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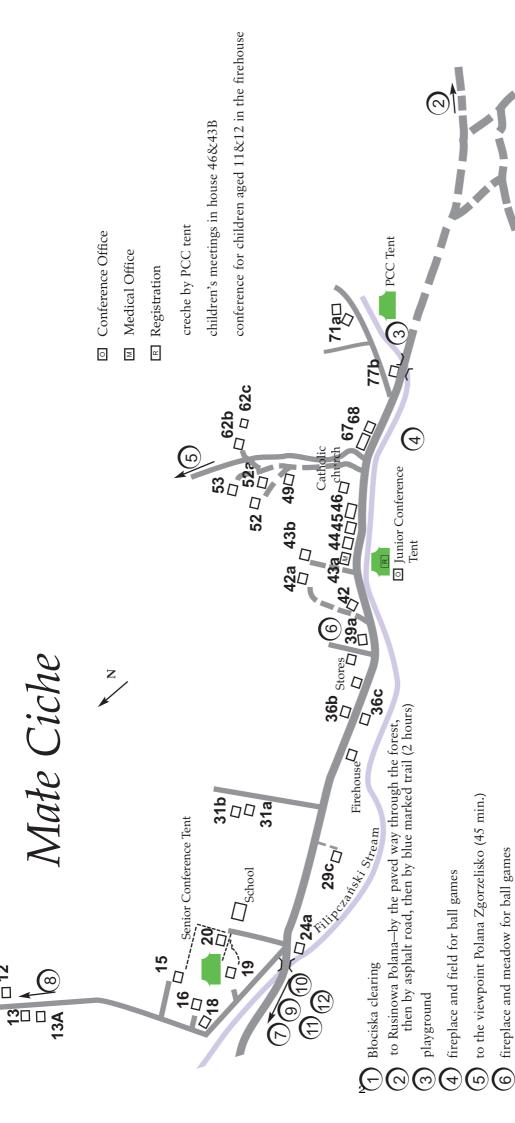
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- · Do not collect flowers, fruits, or mushrooms
- · Do not disturb the animals
- · Do not throw litter or start fires
- · Do not roll stones down the mountain
- · Do not shout, yell, or make excessive noise

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Message One

Sanctifying Ourselves For the Sake of the Children

Scripture Reading: John 17:19; 4:6-7, 27; Eph. 5:26-27; Num. 6:3-4; 1 Thes. 5:23; 4:4; Judg. 13:12-14

- I. Although the Son is absolutely holy in Himself, He still sanctified Himself in His way of living while He was on earth in order to set an example of sanctification for His disciples—John 17:19; Eph. 5:26-27:
 - A. There were many things that He could have done which were not contrary to His own holiness; nevertheless, He refrained from doing them because of weakness in the disciples—John 17:19.
 - B. In many matters the disciples' weakness directed the Lord and restricted His freedom; the Lord could do many things, but He did not do them because He did not want the disciples to misunderstand or be stumbled—4:6-7, 27.
 - C. In order for us to be holy, we first need to be separated unto God positionally—Matt. 23:17:
 - 1. With respect to our family, neighbors, colleagues, and friends, we need to be separated; many Christians, however, are saved, but not separated—Titus 2:14; cf. Neh. 13:23-24, 30.
 - 2. Once a person is saved, he should also be separated; this is the reason a believer is called a saint; to be holy is to be separated unto God—Rom. 1:2, footnote 3.
- II. Those who have children should sanctify themselves for the sake of their children; this means that we should refrain from doing many things which we could do, for the sake of our children—John 17:17, 19; Num. 6:1-12:
 - A. Many strong believers would be raised up in our second generation if all the parents of this generation would be good parents; the future of the church depends on the parents—cf. 2 Thes. 3:9; Phil. 3:17.
 - B. A Nazarite had to abstain from wine and anything related to its source, signifying that we must abstain from all kinds of earthly enjoyment and pleasure, which lead to lustful conduct and a lustful intention—Num. 6:3; Judg. 13:2-20; Psa. 104:15; Eccl. 10:19; 2 Tim. 2:22; 3:1-5.
 - C. We must see that God has committed the children to us; so we must set a standard for ourselves in morality, in conduct, and in all moral judgments regarding right and wrong; we must set a high standard for what is ideal, and we must also set a standard for ourselves in spiritual matters—1 Thes. 5:23:
 - 1. A child may remember or forget what you say, but what he sees surely will remain in him forever; he develops his sense of judgment from you, and he also develops his system of values from you—1 Cor. 9:27.
 - 2. Every parent must remember that his actions will be repeated in his children; his actions will not stop with him; the whole life of Christian children depends on the behavior of their parents—cf. 2 Tim. 1:5; 3:15.
 - 3. You must sanctify your words; when your children speak, they should also sanctify their words and be accurate with them; when you say something wrong, you must make a point to admit your mistake; in this manner you will train your children to sanctify their words—1 Tim. 4:12.
 - D. We must realize that parents need to exercise self-control, sacrificing their own freedom; God has committed a human body, along with his soul, into our hands; if

- we do not exercise self-control and give up our freedom, we will have a difficult time answering to our God in the future—1 Cor. 9:25; Gal. 5:22-23.
- E. We must see that in order for us to bring the children to the Lord in a genuine way, we need to be a person who walks with God; we cannot send our children to the Lord merely by pointing our fingers to heaven; we have to walk in front of them—1 Cor. 9:27; Rom. 2:21:
 - 1. After Enoch begot Methuselah, the Bible says that he walked with God; when the burden of the family was upon him, he felt that his responsibility was too great and that he could not manage it by himself; so he began to walk with God—Gen. 5:21-22.
 - 2. When Samson was in the bosom of his mother, he was sanctified to be a Nazarite; Samson was a Nazarite from his mother's womb for the full course of his life—Judg. 13:7.
 - 3. Hannah prayed desperately not mainly for herself but for God; she promised God that if He gave her a male child, she would return the child to Him by the vow of a Nazarite—1 Sam. 1:11, 22, 28.
 - 4. Lot's children were corrupted by living in the wicked city—Gen. 19:15.
- F. We must keep, preserve, safeguard, our vessel clean in sanctification before God; it must be holy, separated, and saturated with God and also kept in honor before man—1 Thes. 4:4; Rom. 13:14.

III. According to both the Old Testament and the New Testament, the first thing we must eliminate for the sake of God's dwelling place is our idols—Gen. 35:1-2; Acts 19:19-20:

- A. Jacob also charged everyone to purify themselves; we must not only put away the foreign gods, but also purify our whole being; our whole being, manner of life, and expression must be changed—Gen. 35:2; 2 Cor. 7:1.
- B. In addition to putting away the foreign gods and purifying themselves, Jacob's household changed their garments; to change garments means to change our manner of life—Gen. 35:2; Rev. 22:14a.
- C. The material used in making the golden calf in Exodus 32 was the gold of the earrings belonging to the children of Israel; the record in this chapter makes clear that self-beautification leads to idolatry—vv. 1-3.

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Message Two

The Proper Understanding of Teaching and Receiving the Word as the Breath of God to Produce God-men

Scripture Reading: 2 Tim. 3:16-17; John 6:63; Matt. 4:4; Eph. 6:17-18; 1 Tim. 2:4

I. The Scriptures teach us the things of God and the things concerning God, even teaching us God Himself; there is a great difference between teaching about God and teaching God—2 Tim. 3:16-17; John 6:63; Eph. 6:17:

- A. According to 2 Timothy 3:16, the Scriptures are God-breathed, indicating that the Scriptures are the breathing out of God and our reading of the Scriptures should be our receiving of God's breath.
- B. We need a clear understanding of the nature of our teaching the truth; we are handling the divine truth which is the reality of the Triune God:
 - 1. In a sense, our teaching the truth should be like a "restaurant"; our intention is to serve, to minister, God as different "dishes" for eating; the nature of our speaking is a matter of ministering the Triune God to the young people.
 - 2. Through our teaching, everyone should be brought to God; we need to labor to bring every young person to the Triune God, so that by the time we have finished they will have gained the Triune God, not mere knowledge about God in letters.

II. Whereas all secular books are the same in nature, the Bible is different from other books; we need to see the uniqueness of the Bible:

- A. The Bible is God's breath, and God's breath is the Spirit of God, for God is Spirit; we must be a person who is continually breathing the Lord, a person who is always inhaling God; our reading of the Bible should be a kind of inhaling, and our teaching of the Bible should be a kind of exhaling—2 Tim. 3:16; John 4:24; cf. 20:22.
- B. The Lord's words are Spirit and life, the embodiment of the Spirit of life; when we receive His words by exercising our spirit, we get the Spirit, who gives life; when we read the Bible, we should receive life; and when we teach others concerning the Bible, they should receive life—6:63.
- C. The Word of God is the sword of the Spirit; it is common for Christians to be enlightened, rebuked, corrected, and instructed by the Bible, but not many experience the word of the Bible as a sword that kills the enemy—Eph. 6:17-18:
 - 1. Paul speaks of "the sword of the Spirit, which Spirit is the word of God" (v. 17); the sword is not the word directly; rather, the sword is the Spirit directly, and then the Spirit is the word:
 - a. This indicates that if we would deal with the enemy Satan, the Bible must become the Spirit; if we would use the word of the Bible as a sword to kill the enemy, in our experience the word must be the Spirit.
 - b. If we would take the word of the Bible as a sword for fighting the enemy, we must touch the Bible in a way that is full of the Spirit.
 - 2. Ephesians reveals that our enemies are the evil spirits, "the world-rulers of this darkness," "the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies"; experientially, the word we receive as the Spirit becomes the sword to slay these enemies—Eph. 6:12, 17:
 - a. We need to realize that things such as our opinion, thought, temper, emotion, natural life, and point of view are often used by the powers of darkness in the air to damage the Body life.
 - b. If the enemy is to be defeated, we must learn to receive the word as the Spirit, which becomes the sword to deal with the enemy.

- 3. Without the word as the Spirit to be the killing sword, there would be no way for us to be kept in the church life over the years; we can be kept in the church life and in the ministry through the killing of the word as the Spirit.
- 4. The word becoming the Spirit which becomes a killing sword may be compared to the effect of an antibiotic on the germs that cause illness in our body:
 - a. In order for our body to be saved, the germs need to be killed by an antibiotic; the word that we receive in a living way as the Spirit is a spiritual antibiotic that kills the "germs" within us.
 - b. When the germs are killed, the evil forces in the air have no way to take advantage of us; then we can live a healthy Body life, a healthy church life.
- D. The word that proceeds out of the mouth of God is our real food indicating that the Bible is not only for life-imparting but also for nourishing; when we teach the Bible to others, we should nourish them—Matt. 4:4.

III. On God's side the Bible is God's breathing; on our side the Bible is for us to receive profit in four matters—teaching, conviction or reproof, correction, and instruction—2 Tim. 3:16-17:

- A. If we have the proper and adequate spiritual experience, we will realize that teaching equals revelation; teaching is actually nothing less than a divine revelation:
 - 1. A revelation is the opening of a veil; as we are teaching the young people, we should be taking away a veil so that they may see something of the Triune God.
 - 2. To teach is to roll away the veil; go to the meeting for the purpose of rolling away the veils.
- B. Whenever we see something of God, we realize our mistakes, wrongdoings, shortcomings, and our sins; the result is that we are reproved; this reproof comes from the revelation we receive.
- C. Conviction is followed by correction; correction is a matter of setting right what is wrong, turning someone to the right way, and restoring to an upright state.
- D. After we have been corrected, we will receive the proper instruction—the instruction in righteousness; righteousness is a matter of being right.
- E. The issue of teaching, reproof, correction, and instruction in righteousness is that the man of God becomes complete; such a God-man, such a man of God, is produced by God's breathing out of Himself; God's breathing produces God-men—v. 17.
- IV. Our burden and our purpose is to bring our young people not only into God's salvation but also into the full knowledge of the truth; we should endeavor to bring the young people into the experiential knowledge of the reality of the Triune God—1 Tim. 2:4.

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Message Three

Learning to Teach God's Economy in and Experiential Way and Converting Doctrine into Experience

Scripture Reading: 1 Tim. 1:3-4; 2:4; 3:15; 2 Tim. 1:6-7; 2:2, 15, 22, 25

I. When you help the young people, do not give them a lot of doctrines; instead, give them something practical:

- A. We should not put too much emphasis on doctrines, not only when we have personal contact with them but also when we are preaching the gospel or giving messages to them.
- B. Because young people have many practical problems, we need to spend some time to study the problems of the young people in their practical living; then what you speak is practical and related to the practical matters that you have touched in their lives.

II. In teaching the truth to the young people we need to learn how to teach God's economy in an experiential way—1 Tim. 1:3-4; 2 Tim. 1:6-7; 2:2, 22:

- A. The teaching in the New Testament is focused on God's economy, however through the centuries there have been many teachings which have not been on God's economy; we must learn from history not to teach anything other than God's dispensation—1 Tim. 1:3-4:
 - 1. The Greek word for *economy* means "household law" and implies distribution; this word denotes a household management, a household administration, a household government, and, derivatively, a dispensation, a plan, or an economy for administration (distribution); hence, it is a household economy—v. 4; Eph. 1:10; 3:9.
 - 2. There are many other matters in the Bible, such as the law, history and the prophecies, which can become distractions to us; some are distracted from God's economy through their readings of the Psalms or Proverbs.
 - 3. As we teach the young people, we should not have any burden, any view, or any vision other than God's economy; in our teaching we should know only one thing—God's economy—1 Tim. 1:4.
- B. In order for us to be those who are competent to teach God's economy and fulfill our commission, we have to be on fire; this is the reason Paul reminded Timothy to "fan into flame the gift of God" which was in him—2 Tim. 1:6; 2:2:
 - 1. God has given us two precious things—His divine life and His divine Spirit; now we need to fan the gift of God into flame:
 - a. The first step in fanning the gift is not to exercise; the first step is to open all the "doors" and "windows"; we need to open our entire being; our mind, emotion, and will, our entire soul, our heart, and even our spirit.
 - b. Those who teach must open their entire being so that the "draft" may come in; the Spirit is in us already, but we need to fan the fire, the Spirit, into flame.
 - 2. If our being is closed, we need to call on the name of the Lord Jesus; as we call on the Lord, we open not only our mouth but also our spirit and our heart; then the draft will come in, and that will fan into flame the eternal life and the eternal Spirit within you—v. 22.
- C. If we would go to the meeting with a flame, we must be a person of prayer; if we are such a person, we will bring a spirit of prayer, an atmosphere of prayer to our class.

III. Once we have an atmosphere of prayer, we are now ready to teach, not in a doctrinal way but in an experiential way; by doing this we will turn our teaching from doctrine to experience; this experiential fellowship will deeply impress the young people:

- A. We should not ask our students merely to remember and recite all the points related to the lesson; that would be to teach in a doctrinal way:
 - 1. If we would teach in an experiential way we should help the young people to realize their situation and condition.
 - 2. We must learn in our teaching to touch others experientially; applying every point of our teaching to their personal, practical situation.
- B. When we teach the young people, we should not take the way of giving messages or lectures; instead, we need to have personal talks with the young people, teaching every point experientially:
 - 1. Every point of the lesson should be presented in a way that will create an experiential impression; apply every point to their actual situation.
 - 2. As we are talking with them, we should be watchful over each one, paying particular attention to their expressions; this will help us to know the needs of our students.
- C. If you want to stir up a praying spirit in the person with whom you are speaking, you yourself must be a person who is full of the praying spirit; adequate prayer will accomplish at least three things; it will impress the young people in an experiential way with the points of the lesson, stir up the praying spirit within them, and cause them to become living.

IV. In order to teach in an experiential way, we must convert every point in the lesson from doctrine into experience; after making such a conversion during our time of preparation, we should then speak to the young people about each point in the way of experience:

- A. The more we speak in this way, the more they will be unveiled; they will see a vision that will expose them, and spontaneously they will be ushered into the experience of the very matter we have been presenting.
- B. If we teach in the way of merely imparting doctrines from the printed materials, we will do nothing more than impart some knowledge to the minds of our students; as a result, they will gain nothing in an experiential way:
 - 1. The knowledge they gain may damage them; later, on another occasion, when they hear that word, they might say, "I know this already; I learned all about it in the meetings.
 - 2. We must not damage the young people by giving them mere knowledge; in order to profit them with the truth, we must always teach them in an experiential way.

V. Before we begin to teach the young people the truth, we ourselves need to receive Paul's inoculation and be filled, soaked, and saturated with the truth—1 Tim. 2:4; 3:15; 2 Tim. 2:15, 25:

- A. The word *truth* has been wrongly understood by many readers of the Bible because they regard truth as a matter of doctrine; in the New Testament, *truth* refers not to doctrine but to the real things revealed in the New Testament concerning Christ and the church according to God's New Testament economy—1 Tim. 2:4; cf. 1 John 1:6.
- B. The element of the inoculation against the decline is the structure of the divine truth which is the Triune God plus His redemption, becoming our salvation; we need to immerse ourselves in the truth concerning that matter.

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Message Four

Proper Spiritual Activities and Exercises for the Young People

Scripture Reading: Luke 19:13, 20-23; Rom. 12:1-2, 4-5, 11; John 15:5; Acts 2:46-47; Heb. 10:24-25; Matt. 13:37-38

I. According to our experience and observation, the young people need to be exercised in the spiritual activity of going forth to bear fruit; the easiest time for Christians to bear fruit is when they are young—John 15:5:

- A. When the apostle Paul was preaching the gospel, his accusers said, "We have found this man a pest" (Acts 24:5):
 - 1. This sounds negative, but it is positive to pass along the "germs" of Christ to others.
 - 2. In order to pass these "germs" to others, we cannot go to an isolated place; we must go to the places where people tend to gather; the best place to spread "germs" is in schools.
 - 3. We need to spread Christ, and it is easier to "infect" a young person with Christ than to "infect" an older person.
- B. We are living in a time of great opportunity for the young ones; whether they are in high school or college, they have many classmates and roommates; if they do not take this opportunity to "infect" their friends, there is no better time.
- C. We want to encourage the young people to consider and plan to lead many people to salvation in the coming year; we are branches of a vine, and a vine tree bears clusters of grapes, not just three to five single grapes—John 15:5.
- D. There is no easier place to preach the gospel than at school, and there is nothing more precious than preaching the gospel to a fellow classmate; when so many young people are gathered together, it is very easy to "infect" them with the gospel—Acts 24:5.
- E. If the young people can lead "clusters" of young people to salvation, who then lead others to salvation, thousands of young people will be saved and loving the Lord in eight to ten years; this is not a small thing; I hope that they would grasp this great opportunity.

II. We should endeavor to bring the young people into the practice of the church life through the homes; the small group becomes our practical church life—Acts 2:46-47:

- A. We need the young people to go to the campuses, especially those who are eighteen and nineteen years old; all the young people in the church life are useful; this is why we have to work with our high schoolers:
- B. The gospel must go out from the homes; even the campus work can go out from the homes; for a church to be strong, the home meetings must be built up.
- C. The young people in the church can invite others to the homes of the middle-aged ones and of the young couples; all these homes need to be open and ready to receive the young people.

III. The young people should also learn to function in the meetings of the church; the young people who are high school age should begin to bear some responsibility in their spiritual family:

A. The young people should attend the regular meetings of the church: at a minimum, they should not miss the bread-breaking meeting and the fellowship meeting of the church, and attend the young people's meeting—Heb. 10:24-25.

- B. In the meetings of the church, they should not act as if they are guests or spectators; they should not wait for the older saints to function out of deference for their age.
- C. When they are in a meeting, they should try their best to release their spirit; in the church they are adults, and they must bear responsibility:
 - 1. The young saints must bear this responsibility; when they come to a meeting, they should open their mouth and release their spirit; they should give testimonies, sing hymns, and give praises—Eph. 5:18-20.
 - 2. There is a rich source, a living and fresh supply, within all the young people; they should not rely on listening to messages but rather exercise to function more in spirit—1 Cor. 14:24, 31.

IV. We should endeavor to bring the young people into the practice of the church life through the children's work and the practical service in the church:

- A. The young people should also bear responsibility in the children's meeting in every local church; the children's work is not less important than the young people's work:
 - 1. If children are added each year, they will become gospel seeds when they graduate from elementary school and enter into junior high school—Matt. 13:37-38.
 - 2. When this happens, the church will begin to gain young ones through them; when these young saints graduate from junior high, they will be gospel seeds when they enter into high school.
 - 3. When they finish high school, they will be gospel seeds in college; as this cycle is repeated, many people will be gained.
- B. If all the local churches labor well in the young people's work and in the children's work, the future of the churches will be unlimited:
 - 1. The young people and even the children will influence their parents, and this influence will be both deep and widespread.
 - 2. Hence, the young people should bear this double responsibility at this time; on the one hand, they should preach the gospel to their classmates, and on the other hand, they should help with the care of the children in the church.
- C. As energy and time allow, the young people should also take part in other miscellaneous services of the church:
 - 1. For example, they can serve in ushering, in the business office, or in cleaning; we rejoice to see that many services in the church are being borne by the young saints.
 - 2. In these services the young saints are spontaneously blended into the church life through the practical coordination and fellowship with saints of all ages, including their peers.
 - 3. This will help them greatly to grow in life and to manifest their function.
- D. We should endeavor to bring the young people into the practice of the church life through the homes; the small group becomes our practical church life.
- V. "The future of the church hinges entirely on the young saints; the young saints should be faithful to take care of preaching the gospel to their classmates, to bear fruit, and to take care of the children; furthermore, they should attend the regular meetings of the church for the remembrance of the Lord in the breaking of bread and for worship and fellowship together with all the saints; then, as time and energy allow, they should bear some responsibility in the miscellaneous services of the church." (*The Collected Works of Witness Lee*, 1968, vol. 2, p. 73)

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Message Five

Changing the Concept in our Service— Teaching and Perfecting the Young People

Scripture Reading: Eph. 4:11-16; 2 Tim. 2:2, 20; 3:17; Phil. 2:22; 4:9; Col. 1:28-29; 2 Tim. 3:14

- I. Our present need is to change our concept and our system; we must learn to serve and how to serve with others and we must remember not to replace the saints but rather to bring them into the service with us—1 Cor. 12:14-22; Rom. 12:4-8:
 - A. We should not say that the saints have no capacity; the problem is that we are short in perfecting them; if we will do a perfecting work, their capabilities will be brought forth—Eph. 4:11-16; 2 Cor. 13:9; cf. Luke 19:13.
 - B. They must be perfected to do more than attend meetings, listen to messages, and help take care of some business affairs; these matters cannot draw out the interest and capacity of the saints—cf. Matt. 25:15.
 - C. It is regrettable that we have neither learned to bring the saints into the service nor learned to perfect the saints; instead, we do everything by ourselves and thus unconsciously replace the saints—cf. Rev. 2:6, 15:
 - 1. Since we do not teach the new ones how to bring others into function, they will repeat our pattern of doing everything by themselves; after a period of time any work in their hands will also come to a standstill.
 - 2. We learn when we do things, but we learn more when we teach others; if we do not teach others, our learning is incomplete; when we teach others, we are forced to consider things thoroughly—2 Tim. 2:2; Eph. 4:11-12.
 - D. We must change our system and change our concept; we must teach and train the saints in order for them to be useful; otherwise, no matter how much we preach the gospel, it will be difficult for us to gain the increase—cf. Rev. 2:6, 15.
- II. We must pay attention to a fundamental point in the young people's work, which is that we must bring them into working with us—1 Cor. 16:10; Phil. 2:19-22:
 - A. We should not replace others in whatever we do; however, we often do the work by ourselves and thus replace others; this is the natural way to work; we need to be aggressive and learn how to preach the gospel in a school without ever setting foot in the school—Phil. 2:22.
 - B. We must always apply this principle no matter where we serve; the work must belong to the saints to the point that they are asking the workers for assistance rather than relying on them to do everything.
 - C. In order to produce a useful brother, we must spend a few months to labor and gain him, by working on him until he is burdened to preach the gospel in his school—cf. 1 Thes. 1:5-8:
 - 1. We should spend time with him by fellowshipping with him, having meals with him, and leading him to pray until the young brother begins to love the Lord, is revived, and becomes willing to preach the gospel in his school—Phil. 2:22.
 - 2. We must work on the young people until they are raised up and until they are more zealous and more serious about the work than we are—Col. 1:28-29.
 - 3. If this is the way we serve, every school will be open to us; both university students and junior high school students can be gained in this way.

III. In every school we must produce young saints who are very burdened, and we only assist and supply them from a distance—Eph. 4:11-12, 16:

- A. On one hand, we should not be afraid to let others serve, but on the other hand, we should watch them; that is, we must oversee—Acts 20:28; Titus 1:7; cf. 1 Pet. 2:25:
 - 1. After we hand things over, we should stand behind and watch the situation; this will enable us to see how well the person is doing—cf. Phil. 1:1.
 - 2. We should have the assurance that after so many years of observing, listening, and learning, the saints are able to bear responsibility; we should be at peace to commit matters into their hands; the saints simply need a little guiding—Phil. 4:9; 2 Tim. 3:14.
- B. The supply should not be in the way of leading the students in a meeting and this supply cannot be met by giving a message; what we supply should meet the students' real need:
 - 1. When the young saints ask for help, we should be ready to help them; if we cannot help them, they will not ask for help again.
 - 2. If the young saints learn something that they can apply, they will return for more help; then we can give them further direction.
 - 3. At this point, the work will be borne by both the students and the worker because the students carry it out at school, and the worker helps as needed; if we work in this way, it will be easy to gain a school.
- IV. In the work and in the church we are not measured by whether or not we are capable; we are measured by how many useful ones we are able to produce; the standard of success does not depend on our ability to do a certain thing; the standard is determined by how many useful ones we can produce—2 Tim. 2:2; Eph. 4:12.

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Useful Polish Words	
English	Polish
a little	trochę [tro-her]
biscuits/cookies	ciastka [chastka]
bowl	miska [miska]
bread	chleb [hlep]
butter	masło [maswo]
cap	czapka [chap-ka]
chair	krzesło [chezwo]
close	zamknij [zamk-ni]
cold	zimny [gimner]
delicious	pyszne [pishne]
eggs	jajka [yaika]
excuse me/sorry	przepraszam [psheprrasham]
fork	widelec [veedelets]
glass	szklanka [shklanka]
good morning	dzień dobry [jhen dobry]
good day	dzień dobry [jhen dobry]
good night	dobranoc [dobrranōts]
good bye	do widzenia [doh vidzenia]
great	wspaniale [spanialer]
hello	cześć [cheshtch] (informal)
help	pomóż [pom-moosh]
hot	goracy [gorarchay]
how are you?	Jak się masz? [yak she mash]
how much is it?	Ile to kosztuje? [ille be goshtooye]
jam	dżem [jem]
juice	sok [sōk]
jacket	kurtka [koortka]
knife	nóż [noosh]
may I have	poproszę o [proshe o]
may I help?	Czy mogę pomóc? [je moge pomots]
meat	mięso [myenso]
milk	mleko [mleko]
more	więcej [vyentsay]
nice	ładny [lad-nay]
no	nie [ne-er]
open	otwarty [otvartay]
sunny	słoneczny [swonedgner]
phone	telefon [telefon]
plate	talerz [talesh]
please	proszę [proshe]
potatoes	ziemniaki [zhemnyakey]
raining	pada [pada]
repeat	powtórz [pottoosh]
river	rzeka [jeka]
salt	sól [soul]
satisfied (after a meal)	najadłem się/najadłam się [nayudwem shie/nayudwam shie]
second dish/course	drugie danie [droogeeye daneeye]
	i uruete uame iuruoeeeve uameevel

see you	do zobaczenia [zrobee zobachenia]
serviette/napkin	serwetki [serrvetki]
soup	zupa [zoopa]
spoon	łyżka [wishka]
sugar	cukier [tsookyerr]
tea	herbata [herrbata]
teaspoon	łyżeczka [wizhechka]
thank you	dziękuję [jenkuye]
toilet paper	papier toaletowy [papyer toaletoveh]
umbrella	parasol [parasol]
vegetables	warzywa [vazhiva]
very good	bardzo dobre [bardzo dobre]
water	woda [voda]
welcome	witamy [vitamur]
when	kiedy [kieda]
window	okno [oknor]
yes	tak [talk]
yummy	pycha [piha]
Spiritual terms	
English	Polish
Lord Jesus we love You	Panie Jezu, kochamy Cię [Pawnyea Yesus, Kohom Chay]
Hallelujah	Alleluja [Alleluja]
Praise the Lord	Chwała Panu [Hphowa Panoo]
Drinking	picie [peecha]
Eating	jedzenie [yethenia]
Brothers	bracia [bracha]
Sisters	siostry [schostare]
Singing	śpiew [schpief]
Much grace	łaska z tobą [waska soba]
Peace to you	pokój tobie [pokwee tobiyeh]
Triune God	Trójjedyny Bóg [Tweedinibeh Ogeh]
Life-giving Spirit	życiodajny Duch [zchutchodayeneh Dook]
Living Call (Lord Jesus)	żywy [zcheveh] wzywaj (Pana Jezusa) [vizivayee (Pawna Yesusa)]

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Lord's day:	
17:45	Dinner
18:30	Leave for Meeting
18:45	Meeting
21:20	Room Time
21:45	Prepare for Bed
22:30	Lights out
Monday and Tuesday	:
6:30	Coordination for Serving Ones
7:30	Rise
8:00	Morning Revival
8:20	Personal Morning Revival
8:30	Breakfast
9:00	Study
9:30	Leave for Meeting
9:45	Meeting
12:30	Lunch
13:15	Leave for Activity (see instructions)
13:30	Activities
17:00	Quiet Time: Rest / Study / Shower
17:45	Dinner
18:30	Leave for Meeting
18:45	Meeting
21:20	Snack in Houses
21:30	Room Time
22:00	Prepare for Bed
22:30	Lights Out
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6:30	Coordination for Serving Ones
7:00 - :00	Rise
7:30	Morning Revival
8:00	Breakfast
8:30-17:00	Hike (see instructions)
17:45	Dinner
18:30	Leave for Meeting
18:45	Meeting
21:20	Snacks in Houses
21:30	Room Time
22:00	Prepare for Bed
22:30	Lights Out
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6:30	Coordination for Serving Ones
7:30	Rise
8:00	Morning Revival
8:20	Personal Morning Revival
8:30	Breakfast
9:00	Study
9:30	Leave for Meeting
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The Promise of His Coming

Scripture Reading: Eph. 5:27; Rev. 21:2; 2 Pet. 3:3-4, 8-9; Matt. 24:43, 29-30; Dan. 2:34; 7:13-14; Zech 14:4, 5b; Matt. 26:64; Acts 1:11; Heb. 9:28; Rev. 1:7; 3:3; 16:15; 22:12, 20; Rom. 8:21-23; Rev. 11:15; Isa. 11:4, 6-9; 32:1-2; 2:4; Ezek. 47:12; Isa. 35:5-6; 33:24; 35:1; Matt. 13:41-42

- I. God's eternal purpose is to gain a glorious bride for Himself on the earth by imparting His life and nature into His believers to make them the same as He is to be His counterpart, His bride—Gen. 2:21-23; Eph. 5:27; Rev. 21:2.
- II. The Bible contains a wonderful promise of the Lord's return; from the Old Testament through the New Testament, every book touches on the subject of the Lord's return—2 Pet. 3:3-4, 8-9:
 - A. Bible students have counted the number of times that the New Testament speaks of this subject and have told us that one out of every twenty verses in the New Testament speaks of the Lord's return.
 - B. From Genesis to Malachi, the Old Testament repeatedly speaks of Christ's second coming; the same is true in the New Testament; this subject is the greatest subject in the Bible:
 - 1. The second coming of Christ was promised in the Old Testament—Psa. 72:6-17; 110:1-3; 118:26; Dan. 2:34; 7:13-14; Zech. 14:4, 5b.
 - 2. The second coming of Christ is promised in the Gospels and Acts—Matt. 24:30; 26:64; Acts 1:10-11.
 - 3. The Lord's return is also promised in the Epistles—1 Thes. 1:10; 2:19; 3:13; 4:16; 5:23; Heb. 9:28; 2 Pet. 3:9; Jude 14.
 - 4. In the last book of the Bible, Revelation, the Lord's return is again promised in an encouraging way—Rev. 1:7; 3:3; 16:15; 22:7, 12, 20.

III. Christ has two comings; His first coming settles the personal sins of man and His second coming settles the sins of the world:

- A. In His first coming to earth, Christ died on the cross for the remission of sins; through this, sinners are reconciled to God and partake of His life:
 - 1. Through His incarnation divinity was brought into humanity.
 - 2. Through His human living the model of a proper human living was perfected—1 Pet. 2:21.
 - 3. Through His all-inclusive death on the cross, sin, Satan, and the world were destroyed and His divine life was released—Heb. 2:14; John 12:24.
 - 4. Through His resurrection and ascension He became the life-giving Spirit and came into us to make us His counterpart, His bride—1 Cor. 15:45b.
- B. The second coming of Christ will solve all the social problems in the world—Rom. 8:21-23; Rev. 11:15:
 - 1. When the Lord comes back, the first thing He will settle is injustice; today the biggest problem in the world is injustice; when the Lord comes again, He will execute justice—Isa. 11:4; 32:1.
 - 2. When the Lord comes again, He will settle all wars; everyone agrees that there should be peace, but there is no real peace; when Christ comes, He will stop all wars and bring in peace—Isa. 2:4.
 - 3. When Christ comes He will heal all sicknesses; many people pay attention to public health, hygiene, and medical aid, but sickness will never be thoroughly eradicated

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- today; when the Lord comes again, the problem of sickness will be solved—Ezek. 47:12; Rev. 22:2; Isa. 35:5-6; 33:24.
- 4. When the Lord comes again, the problem of famine will also be solved; there will be no more desert, and the thorns and thistles will all pass away—Isa. 35:1, 6.
- 5. Educators and philosophers teach men about good and evil and to turn away from evil and to choose good, but no one can solve the problem of sin in man's heart; when Christ comes back again, all will know God, from the least to the greatest—Isa. 11:9.
- 6. There are many establishments of sin and evil in this world; many places are hotbeds of sin; when the Lord returns, in an instant He will cleanse the earth of all of them—Matt. 13:41-42.
- 7. Today many people say that animals are suffering, abused, near the point of extinction and that we should do something to protect them; when the Lord returns, there will be no more suffering of the creation—Rom. 8:21-22; Isa. 11:6-9.
- 8. Every group of politicians in every nation of the world is competing for the center stage, and every nation in this world is trying to take advantage of other nations; there is strife and unrest nationally and internationally; when the Lord returns there will be no more earthly governments—Rev. 11:15; Dan. 2:44-45.

Message 2

The Prophecy of the Lord's Coming in the Old Testament

Scripture Reading: Matt. 16:18; Dan. 2:28, 34-35, 44-45; Joel 1:4; Matt. 24:3, 14-15; 21:19; 24:32-34; Dan. 9:27; 2 Thes. 2:3-4, 7-8; Rev. 12:5-6; 14:1, 4; Matt. 24:40-41; Rev. 13:7; Dan. 7:25; 2 Tim. 3:1; Rev. 18:11-13; Mal. 3:1-3, 10; 4:2; Hag. 2:7; Luke 1:78; Acts 26:18; Prov. 4:18; Matt. 13:43

- I. In order to be built up to be Christ's bride for His return, we need to see the vision of the divine history within human history, showing us "what will happen in the last days"—Dan. 2:28; Matt. 16:18; Gen. 2:22; cf. 11:4:
 - A. In Daniel 2 the history of man is signified by a great human image, with the four sections of this image corresponding respectively to the Babylonian Empire, the Medo-Persian Empire, the Grecian Empire, and the Roman Empire; the armies of these empires were like locusts coming to devastate and consume Israel totally—vv. 34-35; Joel 1:4; cf. 2:25.
 - B. During the church age (the age of the intrinsic history of the divine mystery within the outward, human history), Christ is building up the church to be His bride, and He will return with His overcoming bride as a smiting stone to crush the aggregate of human government and usher in the age of God's dominion over the entire earth—Gen. 2:22; Matt. 16:18; Dan. 2:34-35, 44-45; Rev. 17:14; 19:19; 11:15-17.
- II. We must see the sign of Christ's coming and of the consummation of the age—Matt. 24:3, 14-15; Luke 21:28-36:
 - A. The Lord prophesied that before Antichrist makes the covenant of seven years with the nation of Israel at the consummation of the present age, the nation of Israel would be restored—Matt. 21:19; 24:32-35; Dan. 9:27.
 - B. Antichrist will break his covenant with Israel, and his idol will be set up in the temple of God at the beginning of the great tribulation, which will last for three and a half years; this indicates that the temple must be rebuilt before the Lord comes back—v. 27; 2 Thes. 2:3-4.
 - C. Before the great tribulation, the gospel of the kingdom will be preached to the whole inhabited earth and the overcomers will be raptured, leaving the majority of the believers, those who are not yet mature, on the earth to pass through the great tribulation—Rev. 12:5-6; 14:1, 4; Matt. 24:14-15, 40-41.
 - D. The mystery of lawlessness is working today among the nations and in human society; this lawlessness will culminate in the man of lawlessness, Antichrist—2 Thes. 2:3-10:
 - 1. Antichrist will be the power of Satan, the embodiment of Satan; he will persecute and destroy the people of God—both the God-fearing Jews and the Christ believing Christians—Dan. 8:24; Rev. 12:17; 13:7.
 - 2. Antichrist will wear out the saints of the Most High—Dan. 7:25; 2 Tim. 3:1; cf. Mark 6:45-52.
 - 3. Satan and Antichrist want the souls of men to be the instruments for their activities in the last age—Rev. 18:11-13; 2 Tim. 3:5; cf. Zech. 12:1.

III. The book of Malachi reveals that we need to be purified and reconstituted with the healing Christ for His second coming—Mal. 3:1-3; 4:2:

A. Malachi prophesied at the time of Nehemiah; at that time the priests and the remnant of God's people were in the darkness of self-deception, which is obsession—1:6-7; 1 John 1:8; Acts 9:1-2; John 16:2; cf. Phil. 3:3.

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- B. The healing Christ is the Messenger of God and the living message of God as a refiner's fire and as fullers' soap to purify and refine the degraded remnant of God's people—Mal. 3:1-3; Rev. 1:20; 2:1; Amos 3:7; cf. Luke 2:26; Heb. 11:7.
- C. The healing Christ is the Angel of the covenant—Mal. 3:1.
- D. The healing Christ is the Desire of all the nations—v. 1; Hag. 2:7.
- E. The healing Christ is the Sun of righteousness—Mal. 4:2; 3:1-3:
 - 1. In His first coming, Christ was the dawning Sun to the dark age; in His second coming, Christ will return as the Sun of righteousness in His kingdom—Luke 1:78; Mal. 4:2; cf. Matt. 17:1-8.
 - 2. As the Sun of righteousness, Christ is our enjoyment for our growth in life in the dispelling of darkness, and for our healing in life in the effacing of unrighteousness—John 1:4-5; 8:12; 2 Cor. 4:6; Acts 26:18.
 - 3. To be healed is to be saved, to be made whole; Christ will heal us, but we must give Him the freedom to use His wings to fly above us, around us, through us, and within us—Mal. 4:2; Prov. 4:18.
 - 4. The overcomers who are reconstituted with Christ as the Sun will shine forth like the sun in the kingdom of their Father—Matt. 13:43; Judg. 5:31.

Message 3

The Prophecy of the Lord's Coming the Speaking of the Lord Jesus concerning His Coming

Scripture Reading: Matt. 24:27-30, 42-44; Luke 17:24; Exo. 19:4; Isa. 40:31; Matt. 25:1; Rev. 19:7; John 3:29; Matt. 26:64; Rev. 2:28; 22:16; 3:3, 11; 22:12, 7; 2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 4:5; Rom. 14:10; Matt. 16:27; Rev. 22:20

I. "For just as the lightning comes forth from the east and shines to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be"—Matt. 24:27:

- A. The second coming of Christ has two aspects: the secret aspect, related to His watchful believers, and the open aspect, related to the unbelieving Jews and Gentiles.
- B. The lightning signifies the open aspect, which will take place after the great tribulation, and the thief's coming signifies the secret aspect, which will occur before the great tribulation—vv. 29-30, 43.
- C. The Lord's coming like a flash of lightning striking the earth will be a sign of the end of the Lord's parousia and implies that the Lord is like electricity—v. 3; Luke 17:24.

II. "Wherever the corpse is, there will the vultures be gathered together"—Matt. 24:28:

- A. The vultures refer to Christ and His overcomers, who will come as a swift, flying army to war against Antichrist and his armies and destroy them at Armageddon—Exo. 19:4; Deut. 32:11; 28:49; Isa. 40:31; Hosea 8:1.
- B. At His appearing Christ and His overcomers will appear swiftly from the air like vultures.

III. "At that time the kingdom of the heavens will be likened to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom"—Matt. 25:1:

- A. We are the virgins going, and Christ is the Bridegroom coming—cf. 9:15.
- B. In the Bible we have a universal couple—the Bridegroom and the bride; in His coming back Christ will be the Bridegroom coming for His bride.
- C. The reign of God, the kingdom, is related to the marriage of Christ, and the marriage of Christ is the issue of the completion of God's eternal economy—Rev. 19:7:
 - 1. God's economy in the New Testament is to obtain for Christ a bride, the church, through His redemption and divine life—John 3:29.
 - 2. By the continual working of the Holy Spirit throughout the centuries, this goal will be reached at the end of this age; then the bride, the overcoming believers, will be ready, and the Lord will come.

IV. "From now on you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven"—Matt. 26:64:

- A. The Lord was the Son of Man on the earth before His crucifixion, He has been the Son of Man in the heavens since His resurrection (Acts 7:56), and He will be the Son of Man at His coming back on the clouds.
- B. To accomplish God's purpose and to establish the kingdom of the heavens, the Lord had to be a man; without man, God's purpose could not be carried out on earth, nor could the kingdom of the heavens be constituted on earth—Matt. 4:4.

V. "To him I will give the morning star"-Rev. 2:28:

A. In His coming back Christ will be the morning star secretly as a reward to His overcomers who watch for His coming; to all others He will appear openly as the sun—22:16; Mal. 4:2:

- 1. In the kingdom the Lord will appear publicly to His people as the sun.
- 2. Before the great tribulation He will appear privately to His overcomers as the morning star.
- B. "Thou also art the Morning Star / To us as a reward; / While still 'tis dark it shines with light / To those who love the Lord. / Lord, help us e'er to love Thy light / And see things from afar; / And look for Thee in watch and prayer / As for the Morning Star" (*Hymns*, #200).

VI. "If therefore you will not watch, I will come as a thief, and you shall by no means know at what hour I will come upon you"—Rev. 3:3:

- A. A thief comes to steal precious things at an unknown time.
- B. The Lord Jesus will come secretly, as a thief, to those who love Him and will take them away as His treasures—Matt. 24:43.
- C. Because Christ will come to "steal" valuable things, we should seek to be precious, worthy of being "stolen" by Him in His secret coming.
- D. A normal Christian is one who is qualified to be stolen by the Lord.
- E. For the Lord's coming as a thief we need watchfulness and readiness—vv. 42, 44.

VII. "I come quickly; hold fast what you have that no one take your crown"—Rev. 3:11:

- A. The Lord brings the church in His recovery into the sensation of His coming, because she loves Him.
- B. All the churches in the Lord's recovery should love the Lord under the inspiration of His coming back.
- C. The Lord's coming back should be precious to us while we are testifying of Him in His recovery.

VIII. "Behold, I come quickly, and My reward is with Me to render to each one as his work is"—22:12:

- A. "I come quickly" is the Lord's repeated warning that we may consider His reward at His coming back—vv. 7, 20.
- B. This reward (lit., wages) will be rendered to each one of the believers at the judgment seat of Christ—2 Cor. 5:10; 1 Cor. 4:5; Rom. 14:10; Matt. 16:27.

IX. "Yes, I come quickly. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!"-Rev. 22:20:

- A. Once again, the Lord warns us that He is coming quickly—vv. 7, 12.
- B. The entire Bible concludes with the desire for the Lord's coming expressed as a prayer: "Come, Lord Jesus!"

Message 4

The Signs of His Coming

Scripture Reading: Matt. 24:1-3, 6-7, 14-15, 32, 37-39, 42; Eph. 5:27; Rev. 19:7; 2 Thes. 2:3-4; Dan. 9:27; Matt. 24:21; Matt. 21:18-20; Gen. 6:5, 11, 13; Luke 17:26-29, 32

I. The signs of the Lord's second coming include prophecies concerning Israel—Matt. 24:1-31:

- A. The condition and situation of the church is a sign to Israel concerning the Lord's coming; Israel needs to pay attention to the church:
 - 1. The gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole inhabited earth and then the end will come—Matt. 24:14.
 - 2. The church will be built up and the bride will be prepared to marry Christ as the coming Bridegroom—Eph. 5:27; Rev 19:7.
- B. Israel also needs to pay attention to what is taking place in the world; the things taking place generally, in the whole world, are a sign to Israel concerning the Lord's coming again:
 - 1. There will be wars, famines, pestilences, earthquakes, terrors, and great signs from heaven—Matt. 24:6-7; Luke 21:9-11.
 - 2. Antichrist will rise up and establish his empire full of lawlessness and destruction—2 Thes. 2:3-4:
 - a. According to prophecy, a powerful man will rise up and restore the Roman Empire—Rev. 13:1-8; 17:7-14.
 - b. Antichrist, a strong man, will make a covenant of peace with the nation of Israel for seven years—Dan. 9:27.
 - c. In the middle of the seven years, Antichrist will break the covenant, and the three and a half years of the great tribulation will begin—Dan. 9:27; Matt. 24:21.
 - d. Antichrist's image will be set up in the temple as an idol, and he will sit in the temple of God, exalting himself above every object of worship—Matt. 24:15, 21; 2 Thes. 2:3-4.

II. The signs of the Lord's second coming include prophecies concerning the church—Matt. 24:32—25:30:

- A. The church should pay attention to what is happening in Israel as a sign of the Lord's coming:
 - 1. The fig tree is a symbol of the nation of Israel and was cursed by the Lord—24:32; Jer. 24:2, 5, 8:
 - a. The fig tree was cursed by the Lord for being unfruitful—Matt. 21:18-20.
 - b. This curse upon the nation of Israel was fulfilled in A.D. 70 when Jerusalem was destroyed by the Roman prince Titus—Matt. 24:2.
 - 2. The Lord prophesied that the fig tree would become tender and put forth its leaves, signifying that the nation of Israel would come back to life again and begin outward activity —Matt. 24:32:
 - a. This took place when Israel became a nation in 1948; they regained Jerusalem from the Arabs in 1967.
 - b. The temple will be rebuilt before the great tribulation begins—Matt. 24:15; 2 Thes. 2:4.
- B. The church should not be befuddled but aware of what is happening in the world:
 - 1. The days prior to the Lord's coming will be like the days of Noah—Gen. 6:5, 11-13; Matt. 24:37-39, 42; Luke 17:26-32:

- a. Every imagination of the thoughts of man's heart was only evil continually; the earth was filled with violence—Gen. 6:5, 11-13.
- b. The people were befuddled by the necessities of life—eating and drinking, marrying and being given in marriage; because of man's lust, Satan uses the God-ordained necessities of human life to stupefy, occupy, and befuddle man to keep him from God's interest—Matt. 24:38-39.
- c. Just as in Noah's day, the people will not know that judgment is coming; the believers, however, should be watchful, for we do not know on what day our Lord will come—Matt. 24:39, 42.
- 2. The days prior to the Lord's coming will be like the days of Lot—Luke 17:28-32; Gen. 19:1-29:
 - a. The people were eating, drinking, buying, selling, planting, and building—Luke 17:28-32; Ezek. 16:49-50.
 - b. People were drugged and desensitized by their fleshly, worldly enjoyment—Eph. 4:19.
 - c. These conditions of evil living portray the perilous condition of man's living before the Lord's coming—Luke 17:26 (see note 2).

Special Fellowship

The Way to be Prepared, Preserved, and Useful to the Lord for His Return

Scripture reading: Acts 17:26-27; Dan. 4:26; Rev. 1:5; Dan. 2:34-35; Matt. 26:6-13; Psa. 110:3; Luke 10:38-42; Col. 3:16; Psa. 119:11; Phil. 4:8, 13; 1 Thes. 4:1-7; Heb. 13:4; 1 Cor. 6:19; Eph. 4:12; Judg. 5:15b, 16b

- I. The Lord sovereignly arranges the world situation and the kingdoms of the world under His heavenly rule so that the environment might be fit for God's chosen people to receive His salvation and be prepared to be His bride—Acts 17:26-27; Dan. 4:26; Rev. 1:5.
- II. The Lord's recovery is spreading, and will spread at a good pace; there will be churches in all the major cities and in all the leading countries on earth; as young people we must realize that our responsibility is tremendous; if during the coming years many of us are perfected, the Lord's recovery will spread at a rapid speed:
 - A. We must pursue and grow in our spiritual life, earnestly maintaining a living fellowship with the Lord, fully consecrating ourselves to Him and having proper dealings with Him; to be the Lord's overcomers, we must love the Lord and grasp the opportunity to love Him—Matt. 26:6-13:
 - 1. To love the Lord with our best requires that we take time to behold Him, listen to His word, and receive a revelation concerning Him; the overcomers have the highest revelation of Christ and offer themselves willingly to the Lord in the splendor of their consecration—Psa. 110:3.
 - 2. Mary sat at the Lord's feet and was listening to His word; having heard and received the Lord's word and revelation concerning His death, Mary looked for the opportunity to anoint Him before He died—Luke 10:38-42; Matt. 26:12.
 - 3. The Lord prefers His saved ones who love Him to listen to Him that they may know His desire, rather than do things for Him without knowing His will—cf. 1 Sam. 15:22; Eccl. 5:1.
 - B. We must be equipped in the truth; we need to read and get the word into us, and get ourselves into the word so that we may be mingled with the word—Col. 3:16; Psa. 119:11.
 - C. We need to build up a good character; we need to exercise ourselves to build up a character that is useful to the Lord—Phil. 4:8, 13.
 - D. We need to receive a higher education; all the young people must get a college degree; do not make spirituality an excuse for not studying; rather, study more diligently than the secular students, get the highest grades, and go on for advanced degrees:
 - 1. There is a need in the Lord's recovery today for those with the highest education; young people, you must endeavor to gain the best education.
 - 2. If you expend your energy in this way, by the time you are thirty you will be able to begin your ministry like the Lord Jesus did; if many take this way, we shall have no shortage.
 - E. In the church life contact between the sisters and the brothers is unavoidable; hence to be protected from any defilement a proper relationship must be maintained in sanctification and honor—1 Thes. 4:3-4; Heb. 13:4:
 - 1. To possess one's vessel is to keep it, to preserve it; to keep or preserve man's vessel in sanctification and honor, not in passion of lust, is the safeguard against committing fornication—1 Thes. 4:3-4.

- 2. Because we have been regenerated, our body is now the temple of the Holy Spirit; therefore, you must keep your body in an honorable way—Heb. 13:4; 1 Cor. 6:19.
- 3. Nothing damages your body as much as fornication; the practice of the world today is utterly hellish, devilish, and satanic; how devilish it is for young people to have contact with one another without any restriction.
- 4. All the young people in the church life should exercise certain restrictions upon their contact with one another.
- 5. We live in an age of Sodom; the whole world today, including the United States and especially Sweden and France, is a Sodom; many men and women live together without being married; certainly this will bring in God's judgment.
- 6. In the Bible God exercised a special judgment over Sodom because the people there indulged in lust without any restriction.
- 7. Nothing offends God more than this indulgence; nevertheless, many young people today, even young women, have no sense of shame regarding this.
- 8. Never contact a member of the opposite sex alone, but, for your protection, always have the presence of a third party; this word is a great help and protection to us.
- F. To carry out a heavenly commission, the commission of the King, you must be trained to be a king; to be a loose person does not require any training, but to be a king, you need the top training; the best place for this is the Full-time Training:
 - 1. To put you into the training is to put you into an environment for growth.
 - 2. This growth has a goal; this goal is maturity and function—Eph. 4:12.
- III. In these last days before the Lord's coming, we must be those who have great resolutions in heart and great searchings of heart—Judg. 5:15b, 16b.

Message 5

The Two Aspects of His Coming

Scripture Reading: Matt. 24:42-44; Rev. 3:3b, 10; 14:4; Matt. 25:19-21; 2 Cor. 5:10; Matt. 25:26, 30; 24:15, 21; Rev. 12:5, 7-10; 13:3, 7; 2 Thes. 2:3-4, 7; Rev. 6:12-17; Matt. 24:27, 30; Zech. 14:4; Acts 1:11; Rev. 1:7; Zech. 12:8-9; Rev. 20:1-3; Matt. 25:31-32; Rev. 11:15; Luke 21:34-36; Phil. 3:20; Titus 2:13; 2 Tim. 4:1, 8

I. The "secret" aspect of the Lord's coming (parousia) is toward His watchful believers, the overcomers—Matt. 24:3, 37-42; Rev. 12:5; 14:4:

- A. Christ will come secretly, as a thief, to those who love Him and will take them away as His treasures before the great tribulation—Matt. 24:43; Rev. 3:3, 10:
 - 1. We do not know on what day the Lord will come—Matt. 24:42.
 - 2. We must be watchful and ready for the Lord's coming—vv. 42-44.
- B. Christ will come as a farmer to reap the firstfruits who ripen earlier—Rev. 14:4.
- C. Christ will come as a judge to reward or discipline the believers—Matt. 25:19-21:
 - 1. We will stand before the judgment seat of Christ-Rom. 14:10; 2 Cor. 5:10.
 - 2. If we are faithful, we will receive a reward—Matt. 25:21; 1 Cor. 3:13-15.
 - 3. If we are slothful, we will receive discipline—Matt. 25:26, 30.

II. The great tribulation will occur in the last three and half years of this age—Matt. 24:21:

- A. The rapture of the overcomers will begin a war in heaven—Rev. 12:5, 7-8.
- B. Through the fighting of the overcomers, Satan will be defeated and cast out of heaven to the earth—12:9-10.
- C. After Satan is cast down to the earth, the Antichrist will be slain and resuscitated, thereby imitating the resurrection of Christ—13:3:
 - 1. Antichrist will be "the man of lawlessness" and will change laws, destroy and corrupt many to an extraordinary degree, blaspheme God, and deceive men—2 Thes. 2:3.
 - 2. The lawlessness that will characterize Antichrist is "the mystery of lawlessness" that is working today among the nations and in human society—v. 7.
- D. Antichrist will set up his image as an idol in the temple of God at the beginning of the great tribulation—v. 4; Matt. 24:15, 21.
- E. Antichrist will make war with the saints and will overcome them—Rev. 13:7; 15:2; 20:4.
- F. The great tribulation will be a time of unprecedented calamities and plagues—6:12-17.

III. The "open" aspect of the Lord's coming is toward the unbelieving Jews and Gentiles—Matt. 24:27-30:

- A. Christ will come openly, like a flash of lightning, after the great tribulation—vv. 27, 29.
- B. Christ will set His feet on the Mount of Olives, the same mount from which He ascended into heaven—Zech. 14:4; Acts 1:11.
- C. Christ will come down from the clouds to the earth with power and great glory for all to see—Rev. 1:7; Zech. 12:10; Matt. 24:27, 30.
- D. In His second coming, Christ will defeat Antichrist, save the Jews, bind Satan and cast him into the abyss, and judge the nations—Rev. 19:17-21; Zech. 12:8-10; Rev. 20:1-3; Matt. 25:31-32.
- E. On the last day of the great tribulation, the kingdom of the world will become "the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ"—Rev. 11:15.

IV. The Lord's appearing, His coming back, is a warning, an encouragement, and an incentive to us:

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- A. We must watch and be ready for the Lord's coming—Matt. 24:42-44.
- B. We must be seech (pray) to prevail (overcome) that we may escape the great tribulation and stand before the Son of Man—Luke 21:34-36.
- C. We should eagerly await the Lord's coming—Phil. 3:20; Titus 2:13.
- D. We should love the Lord's appearing and look forward to it with earnest expectation and joy—2 Tim. 4:8.
- E. We should take the Lord's appearing as our incentive and goal—2 Tim. 4:1.

Message 6

Our Preparation for the Lord's Coming (1) Watching and Being Ready

Scripture Reading: Matt. 24:37-44; Luke 17:26-27; 21:34-36; Rev. 3:10; 2 Cor. 2:10; Rev. 12:5; 14:1, 4b; Eph. 3:16-17a; Matt. 25:1-13; 2 Cor. 11:2; Prov. 20:27; Rom. 8:16; 9:21, 23-24; Eph. 5:17-18; 6:18; Matt. 22:2, 11-14; Rev. 19:7-9

I. The Lord's word in Matthew 24:32-44 is a word about watching and being ready:

- A. "For just as the days of Noah were, so will the coming of the Son of Man be"-v. 37:
 - 1. The conditions of evil living that stupefied the generation of Noah before the flood portray the perilous condition of man's living before the great tribulation and the Lord's coming—vv. 3, 21, 27, 37, 39; Luke 17:26-27.
 - 2. In order to participate in the rapture of the early overcomers, we must overcome the stupefying effect of man's living today—21:34-36.
- B. "At that time two men will be in the field; one is taken and one is left. Two women will be grinding at the mill; one is taken and one is left"—Matt. 24:40-41:
 - 1. To be taken is to be raptured before the great tribulation—v. 21; Rev. 3:10:
 - a. The meaning of rapture is to be taken into the Lord's presence; if we would be taken into the Lord's presence, we must be in His presence today—Luke 21:36; 2 Cor. 2:10.
 - b. The rapture is not mainly for our enjoyment but for God's enjoyment, God's economy, and the fulfillment of God's purpose; the rapture is for defeating the enemy and satisfying God—Rev. 12:5; 14:1, 4b.
 - 2. The one who is taken is mature in life, and the other is not.
 - 3. As we await the Lord's coming and hope to be raptured, we need to live a balanced human life, being faithful in our daily duties—2 Thes. 3:6-15.
- C. "Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord comes"—Matt. 24:42:
 - 1. The overcomers will be the watchful ones, who will be raptured before the coming of the great tribulation—v. 21.
 - 2. "Be watchful at every time, beseeching that you would prevail to escape all these things which are about to happen and stand before the Son of Man"—Luke 21:36:
 - a. To prevail here is to have strength and ability; the strength and ability to escape the great tribulation come from watchfulness and beseeching.
 - b. *Stand before the Son of Man* corresponds with *standing* in Revelation 14:1; this indicates that the raptured overcomers will stand before the Savior on Mount Zion in the heavens before the great tribulation.
 - c. Being taken to meet Christ on the throne depends on our beseeching in a particular way.
- D. "For this reason you also be ready, because at an hour when you do not expect it, the Son of Man is coming"—Matt. 24:44:
 - 1. We make ourselves ready for the Lord's coming by praying that we may grow and mature in life—cf. 2 Pet. 1:5-11.
 - 2. Being ready to be raptured is a matter of being filled with Christ to the uttermost—cf. Eph. 3:16-17a.

II. The Lord's word in Matthew 25:1-13 is a parable for watchfulness:

- A. "At that time the kingdom of the heavens will be likened to ten virgins, who took their lamps and went forth to meet the bridegroom"—v. 1:
 - 1. Virgins signify believers viewed from the aspect of life—2 Cor. 11:2.

- 2. Lamps signify the spirit of the believers, which contains the Spirit of God as the oil—Prov. 20:27; Isa. 61:1; Heb. 1:9; Rom. 8:16.
- B. "The foolish, when they took their lamps, did not take oil with them; but the prudent took oil in their vessels with their lamps"—Matt. 25:3-4:
 - 1. Vessels signify the souls of the believers—Rom. 9:21, 23-24.
 - 2. Having oil in our lamp is to have the Spirit of God dwelling in our spirit.
 - 3. Taking oil in our vessel is to have the Spirit of God filling and saturating our soul.
 - 4. We have the Spirit in our regenerated spirit, but there is a question as to whether or not we have an extra portion of the Spirit in our soul.
- C. "The foolish said to the prudent, Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out. But the prudent answered, saying, Perhaps there will not be enough for us and for you; go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves"—Matt. 25:8-9:
 - 1. We need to pay the price for the filling of the Spirit in our soul—v. 4:
 - a. The price involves matters such as giving up the world, dealing with the self, loving the Lord above all, and counting all things loss for Christ.
 - b. The Spirit who came into our spirit was given freely, but the saturating Spirit to fill our soul is not free.
 - c. After having the Spirit in our spirit, we need to pay the price for the further filling of the Spirit, for the extra portion of oil.
 - 2. To be watchful is to be filled with the Spirit—v. 13; Eph. 5:17-18:
 - a. To be watchful is to prepare ourselves daily by buying the oil.
 - b. If we allow the Spirit to saturate our entire being, we are watchful persons, making ourselves ready for the Lord's coming.
 - 3. To have our soul saturated and filled with the Spirit cannot be accomplished in one day; it is a lifelong matter.
 - 4. Because we do not know when we will die, we need to get ready before we die by accumulating sufficient oil in our vessel—Matt. 25:4-5.
 - 5. There is no other way to gain the oil except by praying; through prayer we receive more Spirit—Eph. 5:18; 6:18.
 - 6. Whether or not we will be raptured early to enter into the wedding feast depends upon our daily buying of the Spirit—Matt. 25:10-12:
 - a. For us to be qualified to be raptured to enter into the Bridegroom's marriage feast requires our passing through a long period of accumulating the spiritual oil—22:2, 11-14; Rev. 19:7-9.
 - b. The sufficient oil will be our entry to the wedding feast—Matt. 25:10.

Message 7

Our Preparation for the Lord's Coming (2) Being Faithful in Service

Scripture Reading: Matt. 24:45-51; Eph. 2:19; 1 Cor. 4:1; 1 Pet. 4:10; John 6:57, 63, 68; Eph. 6:17-18; Acts 6:4; 2 Cor. 3:6; 2 Tim. 4:4, 10; 2 Cor. 6:10; Eph. 3:8; Luke 17:31-32; 21:34-36; 6:37; Eph. 4:31-32; Phil. 2:2-4; 1 Pet. 5:3; Matt. 20:25-28; 2 Cor. 6:14; 2 Tim. 2:22; Matt. 25:14-30; Rom. 12:6; Eph. 4:7-8; 1 Tim. 4:14

- I. Matthew 24:45-51 reveals that we must be faithful in service in the Lord's commission to give God as food to the members of His household that we may win Christ as our reward in the coming kingdom:
 - A. God has a household and a household administration, an economy, to dispense Himself as food to the members of His household for His expression—1 Tim. 1:4; 3:15; Eph. 2:19.
 - B. God has set faithful and prudent slaves over His household as household administrators, stewards, channels of supply, to give His people food at the proper time—Matt. 24:45; 1 Cor. 9:17; Eph. 3:2; 1 Cor. 4:1; 1 Pet. 4:10; Phil. 1:25.
 - C. *Give them food* refers to ministering the word of God and Christ as the life supply to the believers in the church; Christ as the life-giving Spirit is our food, embodied and realized in the word of life—Matt. 24:45; John 6:57, 63, 68; Acts 5:20:
 - 1. In order to enjoy the Lord as our spiritual food so that we can feed others, we must pray over and muse on His word, tasting and enjoying it through careful consideration—Eph. 6:17-18; Psa. 119:15; Ezek. 3:1-4.
 - 2. We must devote ourselves to prayer and the ministry of the word—Acts 6:4; 2 Cor. 3:6, 8; John 7:37-39; cf. Heb. 7:25; 8:2.
 - D. To say in our heart that our Master delays is to love the present evil age and not to love the Lord's appearing—Matt. 24:48; 2 Tim. 4:8, 10; cf. Acts 26:16:
 - 1. We must beware of covetousness, not storing up treasure for ourselves but being rich toward God—Luke 12:16-20; 2 Cor. 6:10; Eph. 3:8.
 - 2. "Remember Lot's wife" is a solemn warning to the world-loving believers—Luke 17:31-32; cf. Rom. 1:21, 25.
 - 3. We must be watchful and beseeching so that the day of the Lord's coming would not come upon us suddenly as a snare—Luke 21:34-36; cf. Matt. 2:3.
 - E. To beat our fellow slaves is to mistreat fellow believers—24:49a; Acts 9:4:
 - 1. We must not judge and condemn our fellow believers but be kind to them, tenderhearted, forgiving them even as God in Christ forgave us—Luke 6:37; Eph. 4:31-32.
 - 2. We must not revile or criticize our brothers but consider them more excellent than ourselves—Phil. 2:2-4, 29; Rom. 12:3.
 - 3. We must not lord it over our fellow believers but serve them as a slave to feed them with the resurrected Christ as the life-giving Spirit—1 Pet. 5:3; Matt. 20:25-28; cf. Num. 17:8.
 - F. To eat and drink with the drunken is to keep company with worldly people, who are drunk with worldly things—Matt. 24:49b; cf. Eph. 5:18:
 - 1. Because of their divine nature and holy standing, the believers should not be yoked together with the unbelievers; this should be applied to all intimate relationships between believers and unbelievers, not only to marriage and business—2 Cor. 6:14; 1 Cor. 15:33; cf. Prov. 13:20.

- 2. We must flee youthful lusts and pursue the all-inclusive Christ with those who call on the Lord out of a pure heart—2 Tim. 2:22.
- II. Matthew 25:14-30 reveals that we must be faithful in service in the Lord's gifts to make a profit for Him that we may enter into the joy of the Lord in the coming kingdom:
 - A. The Lord likened Himself to a man going abroad (into the heavens) and delivering to his slaves his possessions; *his possessions* signifies the church (Eph. 1:18) with all the believers, who constitute God's household (Matt. 24:45).
 - B. To one of His slaves He gave five talents, to another two, and to another one—to each according to his own ability—25:15:
 - 1. Talents signify spiritual gifts (spiritual skills and abilities)—Rom. 12:6; 1 Cor. 12:4; 1 Pet. 4:10; 2 Tim. 1:6.
 - 2. All the members of the Body of Christ are gifted, and all are gifts—Rom. 12:6a; Eph. 4:7-8.
 - 3. *Own ability* signifies our natural ability, which is constituted of God's creation and our learning—Matt. 25:15; cf. Acts 7:22.
 - 4. Trading with talents signifies using the gift the Lord has given us—Matt. 25:16-17; cf. 1 Tim. 4:14; 2 Tim. 1:6.
 - 5. Gaining other talents signifies that the gift we received from the Lord has been used to the fullest extent, without any loss or waste—cf. 4:5b.
 - C. The one-talented one went off, dug in the earth, and hid his master's money—Matt. 25:18:
 - 1. The earth signifies the world; thus, *dug in the earth* signifies becoming involved in the world to bury the gift we have received from the Lord.
 - 2. *Hid his master's money* signifies rendering the Lord's gift useless, letting it lie waste under the cloak of certain earthly excuses; to make any excuse for not using the Lord's gift is to hide the gift.
 - D. In the coming kingdom the Lord's gift will be taken away from the slothful believers, and they will be cast into outer darkness, but the faithful believers' gift will be increased, and they will enter into the uttermost enjoyment of Christ—vv. 21, 23, 26-30.
- III. "All the problems in the church today issue from the one-talented ones. The Lord has shown us that there is not one whose gift exceeds five talents. For a span of twenty years the church may have only one with five talents, but every day the church can have five persons, each with one talent. Any one of the children of God, even the one in the poorest condition, still has one talent; and when you put five of the one-talented ones together, it equals one who has five talents. If all the one-talented ones in the church today would bring forth their talents, there would be no need of so many great gifts among us. Just by the coming forth of the one-talented ones, let me tell you, the whole world will be conquered"—W. Nee, Further Talks on the Church Life, p. 143.

Message 8

Having Dispensational Value to God in the Last Days to Turn the Age

Scripture Reading: Rev. 12:5, 10-11; Dan. 12:3; 10:11, 19; 2:28, 34-35; Rev. 14:1, 4-5; 2:7; 3:21; 19:7-9; Num. 6:1-8; 1 Sam. 1:11; Heb. 13:13; Matt. 12:48-50; Rev. 3:1; Lev. 5:2; Rom. 8:6, 10-11; 2 Cor. 5:4; Rev. 1:10; 4:1-2; Acts 17:26-27; Rev. 1:5; Matt. 24:14; Judg. 5:15b, 16b; Acts 1:14; Eph. 4:3; Dan. 11:32b; 2 Tim. 2:21

- I. Every time God wants to make a dispensational move, an age-turning move, He must obtain His dispensational instrument; we must be those who have dispensational value to God in the last days to turn the age—Rev. 12:5-11; 1:20; Dan. 12:3; 9:23; 10:11, 19:
 - A. The goal of God's eternal economy, the goal of the divine history within human history, is to have the corporate Christ, Christ with His overcomers, as the crushing stone to be His dispensational instrument to end this age and become a great mountain, the kingdom of God—2:28, 31-45; Joel 3:11; Rev. 12:1-2, 5, 11; 14:1-5; 19:7-21.
 - B. Simply speaking, recovery is to overcome; to be in the Lord's recovery is to be in the Lord's overcoming, being prepared to be His overcoming bride for His return—2:7; 3:21; 19:7-9.
- II. Only the Nazarites can bring back the Lord Jesus; all those who are used by God to turn the age must be Nazarites—voluntarily consecrated ones who are sanctified absolutely and ultimately to God—Num. 6:1-8; Judg. 13:4-5; 1 Sam. 1:11; Luke 1:15:
 - A. A Nazarite was to abstain from wine and anything related to its source, signifying that we must abstain from all kinds of earthly enjoyment and pleasure, which lead to lustful conduct and a lustful intention—Num. 6:3; cf. Psa. 104:15; Eccl. 10:19; 2 Tim. 2:22; 3:1-5.
 - B. A Nazarite was to let his hair grow long, signifying that we must remain in subjection to the headship of Christ—Num. 6:5; cf. 1 Cor. 11:3, 6:
 - 1. A Nazarite is a person who is full of submission; with him there is a submissive standing, atmosphere, and intention; if you are such a person, there will be a great blessing for you and your future.
 - 2. Long hair is a glory to a woman but a shame to a man, signifying that a Nazarite is one who is separated from self-glory and is willing to bear shame for the Lord—Heb. 13:13.
 - C. A Nazarite was not to be defiled by the deadness that comes through natural affection—Num. 6:7; Matt. 12:48-50.
 - D. A Nazarite was not to touch anything dead so that he may not be defiled; the most hateful thing in the eyes of God is death—Num. 6:6-7; Rev. 3:1:
 - 1. The Nazarites are numbered for the formation of God's army; they are very vigilant, full of feeling for the war against death—cf. 1 Cor. 15:54-58.
 - 2. We must be careful about the people whom we contact and be separated unto God from every kind of spiritual death—wild death, mild death, and subtle death—Lev. 5:2.
 - 3. We must be those who are full of life, which is "anti-death"—Rom. 8:10, 6, 11; 2 Cor. 5:4.

III. We must live in our spirit to be men on earth with God's heart, men to whom heaven can be opened to see the vision concerning the destiny of the world and the present situation of the world—Rev. 1:10; 4:1-2:

- A. The Lord sovereignly arranges the world situation and the kingdoms of the world under His heavenly rule so that the environment might be fit for God's chosen people to receive His salvation and be prepared to be His bride—Acts 5:31; 17:26-27; Dan. 4:26; Rev. 1:5.
- B. The great human image in Daniel 2 is a prophetic illustration of the history of human government, sovereignly arranged by the Lord for the carrying out of His economy—vv. 31-35.
- C. Europe, in the consummation of the fulfillment of the vision concerning the great human image in Daniel 2, is more vitally crucial than any other country and race; the crushing of the two feet of the great human image will be the crushing of the entire human government—vv. 34-35:
 - 1. The ten kings typified by the ten toes of the great image in Daniel 2 will be under Antichrist, who will be the last Caesar of the revived Roman Empire; all of this will transpire in Europe—Rev. 17:9-14.
 - 2. The United States, Europe, and the Far East are the three influential factors of the present situation of the world; the recovery has taken root in the United States and the Far East but there is a void in Europe.
 - 3. Before the crushing of Antichrist and of the totality of human government transpire, the Lord's recovery must spread to Europe and be rooted there.
 - 4. The spreading of the truths of the Lord's recovery will be a preparation for the Lord's coming back to bring the recovery and restoration not only to Israel, but also to the entire creation—Matt. 24:14; cf. Rev. 5:6.
 - 5. We should tell the Lord, "Lord, these days are the consummation of the age; Lord, in these days rekindle my love toward You."

IV. In these last days before the Lord's coming, we must be those who have great resolutions in heart and great searchings of heart—Judg. 5:15b, 16b:

- A. The Lord's present charge to us should be go and teach the nations (cf. Matt. 28:19) that the present age may be consummated—24:14.
- B. In order to take the Lord's charge, we must keep the oneness; if we lose the oneness and the one accord, we are finished as far as the Lord's move is concerned—Acts 1:14; Eph. 4:3.
- C. We should rise up to follow the Lord in His present move and have ourselves adjusted to His regulations to be useful to Him—Dan. 11:32; 2 Tim. 2:21.

Message 9

The Shining and Warning of the Prophetic Word Made More Firm and the Believers' Attitude toward the Coming of Christ

Scripture Reading: 2 Pet. 1:19; Dan. 9:27; Jer. 17:5-8; Rom. 13:12; Psa. 119:105, 130; Matt. 24:42-44; Luke 21:34-36; Rev. 3:10; Rom. 15:4; Rev. 2:26, 28; 2 Tim. 4:8; Phil. 3:20; Rev. 22:20; Matt. 25:13, 4; Luke 17:32

I. The prophetic word of the Scripture, as the shining lamp to the believers, conveys spiritual light to shine in their darkness, guiding them to enter into a bright day until the day of the Lord's appearing—2 Pet. 1:19:

- A. The time is short; by studying the prophecies in the Bible and checking with the world situation today, we know that the day of the Lord's coming is very near and that the last week is approaching—Dan. 9:27.
- B. The crucial matter today is this: we do not want to bury ourselves in the world but put ourselves in the Lord's hand; we should know that once we bury ourselves in the world and become rooted in it, it will not be easy to be uprooted—Jer. 17:5-8.
- C. In the few remaining days, we should get ourselves ready; let us be those who love and serve the Lord, who are revived and are overcoming every day, and who let the world go and are waiting with all our heart for the Lord's coming.

II. The shining and warning of the prophetic word made more firm to us today—2 Pet. 1:19:

- A. Peter likens the word of prophecy in the Scripture to a lamp shining in a dark place:
 - 1. This age is a dark place in the dark night, and all the people of the world are moving and acting in darkness—Rom. 13:12.
 - 2. The shining of the prophetic word in the dark age of today is a shining lamp to the believers, conveying spiritual light to shine in their darkness (not merely knowledge in letters for mental apprehension)—Psa. 119:105, 130.
 - 3. The shining of the prophetic word in this dark age is guiding the believers to enter into a bright day, even to pass through the dark night until the day of the Lord's appearing dawns and the morning star rises in their hearts.
- B. The prophetic word made more firm is also a warning word to the believers:
 - 1. Because of the prophetic word, the Lord warns us to watch; in Matthew 24:42 the Lord says, "Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord comes."
 - 2. In Luke 21:34 the Lord warns us to take heed to ourselves that our hearts may not be weighed down with debauchery and drunkenness and anxieties of life, and that day come upon us suddenly as a snare.
 - 3. We need to be watchful, at every time beseeching, that we may prevail to escape all the things which are about to take place and to stand before Christ—Luke 21:36.
 - 4. We need to keep the word of Christ's endurance; every word that the Lord has spoken in the Bible is a word of endurance; to keep the word of His endurance, we must suffer His rejection and persecution—Rev. 3:10; Rom. 15:4.
 - 5. We need to overcome and keep the Lord's works until the end; the Lord's works are the things the Lord has accomplished and is doing; if we keep the Lord's works until the end, He will be the morning star to us at His appearing—Rev. 2:26, 28.

III. The believers' attitude toward the coming of Christ:

A. Every "today" that we have is truly the Lord's grace; as long as we have today, and as long as we still have breath, we should love the Lord and His appearing, await the

- Lord's coming, and always take His coming as an encouragement—2 Tim. 4:8; Phil. 3:20; Rev. 22:20.
- B. When the Lord comes, He will come secretly as a thief to those who love Him, and will steal them away as His treasures and bring them into His presence in the heavens; hence, we need to watch and be ready—Matt. 24:42-44; 25:13:
 - 1. If we desire to be raptured, first we must be filled with the heavenly breath and have oil in our vessels—25:4.
 - 2. If we are rooted on the earth and occupied daily with the anxieties of this life and with earthly pleasures, we will not be raptured at that time; we should remember Lot's wife—Luke 17:32.
- C. The Lord also reminded us to take heed to ourselves and to be watchful, at every time beseeching, lest our hearts be weighed down with debauchery and drunkenness and anxieties of life, and that the day of the great tribulation come upon us suddenly as a snare; for it will come in upon all those dwelling on the face of all the earth—21:34-36:
 - 1. We should guard our hearts and give all the room to the Lord that we may prevail to escape all these things and to stand before the Son of Man—vv. 34-36; cf. Rev. 12:5-6.
 - 2. To attain maturity is not an overnight matter; therefore, for His coming we must prepare ourselves, love Him, and grow in Him, that at His appearing we may be mature to be raptured and receive the reward.

PCC Children's Workbooks

Lesson: Choosing Our Friends

John 15:16 – You did not choose me but I chose you.

Daniel 2:17 – Then Daniel went to his house and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions.

1 Cor. 15:33 – Do not be deceived: Evil companionships corrupt good morals.

Prov. 13:20 – He who walks with wise men will be wise, / But the companion of fools will be troubled.

James 4:4 – Do you not know that the friendship of the world is enmity with God?

Lesson: God Doesn't Make Mistakes

Matt.19:4 - ... He who created them from the beginning made them male and female.

Psa. 119:73 - Your hands have made me and fashioned me...

Psa. 139:13-14 - For it was You who formed my inward parts; / You wove me together in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am awesomely and wonderfully made; / Your works are wonderful, / And my soul knows it well.

Psa. 139:16-17 - Your eyes saw my unformed substance; / And in Your book all of them were written: / The days that were ordained for me, / When not one of them was yet. 17) And how precious are Your thoughts to me, O God! / How great is the sum of them!

Jer. 1:5a - Before I formed you in the womb, I knew you; / And before you came forth from the womb, I sanctified you..."

Lesson: Samuel: The Boy Who Listened

1 Sam. 1:20 - ...she called his name Samuel, for she said, I asked for him of Jehovah.

1 Sam. 2:35a - And I will raise up for Myself a faithful priest who will do according to what is in My heart and in My mind...

1 Sam. 2:26 - And the boy Samuel continued to grow in stature and in favor both with Jehovah and with men.

1 Sam. 3:9 - And Eli said to Samuel, Go and lie down, and if He calls you, you shall say, Speak, O Jehovah; for Your servant is listening. And Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Lesson: Honour Your Parents

Eph. 6:2-3 - "Honor your father and mother," which is the first commandment with a promise, "that it may be well with you and that you may live long on the earth."

Deut. 5:16 - Honor your father and your mother, as Jehovah your God has commanded you, that your days may be extended and that it may be well with you upon the land which Jehovah your God is giving you.

