

**AN OVERVIEW OF THE CENTRAL BURDEN AND PRESENT TRUTH OF
THE LORD'S RECOVERY BEFORE HIS APPEARING—WEEK 6**

Morning Watch

Nov. 27-Dec. 3, 2023

Shepherding according to God

Monday 11/27

John 21:15-17 (16)

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.

Acts 20:28

28 Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among whom the Holy Spirit has placed you as overseers to shepherd the church of God, which He obtained through His own blood.

Matt. 9:36

36 And seeing the crowds, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were harassed and cast away like sheep not having a shepherd.

John 10:10b-11, 16

10b I have come that they may have life and may have it abundantly.

11 I am the good Shepherd; the good Shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

16 And I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must lead them also, and they shall hear My voice, and there shall be one flock, one Shepherd.

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

Tuesday 11/28

Acts 2:42

42 And they continued steadfastly in the

teaching and the fellowship of the apostles, in the breaking of bread and the prayers.

Col. 1:28

28 Whom we announce, admonishing every man and teaching every man in all wisdom that we may present every man full-grown in Christ;

Matt 28:19-20

19 Go therefore and disciple all the nations, baptizing them into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.

Acts 20:28

See Monday

Eph 4:11-12

11 And He Himself gave some as apostles and some as prophets and some as evangelists and some as shepherds and teachers,

12 For the perfecting of the saints unto the work of the ministry, unto the building up of the Body of Christ,

1 Tim 5:17

17 Let the elders who take the lead well be counted worthy of double honor, especially those who labor in word and teaching.

Further Reading: *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 6, Day 2*

Wednesday 11/29

1 Pet. 2:21, 25

21 For to this you were called, because Christ also suffered on your behalf, leaving you a model so that you may follow in His steps;

25 For you were like sheep being led astray, but you have now returned to the Shepherd and Overseer of your souls.

Psa. 23:3

3 He restores my soul; He guides me on the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.

John 14:16-18

16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever,

17 Even the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him; but you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you.

18 I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.

2 Cor. 1:3-4

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassions and God of all comfort;

4 Who comforts us in all our affliction that we may be able to comfort those who are in every affliction through the comforting with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Eph. 3:17

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

Heb. 13:17

17 Obey the ones leading you and submit to them, for they watch over your souls as those who will render an account, that they may do this with joy and not groaning; for this would be unprofitable to you.

Further Reading: *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 6, Day 3*

Thursday 11/30

1 Pet. 5:2

2 Shepherd the flock of God among you, overseeing not under compulsion but willingly, according to God; not by seeking gain through base means but eagerly;

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.

John 14:6

6 Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.

John 6:57

57 As the living Father has sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me.

Col. 3:4

4 When Christ our life is manifested, then you also will be manifested with Him in glory.

1 Cor. 6:17

17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit.

John 15:4

4 Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.

Further Reading: *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 6, Day 4*

Friday 12/1

2 Cor. 6:11, 13

11 Our mouth is opened to you, Corinthians; our heart is enlarged.

13 But for a recompense in kind, I speak as to children, you also be enlarged.

1 Kings 4:29

29 And God gave Solomon wisdom and very much understanding and largeness of heart, even as the sand that is on the seashore.

1 Cor. 6:3

3 Do you not know that we will judge angels, not to mention things of this life?

Prov. 25:15

15 By forbearance a ruler may be persuaded, And a soft tongue can break the bone.

Luke 15:4, 8, 10

4 Which man of you, who has a hundred sheep and has lost one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one which is lost until he finds it?

8 Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one silver coin, does not light a lamp and sweep the house and seek carefully until she finds it?

10 In the same way, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner repenting.

Further Reading: *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 6, Day 5*

Saturday 12/2

1 Cor. 12:24-26

24 But our comely members have no need. But God has blended the body together, giving more abundant honor to the member that lacked,

25 That there would be no division in the body, but that the members would have the same care for one another.

26 And whether one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; or one member is glorified, all the members rejoice with it.

Eph. 4:16

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. 2:21-22

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.

Eph. 1:22-23

22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church,

23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.

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

Lord's Day 12/3

Luke 15:11-14, 17-24

11 And He said, A certain man had two sons.

12 And the younger of them said to the father, Father, give me the share of the estate that falls to me. And he distributed to them his living.

13 And not many days after, the younger son, having gathered everything together, went abroad to a distant country and there squandered his estate by living dissolutely.

14 And when he had spent all, a severe famine

occurred throughout that country, and he began to be in want.

17 But when he came to himself, he said, How many of my father's hired servants abound in bread, but I am perishing here in famine!

18 I will rise up and go to my father, and I will say to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you.

19 I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.

20 And he rose up and came to his own father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with compassion, and he ran and fell on his neck and kissed him affectionately.

21 And the son said to him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.

22 But the father said to his slaves, Bring out quickly the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet.

23 And bring the fattened calf; slaughter it, and let us eat and be merry,

24 Because this son of mine was dead and lives again; he was lost and has been found. And they began to be merry.

Hymns, #1221

Further Reading:

Life-study of 1 Peter, msg. 21

Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans

Level 1—Romans Sequential Study

Scripture: *Rom. 14:1-12*

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Romans, msgs. 62-63*

Level 2—Romans Topical Study

Crucial Point: *The Kingdom of God as Righteousness, Peace, and Joy in the Holy Spirit*

Scripture: *Rom. 14:17*

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Mark, msg. 15; What the Kingdom is to the Believers, chs. 1-3*

Supplemental Reading: *None*

Hymn: #947

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