Feb. 7-13, 2022

Pursuing Christ as Our Goal Philippians 3:11-21

Monday 2/7

Phil. 3:11-12, 8

11 If perhaps I may attain to the out-resurrection from the dead.

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

8 But moreover I also count all things to be loss on account of the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, on account of whom I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as refuse that I may gain Christ

Heb. 11:35, 26

35 Women received their dead by resurrection; and others were tortured to death, not accepting deliverance, in order that they might obtain a better resurrection.

26 Considering the reproach of the Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he looked away to the reward.

1 Thes. 4:16-17

16 Because the Lord Himself, with a shout of command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet of God, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.

17 Then we who are living, who are left remaining, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air; and thus we will be always with the Lord.

1 Cor. 15:52-53

52 In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed.

53 For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.

Further Reading: HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 1 Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 11 – Sections: How God Becomes Man's Enjoyment; The Christian Life Being To Eat And Drink God; The Meaning Of Eating And Drinking God (paragraphs 1-2)

Tuesday 2/8

Phil. 3:12-13

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

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

1 Cor. 6:19-20

19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?

20 For you have been bought with a price. So then glorify God in your body.

1 Cor. 9:24-26

24 Do you not know that those who run on a racecourse all run, but one receives the prize? Run in this way, that you may lay hold.

25 And everyone who contends exercises self-control in all things; they then, that they may receive a corruptible crown, but we, an incorruptible.

26 I therefore run in this way, not as though without a clear aim; I box in this way, not as though beating the air;

Heb. 6:1

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

Eph. 4:14-15

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

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

Further Reading: HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 2 Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 11 – Sections: - The Meaning Of Eating And Drinking God (paragraphs 3-7)

Wednesday 2/9

Phil. 3:13-14

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

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

Luke 9:62

62 But Jesus said to him, No one who puts his hand on the plow and looks behind is fit for the kingdom of God.

2 Tim. 4:7-8

7 I have fought the good fight; I have finished the course; I have kept the faith.

8 Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, with which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will recompense me in that day, and not only me but also all those who have loved His appearing.

Heb. 10:35-36

35 Do not cast away therefore your boldness, which has great reward.

36 For you have need of endurance in order that, having done the will of God, you may obtain the promise.

Heb. 12:1-2

1 Therefore let us also, having so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, put away every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us and run with endurance the race which is set before us,

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

Acts 20:24

24 But I consider my life of no account as if precious to myself, in order that I may finish my course and the ministry which I have received from the Lord Jesus to solemnly testify of the gospel of the grace of God.

Further Reading: HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 3 Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 11 – Sections: Christ Being Our Life By Becoming Our Food

Thursday 2/10

Phil. 3:15-16

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

16 Nevertheless whereunto we have attained, by the same rule let us walk.

Phil. 1:25, 27

25 And being confident of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all for your progress and joy of the faith,

27 Only, conduct yourselves in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, that whether coming and seeing you or being absent, I may hear of the things concerning you, that you stand firm in one spirit, with one soul striving together along with the faith of the gospel,

Phil. 2:2, 5, 20

2 Make my joy full, that you think the same thing, having the same love, joined in soul, thinking the one thing,

5 Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus,

20 For I have no one like-souled who will genuinely care for what concerns you;

Phil. 4:2

2 I exhort Euodias, and I exhort Syntyche, to think the same thing in the Lord.

Heb. 5:14

14 But solid food is for the full-grown, who because of practice have their faculties exercised for discriminating between both good and evil.

Eph. 4:13

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

Further Reading: HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 4 Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 11 – Sections: Living The Christian Life By Enjoying Christ (paragraphs 1-8)

Friday 2/11

Phil. 3:17-19

17 Be imitators together of me, brothers, and observe those who thus walk even as you have us as a pattern.

18 For many walk, of whom I have told you often and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ.

19 Whose end is destruction, whose god is their stomach, and whose glory is in their shame, who set their minds on earthly things.

Gal. 5:24

24 But they who are of Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and its lusts.

1 Cor. 11:1

1 Be imitators of me, as I also am of Christ.

2 Thes. 3:9

9 Not because we do not have the right, but in order that we might give ourselves to you as a pattern that you might imitate us.

Matt. 20:21-22, 26-28

21 And He said to her, What do you want? She said to Him, Say that these two sons of mine will sit, one on Your right and one on Your left, in Your kingdom.

22 But Jesus answered and said to them, You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup which I am about to drink? They said to Him, We are able.

26 It shall not be so among you; but whoever wants to become great among you shall be your servant,

27 And whoever wants to be first among you shall be your slave;

28 Just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve and to give His life as a ransom for many.

Further Reading: HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 5 Corporate Reading of "How to Enjoy God and How to Practice the Enjoyment of God" Chapter 11 – Sections: Living The Christian Life By Enjoying Christ (paragraphs 9-15); Living Continuously In The Spirit To Enjoy Christ

Saturday 2/12

Phil. 3:20-21

20 For our commonwealth exists in the heavens, from which also we eagerly await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.

21 Who will transfigure the body of our humiliation to be conformed to the body of His glory, according to His operation by which He is able even to subject all things to Himself.

Rom. 12:2

2 And do not be fashioned according to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of the mind that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and well pleasing and perfect.

1 Cor. 15:42-43, 51, 54-55

42 So also is the resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption;

43 It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power;

51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We will not all sleep, but we will all be changed,

54 And when this corruptible will put on incorruption and this mortal will put on immortality, then the word which is written will come to pass, "Death has been swallowed up unto victory."

55 Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?

Titus 2:11-13

11 For the grace of God, bringing salvation to all men, has appeared,

12 Training us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly and righteously and godly in the present age.

13 Awaiting the blessed hope, even the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ,

Further Reading: *HWMR Philippians - Week 5, Day 6* Hymns, #499, #947, #1205, #593

Lord's Day 2/13

S.S. 1:4, 7-8

4 Draw me; we will run after you-The king has brought me into his chambers-We will be glad and rejoice in you; We will extol your love more than wine. Rightly do they love you.

7 Tell me, you whom my soul loves, Where do you pasture your flock? Where do you make it lie down at

noon? For why should I be like one who is veiled Beside the flocks of your companions?

8 If you yourself do not know, You fairest among women, Go forth on the footsteps of the flock, And pasture your young goats By the shepherds' tents.

S.S. 2:10, 14

10 My beloved responds and says to me, Rise up, my love, My beauty, and come away;

14 My dove, in the clefts of the rock, In the covert of the precipice, Let me see your countenance, Let me hear your voice; For your voice is sweet, And your countenance is lovely.

S.S. 3:4

4 Scarcely had I passed them When I found him whom my soul loves; I held him and would not let go Until I had brought him into my mother's house And into the chamber of her who conceived me.

S.S. 5:2

2 I sleep, but my heart is awake. A sound! My beloved is knocking: Open to me, my sister, my love, My dove, my perfect one; For my head is full of dew, My locks with the drops of night.

S.S. 6:1, 3

1 Where has your beloved gone, O you most beautiful among women? Where has your beloved turned, That we may seek him with you?

3 I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine; He pastures his flock among the lilies.

S.S. 7:11-12

11 Come, my beloved, let us go forth into the fields; Let us lodge in the villages.

12 Let us rise up early for the vineyards; Let us see if the vine has budded, If the blossom is open, If the pomegranates are in bloom; There I will give you my love.

S.S. 8:5, 14

5 Who is this who comes up from the wilderness, Leaning on her beloved? I awakened you under the apple tree: There your mother was in labor with you; There she was in labor and brought you forth.

14 Make haste, my beloved, And be like a gazelle or a young hart Upon the mountains of spices.

Further Reading:

Life-study of Philippians, msgs. 23, 53, 24, 55, 25