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ANNOUNCEMENTS

High School Spring Conference (April 15-17)

There will be a conference for the young people in grades 9-12 from April 15-17. The conference will be held entirely in person at KPCC, with no online component. For more information, please go to www.pursuewiththose.org.

Regional Conference with Brother Ed Marks (April 23-24)

There will be a regional conference with Brother Ed Marks over the weekend of April 23-24. The conference sessions will be held online via Zoom. Details will be provided soon via the church website and the church app.

Service Office Hours

Service Office hours are available for saints to call in to fellowship or to pray with some serving ones.

Day & Time: Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday), 10:30AM-11:30AM.

Zoom link:

https://zoom.us/j/3785123114?pwd=dEpzN2ZGZ1aaGV5dTFob3AwQlBodz09

Meeting ID: 378 512 3114

Passcode: 3131

One tap mobile: +19294362866,, 3785123114#

The burden for holding these office hours is that the hearts of the saints can be comforted and that their souls would be restored.

PRAYER BURDENS

 To me for you (Eph. 3:2)--That all the saints would enjoy the dispensing of the Triune God both in their personal fellowship with the Lord each morning and throughout the day, and allow the Lord to flow out to others both in their daily life and in the meetings

Ephesians 3:2 If indeed you have heard of the stewardship of the grace of God which was given to me for you.

- The Chinese-speaking conference which concludes today at Camp Penuel (KPCC)
- The Northeast Spring High School Conference which will be held at Camp Penuel (KPCC) over the weekend of April 15-17
- The strengthening of all the families and households in the church life:
 - a. The strengthening of the oneness in every household
 - b. The children and the young people
- The strengthening of the service with the children (nursery, pre-K, children's meeting) in all nine halls, as well as in the church in Rosendale
- The Russia-Ukraine conflict:
 - a. Pray for the safety and well-being of all the saints, both those who remain in Ukraine and those who have evacuated the country
 - Pray for the saints in the churches in Europe, particularly in Poland and in Germany, who are receiving some of the displaced saints and other Ukrainian refugees
 - Pray that the Lord would exercise His sovereignty over the entire situation for the sake of His purpose and that this situation may turn out to salvation for many
- The various needs of the saints both locally and in other localities (e.g. physical and emotional, health-related, job-related, family-related, etc.)

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: 2021 Thanksgiving Conference - Living in and with the Divine Trinity

Week 3: Living in the Divine Trinity (2) Living in the Divine Trinity by Enjoying Christ as Our Life Supply,

by Living Christ for His Magnification, and by the Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ in Our Spirit

Portion from Days 2 & 4:

When we have problems in our daily life, we do not have to seek advice from others, because we have a spirit in us and the Lord as the Spirit dwelling in our spirit is very near to us....You can talk with Him and confer with Him in everything. The Lord's Word says, "In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God" (Phil. 4:6). Hence, if you have some problem, you just need to tell Him. He is right within you, and He is with you face to face. The Triune God—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—is in us not to trouble us but to be our Paraclete, Comforter, and Supporter. I always pray, "O Lord, now I am going to take a walk. Support me, sustain me, and strengthen me." This is to drink the Lord....When anxiety comes, you should say, "O Lord, this anxiety is Yours, not mine; I give it to You because You bear it for me." Thus, you receive the Lord's element into you, and metabolism will work constantly in you. Consequently, what is expressed through you outwardly is Christ. This is to live Christ. Those who do not know this secret consider that to live Christ is a difficult thing. Actually, you just need to practice speaking with the Lord constantly; then spontaneously, you will live Christ.

At the time Paul wrote the book of Philippians, he was an elderly person. No doubt, the guards expected him to be exhausted by his imprisonment. But far from being exhausted Paul was full of joy and rejoicing in the Lord....Such an expression was a declaration of the unlimited greatness of Christ and a declaration that Christ is inexhaustible.

Even though Paul must have been mistreated in prison, he could be happy and display to the guards the unlimited greatness of Christ. In particular, Paul displayed Christ's inexhaustible patience. Christ certainly was magnified in Paul's physical body. Day by day, Paul was happy in the Lord. His happiness did not diminish as time went by.

By magnifying Christ in this way, Paul could overcome any situation.

All during his long and unfortunate imprisonment-voyage, the Lord kept the apostle in His ascendency and enabled him to live a life far beyond the realm of anxiety, but fully dignified with the highest standard of human virtues expressing the most excellent divine attributes, a life that

resembled the one that He Himself had lived on earth years before.

Corporate Reading: "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Ch. 21: The Practice of Intercession, Beholding, Waiting, and Musing

MINISTRY PORTIONS

HOW TO ENJOY GOD Turning to Our Inner Being

First, God is inside of us. If we want to enjoy Him, we should learn to turn to our inner being. We must turn in order to exercise our inner being. God is not outside of us. ... He dwells in our spirit. We do not need to look for Him outside. He is very near to us; He is within us.

Being Calm

Second, we must learn to be calm before Him and pray to Him. ...we need to fellowship with Him. Although God is in us, we are often drawn to the outside world through busy distractions. To be busy is to have our heart drawn away by distractions. When our outer man is busy, our heart is dead to God. The Chinese character for busy is composed of the root words for heart and dead. When a person is busy, his heart is dead. ... The heart should not be dead, and it should not be asleep. We do not want either situation. We should be normal and exercise our inward being in quietness in order to absorb God. The best prayer is one that absorbs God. Prayer has nothing to do with how many words we utter. It is a matter of finding a quiet time to turn our busy heart to the inner chamber in order to fellowship with God and to absorb His very being. We can then realize that He is our life, food, drink, light, strength, joy, and comfort. He is the answer to whatever we need. ... We are not those in religion who worship a God who is high above and far away from us. A Christian does not worship in this way. Instead, he abides quietly in the inner chamber and touches God. He fellowships with God and absorbs Him in his spirit. In this way God abides in him and becomes his all.

Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 1: Enjoying God (Section 4)