

**AN OVERVIEW OF THE CENTRAL BURDEN AND PRESENT TRUTH OF  
THE LORD'S RECOVERY BEFORE HIS APPEARING—WEEK 8**

**Morning Watch**

**Dec. 11-17, 2023**

**Reigning in Life**

**Monday 12/11**

**Rom. 5:10, 17**

**10** For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

**17** For if by the offense of the one death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

**Rom. 8:2**

**2** For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.

**1 Cor. 15:10**

**10** But by the grace of God I am what I am; and His grace unto me did not turn out to be in vain, but, on the contrary, I labored more abundantly than all of them, yet not I but the grace of God which is with me.

**2 Cor. 12:9**

**9** And He has said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is perfected in weakness. Most gladly therefore I will rather boast in my weaknesses that the power of Christ might tabernacle over me.

**Rom. 8:35-37**

**35** Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation or anguish or persecution or famine or nakedness or peril or sword?

**36** As it is written, "For Your sake we are being put to death all day long; we have been accounted as sheep for slaughter."

**37** But in all these things we more than conquer through Him who loved us.

**Phil. 3:14**

**14** I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called me upward.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 1*

**Tuesday 12/12**

**John 3:5**

**5** Jesus answered, Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

**Rom. 5:21**

**21** In order that just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness unto eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**John 1:12-13**

**12** But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name,

**13** Who were begotten not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

**Rev. 5:10**

**10** And have made them a kingdom and priests to our God; and they will reign on the earth.

**Matt. 28:18**

**18** And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.

**Eph. 2:6**

**6** And raised us up together with Him and seated us together with Him in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus,

**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.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 2*

**Wednesday 12/13**

**Rom. 8:37-39**

**37** But in all these things we more than conquer through Him who loved us.

**38** For I am persuaded that neither death nor life nor angels nor principalities nor things present nor things to come nor powers

**39** Nor height nor depth nor any other creature will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Eph. 4:23**

**23** And that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind

**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.

**Phil. 3:9**

**9** And be found in Him, not having my own righteousness which is out of the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is out of God and based on faith,

**Rom. 11:17**

**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,

**Gal. 2:20**

**20** I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 3*

**Thursday 12/14**

**Rom. 12:1-2, 3-5, 11, 15, 18**

**1** I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.

**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.

**3** For I say, through the grace given to me, to every one who is among you, not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think, but to think so as to be sober-minded, as God has apportioned to each a measure of faith.

**4** For just as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function,

**5** So we who are many are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

**11** Do not be slothful in zeal, but be burning in spirit, serving the Lord.

**15** Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep.

**18** If possible, as far as it depends on you, live in peace with all men.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 4*

#### Friday 12/15

**Rom. 16:16**

**16** Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you.

**1 Cor. 10:16**

**16** The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the fellowship of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the fellowship of the body of Christ?

**1 Cor. 12:13**

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**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.

**Eph. 4:4**

**4** One Body and one Spirit, even as also you were called in one hope of your calling;

**Rev. 1:11**

**11** Saying, What you see write in a scroll and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus and to Smyrna and to Pergamos and to Thyatira and to Sardis and to Philadelphia and to Laodicea.

**1 John 1:3, 7**

**3** That which we have seen and heard we report also to you that you also may have fellowship with us, and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

**7** But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 5*

#### Saturday 12/16

**Rom. 16:1, 3-4, 20**

**1** I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a deaconess of the church which is in Cenchrea,

**3** Greet Prisca and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus,

**4** Who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles;

**20** Now the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

**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.

**Rom. 12:1**

*See Thursday*

**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.

**Phil. 4:18**

**18** But I have received in full all things and abound; I have been filled, receiving from Epaphroditus the things from you, a sweet-smelling savor, an acceptable sacrifice, well-

pleasing to God.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR An Overview of the Central Burden... – Week 8, Day 6*

#### Lord's Day 12/17

**1 Cor. 12:12-14, 18-20, 25-27**

**12** For even as the body is one and has many members, yet all the members of the body, being many, are one body, so also is the Christ.

**13** For also in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and were all given to drink one Spirit.

**14** For the body is not one member but many.

**18** But now God has placed the members, each one of them, in the body, even as He willed.

**19** And if all were one member, where would the body be?

**20** But now the members are many, but the body one.

**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.

**27** Now you are the body of Christ, and members individually.

**Hymn, #947**

**Further Reading:**

*Salvation in Life in the Book of Romans, ch. 7*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Romans**

**Level 1—Romans Sequential Study**

**Scripture:** *Rom. 15:1-33*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Romans, msgs. 66-67*

**Level 2—Romans Topical Study**

**Crucial Point:** *Greetings in the Body Life*

**Scripture:** *Rom. 16:1-27*

**Assigned Reading:** *The Practical Points Concerning Blending, chs. 1-5*

**Supplemental Reading:** *None*

**Hymn:** #1232

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