

Abiding in Christ as the True Vine

Monday 9/16

John 15:4-5*See Saturday***1 Cor. 1:9**

9 God is faithful, through whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1 John 1:3, 7

3 That which we have seen and heard we report also to you that you also may have fellowship with us, and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

7 But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from every sin.

John 14:16-17

16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever,

17 Even the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him; but you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you.

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

Tuesday 9/17

1 John 2:27

27 And as for you, the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone teach you; but as His anointing teaches you concerning all things and is true and is not a lie, and even as it has taught you, abide in Him.

2 Cor. 1:21

21 But the One who firmly attaches us with you unto Christ and has anointed us is God,

Rom. 8:4-6

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.

5 For those who are according to the flesh mind the things of the flesh; but those who are according to the spirit, the things of the Spirit.

6 For the mind set on the flesh is death, but the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

2 Cor. 2:12-13

12 Furthermore, when I came to Troas for the gospel of Christ and a door was open to me in the Lord,

13 I had no rest in my spirit, for I did not find Titus my brother; but taking leave of them, I went forth into Macedonia.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 4, Day 2*

Wednesday 9/18

2 Cor. 3:17

17 And the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

1 Cor. 6:17

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

Rom. 8:4*See Tuesday***Prov. 20:27**

27 The spirit of man is the lamp of Jehovah, Searching all the innermost parts of the inner being.

Heb. 4:12

12 For the word of God is living and operative and sharper than any two-edged sword, and piercing even to the dividing of soul and spirit and of joints and marrow, and able to discern the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

John 3:6

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

Rom. 8:16

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

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

Thursday 9/19

1 John 3:24

24 And he who keeps His commandments abides in Him, and He in him. And in this we know that He abides in us, by the Spirit whom He gave to us.

1 John 4:13

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

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.

Eph. 3:17

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

Eph. 2:21-22

21 In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord;

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

Eph. 5:18

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

Mal. 2:16m

16m...Take heed then to your spirit,

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

Friday 9/20

Rom. 8:26-27

26 Moreover, in like manner the Spirit also joins in to help us in our weakness, for we do not know for what we should pray as is fitting, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

27 But He who searches the hearts knows what

the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to God.

Matt. 6:6

6 But you, when you pray, enter into your private room, and shut your door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

Psa. 27:4, 7-8

4 One thing I have asked from Jehovah; That do I seek: To dwell in the house of Jehovah All the days of my life, To behold the beauty of Jehovah, And to inquire in His temple.

7 Hear, O Jehovah, when I call with my voice, And be gracious to me and answer me.

8 When You say, Seek My face, To You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek.

Heb. 4:16

16 Let us therefore come forward with boldness to the throne of grace that we may receive mercy and find grace for timely help.

Eph. 6:18

18 By means of all prayer and petition, praying at every time in spirit and watching unto this in all perseverance and petition concerning all the saints,

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 4, Day 5*

Saturday 9/21

John 15:7

7 If you abide in Me and My words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

1 John 5:14-15

14 And this is the boldness which we have toward Him, that if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us.

15 And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

Phil. 1:8-9

8 For God is my witness how I long after you all in the inward parts of Christ Jesus.

9 And this I pray, that your love may abound

yet more and more in full knowledge and all discernment,

John 15:4-5, 12, 17

4 Abide in Me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me.

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.

12 This is My commandment, that you love one another even as I have loved you.

17 These things I command you that you may love one another.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Christian Life – Week 4, Day 6*

Lord's Day 9/22

2 Cor. 4:6-14

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.

8 We are pressed on every side but not constricted; unable to find a way out but not utterly without a way out;

9 Persecuted but not abandoned; cast down but not destroyed;

10 Always bearing about in the body the putting to death of Jesus that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

11 For we who are alive are always being delivered unto death for Jesus' sake that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

12 So then death operates in us, but life in you.

13 And having the same spirit of faith according to that which is written, "I believed, therefore I spoke," we also believe, therefore we also speak,

14 Knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and will make us stand before Him with you.

Hymn, #1162

Further Reading:

Life-study of Exodus, msg. 157

Churchwide Truth Pursuit

Level 1—Hebrews Sequential Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: *Heb. 11:1-7*
Assigned Reading: *Life-study of Heb, msgs. 52-53*

Level 2—Hebrews Topical Study

Crucial Point: *Partaking of and Enduring Sufferings by Not Shrinking Back but Having Faith to the Gaining of the Soul*

Scripture: *Heb. 10:32-39*

Assigned Reading: *LS of Hebrews, msgs. 44-46*

Supplemental Reading: *CWWN, vol. 11, "The Present Testimony (4)," Living by Faith; CWWN, vol. 11, "The Present Testimony (4)," Living by Faith and the Course of Entering into a Truth*

Questions:

1. What is the thought behind Heb. 10:32-39?
2. What might cause us to shrink back?
3. What does it mean to "have faith to the gaining of the soul?"
4. What is the "great reward" in Heb. 10:35?