

Loving the Lord with the First Love, Enjoying the Lord as the Tree of Life, and Being the Golden Lampstand as the Testimony of Jesus for the Building Up of the New Jerusalem as the Goal of God's Eternal Economy

Monday 10/3

Rev. 2:7

7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

2 Cor. 11:2-3

2 For I am jealous over you with a jealousy of God; for I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a pure virgin to Christ.

3 But I fear lest somehow, as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness, your thoughts would be corrupted from the simplicity and the purity toward Christ.

1 Pet. 2:24

24 Who Himself bore up our sins in His body on the tree, in order that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose bruise you were healed.

Rev. 22:2, 14

2 And on this side and on that side of the river was the tree of life, producing twelve fruits, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

14 Blessed are those who wash their robes that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter by the gates into the city.

Prov. 11:30

30 The fruit of the righteous man is a tree of life, And he who is wise wins souls.

Prov. 3:18

18 She is a tree of life to those who lay hold of her, And happy are those who hold her fast.

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 1*

Corporate Reading: *“The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration” Chapter 1, Section: Using the Spirit to Pray-read*

Tuesday 10/4

Eph. 5:25

25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

Eph. 6:24

24 Grace be with all those who love our Lord Jesus Christ in incorruptibility.

Eph. 1:4

4 Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love,

Eph. 3:17

17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

Eph. 4:2, 15-16

2 With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, bearing one another in love,

15 But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

16 Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

Eph. 5:2

2 And walk in love, even as Christ also loved us and gave Himself up for us, an offering and a sacrifice to God for a sweet-smelling savor.

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 2*

Corporate Reading: *“The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration” Chapter 1, Section: Exercising to Have a Living Spirit*

Wednesday 10/5

Rev. 2:4

4 But I have one thing against you, that you have left your first love.

Mark 12:30-31

30 And you shall love the Lord your God from your whole heart and from your whole soul and

from your whole mind and from your whole strength."

31 The second is this: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.

Deut 6:4-5

4 Hear, O Israel, Jehovah is our God; Jehovah is one.

5 And you shall love Jehovah your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.

Luke 10:27-28

27 And he answered and said, "You shall love the Lord your God from your whole heart and with your whole soul and with your whole strength and with your whole mind, and your neighbor as yourself."

28 And He said to him, You have answered correctly; do this, and you shall have life.

1 John 4:21

21 And this commandment we have from Him, that he who loves God love his brother also.

Matt. 24:12-13

12 And because lawlessness will be multiplied, the love of the many will grow cold.

13 But he who has endured to the end, this one shall be saved.

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 3*

Corporate Reading: *“The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration” Chapter 1, Section: Exercising Three Organs--the Spirit, the Heart, and the Mind*

Thursday 10/6

Rev. 2:5, 7, 1-4

5 Remember therefore where you have fallen from and repent and do the first works; but if not, I am coming to you and will remove your lampstand out of its place, unless you repent.

7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

1 To the messenger of the church in Ephesus write: These things says He who holds the seven

stars in His right hand, He who walks in the midst of the seven golden lampstands:

2 I know your works and your labor and your endurance and that you cannot bear evil men; and you have tried those who call themselves apostles and are not, and have found them to be false;

3 And you have endurance and have borne all things because of My name and have not grown weary.

4 But I have one thing against you, that you have left your first love.

Rev. 1:9

9 I John, your brother and fellow partaker in the tribulation and kingdom and endurance in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony of Jesus.

Gen. 2:9

9 And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

John 8:12

12 Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall by no means walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 4*

Corporate Reading: “*The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration*” **Chapter 1, Section: The Heart Being Pure**

Friday 10/7

S. S. 1:2-4

2 Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! For your love is better than wine.

3 Your anointing oils have a pleasant fragrance; Your name is like ointment poured forth; Therefore the virgins love you.

4 Draw me; we will run after you-The king has brought me into his chambers-We will be glad and rejoice in you; We will extol your love more than wine. Rightly do they love you.

2 Cor. 5:14-15

14 For the love of Christ constrains us because we have judged this, that One died for all, therefore all died;

15 And He died for all that those who live may no longer live to themselves but to Him who died for them and has been raised.

Eph. 4:15-16

See Tuesday

1 Tim. 1:14

14 And the grace of our Lord superabounded with faith and love in Christ Jesus.

Gal. 5:6

6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision avails anything nor uncircumcision, but faith avails, operating through love.

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 5*

Corporate Reading: “*The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration*” **Chapter 1, Section: The Mind Being Renewed and Transformed**

Saturday 10/8

John 14:21, 23

21 He who has My commandments and keeps them, he is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will manifest Myself to him.

23 Jesus answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make an abode with him.

1 Cor. 2:9

9 But as it is written, "Things which eye has not seen and ear has not heard and which have not come up in man's heart; things which God has prepared for those who love Him."

1 Cor. 16:22

22 If anyone does not love the Lord, let him be accursed! The Lord comes!

S. S. 1:2-4

See Friday

Further Reading: *HWMR Taking the Way of Enjoying Christ as the Tree of Life – Week 3, Day 6*

Corporate Reading: *None*

Lord's Day 10/9

John 21:9-17

9 Then when they got out onto the land, they saw a fire of coals laid there, and fish lying on it and bread.

10 Jesus said to them, Bring some of the fish that you have just now caught.

11 Simon Peter therefore went up and hauled the net to the land full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three; and though there were so many, the net was not torn.

12 Jesus said to them, Come and have breakfast. But none of the disciples dared to inquire of Him, Who are you? knowing that it was the Lord.

13 Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and the fish likewise.

14 This was now the third time that Jesus was manifested to the disciples after He had been raised from the dead.

15 Then when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Feed My lambs.

16 He said to him again a second time, Simon, son of John, do you love Me? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Shepherd My sheep.

17 He said to him the third time, Simon, son of John, do you love Me? Peter was grieved that He said to him the third time, Do you love Me? And he said to Him, Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You. Jesus said to him, Feed My sheep.

Hymns, #547

Further Reading:

CWWL, 1991-1992, vol. 4, "The Overcomers," chs. 2-3
Life-study of Revelation, msg. 10
Life-study of John, msg. 32