

# The Church in New York City

# WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **2022 December Semi-Annual Training**

The December 2022 Semi-Annual Video Training, which will be on The Crystallization-Study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah, and Esther, will be held online via Zoom. Please submit your registration for the video training by filling out the online form: <http://bit.ly/nycregistration>.

### Schedule for Training Session:

Message 1, 7:30 PM, Thursday, Dec. 29  
Message 2, 7:30 PM, Friday, Dec. 30  
Message 3, 10:00 AM, Saturday, Dec. 31  
Message 4, 4:00 PM, Saturday, Dec. 31  
Message 5, 7:00 PM, Saturday, Dec. 31  
LORD'S TABLE, 10:00 AM, Sunday, Jan. 1  
Message 6, 11:00 AM, Sunday, Jan. 1  
(Open Meeting)

Message 7, 7:30 PM, Monday, Jan. 2  
Message 8, 7:30 PM, Friday, Jan. 6  
Message 9, 10:00 AM, Saturday, Jan. 7  
Message 10, 4:00 PM, Saturday, Jan. 7  
Message 11, 7:00 PM, Saturday, Jan. 7  
LORD'S TABLE, 10:00 AM, Sunday, Jan. 8  
Message 12, 11:00 AM, Sunday, Jan. 8  
(Open Meeting)

### Schedule for Review/Study Session (open to all the saints):

Messages 1&2, 7:30 PM, Wed., Jan. 4  
Messages 3&4, 7:30 PM, Thurs., Jan. 5  
Messages 5&6, 7:30 PM, Mon., Jan. 9  
Messages 7&8, 7:30 PM, Wed., Jan. 11  
Messages 9&10, 7:30 PM, Thurs., Jan. 12

- **Service Office Hours**

Service office hours are available for saints to call in to fellowship or to pray with some serving ones.

**Day & Time:** Monday through Saturday (except Wednesday), 10:30AM-11:30AM.

**Zoom Meeting ID:** 378 512 3114

**Passcode:** 3131

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The burden for holding these office hours is that the hearts of the saints can be comforted and that their souls would be restored.

## PRAYER BURDENS

- The strengthening of the prayer ministry of the church:
  - a. That the church would pray with the Lord's authority and from the position of ascension, and release prayers that bring in and spread the Lord's kingdom
  - b. The strengthening of all the prayer meetings in the church  
*Ephesians 2:6* - *And raised us up together with Him and seated us together with Him in the heavenlies in Christ Jesus*  
*Matthew 6:10* - *Your kingdom come; Your will be done, as in heaven, so also on earth*
- The strengthening of all the sisters in the church--That all the sisters of all ages would grow in life, be built up with other sisters and be brought into their full function in the Body
- Thanksgiving to the Lord for all the young people, college age saints and young adults; let us pray that none would be "carried off as spoil" through the philosophies of this age or the temptations of the world (Col. 2:8; Matt. 6:13) but that they all would "shine as luminaries in the world" "in the midst of a crooked and perverted generation" (Phil. 2:15)
- The strengthening of all the meetings and practical services in the church this week
- The Lord's move in the United States--That the Lord would preserve this nation for the preaching of the gospel and the spread of His testimony
- The upcoming semiannual training, which will be on the Crystallization-study of 1 & 2 Chronicles, Ezra, Nehemiah and Esther

## MORNING WATCH

### HWMR: CRYSTALLIZATION-STUDY OF 1 AND 2 KINGS

**Week 12: Living an Overcoming Life by Reigning in Life to Become the New Jerusalem as the City of Life**

#### Portion from Days 4, 5 & 6:

To reign in life is to be under the ruling of the divine life...The Lord Jesus as the God-man in His humanity on the earth... was absolutely under the ruling of the divine life of the Father. Everything He did was under the Father's ruling. As a man, He rejected His natural humanity and lived a human life under the restriction of the divine life of His heavenly Father. By practically being under the ruling of the divine life of the Father, He was reigning in life.

A proper king among the children of Israel was one who was instructed, governed, ruled, and controlled by the word of God. ... The word of God is one with the Spirit (John 6:63; Eph. 6:17). Through our daily reading of the divine Word, the word of God works within us, and the Spirit, through the word, spontaneously dispenses God's nature with God's element into our being, causing us to be constituted with God. (*Neh. 8:1, footnote 1*)

The rulership of the Spirit is the topstone, the capstone, of the structure of the teaching of the Spirit. The record of Joseph's life is a revelation of the rulership of the Spirit, for the rulership of the Spirit is the reigning aspect of a matured saint. (*Life-study of Genesis, pp. 1469-1470*)

Because Joseph was fully under God's guidance, there was no need for him to regret anything he did. Joseph is a living illustration of what is revealed in the New Testament. He was a self-denying person who had no self-interest, self-enjoyment, self-feeling, self-ambition, or self-goal. Everything was for God and for God's people. Joseph's self-denial, his restriction under God's sovereign hand, was the key to the practice of the kingdom life....Through such a life God's purpose was fulfilled, and the kingdom was brought in, realized, and practiced. Through this fulfillment, the children of Israel shared in the enjoyment of the kingdom. (*Life-study of Genesis, pp. 1479, 1514, 1518, 1520*)

**Corporate Reading:** *"The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity" Ch. 2: Concerning the Economy of God*

## MINISTRY READINGS

### Everything Concerning God Being in the Spirit

The Lord said that He is the Spirit in John 6, and when speaking to the people concerning drinking Him in chapter 7, He again spoke of being the Spirit. To eat Him is to eat Him as the Spirit, and also to drink Him is to drink Him as the Spirit. Both eating and drinking are matters in the Spirit.

We need to know that God is Spirit in His essence. ...God who is Spirit was incarnated to be a man on earth. He was fully mingled with man. He passed through human living and was crucified on the cross, settling the problem of man's sins and solving the problems related to sin, the flesh, Satan, the world, and even death. In other words, He dealt with everything that stood in the way of God. Then He walked out of the realm of death and entered the realm of resurrection and ascension, bringing His humanity with Him into God. Our God has now become this Spirit. All the processes, the steps, and the elements in God are now all-inclusively in the Spirit. The Holy Spirit is no longer so simple. Within Him are many things. Within the Spirit is the Father, the Son, incarnation, union with man, human living, crucifixion, and the termination of sins and sin itself. Within this One there is the solution to the problems of the flesh, Satan, the world, and death. There is victory over death in resurrection. Within this One is also our entrance into God through the bringing of humanity into God through ascension. Today all these items are included in the Spirit.

As an example, we may add grape juice and sugar to a glass of water. Then when we drink, we receive grape juice, sugar, and water. All these ingredients are contained in this drink. Now the Father is in the Son, and the Son is in the Spirit. Hence, everything of the Father is included in this Spirit, and all the experiences and attainments of the Son are also included in this Spirit. We can say that everything that the Triune God is and has done is included in this Spirit. Hence, it is convenient and expedient for us to eat and drink God, because He is now the Spirit. As long as we breathe in the Spirit, we can eat and drink God.

*Excerpts from "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God", Chapter 9: Enjoying God Through Taking in the Spirit (part 3)*