

CHURCH IN REGINA

"2 Cor. 5:17 So then if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away; behold, they have become new."

HWMR Week 7—The Intrinsic Divine Revelation concerning the Move of God with and among Men in the Old Testament and concerning the Move of God in Man in the New Testament to Accomplish God's Heart's Desire and to Meet Man's Need before God

Saving Man From His Fall

Man became fallen to such a miserable state. Surely such a fallen man could do nothing to help himself out of such a fallen state. Only the wise and almighty God could afford a full and dynamic salvation to the man created by Him and spoiled by His adversary. Furthermore, He, as the unchanging and everlasting God, could not have any change in annulling His eternal economy, which He made in His Divine Trinity in eternity past and for eternity future. He had to rescue the man whom He had created for His unchanging purpose, and He did it.

Furthermore, what God created for His purpose according to His good pleasure was a wonderful, excellent, marvelous, and precious man. In the eyes of God, man in his original created state was most excellent, marvelous, and precious. We may even say that in Genesis 2 man became God's pleasure. Hence, God loved man (John 3:16). He would save him at any cost, even at the cost of sacrificing His only begotten Son.

This is why even in eternity past Christ as the second of the Divine Trinity was preparing to come into time (Micah 5:2) to die for fallen man according to the divine determination made in the council of the Divine Trinity in eternity past (Acts 2:23 and footnote 1, Recovery Version; 1 Pet. 1:19-20) (The History of God in His Union With Man, Chapter 4).

We need to see that **God did not move in man in the Old Testament; He moved only with men and among men.** It was not until the age of the New Testament that God came to move on this earth in man. His first step to move in the New Testament age was to enter into man. **God took a definite step to enter into man, and this laid a foundation for His move in man throughout the New Testament.** God entered into the womb of a human virgin and stayed there for nine months to be born of that virgin. This was His move to enter into man as a foundation for His further move in man.

The Old Testament was a preparation for God's move in man in the New Testament. Strictly speaking, in the Old Testament God's move was among men and through men but not in man. When the New Testament age came, God's entire way changed. He was in the Old Testament working all the time with men and among men but outside of men. Samson is a good illustration of this. Samson was very strong and full of the power of God, but his personal life was a mess. This shows that God's move in the Old Testament was outside of man and not something of an inward life. **The New Testament is different from the Old Testament in the one fact that God entered into man.** God was born of man. Matthew 1:20 says that what was begotten in Mary was of the Holy Spirit. God was born in Mary. One day God came out of eternity with His divinity and entered into a human virgin's womb to be born there. (The Move of God in Man, Chapter 1).

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:

International Memorial Day Conference

May 28-31, 2021

July Semiannual Training

July 5-10, 2021

October International Training for Elders & Responsible Ones

October 7-9, 2021

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NEW LANGUAGE

Christ has
redeemed us out
of the **curse of**
the law.

The Purpose of the Incarnation

To Bring God into Man

The purpose of the incarnation was to bring God into man. God is in us (1 John 4:15), and we have to realize that the first step God took to get into us was to be incarnated. Furthermore, God was incarnated not only in Jesus but also in us. **To be saved is to have God incarnated in you.** This is because incarnation brings God into man. Before you were saved, you had nothing to do with God. But **since the day you believed into the Lord Jesus, God was incarnated in you.** This means that **God came into you.** In human history God never came into man until four thousand years after His creation of man. He was born into man to bring God into man. When God comes into a person through regeneration, the incarnation is repeated again.

To Make God Man So That Man May Become God in Life and Nature but Not in the Godhead

God in eternity past was God only, but in incarnation He was made man. He made Himself man so that man may become God in life and in nature but not in the Godhead. We may be able to say that we become like God in life and nature, but do we have the boldness to say that we become God in life and nature? **We need to see that we have been born of God, and we are the sons of God.** Have you not been born of man? Then are you not man? If you are not man, then what are you? In the same way, since we are born of God and are the sons of God, are we not God? You are whatever you have been born of. If you have been born of Chinese, you are Chinese. If you have been born of Caucasians, you are Caucasian. **Since we are born of God, we may say and even we should say that we are God in life and nature but not in the Godhead.**

The day came when this One left His eternity and came into time. As the To Be in eternity, He entered into time to become a man. Before He was born, God through His angel charged the virgin Mary to call this man Jesus, Jehovah the Savior. Many people know the name Jesus, but they do not know who Jesus is. Jesus is God becoming a man to be our Savior.

We have to realize that **even if we had not become fallen, we would still need to be saved.** Man was created into a situation of needing salvation. His fall increased his need of salvation. When God created Adam, Adam was not sinful; he was innocently perfect. It seemed as if he had no need. But **anything that is organic, that is of life, needs feeding.** Even the plant life needs the sunshine, air, fertilizer, and water as the nutrients for its growth. These items are for feeding. The sunshine, air, fertilizer, and water are the salvation of the plant. If you take away these four things from any plant, the plant will die. All plants need this kind of salvation.

For Jehovah to be our Savior means that He is the One to meet our need. The entire Bible reveals that He is our sunshine (Psa. 84:11; Mal. 4:2), our air (John 20:22), our living water (4:10, 14), and our food (6:35). At the end of the Bible, the tree of life is the food, and the water of life is the drink within the New Jerusalem. In the New Jerusalem there will be no need of the physical sun, because God the divine light will be shining there (Rev. 21:23). Outside the New Jerusalem the nations will still have the sun, but in the New Jerusalem we will have our unique sun—God Himself. The sun, the air, the water, and the food are the items of God being our Savior to save us. **His saving us means that He supplies us with all that we need** (The Move of God in Man, Chapter 2).

Announcements:

1. Puget Conference on May 14 to 16. Schedule is as follows (CST):
 - > May 14—Message 1 at 8pm
 - > May 15—Message 2 at 11am; Message 3 at 8pm
 - > May 16—Message 4 at 11:30am (Our LTM will start at 9:30am).
2. Memorial Day Conference on May 28 to 31.
3. Brothers' Meeting on May 30 at 6pm.

Prayer Burdens:

1. Thank You, Lord for Your indirect move in the Old Testament to prepare for Your direct move today. How we treasure that You are now in us. Continue to work in us to make us precious materials for Your building.
2. Lord, we offer You as the burnt offering absolutely for God. You are our life and our redemption. Deliver us from the serpent's death-power. Because of Your sovereignty we are made vessels of mercy, chosen to receive and answer Your call.
3. Lord, appear to us and make us realize that You are unlimited, unsearchable, and untraceable. We want to know You and enjoy You as our everything. Empty us so we can be filled by You.
4. We praise You for Your move in man in the New Testament. Your incarnation, human living, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension enabled us to enter into You and be one with You. Keep us seeking You as a panting hart and enjoy You with others.
5. Lord, all Your experiences are now our history. You became the life-giving Spirit to give us divine life and to be one with us. We praise You as our righteousness, sanctification, and redemption. May we continually grow in the divine life.
6. Lord, You are our allotted portion and You are everything to us. Carry out Your transforming work on us until we consummate in the New Jerusalem. Keep us living in the principle of incarnation, that You may be a part of man, and we can be a part of You.

Other Burdens:

1. Pray for the 2nd wave of the COVID outbreak in India to be under control without further spreading, that the Lord of all can come into the situation to withstand the work of the enemy and to control the worsening situation.
2. Pray for the opening of people's heart; through God's sovereign arrangement in the environment as the Leader, many can be open to Him as the Savior, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins to the people.
3. Pray for the strengthening of all the saints in India (192 churches, 8000 saints), and for the strengthening of the church life with mutual love, mutual care, mutual shepherding for the building up during the 2nd wave of pandemic.

Church in Regina:

1. Goal of 50 meeting ones by end of 2021. Synchronized prayer for our contacts every day.
2. Strengthen and preserve our families. Thank You, Lord that You have purchased us. Cause us to continually eat You as the Passover according to Your principles.
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.