Week of March 9

Allowing Christ's Life to Be Lived Out

"In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord." (Eph. 2:21) "If you are reproached in the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you." (1 Pet. 4:14)

"Keep your heart with all vigilance, for from it are the issues of life." (Prov. 4:23)

In order to grow in life for God's building, we must love the Lord, take heed to our spirit, and guard our heart with all vigilance to stay on the pathway of life. If we want Christ's life to be unhindered in us, we must experience the breaking of the cross, the killing death of Christ in the all-inclusive Spirit of Christ as the Spirit of glory, so that the following obstacles within us can be dealt with and removed.

Being a Christian means not taking anything other than Christ as our aim. The obstacle to this is not knowing the pathway of life and not taking Christ as our life. The second obstacle is hypocrisy. A person's spirituality is not determined by outward appearance but by how he takes care of Christ. The third obstacle is rebellion. We may be very active and zealous in doing things but still imprison and disobey the living Christ within us by ignoring Him. The fourth obstacle is our natural capabilities. If these natural capabilities remain unbroken in us, they will become a problem to Christ's life. (*Living a Christian Life and Church Life under the Government of God for the Economy of God*, msg. 3, III. A-B, 1-4)

May the Lord have mercy on us so that we would be enlightened to see how many obstacles there are in us and how much these obstacles restrict God's life. Actually, the obstacles in us are not limited only to these things. Nevertheless, 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. This will allow Christ's life to be lived out from us. (*CWWL*, 1953, vol. 1, "Knowing Life and the Church," pp. 136-140)

Living Uniquely for the Gospel

"I solemnly charge you before God and Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and by His appearing and His kingdom: Proclaim the word; be ready in season and out of season; convict, rebuke, exhort with all long-suffering and teaching." (2 Tim. 4:1-2)

The gospel is Christ, who is the very embodiment of the processed Triune God, reaching us as the consummated Spirit, who is the consummation of the Triune God for our enjoyment. According to the truth, the gospel is the entire New Testament...Personally, the gospel is a wonderful person, and according to the truth, the gospel is the entire divine revelation of the twenty-seven books of the New Testament. God's New Testament economy is the gospel. We have to believe in such a gospel, preach such a gospel, and live uniquely for such a gospel. The consummated Spirit, who is God Himself reaching us, eventually has become the seven Spirits in Revelation. The seven Spirits are also a part of the gospel...

The Lord commanded us to live for this gospel uniquely. What are we living on this earth for? Do we live for our profession or for our job to make a lot of money? What is man living for? Poor human society has so much activity but no goal. Do we have a goal? Our goal is the gospel, and our gospel is the Triune God processed to be the very Spirit within us as our salvation's our life, as our life supply, and as our all-inclusive enjoyment. (*CWWL*, 1987, vol. 1, "Being Desperate and Living Uniquely for the Gospel," ch. 3, pp. 47-48)

Pray that the saints would live a gospel-preaching life, being desperate and living uniquely for the gospel and saving time each week for contacting people.

SoCal Korean-speaking Blending Conference

This year's Southern California Korean-speaking Blending Conference will be held—in person for the first time since the pandemic—this Lord's Day, March 16, 9:00 am to 12:30 pm, in Arcadia. The subject will be "The Way to Live in the Reality of the Kingdom of God and to Bring in the Kingdom of God." Meetings for children and young people will be provided, as well as lunch boxes. Please pray:

- For the Lord to bless this conference by releasing His burden to the saints regarding the way to live in the reality of the Kingdom of God and to bring in the Kingdom of God.
- For the saints to experience genuine blending in the Body of Christ and enjoy the oneness of the Spirit.

SoCal High School Sisters Conference

The Southern California High School Sisters Conference takes place this weekend, March 14 to 16, at Oak Glen. The topic is "A Hidden Life." Please pray:

- For the Lord to prepare the hearts of each high school sister this week.
- That each one would experience going higher far away from the earthly things to be with the Father privately to have intimate fellowship with Him in a secret way.
- That companionships would be built through spending time together during the conference.

Also pray for the junior high sisters returning from their conference last weekend, that they would enter into what they heard and also seek to experience the mingled spirit this week in their daily life and in the church life.

FTTA-MA

The spring term of the Middle-age Training in Anaheim begins next week on March 17. The goal of the training is to foster living, functioning, overcoming members of the Body of Christ for the fulfillment of God's eternal purpose!

Please pray for the Lord's covering and blessing of all the trainees, serving ones, and their families. Pray for the rich infusion of the truth into each trainee and for the Lord's maturing them through His moving within each one and His using the outward environment.

French-speaking Europe

Many cities in French-speaking Europe are ripe for harvest; existing churches also need shepherding and strengthening. Currently, we have 16 full-time serving ones on the team in Paris, but many still need long-stay visas to remain. Our original goal was to have 20 serving ones by this summer, but we now realize that if we had 50, they would all be fully occupied. We need many more saints to migrate in order to meet the long-term need—not only full-time serving ones, but also students, families, and mature saints.

Please pray for the Lord to send workers to match His present move and for the release of long-stay visas for these saints.

Announcements

- 1. **Morning Revival:** Week 3 of *Living a Christian Life and Church Life Under the Government of God for the Economy of God* (Thanksgiving Conference).
- 2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** The series on "The Crucial Points of the Truth in Paul's Epistles —Ephesians" continues this week starting at 7:25 pm in Anaheim and at lsmwebcast.com.
- 3. **Memorial Day Conference:** The 2025 International Memorial Day Blending Conference will be held in Phoenix, AZ at the Sheraton Phoenix Downtown from May 23 to 26. Saints in LA who are considering attending in person are asked to RSVP by April 30 at tinyurl.com/memdayla. Details, including recommended hotels at discounted rates, are in the information package on this site.
- 4. **ICSC:** Archived messages from the recent International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference in Anaheim are available to watch for free until March 18 at lsmwebcast.com.
- 5. **Junior High Brothers Conference:** March 28 to 30 at Oak Glen.
- 6. **High School Brothers Conference:** April 11 to 13 at Oak Glen.
- 7. **Bibles for America**'s recent blogpost "How Does God's Light Help Us Grow?" is available to read and share at <u>blog.bfa.org</u>.
- 8. **Ways to Give**: Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.