The Intrinsic Significance of the Christian Life

Monday 8/26

Mark 12:30

30 And you shall love the Lord your God from your whole heart and from your whole soul and from your whole mind and from your whole strength."

John 14:23.

23 Jesus answered and said to him, If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word, and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make an abode with him.

Phil. 1:19-21

19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

20 According to my earnest expectation and hope that in nothing I will be put to shame, but with all boldness, as always, even now Christ will be magnified in my body, whether through life or through death.

21 For to me, to live is Christ and to die is gain.

Gal. 2:20

20 I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

2 Cor. 5:14

14 For the love of Christ constrains us because we have judged this, that One died for all, therefore all died:

1 Cor. 2:10

10 But to us God has revealed them through the Spirit, for the Spirit searches all things, even the depths of God.

1 Pet. 1:8

8 Whom having not seen, you love; into whom though not seeing Him at present, yet believing, you exult with joy that is unspeakable and full of glory,

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 1*

Tuesday 8/27

1 John 4:19

19 We love because He first loved us.

2 Cor. 2:10

10 But whom you forgive anything, I also forgive; for also what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, it is for your sake in the person of Christ;

2 Cor. 3:16, 18

16 But whenever their heart turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away.

18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

2 Cor. 4:6-7

6 Because the God who said, Out of darkness light shall shine, is the One who shined in our hearts to illuminate the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.

1 Sam. 16:7

7 But Jehovah said to Samuel, Do not regard his appearance and the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For it is not how man sees that matters; for man looks on the outward appearance, but Jehovah looks on the heart.

Eph. 1:18

18 The eyes of your heart having been enlightened, that you may know what is the hope of His calling, and what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints.

1 Tim. 1:16

16 But because of this I was shown mercy, that in me, the foremost, Jesus Christ might display all His long-suffering for a pattern to those who are to believe on Him unto eternal life.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 2*

Wednesday 8/28

Eph. 4:<u>1-3</u>, 4

1 I beseech you therefore, I, the prisoner in the Lord, to walk worthily of the calling with which you were called,

- 2 With all lowliness and meekness, with long-suffering, bearing one another in love,
- **3** Being diligent to keep the oneness of the Spirit in the uniting bond of peace:
- 4 One Body and one Spirit, even as also you were called in one hope of your calling;

John 7:37-39

37 Now on the last day, the great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried out, saying, If anyone thirsts, let him come to Me and drink.

38 He who believes into Me, as the Scripture said, out of his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water.

39 But this He said concerning the Spirit, whom those who believed into Him were about to receive; for the Spirit was not yet, because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

1 Cor. 1:2

2 To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints, with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, who is theirs and ours:

1 Cor. 10:3-4

3 And all ate the same spiritual food,

4 And all drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank of a spiritual rock which followed them, and the rock was Christ.

1 Cor. 12:13

13 For also in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and were all given to drink one Spirit.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 3*

Thursday 8/29

Eph. 4:<u>15</u>

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

Eph. 5:15, 18

15 Look therefore carefully how you walk, not as unwise, but as wise,

18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissoluteness, but be filled in spirit,

Mark 9:7-8

7 And a cloud appeared, overshadowing them, and a voice came out of the cloud: This is My Son, the

Beloved. Hear Him!

8 And suddenly, when they looked around, they no longer saw anyone, but Jesus only with them.

Col. 2:16-17

16 Let no one therefore judge you in eating and in drinking or in respect of a feast or of a new moon or of the Sabbath.

17 Which are a shadow of the things to come, but the body is of Christ.

Eph. 4:20-21

20 But you did not so learn Christ,

21 If indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him as the reality is in Jesus,

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 4*

Friday 8/30

Jer. 48:11

11 Moab has been at ease from his youth; And he is settled on his lees And has not been emptied from vessel to vessel; Nor has he gone into exile. Therefore his taste remains in him, And his scent is not changed.

Heb. 12:11

11 Now no discipline at the present time seems to be a matter of joy, but of grief; but afterward it yields the peaceable fruit of righteousness to those who have been exercised by it.

2 Cor. 2:14-15

14 But thanks be to God, who always leads us in triumph in the Christ and manifests the savor of the knowledge of Him through us in every place.

15 For we are a fragrance of Christ to God in those who are being saved and in those who are perishing:

S.S. 4:16

16 Awake, O north wind; And come, O south wind! Blow upon my garden: Let its spices flow forth; Let my beloved come into his garden And eat his choicest fruit.

2 Kings 4:8-9

8 And one day Elisha was passing through Shunem; and there was a wealthy woman there, who compelled him to have a meal. So whenever he passed through, he would turn aside and have a meal there.

9 And she said to her husband, Now I know that this man who continually passes through unto us is a holy man of God.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 5*

Saturday 8/31

2 Cor. 4:16

16 Therefore we do not lose heart; but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

Eph. 3:16-17

16 That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man,

17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love.

John 3:6

6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

2 Cor. 5:16-17

16 So then we, from now on, know no one according to the flesh; even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him so no longer.

17 So then if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old things have passed away; behold, they have become new.

Gal. 6:14-15

14 But far be it from me to boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom the world has been crucified to me and I to the world.

15 For neither is circumcision anything nor uncircumcision, but a new creation is what matters.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 1, Day 6*

Lord's Day 9/1

1 Thes. 1:5-9

5 For our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and in much assurance, even as you know what kind of men we were among you for your sake.

6 And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction with

joy of the Holy Spirit,

7 So that you became a pattern to all those who believe in Macedonia and in Achaia.

8 For from you the word of the Lord has sounded out; not only in Macedonia and in Achaia, but in every place, your faith toward God has gone out, so that we have no need of saying anything.

9 For they themselves report concerning us what kind of entrance we had toward you and how you turned to God from the idols to serve a living and true God

1 Thes. 2:7, 10-12

7 But we were gentle in your midst, as a nursing mother would cherish her own children.

10 You are witnesses, as well as God, how in a holy and righteous and blameless manner we conducted ourselves toward you who believe,

11 Just as you know how we were to each one of you, as a father to his own children, exhorting you and consoling you and testifying,

12 So that you might walk in a manner worthy of God, who calls you into His own kingdom and glory.

Hymn, #1240

Further Reading: *NONE*

Churchwide Truth Pursuit

Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading Scripture Reading and Copying: Heb. 10:11-18 Assigned Reading: Life-study of Heb, msgs. 48

Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study

Crucial Point: Christ as the Mediator and Surety of the Better Covenant and the Blood of the Covenant Scripture: Heb. 7:22; 8:6; 10:29; 12:24 and Heb. 9 Assigned Reading: Life-study of Hebrews, msgs. 64-65, 69

Supplemental Reading: LS of Exodus, msgs. 78-79; Experiencing Christ as the Inner Life, ch. 3; Practical Lessons on the Experience of Life, chs. 6-7

Questions:

- 1. How is Christ the Mediator of the new covenant?
- **2.** What does it mean that Christ is the surety of the better covenant?
- 3. Referred to in Heb. 12:24, what does Abel's blood speak and what does the blood of sprinkling speak?
- 4. How might we consider the blood of the covenant a common thing, as mentioned in Heb. 10:29?

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