

The Church in New York City

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **The 3 banners for the church in NYC for 2026:**

1. **Blending—within the church and among the churches**—1 Cor. 12:24
2. **Increase and spread**—John 15:1-11, 16
3. **Walking in the truth**—3 John 4

- **Churchwide Truth Pursuit on Genesis**

The churchwide truth pursuit on the book of Genesis began on February 3. The reading schedule, study questions, and other information are available on the church website churchinnyc.org/bible-study.

Join us for the weekly truth pursuit ministry meeting every Friday night at 7:30 PM. We welcome the saints to invite their family and friends. Translation to Spanish and Chinese is available. Please check the church website for more details.

Week 44

Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 39

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Genesis*, msg(s). 93-94

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: Joseph's Dreams Concerning God's People as Sheaves of Life and as the Sun, the Moon, and the Stars of Light

Scripture: Gen. 37:1-11

Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Genesis*, msg(s). 92, 110

Supplemental Reading: *Truth Lessons, Level Three*, Vol. 1, ch. 10

Study Questions: See the church website at churchinnyc.org/bible-study

- **2026 International Chinese-speaking Blending Conference (Feb. 13-15)**

Blending Conference (ICSC) will be held in person in **Anaheim, CA on Feb. 13-15, 2026**. We will provide zoom meetings for those who would like to watch the conference messages via Zoom in Chinese, English, Spanish, or Korean.

Conference Viewing Schedule via Zoom:

Message 1: 9:00 AM Saturday, Feb. 14, 2026

Message 2: 12:00 PM Saturday, Feb. 14, 2026

Message 3: 2:00 PM Saturday, Feb. 14, 2026

Message 4: 4:00 PM Lord's Day, Feb. 15, 2026

Message 5: 7:00 PM Lord's Day, Feb. 15, 2026

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/85021589220?pwd=6Prq6K3wbrbgXEbgJ7QMh7bV7bjUB1.1>

Meeting ID: 850 2158 9220 Password: 2026

One tap mobile: +19294362866,,85021589220#

Alternatively, you can watch the conference at LSM Webcast site, www.lsmwebcast.com. Login credentials are not required to access the site. The videos of the messages will be available for free for a period of 30 days after the conference. Details are available at www.icsc2026.org.

- **NYC Young People's Winter Retreat (Feb. 15-17)**

This year's **NYC Young People's Winter Retreat** will be held in **Camp Penuel** from February 15 to 17 (Lord's Day afternoon to Tuesday afternoon). We encourage the young people in grades 6 through 12, their families and the serving ones to attend.

PRAYER BURDENS

- Thanksgiving to the Lord for the citywide gathering of the church in NYC this past Lord's Day and prayer for the Lord to take the church

on this year according to the three banners for the church in 2026:

- a. **Blending — within the church and among the churches — 1 Cor. 12:24**
- b. **Increase and spread — John 15:1-11, 16**
- c. **Walking in the truth — 3 John 4**

- The ongoing corporate truth pursuit in the book of Genesis
- The Winter Retreat for all the young people in the church in NYC which will be held at Camp Penuel (KPCC) from February 15-17
- The International Chinese-speaking Conference (ICSC) being held in Anaheim, CA over the weekend of February 13-15
- The strengthening of the churches in Upstate NY, New Jersey, and Connecticut
- The various needs of the saints both locally and in other localities (e.g. physical and emotional, health-related, job-related, family-related, etc.)

MORNING WATCH

HWMR: 2025 JULY SEMIANNUAL TRAINING: Experiencing, Enjoying, and Expressing Christ (3)

WEEK 12: The True One

Portion from Day 5:

Let us now go on to consider the last part of 1 John 5:20: "This is the true God and eternal life." This refers to the God who has come through incarnation and has given us the ability to know Him as the genuine God and be one with Him organically in His Son Jesus Christ.This genuine and real God is eternal life to us so that we may partake of Him as everything for our regenerated being.

Doctrinally, the true One and His Son Jesus Christ may be considered two. But when we are in the true One and in Jesus Christ experientially, They are one. For this reason John uses this to refer both to the true One and to His Son Jesus Christ.

To be in the true One is to be in His Son Jesus Christ. This means that in our experience of being in Them, They are one.

Moreover, when we are in the true One and Jesus Christ, They are our true God and also our eternal life. First, John speaks of the true One and His Son Jesus Christ, and then he speaks of the true

God. Here there may be some distinction between the true One and the true God. When we are in the true One and His Son Jesus Christ, the true One is called the true God, and His Son Jesus Christ is called eternal life. This means that first They are the true One and His Son Jesus Christ. But when we are in Them, They become the true God and eternal life.

MINISTRY READINGS

THE FULLNESS OF THE LORD'S HOUSE

In the Holy Place of the tabernacle the serving priest first went to the table of the bread of the Presence, typifying the Lord as the bread of life, the life supply, to us. Then he would proceed to the lampstand, which signifies Christ as the light of life (8:12). When we enjoy the Lord as life, we enjoy the light of life and sense something within us shining. The more you enjoy the Lord as life, the more you sense that you are filled with light and enlightened within. From the lampstand the priest then proceeded to the incense altar to burn the incense. This typifies our prayer to the Lord ascending as a sweet savor unto Him. This shows us the fatness of the Lord's house which comes from the experience of the fountain of life and the source of light.

REDEEMING OUR TIME

BY REMAINING IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

In **Psalm 27:4** David said, "One thing I have asked from Jehovah; / That do I seek: / To dwell in the house of Jehovah / All the days of my life, / To behold the beauty of Jehovah, / And to inquire in His temple." The only thing that David was seeking was to dwell in the house of Jehovah for his entire life. In **Psalm 84:10** the psalmist said, "A day in Your courts is better than a thousand; / I would rather stand at the threshold of the house of my God / Than dwell in the tents of the wicked." The best way to redeem our time is to keep ourselves in the courts of the Lord. One day there is better than a thousand days. Some people may criticize you by saying that you are wasting your time, but actually you are not wasting your time. You are gaining your time one thousandfold by remaining in the Lord's house in the enjoyment of the Lord.

Excerpts from "The Tree of Life", Chapter 4: The Fatness of the Lord's House (part 4)