**Morning Watch Loving the Lord and Loving One Another for the Feb. 20-26, 2023**

 **Organic Building Up of the Church as the Body of Christ – Week 7**

**Being Perfect as the**

**Heavenly Father Is Perfect by Being Perfected in His Love**

**Monday 2/20**

**Matt. 5:44-45, 48**

**44** But I say to you, Love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you,

**45** So that you may become sons of your Father who is in the heavens, because He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good and sends rain on the just and the unjust.

**48** You therefore shall be perfect as your heavenly Father is perfect.

**John 3:6b**

**6b** and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

**1 Cor. 6:17**

**17** But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit.

**Rom. 8:4, 16**

**4** That the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us, who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the spirit.

**16** The Spirit Himself witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God.

**Eph. 2:22**

**22** In whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 1*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Building Up Our Christian Living*

**Tuesday 2/21**

**2 Pet. 1:3-4**

**3** Seeing that His divine power has granted to us all things which relate to life and godliness, through the full knowledge of Him who has called us by His own glory and virtue,

**4** Through which He has granted to us precious and exceedingly great promises that through these you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world by lust.

**John 3:15**

**15** That every one who believes into Him may have eternal life.

**John 4:24**

**24** God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truthfulness.

**Gal. 3:27**

**27** For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.

**1 John 1:5**

**5** And this is the message which we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

**1 John 4:16**

***See Lord’s Day***

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 2*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Building Up Our Christian Character*

**Wednesday 2/22**

**Gen. 17:1**

**1** And when Abram was ninety-nine years old, Jehovah appeared to Abram and said to him, I am the All-sufficient God; Walk before Me, and be perfect.

**2 Cor. 12:9**

**9** And He has said to me, My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is perfected in weakness. Most gladly therefore I will rather boast in my weaknesses that the power of Christ might tabernacle over me.

**John 15:5**

**5** I am the vine; you are the branches. He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit; for apart from Me you can do nothing.

**Phil 2:12-13**

**12** So then, my beloved, even as you have always obeyed, not as in my presence only but now much rather in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling;

**13** For it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure.

**Phil 4:13**

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

**Heb 13:20-21**

**20** Now the God of peace, He who brought up from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, in the blood of an eternal covenant,

**21** Perfect you in every good work for the doing of His will, doing in us that which is well pleasing in His sight through Jesus Christ; to Him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

**Exo 24:16-18 (read only)**

**16** And the glory of Jehovah settled on Mount Sinai, and the cloud covered it six days; and on the seventh day He called to Moses out of the midst of the cloud.

**17** And the appearance of the glory of Jehovah was like consuming fire on the top of the mountain to the eyes of the children of Israel.

**18** And Moses entered into the midst of the cloud and went up on the mountain; and Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 3*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Learning Languages*

**Thursday 2/23**

**1 John 2:5**

**5** But whoever keeps His word, truly in this one the love of God has been perfected. In this we know that we are in Him.

**1 John 4:12, 17-18**

***See Lord’s Day***

**1 John 4: 9-10**

**9** In this the love of God was manifested among us, that God sent His only begotten Son into the world that we might have life and live through Him.

**10** Herein is love, not that we have loved God but that He loved us and sent His Son as a propitiation for our sins.

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 4*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Learn to Know the Church*

**Friday 2/24**

**2 Cor. 13:11, 14**

**11** Finally, brothers, rejoice, be perfected, be comforted, think the same thing, be at peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you.

**14** The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**Eph 1:9-10**

**9** Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself,

**10** Unto the economy of the fullness of the times, to head up all things in Christ, the things in the heavens and the things on the earth, in Him;

**Eph. 4:11-13**

**11** And He Himself gave some as apostles and some as prophets and some as evangelists and some as shepherds and teachers,

**12** For the perfecting of the saints unto the work of the ministry, unto the building up of the Body of Christ,

**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 Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 5*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Living a Healthy Life*

**Saturday 2/25**

**2 Pet. 1:7**

**7** And in godliness, brotherly love; and in brotherly love, love.

**2 Pet. 3:11**

**11** Since all these things are to be thus dissolved, what kind of persons ought you to be in holy manner of life and godliness,

**Rev. 21:18**

**18** And the building work of its wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

**Rev. 1:12**

**12** And I turned to see the voice that spoke with me; and when I turned, I saw seven golden lampstands,

**Rev. 3:18**

**18** I counsel you to buy from Me gold refined by fire that you may be rich, and white garments that you may be clothed and that the shame of your nakedness may not be manifested, and eyesalve to anoint your eyes that you may see.

**1 Pet. 1:4**

**4** Unto an inheritance, incorruptible and undefiled and unfading, kept in the heavens for you,

**Further Reading:** *HWMR Loving the Lord and Loving One Another... – Week 7, Day 6*

**Corporate Reading: *The Economy of God and the Mystery of the Transmission of the Divine Trinity,* Chapter 12, Section:** *Learning to Spend Money Properly*

**Lord’s Day 2/26**

**1 John 4:11-19**

**11** Beloved, if God has loved us in this way, we also ought to love one another.

**12** No one has beheld God at any time; if we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us.

**13** In this we know that we abide in Him and He in us, that He has given to us of His Spirit.

**14** And we have beheld and testify that the Father has sent the Son as the Savior of the world.

**15** Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him and he in God.

**16** And we know and have believed the love which God has in us. God is love, and he who abides in love abides in God and God abides in him.

**17** In this has love been perfected with us, that we have boldness in the day of the judgment because even as He is, so also are we in this world.

**18** There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear because fear has punishment, and he who fears has not been perfected in love.

**19** We love because He first loved us.

**Hymns,** *#13*

**Further Reading:**

*Life-study of 1 John, msgs. 34-35*

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