the Lord, which is the bountiful supply of the all-inclusive Spirit, to be with our spirit. **Christ, the Spirit, the new creation, and our spirit are the four basic things revealed in this book as the underlying thought of God's economy.** Christ is the center of God's economy, and the Spirit is the reality of Christ. When Christ is realized through the Spirit in our spirit, we become the new creation. **Thus, our spirit is vital for us to live the life of the new creation for the fulfilling of God's purpose.**

1) Can we say that we are bearing the brands of Jesus to some extent?

- Although we do not presume to classify ourselves with Paul, we can say truly that, at least to some extent, we also are bearing the brands of Jesus, for we are ridiculed, mocked, despised, criticized, and condemned.

2) What are the four basic things revealed in the book of Galatians as the underlying thought of God's economy?

- Christ, the Spirit, the new creation, and our spirit.

November 22, 2017, Wednesday

Message Thirty-Two: **BORN OF THE SPIRIT TO RECEIVE THE SPIRIT (1)**

Although regeneration is a marvelous reality, my burden in this message is not on regeneration itself. My burden is on the Spirit. **Only by being the Spirit is God able to regenerate us.** If you ask people who God is, some will say that He is the Creator. Others may say that He is also our Redeemer and Savior. Not many will say that God is the Spirit. **As the Spirit, God is not simple, for the Spirit is the all-inclusive life-giving Spirit. This Spirit includes divinity, humanity, human living, crucifixion, and resurrection.**

As the Spirit of Jesus Christ, the Spirit includes the elements of incarnation, humanity, crucifixion, and resurrection. When we called on the name of the Lord Jesus and were saved, such a Spirit entered into our being to regenerate our deadened spirit and to make us sons of God. The Spirit who came into us at the time of our regeneration is the ultimate consummation of the Triune God, the realization and expression of the Father, Son, and Spirit. **This Spirit has come into us to impart into our being the life and nature of God.** Because we have been regenerated by this Spirit in our spirit, we have become sons of God.

It is not God's intention to make you a good person. It is to make you His son. Ephesians 1:5 says that God has predestinated us to sonship. God's intention is to make us sons. In Galatians 4:5 Paul says clearly that Christ has redeemed us that we might receive the sonship. Verse 6 says, "And because you are sons, God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, Abba, Father!" The Spirit of God's Son is the reality of sonship. **First, God sent His Son to be our Redeemer. Then God sent forth the Spirit of His Son into our hearts. Now God's desire is to supply us continually with the Spirit.**

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2) According to message 32, what is His intention in His economy?

- To regenerate us, to cause us to be sons of God born of Him

November 23, 2017, Thursday

Message Thirty-Three: **BORN OF THE SPIRIT TO RECEIVE THE SPIRIT (2)**

Most readers of the Bible have paid their attention to many things other than this crucial and mysterious point in the divine revelation. We admit that it is not easy to see this crucial point in the Bible. Just as a person's physical life is mysterious and hidden within him, so it is with the matter of God's intention to work Himself into His chosen people. **It is hidden in the Word.** Life is the most vital element in a person's being. But who can analyze it or adequately explain it? With the Bible, as with a human being, there are many things that are outward and easily identified. **But there is also a hidden element, which we may call the life factor in the Scriptures.** We may say that this life factor is Christ or the Spirit. However, **the life factor in the Bible is actually God's intention to work Himself into us. This is the kernel of the Bible.**

The way to receive the Spirit without ceasing is mainly to pray. In 1 Thessalonians 5:17 Paul charges us to pray without ceasing. This does not mean, however, that we should exercise our mind to pray about material needs. Instead, we should exercise our spirit to call on the Lord. **Our greatest need is the Triune God Himself. Moment by moment, we need the Spirit.** Therefore, continually we need to exercise our spirit to call on the Lord. Many of us can testify that when we call on the Lord from the depths of our being, telling Him that we love Him, we breathe in fresh spiritual air. We breathe in the pneuma, the Spirit. As Christians we need to be pneumatic, full of pneuma, full of the Spirit. **The Spirit is the heavenly air for us to breathe. By exercising our spirit to call on the Lord, we breathe in the Spirit and thereby receive the Spirit.**

We praise the Lord that He is real, living, near, and available. How subjective the Triune God is to us! As the life-giving Spirit, He dwells in our spirit. To receive the Spirit continually means to give Him the freedom to spread within us. **As we exercise our spirit to pray, calling on the name of the Lord and pray-reading the Word, we shall breathe spiritually and receive the Spirit.** Then the essence, the heavenly element and divine substance, of the Triune God will be added into our being.

1) What is the life factor in the Bible, the kernel of the Bible?

- It is God's intention to work Himself into us.

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November 24, 2017, Friday

Message Thirty-Four: **LIVE AND WALK BY THE SPIRIT**

If we would receive the Spirit continually, we need to exercise our spirit to pray. In our prayer we should not be occupied with trivial matters. **Instead, we should open ourselves to the heavenly transmission and receive the supply of the Spirit.** The Christian life is not a religious life or an ethical life, but **it is a life of being one spirit with God.** Whenever we exercise our spirit to call on the Lord, we experience the divine transmission, the flow of the heavenly current. Therefore, **the Christian life is a life of supplying and receiving. God continually supplies, and we continually receive of Him.**

Moment by moment, we need to breathe the divine life into us. Then, instead of acting in ourselves and walking by the flesh, we shall do everything by the Spirit whom we receive by breathing. **Our need today is to practice receiving the Spirit and walking by the Spirit.** This is not religion or ethics. This is the experience of the living Spirit. **Walking by the Spirit is the way to grow, enjoy the Lord, and develop the proper functions for the building up of the Body.** The Lord's recovery today should be characterized by this living and walking by the Spirit. This will distinguish the Lord's recovery from any kind of religion. **The processed Triune God as the all-inclusive Spirit now lives within us. Therefore, let us live by Him and walk by Him**

1) According to message 34, what is the Christian life?

- Christian life is a life of being one spirit with God, a life of supplying and receiving.

2) "Moment by moment, we need to breathe the divine life into us. Then, instead of acting in ourselves and walking by the flesh, we shall do everything by the Spirit whom we receive by breathing. Our need today is to practice receiving the Spirit and walking by the Spirit. This is not religion or ethics. This is the experience of the living Spirit."

November 25, 2017, Saturday

Message Thirty-Five: **SOW UNTO THE SPIRIT TO REAP ETERNAL LIFE**

Here in chapter six, **the Spirit is for our aim, our goal.** In the first two chapters of Galatians we have the revelation of Christ as the focal point of God's economy, but in the last four chapters we have the Spirit in our experience. We have somewhat covered the aspects of the Spirit for life, birth, and walk. **In this message we need to consider the Spirit as our aim.** This has much to do with sowing unto the Spirit. If we sow unto the flesh, we shall of the flesh reap corruption, **but if we sow unto the Spirit, we shall reap of the Spirit eternal life.** In 6:8 flesh stands in contrast to the Spirit, and corruption in contrast to eternal life. There are only these two kinds of sowing and two kinds of reaping. There is no neutrality, no third kind of reaping. No doubt, corruption includes death. **Sowing unto the flesh will always produce a harvest of corruption, whereas sowing unto the Spirit will always produce a harvest of life eternal.**

I say once again that we believers are not aimless. We have a goal, an aim that controls and directs us. Whatever we do, we do with a view toward this goal. In drawing the Epistle to the Galatians to a close, Paul charges us to sow unto the Spirit, to live unto the Spirit, to say and do everything with a view to the Spirit. **As sons of God, we need to take the Spirit as our unique and eternal goal.** I urge you to take the Spirit as your goal in life that you may become one who supplies life to others. Tell the Lord, **"Lord, from this time forth, my goal is the Spirit and only the Spirit. I'm so happy that I have such a goal. My life is meaningful, for I have a goal which directs me and controls me in all things."** The Lord is sounding out the call in His recovery to take the Spirit as our goal and to live unto Him in everything that there may be a harvest of life eternal. How wonderful that we may have such a glorious goal in life!

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2) According to message 35, as sons of God, what do we need to take as our unique and eternal goal?

- The all-inclusive Spirit