

CHURCH IN REGINA

“Col. 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him.”

HWMR Week 3—The Constituent of the One New Man— the All-inclusive, Extensive Christ Replacing Culture

Putting to Death, Putting Away, Putting Off, and Putting On

Seeking the things above and having one living with Christ issues in the church as the new man. According to the sequence in Colossians 3, we first **experience Christ as our life and live together with Him**. Then, according to 3:5-9, we **put to death our members which are on the earth** and **put off the old man with his practices**. Following this, we **put on the new man** (v. 10). In verse 5 Paul charges us to “put to death”: in verse 8, to “put away” certain negative things; and in verse 9, to “put off the old man with his practices.” According to verse 5, we are to **put to death the lusts of the fallen body**. According to verse 8, we are to **put away the evil things of the fallen soul**. Finally, according to verse 9, we are to **put off the old man as a whole**. To put off the old man is like putting off an old garment. **Only by living together with Christ can we accomplish these things**. When we live together with Christ, we can put off the lusts of the flesh, put away the evil aspects of the fallen soul, and put off the totality of our old being. **Then, positively, we can put on the new man**. By living together with Christ, by experiencing Him as our life and seeking the things which are above, we put away all the negative things and put on the new man. We put on the new man only by living with Christ, by enjoying Him as our life and seeking the things above.

Living Christ

There can be no doubt that Christ is fully revealed in the Bible. But **who among the Lord’s people truly lives Christ?** **We need to ask ourselves how much we live Christ**. Sometimes the saints talk about the best way to have the church meetings. However, our concern should not be with the way of meeting; it should be with the living of Christ. **Do we care to live Christ in a genuine way, or do we just want to have a certain kind of meeting?** The meetings of the church should not be a performance, but should be an exhibition of our daily living.

We thank the Lord for all He has shown us concerning the revelation of Christ in Colossians. Now **we must go on to experience Christ and to live Him**. **What we need is not more doctrine, but more experience of Christ**. Again and again, we need to be encouraged to **live Christ day by day**. Wherever we are, at home, at school, or at work, we need to live Christ. Paul could say, “To me to live is Christ” (Phil. 1:21). How many of us can give such a testimony? When we are tested by the Lord concerning this, we need to humble ourselves and confess that we do not live very much by Christ. **How we need to receive grace to live Christ day by day! If we live Him consistently and adequately, all the replacements for Christ will be gone.**

If we have light concerning how Christ is replaced in our daily living, we shall confess to the Lord that instead of living Him we live so many other things. We may say to Him, “Lord, I confess that I have not lived very much by You. I live a clean life, even a pure life, but I do not live Christ. Although I have been careful not to sin and not to be wrong with others, I have not lived You.” Years ago, I spent much time to confess my failures and wrongdoings; however, at that time I did not confess my lack in living Christ. But recently most of my confession has concerned one thing—my shortage in living Christ. **We all need to make such a confession to the Lord.**

Christ Dwelling in Us Subjectively

The book of Colossians presents **both the objective aspect of Christ and the subjective aspect**. On the one hand, this book reveals the extensive, all-inclusive Christ objectively. On the other hand, there is the definite indication that this Christ dwells in us subjectively. We have already referred to 1:27, where Paul says that Christ in us is the hope of glory. **The extensive, all-inclusive Christ is actually dwelling within us**. **How subjective this is!** According to Paul, the Christ who is the mystery of God’s economy is not merely the Christ at the right hand of God in the heavens, but also the Christ who is within us. According to God’s economy, **Christ must be dispensed into us for our subjective experience**. If He were only on the throne in the heavens, we could not experience Him. **We could look to Him, trust in Him, pray to Him, and rely on Him, but we could not experience Him**. Praise the Lord that the extensive Christ lives in us to be our hope of glory! **This is the focal point of God’s economy, the center of God’s dispensation** (Life-study of Colossians, chapter 50 & 60).

Church Meetings:

Lord’s Table Meeting

Lord’s Day
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Prayer Meeting

Tuesdays
7:00 - 8:00 PM

College Meeting

Fridays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Small Group Meeting

Fridays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Young Peoples’ Meeting

Saturdays
7:00 - 8:30 PM

Conferences & Trainings:

April International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones

April 16-18, 2021

International Memorial Day Conference

May 28-31, 2021

July Semiannual Training

July 5-10, 2021

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NEW LANGUAGE

All God’s
purpose is for
Him... That He
might be
all in all.

Prayer Burdens:

1. Lord, save us from the influence of culture. Save us from being defrauded from anything that replaces our enjoyment of You. Preserve us and may nothing frustrate our church life.
2. Thank You for being the life-giving Spirit in our spirit. You are in us all the time to be whatever we need. We allow Your peace to arbitrate in our hearts and Your words to dwell in us richly.
3. Lord, give us a proper consciousness of the one new man. In our daily, practical living, may our enjoyment with You as the content and life issue in the new man.
4. Save us from any sectarian thoughts. Cause us to see that all the churches are the one new man today. You have abolished all our differences on the cross. Thank You for such peace that arbitrates among us.
5. Lord, continue to saturate and permeate us. You must be all and in all in the new man. Day by day, add Yourself more and more into us until our life and living is You. Give us the sense that You are us and You are in us.
6. Lord, we want to realize the life of the new man in a practical way. We don't want to remain the same but would like to grow unto full knowledge. Strengthen us to set our mind on the things above. Give us more revelation and adequate experience of You.

Europe/Other Burdens:

1. Spring Term/Full Time Training in London will begin on March 8. Pray for the perfecting of the young European saints for the Lord's move in these crucial days.
2. Eyes (cataract) surgery of Sister Ellen Julba on March 22 and April 13.

Church in Regina:

1. Goal of 50 meeting ones by end of 2021. Synchronized prayer for our contacts every day.
2. Strengthen and preserve the brothers and sisters, all families, to love the Lord, His appearing, and continue to meet virtually.
3. Pray for Aitong Liu's immigration application. Select them in Your time that they may also come here, be saved, see the church and be Your testimony.

Life-Study of Genesis—Messages 97-101**MESSAGE 97-99 The Manifestation of Maturity (2-4)**

Jacob's word in chapter forty-nine is a word of **prophesying with blessing**. In order to prophesy with blessing, we must fulfill four requirements. The first requirement is to **know** God, the **desire** of God's heart, and the **purpose** of God. The second requirement is to know people, to know the actual situation of every person involved. Be full of riches, and have a strong active spirit. This is a matter of growth and maturity. (Life-Study of Genesis, 97).

The birthright is composed not only of the double portion of the land, but also of the kingship and the priesthood. As the firstborn, Reuben should have inherited all three blessings. Due to his **defilement**, he lost not only the double portion of the land, but also the kingship and the priesthood. This typifies that today, if we allow ourselves to be defiled, we shall **lose the double portion** of enjoying Christ, the kingship, and the priesthood. Through the cases of Reuben, Simeon, and Levi we see the possibility of either losing or gaining. Whether we shall **lose** or **gain** depends upon our attitude and upon our reaction to various situations. May God have mercy on us so that we may react in a way that will cause us to gain and not to lose. (Life-Study of Genesis, 98).

In the church life we experience our Christ as the **fighting, resting, and producing lion**. Due to His victorious work, there is a rich produce, a rich harvest. Thus, there is **no need** for our labor. But there is the preaching of the glad tidings concerning Christ; for Zebulun, the haven of ships, sends out the good news of the Lion of the tribe of Judah. We also have the experience of Issachar. We are not laboring; rather, we are **resting and enjoying the riches of Christ**. Thus, **today's church life is a miniature of the coming millennium**. (Life-Study of Genesis, 99)

MESSAGE 100-101 The Spiritual Significance of the Blessing Prophesied Concerning Judah, Zebulun, and Issachar (1-2)

Genesis 49:8-12 contain three wonderful seeds: the seed of Christ's victory, the seed of Christ's kingdom, and the seed of the enjoyment and rest in Christ. In 49:8 and 9 we see the victory of Christ, and that Christ is likened to a young lion, a couching lion, and a lioness. Christ's victory brings in the kingdom which involves the authority and kingship of Christ. Finally, we see that the binding of the donkey to the vine means that we must cease our labour and our striving and instead rest in Christ, the living One. (Life-Study of Genesis, 100)

The proper way to send out the gospel is not by donkeys journeying by their own hard labor. The proper way is to export the gospel by sailing ships empowered by the heavenly wind. For the preaching of the gospel, we must be joyful in our going out. But for the church life, we must be joyful in remaining in the local churches. (Life-Study of Genesis, 101)

Announcements:

1. All-Canada Sisters' Blending on March 13—Message 1 at 11am; Message 2 at 12:45pm; Breakout and blending at 2pm.
2. Western Canada Brothers' Meeting on March 18 at 9pm (CST).
3. Western Canada Churches Gospel Meeting on March 20. The schedule of meeting time will be announced on a later date.
4. Brothers' Meeting on March 28 at 6pm.
5. Morning revival payments will be through Interac eTransfer to morningrevivalpayments@gmail.com.

圣经

The Bible

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Please Read the Bible Verse:

提后三 16 圣经都是神的呼出，对于教训、督责、改正、在义上的教导，都是有益的。

2 Tim. 3:16 All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for conviction, for correction, for instruction in righteousness,

圣经远超世上一切的书。它是一本独一无二的书。美国前总统亚伯拉罕·林肯曾说，“圣经是神赐给人类最好的礼物。救世主一切的美善，皆由此书传给我们。”它是世上最广泛为人阅读的书，已译成上千种语言，超过世间群籍。每遇患难、彷徨，人就纷纷转向圣经，寻求安慰、盼望和指引。“圣经”（Bible）一辞来自希腊文 biblos，意思是“那书”（the book）。这指明圣经是世上书中“那”独一无二的书。

The Bible stands above all other books in the world. It is a unique book. The previous President of the United States of America, Abraham Lincoln, once said that “the Bible is the best gift God has ever given to man. All the good from the Savior of the world is communicated to us through this book.” It is the world’s most widely read book and has been translated into over one thousand languages, more than any other book in the world. Countless people have turned to the Bible for comfort, hope, and guidance during times of trouble and uncertainty. The word Bible comes from the Greek word biblos, which means “the book.” This means that the Bible stands as the unique book among all other books in the world.

圣经是一切经典中最高的

The Bible Being the Highest among All the Classical Writing

圣经在记录上是最高的

The Bible Being the Highest in Its Record

第一，圣经在其记录的真实性和准确性上，无书能望其项背。许多宗教的经典，充满了神话传奇。但在圣经中，人能看到无数真实之人、事、地的引述。考古学及世俗史籍的记载，证实圣经各卷中的记载是精确的。

The first fact is that the Bible stands alone among all books in its record of authenticity. Many canons of other religions are filled with myths and legends. But within the pages of the Bible we find countless references to actual events, people, and places. The science of archaeology, along with secular historical records, confirms the precision of the references in the various biblical books.

圣经说到一位全能、永远的创造主，他从虚无中创造出宇宙，包括天、地、及一切受造之物。创世记所记载的创造，虽然本身不是科学的记述，却与科学证据完全吻合。

The Bible tells of an all-powerful, eternal Creator who created the universe, including the heavens, the earth, and all created things, from nothing. The Genesis account of creation, while not a scientific narrative in itself, is completely harmonious with scientific evidence.

圣经在智慧和深奥上是最高的

The Bible Being the Highest in Its Wisdom and Profoundness

第二，关于人与神、人与人之关系，以及人的思想、意念、行为、和日常生活方面，圣经具有超绝的智慧。在旧约时代，地上大部分的文化信奉多神，就是多于一神的信仰。大部分所谓的神明被描述为残忍、凶猛、有时甚至是好色者。但是，圣经揭示一位独一无二的神，他是无限的，却是有位格的，他如父亲和丈夫一般照顾人，且是爱、尊敬、正义和怜悯的具体化身。圣经也涵括了各类的知识，如神学、人文学、天文学、地质学、科学、哲学、社会学、政治、教育、文化及末世学。

Second, the Bible bears the super wisdom concerning man’s relationship with God and his relationship with his fellow man, his thought, his intention, his behavior, and his daily living. At the time of the Old Testament, most of the cultures on earth believed in polytheism, the belief in more than one God. The majority of the so-called gods were depicted as cruel, fierce, or at times even licentious. But the Bible reveals one unique God who is infinite and personal, who cares for human beings as a Father and a

Husband, and who personifies love, respect, justice, and mercy. The Bible also covers all kinds of knowledge, such as theology, the humanities, astronomy, geology, science, philosophy, sociology, government, education, culture, and eschatology.

圣经在伦理和道德上是最高的

The Bible Being the Highest in Its Ethics and Morality

没有其他的书像圣经一样，包含了最高的伦理道德。它形容合宜的爱是一种人性的美德，是恒久忍耐，又有恩慈；不嫉妒；不自夸，不张狂（林前十三 4）。它定义爱是无限的赦免，甚至赦免自己的仇敌（太五 44）。在神为人舍去他独生子的行动上，圣经更具体说明了何谓爱（约三 16）。基督徒是一班在爱里行事为人的人（弗五 2）。召会是一个在爱中建造起来的团体（弗四 16）。

No other book contains as high a standard of ethics and morality as the Bible. It describes proper love as a human virtue, which suffers long, is kind, is not jealous, does not brag, and is not puffed up (1 Cor. 13:4). It defines love in the extending of forgiveness even to one's enemy (Matt. 5:44). It exemplifies love in God's own act of giving up His only Son for man (John 3:16). Christians are those who walk in love (Eph. 5:2), and the church is a community built up in love (Eph. 4:16).

圣经在影响上是最高的

The Bible Being the Highest in Its Influence

历史上有许多名人，都因读圣经受感而相信基督。法国皇帝拿破仑兵败，被放逐到圣赫勒那岛（St. Helena）时，承认他和其他伟大领袖皆用武力建国，惟耶稣基督以爱立国。他也承认，虽然他能号召群众为其理想赴汤蹈火，但须与人当面传输，才得办到。然而，十八个世纪以来，无数的男女信徒，未曾见过他，却满怀喜乐，甘心乐意为耶稣基督牺牲宝贵性命。他们愿意撇下一切来跟随基督，为他殉道，因为他们看见圣经中启示的基督。

Throughout history many famous people have been inspired to believe in Christ through reading the Bible. The French emperor Napoleon, after being defeated and exiled to the island of St. Helena, confessed that though he and other great leaders founded their empires upon force, Jesus Christ built His kingdom with love. He also confessed that though he could rally men to die for his cause, he had to do so by speaking to them face to face, whereas for eighteen centuries countless men and women had been willing to sacrifice their lives for Jesus Christ with joy without having seen Him once. The reason that so many have been willing to give up everything to follow Christ and to be martyred for Him is that they have seen the Christ revealed in the Bible.

圣经是神的圣言

The Bible Being the Holy Word of God

圣经与其他一切的书所以不同，乃因它的本质是神圣的。圣经乃是神的呼出（提后三 16）。这告诉我们，圣经不是来自人的思想或心思。相反的，它是神借着他的灵，将他的思想和他的话，呼入圣经的作者，并从他们里面呼出来。因此，圣经包含神的元素，带着他的香气。基督徒最大的喜乐和祝福，就是能够每天接触神，藉着他呼出的话品尝他。

The reason that the Bible is different from all other books is that its nature is divine. The Scripture is God-breathed (2 Tim. 3:16). This tells us that the Scripture did not come out of man's thought, man's mind, but, rather, it was God's breathing His thought and His word through His Spirit into and out of the writers. Hence, the Bible contains God's element and carries His flavor. A Christian's greatest joy and blessing is to be able to contact God and taste Him daily through the word of His breath.

圣经既然是神藉着他的灵，从人口中呼出他的话，就没有一句是出于人的意志；相反的，人是被圣灵推动，从神说出话来。彼后一章二十一节：“人被圣灵推动，从神说出来的。”这句话有两层意义：第一，人被圣灵推动；第二，人从神说出来。在希腊原文，“被圣灵推动”是指船被风带动。圣经的作者接受神的启示，在圣灵的力量下被推动或带动，说出神的话来。不只如此，当他们说话时，他们是从神里面说话。是神的灵推动人说话，并且是人从神里面说出话来。换言之，圣经是神借着人的口，从人里面说出他自己的话。

Since the Scripture is God's breathing His word out from men through His Spirit, no word of the Scripture can be of man's will; rather, men were borne by the Spirit and spoke from God. The word "men spoke from God while being borne by the Holy Spirit" (2 Pet. 1:21) has a twofold meaning: first, men were borne by the Spirit; second, men spoke from God. In the original Greek, being borne by the Holy Spirit refers to being carried along like a ship by the wind. The writers of the Bible received God's inspiration, and they were under the power of the Holy Spirit, being borne and carried along by Him to speak out God's word. Furthermore, when they spoke, they spoke from within God. It was the Spirit of God carrying men along to speak, and it was also men speaking from within God. In other words, it was God speaking His own word from within men through their mouth.

圣经的主题

The Main Subjects of the Bible

神和他的计划：圣经所启示的神，是一位有智慧、有目的的神。一个有智慧、有目的的人是如何满了计划；照样，我们这位最有智慧的神，也有一个永远的计划，这与人、与世界，都发生极大的关系。

God with His plan: The God revealed in the Bible is a God of wisdom and purpose. Just as any person who is intelligent and purposeful is always full of plans, our God, who is most wise, has an eternal plan, which has much to do with man and the world.

人和他的定命：圣经告诉我们人从那里来，人如何被造，以及人往那里去。它也说到神对人的计划。

Man and his destiny: The Bible tells us where man came from, how he was made, and where he is going. It also tells of God's plan for man.

基督：基督是圣经的中心。旧约是一部关于基督的预言，而新约则是这预言的应验。圣经告诉我们，基督如何为人类完成救赎和拯救。

Christ: Christ is the central figure of the Bible. The Old Testament is a prophecy concerning Him, and the New Testament is the fulfillment of this prophecy. The Bible tells us how this Christ accomplished redemption and salvation for mankind.

圣灵：就是神的第三身位。在人对神的经历上，圣灵被提及甚多。

Holy Spirit: Who is the third person of God. He is mentioned very much in relation to man's experience of God.

神圣的生命：就是神的生命，是人相信基督时所接受的。这神圣的生命住在相信基督之人的里面，并且指引、改变他们的生活。

Divine life: That is the life of God, which a person receives when he believes in Christ. This divine life lives within those who believe in Christ and directs and transforms their living.

在基督里的信徒：新约告诉我们，作一个在基督里的信徒的意义，以及活出正当基督徒生活的路。

The believers in Christ: The New Testament tells us the meaning of being a believer in Christ and the way to live a proper Christian life.

召会：就是神今天在地上之信徒的集合。圣经解释召会是什么，以及信徒如何聚集成为召会。

The church: Which is God's community of believers on earth today. The Bible explains what the church is and how believers should meet as the church.

神的国度：就是今世和来世，神的管治和掌权的领域。

The kingdom of God: Which is the sphere where God exercises His rule and authority in this age and in the coming ages.

新天新地：说出在将来的永世里所发生的事情。

The new heaven and the new earth: which speaks of the things that will happen in eternity in the future.

我们若寻求真理，愿意知道人生命的意义，就需要读圣经，并且呼求基督。神已给每个人一个灵（伯三二 8），要叫人明白并接受神的事。盼望我们从新约开始，读这本奇妙的书——圣经。也盼望我们从今天起，借着读圣经与耶稣基督相遇，展开一个充实丰硕的人生。（神经纶的福音——圣经，一至三、六至九、一三、一五至二〇页。）

If you are a person who is seeking after the truth and would like to know the meaning of your life, you need to read the Bible, and you should call on the Christ who is presented to you in the Bible. God has given every person a spirit (Job 32:8) so that he can understand and receive the things of God. We hope that you will begin your reading of this wonderful book, the Bible, by reading the New Testament, and we also hope that you will begin a fruitful and abundant life today through meeting Jesus Christ in this book. (The Bible, Chapter 1-4.)

参读：神经纶的福音——圣经；认识圣经；完全明白神的话；李常受文集一九六三年第一册，信徒对变化的经历，第一章。

Reference: The Bible, Chapter 1-4.