The Intrinsic Significance of the Materials of the Temple

Monday 11/28

1 Kings 6:15

15 And he built the walls of the house within with cedar boards; from the floor of the house to the wall of the ceiling he covered them on the inside with wood. And he overlaid the floor of the house with boards of cypress.

1 Cor. 2:2

2 For I did not determine to know anything among you except Jesus Christ, and this One crucified.

Phil. 1:19-21a

19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

20 According to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I will be put to shame, but with all boldness, as always, even now Christ will be magnified in my body, whether through life or through death.

21a For to me, to live is Christ

1 Cor. 3:9, 12a, 16-17

9 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's cultivated land, God's building.

12a But if anyone builds upon the foundation gold, silver, precious stones,

16 Do you not know that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

17 If anyone destroys the temple of God, God will destroy him; for the temple of God is holy, and such are you.

Eph. 3:2

2 If indeed you have heard of the stewardship of the grace of God which was given to me for you,

1 Pet. 4:10-11

10 Each one, as he has received a gift, ministering it among yourselves as good stewards of the varied grace of God.

11 If anyone speaks, as speaking oracles of God; if anyone ministers, as ministering out of the strength which God supplies; that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom is the glory and the might forever and ever. Amen.

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 1

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: The Church Being the Body and the New Man; The Revelation in the Bible of the Church as the New Man

Tuesday 11/29

1 Kings 6:34-35

34 And two doors of cypress wood; the two leaves of the one door folded, and the two leaves of the second door folded.

35 And he carved cherubim and palm trees and open flowers on them, and he overlaid them with gold evenly applied over the carved work.

2 Kings 19:30

30 And the remnant of those who have escaped of the house of Judah will again take root downward and bear fruit upward.

Hosea 14:5-6

5 I will be like the dew to Israel; He will bud like the lily And will send forth his roots like the trees of Lebanon.

6 His shoots will go forth; And his splendor will be like that of the olive tree, And his fragrance, like that of the trees of Lebanon.

Psa. 104:16

16 The trees of Jehovah are full of sap, The cedars of Lebanon, which He planted,

S.S. 4:8

8 Come with me from Lebanon, my bride; With me from Lebanon come. Look from the top of Amana, From the top of Senir and Hermon, From the lions' dens, From the leopards' mountains.

Ezek. 17:22-23

22 Thus says the Lord Jehovah, I will also take a twig from the lofty top of the cedar and will set it out; from the topmost of its young twigs I will crop off a tender one, and I will transplant it upon a high and prominent mountain.

23 On the high mountain of Israel I will transplant it; and it will bear branches and produce fruit and will become a magnificent cedar; and under it all birds of every kind will nest; in the shade of its branches they will nest.

Phil. 3:10

10 To know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 2

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: The Church Having Not Only Life But Also a Person

Wednesday 11/30

Rom. 11:17, 24

17 But if some of the branches were broken off, and

you, being a wild olive tree, were grafted in among them and became a fellow partaker of the root of fatness of the olive tree,

24 For if you were cut off from what is by nature a wild olive tree and were grafted contrary to nature into the cultivated olive tree, how much more will these who are the natural branches be grafted into their own olive tree!

Exo. 30:25, 30

25 And you shall make it a holy anointing oil, a perfume compounded according to the perfumer's art; it shall be a holy anointing oil.

30 And you shall anoint Aaron and his sons and sanctify them that they may serve Me as priests.

1 Cor. 15:45b

45b the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit.

Rom. 8:16

16 The Spirit Himself witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God.

Psa. 106:48

48 Blessed be Jehovah the God of Israel, From eternity to eternity. And let all the people say, Amen. Hallelujah.

2 Pet. 1:4

4 Through which He has granted to us precious and exceedingly great promises that through these you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world by lust.

1 John 2:20, 27

20 And you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know.

27 And as for you, the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone teach you; but as His anointing teaches you concerning all things and is true and is not a lie, and even as it has taught you, abide in Him.

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 3

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: Putting Off Our Former Manner of Life, the Old Man

Thursday 12/1

Luke 10:33-34

33 But a certain Samaritan, who was journeying, came upon him; and when he saw him, he was moved with compassion;

34 And he came to him and bound up his wounds and poured oil and wine on them. And placing him on his own beast, he brought him to an inn and took care of him.

Judg. 9:13

13 But the vine said to them, Shall I leave my new wine, which cheers God and men, and go to wave over the trees?

Rom. 10:11-13

11 For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes on Him shall not be put to shame."

12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all and rich to all who call upon Him:

13 For "whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Eph. 6:17-18

17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God,

18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

2 Cor. 3:6

6 Who has also made us sufficient as ministers of a new covenant, ministers not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life.

Phil 2:17

17 But even if I am being poured out as a drink offering upon the sacrifice and service of your faith, I rejoice, and I rejoice together with you all.

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 4

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: Being Renewed in the Spirit of the Mind

Friday 12/2

1 Kings 7:15

15 And he formed the two bronze pillars; eighteen cubits was the height of each pillar, and a line of twelve cubits encompassed each pillar.

Rom. 7:18

18 For I know that in me, that is, in my flesh, nothing good dwells; for to will is present with me, but to work out the good is not.

Phil. 3:3

3 For we are the circumcision, the ones who serve by the Spirit of God and boast in Christ Jesus and have no confidence in the flesh,

2 Cor. 1:12

12 For our boasting is this, the testimony of our conscience, that in singleness and sincerity of God, not in fleshly wisdom but in the grace of God, we have conducted ourselves in the world, and more abundantly toward you.

2 Cor. 4:7-8

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.

8 We are pressed on every side but not constricted; unable to find a way out but not utterly without a way out:

S.S. 2:1-2

1 I am a rose of Sharon, A lily of the valleys.

2 As a lily among thorns, So is my love among the daughters.

Matt. 6:28, 30

28 And why are you anxious concerning clothing? Consider well the lilies of the field, how they grow. They do not toil, neither do they spin thread.

30 And if God so arrays the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is cast into the furnace, will He not much more clothe you, you of little faith?

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 5

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: Three Crucial Items; Schools Being for the Lord's Use; Spreading the Gospel Throughout Taiwan

Saturday 12/3

1 Kings 6:7

7 And the house, when it was being built, was built of finished stone, cut at the quarry, so that neither hammer nor ax nor any iron tool was heard in the house when it was being built.

1 Pet. 2:4-5

4 Coming to Him, a living stone, rejected by men but with God chosen and precious,

5 You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

Eph. 2:20-22

20 Being built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone;

21 In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord;

22 In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

2 Cor. 4:16

16 Therefore we do not lose heart; but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

Phil. 3:10

See Tuesday

2 Cor. 3:18

18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

Eph. 3:21

2Î To Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus unto all the generations forever and ever. Amen.

Further Reading: HWMR Crystallization-Study of 1 and 2 Kings – Week 7, Day 6

Corporate Reading: The Meaning of Human Life and a Proper Consecration, Chapter 9, Section: Taking Christ as Our Person

Lord's Day 12/4

Hosea 14:5-9

5 I will be like the dew to Israel; He will bud like the lily And will send forth his roots like the trees of Lebanon.

6 His shoots will go forth; And his splendor will be like that of the olive tree, And his fragrance, like that of the trees of Lebanon.

7 Those who sit under his shade will return; They will revive like grain And will bud like the vine; His renown will be like the wine of Lebanon.

8 Ephraim says, What have I yet to do with idols? I respond and look on him. I am like a green fir tree; From Me your fruit is found.

9 Who is wise? Then let him understand these things. Who is intelligent? Then let him know them. For the ways of Jehovah are right, And the righteous will walk in them, But the transgressors will stumble in them.

Psa. 92:12-14

12 The righteous man will flourish like the palm tree; He will grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

13 Planted in the house of Jehovah, They will flourish in the courts of our God.

14 They will still bring forth fruit in old age; They will be full of sap and green;

2 Kings 19:30

30 And the remnant of those who have escaped of the house of Judah will again take root downward and bear fruit upward.

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Further Reading:

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