**Morning Watch AN OVERVIEW OF THE CENTRAL BURDEN AND PRESENT TRUTH OF Oct. 23-29, 2023**

 **THE LORD'S RECOVERY BEFORE HIS APPEARING–WEEK 1**

**The Ultimate Goal of God’s Economy—God Became Man That Man Might Become God in Life and in Nature but Not in the Godhead for the Building Up of the Body of Christ to**

**Consummate the New Jerusalem**

**Monday 10/23**

**John 1:14**

***See Tuesday***

**John 12:24**

**24** Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

**1 Tim. 1:3-6**

**3** Even as I exhorted you, when I was going into Macedonia, to remain in Ephesus in order that you might charge certain ones not to teach different things

**4** Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God's economy, which is in faith.

**5** But the end of the charge is love out of a pure heart and out of a good conscience and out of unfeigned faith;

**6** From which things some, having misaimed, have turned aside to vain talking,

**Eph. 1:9-10**

**9** Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself,

**10** Unto the economy of the fullness of the times, to head up all things in Christ, the things in the heavens and the things on the earth, in Him;

**Eph. 3:9-10**

**9** And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,

**10** In order that now to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenlies the multifarious wisdom of God might be made known through the church,

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 1*

**Tuesday 10/24**

**Gal. 5:25**

**25** If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

**Acts 16:7**

**7** And when they had come to Mysia, they tried to go into Bithynia, yet the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them.

**John 1:14, 29**

**14** And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.

**29** The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

**John 3:14**

**14** And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up,

**Acts 2:36**

**36** Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made Him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you have crucified.

**Acts 5:31**

**31** This One God has exalted to His right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.

**Acts 13:33**

**33** That God has fully fulfilled this promise to us their children in raising up Jesus, as it is also written in the second Psalm, "You are My Son; today I have begotten You."

**1 Pet. 1:3**

**3** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has regenerated us unto a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

**Heb. 4:14**

**14** Having therefore a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast the confession.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 2*

**Wednesday 10/25**

**Eph. 1:4-5**

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

**5** Predestinating us unto sonship through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,

**1 Pet. 1:13-18**

**13** Therefore girding up the loins of your mind and being sober, set your hope perfectly on the grace being brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

**14** As children of obedience, do not be fashioned according to the former lusts in your ignorance;

**15** But according to the Holy One who called you, you yourselves also be holy in all your manner of life;

**16** Because it is written, "You shall be holy because I am holy."

**17** And if you call as Father the One who without respect of persons judges according to each one's work, pass the time of your sojourning in fear,

**18** Knowing that it was not with corruptible things, with silver or gold, that you were redeemed from your vain manner of life handed down from your fathers,

**Heb. 2:10-11**

**10** For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

**11** For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One, for which cause He is not ashamed to call them brothers,

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 3*

**Thursday 10/26**

**1 Thes. 5:23**

**23** And the God of peace Himself sanctify you wholly, and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame, at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Rom. 12:2**

**2** And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

**John 17:16-19**

**16** They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

**17** Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.

**18** As you have sent Me into the world, I also have sent them into the world.

**19** And for their sake I sanctify Myself, that they themselves also may be sanctified in truth.

**1 Cor. 1:2, 30**

**2** To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints, with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, who is theirs and ours:

**30** But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became wisdom to us from God: both righteousness and sanctification and redemption,

**1 Cor. 6:11**

**11** And these things were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.

**1 Pet. 1:2**

**2** Chosen according to the foreknowledge of God the Father in the sanctification of the Spirit unto obedience and the sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 4*

**Friday 10/27**

**Eph. 5:26**

**26** That He might sanctify her, cleansing her by the washing of the water in the word,

**John 6:63**

**63** It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing; the words which I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.

**Exo. 17:6**

**6** I will be standing before you there upon the rock in Horeb; and you shall strike the rock, and water will come out of it so that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel.

**Exo. 30:17-21**

**17** And Jehovah spoke to Moses, saying,

**18** You shall also make a laver of bronze, with its base of bronze, for washing. And you shall put it between the Tent of Meeting and the altar, and you shall put water in it.

**19** And Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet with water from it;

**20** When they go into the Tent of Meeting, they shall wash with water, that they may not die; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn an offering by fire to Jehovah,

**21**Then they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they may not die. And it shall be a perpetual statute to them, for him and for his seed throughout their generations.

**John 7:37-39**

**37** Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

**38** He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

**39** But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 5*

**Saturday 10/28**

**1 Sam. 3:21**

**21** And Jehovah continued to appear in Shiloh, for Jehovah revealed Himself to Samuel in Shiloh by the word of Jehovah.

**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.

**Luke 10:39**

**39** And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at the Lord's feet and was listening to His word.

**Heb. 3:7-11**

**7** Therefore, even as the Holy Spirit says, "Today if you hear His voice,

**8** Do not harden your hearts as in the provocation, in the day of trial in the wilderness,

**9** Where your fathers tried Me by testing Me and saw My works for forty years.

**10** Therefore I was displeased with this generation, and I said, They always go astray in their heart, and they have not known My ways;

11 As I swore in My wrath, They shall not enter into My rest!"

**Psa. 95:7-8**

**7** For He is our God, And we are the people of His pasture And the flock of His hand. Today, if you hear His voice,

**8** Do not harden your heart as at Meribah, As in the day of Massah in the wilderness;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 1, Day 6*

**Lord’s Day 10/29**

**Rev. 21:2-3, 9-10, 12, 14, 22**

**2** And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

**3** And I heard a loud voice out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

**9** And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, Come here; I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.

**10** And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,

**12** It had a great and high wall and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names inscribed, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel:

**14** And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

**22** And I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

**Rev. 22:3-6**

**3** And there will no longer be a curse. And the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and His slaves will serve Him;

**4** And they will see His face, and His name will be on their forehead.

**5** And night will be no more; and they have no need of the light of a lamp and of the light of the sun, for the Lord God will shine upon them; and they will reign forever and ever.

**6** And he said to me, These words are faithful and true; and the Lord, the God of the spirits of the prophets, has sent His angel to show to His slaves the things which must quickly take place.

**Hymns,** *#1135*

**Further Reading:**

*The High Peak of the Vision and the Reality of*

*the Body of Christ, ch. 2*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans**

**Level 1—Romans Sequential Study**

**Scripture:** *Rom. 10:4-21*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Romans, msgs. 52-53*

**Level 2—Romans Topical Study**

**Crucial Point:** *The Living Out of the Body Life*

**Scripture:** *Rom. 12:9-13:14*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Romans,* msgs. 27, 59

**Supplemental Reading:** *None*

**Hymn:**  *#911*

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