Morning Watch The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life unto Maturity – Week 4 Apr. 8-14, 2024

Knowing the All-inclusive Christ and Growing with the Growth of God

Monday 4/8

Col. 1:<u>18, 27</u>

18 And He is the Head of the Body, the church; He is the beginning, the Firstborn from the dead, that He Himself might have the first place in all things;

27 To whom God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory,

Eph. 1:22-23

 $2\hat{2}$ 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.

Rev. 22:13

13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

1 Cor. 15:20

20 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

Col. 1:15

15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the Firstborn of all creation,

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life* ... – *Week* 4, *Day* 1

Tuesday 4/9

Col. 2:<u>6-7, 19</u>

6 As therefore you have received the Christ, Jesus the Lord, walk in Him,

7 Having been rooted and being built up in Him, and being established in the faith even as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

19 And not holding the Head, out from whom all the Body, being richly supplied and knit together by means of the joints and sinews, grows with the growth of God.

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;

Col. 2:8, 13, 20

8 Beware that no one carries you off as spoil through his philosophy and empty deceit, according to the tradition of men, according to the elements of the world, and not according to Christ;

13 And you, though dead in your offenses and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our offenses;

20 If you died with Christ from the elements of the world, why, as living in the world, do you subject yourselves to ordinances:

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 4, Day 2*

Wednesday 4/10

Col. 2:<u>2-3</u>

2 That their hearts may be comforted, they being knit together in love and unto all the riches of the full assurance of understanding, unto the full knowledge of the mystery of God, Christ,

3 In whom all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge are hidden.

Eph. 1:8, 17

8 Which He caused to abound to us in all wisdom and prudence,

17 That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give to you a spirit of wisdom and revelation in the full knowledge of Him,

1 Cor. 1:24, 30

24 But to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

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

Col. 2:9-10

9 For in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,

10 And you have been made full in Him, who is the Head of all rule and authority.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 4, Day 3*

Thursday 4/11

Col. 3:<u>1-4</u>

1 If therefore you were raised together with Christ, seek the things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God.

2 Set your mind on the things which are above, not on the things which are on the earth.

3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

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

John 17:24

24 Father, concerning that which You have given Me, I desire that they also may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory, which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

1 Cor. 6:17

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

Rom 8:6

6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life... – Week 4, Day 4*

Friday 4/12

Col. 2:<u>7, 19</u> See Tuesday

1 Cor. 3:6-7

6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth.

7 So then neither is he who plants anything nor he who waters, but God who causes the growth.

Gal 4:19

19 My children, with whom I travail again in birth until Christ is formed in you,

Eph 3:16-17

16 That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man,
17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life... – Week 4, Day 5*

Saturday 4/13

Eph. 4:<u>11-12, 15-16</u>

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,

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.

1 Cor 3:9-10

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

10 According to the grace of God given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid a foundation, and another builds upon it. But let

each man take heed how he builds upon it.

Eph 2:20b-22

20b 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.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life... – Week 4, Day 6*

Lord's Day 4/14

1 John 4:7-21

7 Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God, and everyone who loves has been begotten of God and knows God.

8 He who does not love has not known God, because God is love.

9 In this the love of God was manifested among us, that God sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might have life and live through Him.

10 Herein is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son as a propitiation for our sins.

11 Beloved, if God has loved us in this way, we also ought to love one another.

12 No one has beheld God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us.

13 In this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, that He has given to us of His Spirit.

14 And we have beheld and testify that the Father has sent the Son as the Savior of the world.

15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him and he in God.

16 And we know and have believed the love which God has in us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God and God abides in him.

17 In this has love been perfected with us, that we have boldness in the day of the judgment because even as He is, so also are we in this world.

18 There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear because fear has punishment, and he who fears has not been perfected in love.

19 We love because He first loved us.

20 If anyone says, I love God, and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother, whom he has seen, cannot love God, whom he has not seen.

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

Hymn, #189

Further Reading:

Life-study of Colossians, msg. 42

Churchwide Truth Pursuit Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading Scripture Reading and Copying: *Heb. 3:7-12*

Assigned Reading: Life-study of Hebrews, msg. 13

Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study

Crucial Point: Jesus Sanctifying His Brothers, Declaring the Father's Name to His Brothers, and Singing Hymns of Praise to the Father in the Midst of the Church

Scripture: Heb. 2:11-13

Assigned Reading: Life-study of Hebrews, msgs. 11-12

Supplemental Reading: *CWWL, 1970, vol. 3, "The Church Life in Spirit and Truthfulness," ch.* 2

Questions:

1. What is the significance of the phrase, "...for both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of One?"

2. What does it mean that Jesus declares to His brothers the Father's name?

3. For what do we praise the Father when we sing hymns of praise to Him?

4. Spend a few minutes to sing to the Father in spirit and truthfulness.