

**The Joy Set before Christ and  
The Joy Set before Us**

**Monday 4/22**

**Heb. 12:2**

2 Looking away unto Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down on the right hand of the throne of God.

**Eph. 5:25**

*See Friday*

**Heb. 9:28**

28 So Christ also, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time to those who eagerly await Him, apart from sin, unto salvation.

**1 Pet. 2:24**

24 Who Himself bore up our sins in His body on the tree, in order that we, having died to sins, might live to righteousness; by whose bruise you were healed.

**John 1:29**

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 10:11**

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

**John 12:34, 31-33**

34 The crowd therefore answered Him, We have heard out of the law that the Christ abides forever; and how is it that You say, The Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?

31 Now is the judgment of this world; now shall the ruler of this world be cast out.

32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men to Myself.

33 But He said this signifying by what kind of death He was about to die.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life ... – Week 6, Day 1*

**Tuesday 4/23**

**Col. 2:13-15**

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;

14 Wiping out the handwriting in ordinances, which was against us, which was contrary to us; and He has taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross.

15 Stripping off the rulers and the authorities, He made a display of them openly, triumphing over them in it.

**Eph. 2:2**

2 In which you once walked according to the age of this world, according to the ruler of the authority of the air, of the spirit which is now operating in the sons of disobedience;

**Isa. 25:8**

8 He will swallow up death forever; And the Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces; And the reproach of His people He will remove from all the earth; For Jehovah has spoken.

**1 Cor. 15:26**

26 Death, the last enemy, is being abolished.

**John 5:17**

17 But Jesus answered them, My Father is working until now, and I also am working.

**Rom. 7:4, 6**

4 So then, my brothers, you also have been made dead to the law through the body of Christ so that you might be joined to another, to Him who has been raised from the dead, that we might bear fruit to God.

6 But now we have been discharged from the law, having died to that in which we were held, so that we serve in newness of spirit and not in oldness of letter.

**Phil. 3:12-14**

12 Not that I have already obtained or am already perfected, but I pursue, if even I may lay hold of that for which I also have been laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

13 Brothers, I do not account of myself to have laid hold; but one thing I do: Forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before,

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

**Further Reading:** *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 6, Day 2*

**Wednesday 4/24**

**Rev. 19:7**

7 Let us rejoice and exult, and let us give the glory to Him, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and His wife has made herself ready.

**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. 4:13-15**

13 Until we all arrive at the oneness of the faith and of the full knowledge of the Son of God, at a full-grown man, at the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,

14 That we may be no longer little children tossed by waves and carried about by every wind of teaching in the sleight of men, in craftiness with a view to a system of error,

15 But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

**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,

**Matt. 16:18**

18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

**1 Tim. 4:15-16**

15 Practice these things; be in them, that your progress may be manifest to all.

16 Take heed to yourself and to your teaching; continue in these things; for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you.

**John 17:22**

22 And the glory which You have given Me I have given to them, that they may be one, even as We are one;

**Further Reading:** *HWMR The Enjoyment of Christ and Our Growth in Life.. – Week 6, Day 3*

**Thursday 4/25**

**Rev. 19:8**

8 And it was given to her that she should be clothed in fine linen, bright and clean; for the fine linen is the righteousneses of the saints.

**Matt. 22:11-12**

11 But when the king came in to look at those reclining at table, he saw there a man who was not clothed with a wedding garment,

12 And he said to him, Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment? And he was speechless.

**Col. 3:10-14**

10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

12 Put on therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, inward parts of compassion, kindness, lowliness, meekness, long-suffering;

13 Bearing one another and forgiving one another, if anyone should have a complaint against anyone; even as the Lord forgave you, so also should you forgive.

14 And over all these things put on love, which is the uniting bond of perfectness.

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

**Friday 4/26**

**Eph. 5:25-27**

25 Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her

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

27 That He might present the church to Himself glorious, not having spot or wrinkle or any such things, but that she would be holy and without blemish.

**2 Cor. 5:17**

17 So then if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away; behold, they have become new.

**Rev. 21:9b-11**

9b 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,

11 Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.

**S.S. 4:7**

7 You are altogether beautiful, my love, And there is no blemish in you.

**S.S. 6:10**

10 Who is this woman who looks forth like the dawn, As beautiful as the moon, As clear as the sun, As terrible as an army with banners?

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

**Saturday 4/27**

**Eph. 6:17-18**

17 And receive the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God,

18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

**Neh. 8:10b**

10b this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of Jehovah is your strength.

**Phil. 4:4-7, 12-13**

4 Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.

5 Let your forbearance be known to all men. The Lord is near.

6 In nothing be anxious, but in everything, by prayer and petition with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God;

7 And the peace of God, which surpasses every man's understanding, will guard your hearts and your thoughts in Christ Jesus.

12 I know also how to be abased, and I know how to abound; in everything and in all things I have learned the secret both to be filled and to hunger, both to abound and to lack.

13 I am able to do all things in Him who empowers me.

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

**Lord's Day 4/28**

**1 Thes. 5:16-24**

16 Always rejoice,

17 Unceasingly pray,

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

19 Do not quench the Spirit;

20 Do not despise prophecies,

21 But prove all things. Hold fast to what is good;

22 Abstain from every kind of evil.

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.

24 Faithful is He who calls you, who also will do it.

**Hymn, #852**

**Further Reading:**

*Conclusion of the New Testament, msg. 424*

**Churchwide Truth Pursuit**

**Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading**

**Scripture Reading and Copying:** *Heb. 4:1-7*

**Assigned Reading:** *Life-study of Hebrews, msg. 16-17*

**Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study**

**Crucial Point:** *Jesus Made Like His Brothers in All Things*

**Scripture:** *Heb. 2:16-18*

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

**Supplemental Reading:** *None*

**Questions:**

1. Why was Jesus made like His brothers in all things?
2. What are some aspects of Jesus made like His brothers in all things, especially as revealed in Scripture?
3. In Heb. 2:17, explain the phrase "in the things pertaining to God" in the context of the verse.
4. How does Jesus help those who are being tempted?