

The Reigning Aspect of the Mature Life Seen in the Life of Joseph

Monday 4/15

Gen. 37:7-8

7 There we were, binding sheaves in the field, when suddenly my sheaf rose up and remained standing; and then your sheaves gathered around and bowed down to my sheaf.

8 And his brothers said to him, Will you indeed reign over us and actually be a ruler among us? So they hated him even more for his dreams and for his words.

Heb. 6:1

1 Therefore leaving the word of the beginning of Christ, let us be brought on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith in God,

Phil. 3:14-15

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

15 Let us therefore, as many as are full-grown, have this mind; and if in anything you are otherwise minded, this also God will reveal to you.

Phil. 2:15

15 That you may be blameless and guileless, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverted generation, among whom you shine as luminaries in the world,

Rom. 5:17

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.

2 Tim 2:12a

12a If we endure, we will also reign with Him;

Rev. 5:10

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

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life ... – Week 5, Day 1*

Tuesday 4/16

Matt. 5:21-22

21 You have heard that it was said to the ancients, "You shall not murder, and whoever murders shall be liable to the judgment."

22 But I say to you that every one who is angry with his brother shall be liable to the judgment. And whoever says to his brother, Raca, shall be liable to the judgment of the Sanhedrin; and whoever says, Moreh, shall be liable to the Gehenna of fire.

Gen. 39:21.

21 Jehovah was with Joseph; and He extended kindness to him and gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer.

Acts 26:19

19 Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision,

Isa. 50:4-5

4 The Lord Jehovah has given me The tongue of the instructed, That I should know how to sustain the weary with a word. He awakens me morning by morning; He awakens my ear To hear as an instructed one.

5 The Lord Jehovah has opened my ear; And I was not rebellious, Nor did I turn back.

Eph. 1:17

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,

Eph. 3:3a

3a That by revelation the mystery was made known to me,

Acts 16:9-10

9 And a vision appeared to Paul during the night: A certain man, a Macedonian, was standing and entreating him and saying, Come over into Macedonia and help us.

10 And when he had seen the vision, we immediately endeavored to go forth into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to announce the gospel to them.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 5, Day 2*

Wednesday 4/17

Gen. 40:8

8 And they said to him, We have had a dream, and there is no one to interpret it. And Joseph said to them, Do not interpretations belong to God? Please tell it to me.

Gen. 41:16

16 And Joseph answered Pharaoh, saying, It is not of me; God will give Pharaoh a favorable answer.

Acts 26:16

16 But rise up and stand on your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you as a minister and a witness both of the things in which you have seen Me and of the things in which I will appear to you;

Eph. 3:7, 10

7 Of which I became a minister according to the gift of the grace of God which was given to me according to the operation of His power.

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,

2 Cor. 2:14-16

14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in the Christ and manifests the savor of the knowledge of Him through us in every place.

15 For we are a fragrance of Christ to God in those who are being saved and in those who are perishing:

16 To some a savor out of death unto death, and to the others a savor out of life unto life. And who is sufficient for these things?

James 1:12

12 Blessed is the man who endures trial, because when he has become approved by testing, he will receive the crown of life, which He promised to those who love Him.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 5, Day 3*

Thursday 4/18

Gen. 49:22

22 Joseph is a fruitful bough, A fruitful bough by a fountain; His branches run over the wall.

Gen. 41:42

42 And Pharaoh took off his signet ring from his hand and put it upon Joseph's hand, and clothed him in garments of fine linen, and put a gold chain around his neck.

John 15:1, 5

1 I am the true vine, and My Father is the husbandman.

5 I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.

1 Cor. 1:30

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

Psa. 36:9

9 For with You is the fountain of life; In Your light we see light.

Phil. 1:20-21a

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

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

Friday 4/19

Rom. 5:17, 21

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.

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.

Rom. 14:17

17 For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

John 5:19

19 Then Jesus answered and said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, The Son can do nothing from Himself except what He sees the Father doing, for whatever that One does, these things the Son also does in like manner.

John 7:16

16 Jesus therefore answered them and said, My teaching is not Mine, but His who sent Me.

Matt. 8:9-10

9 For I also am a man under authority, having soldiers under me. And I say to this one, Go, and he goes; and to another, Come, and he comes; and to my slave, Do this, and he does it.

10 Now when Jesus heard this, He marveled and said to those who followed, Truly I say to you, With no one in Israel have I found such great faith.

Matt. 16:24

24 Then Jesus said to His disciples, If anyone wants to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me.

Rom. 12:10

10 Love one another warmly in brotherly love; take

the lead in showing honor one to another.

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

Saturday 4/20

Gen. 50:20

20 Even though you intended evil against me, God intended it for good, to do as it is this day, to preserve alive a numerous people.

Rom. 8:28-29

28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

Rev. 3:18

18 I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined by fire that you may be rich, and white garments that you may be clothed and that the shame of your nakedness may not be manifested, and eyesalve to anoint your eyes that you may see.

Rev. 21:5

5 And He who sits on the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And He said, Write, for these words are faithful and true.

Prov. 4:18

18 But the path of the righteous is like the light of dawn, Which shines brighter and brighter until the full day.

Heb. 11:21

21 By faith Jacob, while he was dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph and worshipped God, while leaning on the top of his staff.

Rom. 12:1-2

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.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life... – Week 5, Day 6*

Lord's Day 4/21

Gen. 49:25-26

25 From the God of your father, who will help you,

And from the All-sufficient One, who will bless you With blessings of heaven above, Blessings of the deep that lies beneath, Blessings of the breasts and of the womb.

26 The blessings of your father surpass The blessings of my ancestors To the utmost bound of the everlasting hills. They will be on the head of Joseph, And on the crown of the head of the one who was separate from his brothers.

Gen. 47:7

7 And Joseph brought in Jacob his father and set him before Pharaoh, and Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

Gen. 48:15-16

15 And he blessed Joseph and said, The God before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac walked, The God who has shepherded me all my life to this day,

16 The Angel who has redeemed me from all evil, bless the boys; And may my name be named on them, and the name of my fathers Abraham and Isaac; And may they be a teeming multitude in the midst of the earth.

1 Thes. 5:16-18

16 Always rejoice,

17 Unceasingly pray,

18 In everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

Hymn, #943

Further Reading:

Life-study of Genesis, msg. 110

Churchwide Truth Pursuit

Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: *Heb. 3:13-19*

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Hebrews, msg. 14-15*

Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study

Crucial Point: *The Satan-destroying Death*

Scripture: *Heb. 2:14-15*

Assigned Reading: *Christ and the Cross, ch. 13*

Supplemental Reading: *The Move of God in Man, chs. 1-2*

Questions:

1. What are two results of the death of Christ in Heb. 2:14-15?

2. What is the significance of the clause, "...through death...He might destroy him who has the might of death?"

3. According to Scripture, which negative items were dealt with through the death of Christ on the cross?

4. How might the fear of death hold a person in slavery through all his life and how does the death of Christ release such a person?