Life and Building in Peter's Epistles

Monday 3/17

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.

1 Pet. 1:23

23 Having been regenerated not of corruptible seed but of incorruptible, through the living and abiding word of God.

Gen. 2:8-9, 22

- **8** And Jehovah God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there He put the man whom He had formed.
- **9** And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.
- 22 And Jehovah God built the rib, which He had taken from the man, into a woman and brought her to the man.

Matt. 16:18

18 And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades shall not prevail against it.

Col. 2:19

19 And not holding the Head, out from whom all the Body, being richly supplied and knit together by means of the joints and sinews, grows with the growth of God.

Eph. 4:16

16 Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God – Week 3, Day 1*

Tuesday 3/18

1 Pet. 2:4-5

- 4 Coming to Him, a living stone, rejected by men but with God chosen and precious,
- 5 You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

John 1:42

42 He led him to Jesus. Looking at him, Jesus said, You are Simon, the son of John; you shall be called Cephas (which is interpreted, Peter).

Acts 4:11

11 This is the stone which was considered as nothing by you, the builders, which has become the head of the corner.

Isa. 28:16

16 Therefore thus says The Lord Jehovah: Indeed I lay a stone in Zion as a foundation, A tested stone, A precious cornerstone as a foundation firmly established; He who believes will not hasten away.

Zech. 4:7

7 Who are you, O great mountain? Before Zerubbabel you will become a plain, and he will bring forth the topstone with shouts of Grace, grace to it.

Rom. 9:21

21 Or does not the potter have authority over the clay to make out of the same lump one vessel unto honor and another unto dishonor?

Further Reading: HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God – Week 3, Day 2

Wednesday 3/19

Eph. 2:21

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

Prov. 4:23

23 Keep your heart with all vigilance, For from it are the issues of life.

1 Pet. 3:4, 15

- **4** But the hidden man of the heart in the incorruptible adornment of a meek and quiet spirit, which is very costly in the sight of God.
- 15 But sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, being

always ready for a defense to everyone who asks of you an account concerning the hope which is in you,

Deut. 10:12

12 And now, O Israel, what does Jehovah your God ask of you except that you fear Jehovah your God so that you would walk in all His ways and love Him and serve Jehovah your God with all your heart and with all your soul;

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."

Psa. 139:23-24

- 23 Search me, O God, and know my heart; Try me, and know my anxious thoughts;
- **24** And see if there is some harmful way in me, And lead me on the eternal way.

Further Reading: *HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God – Week 3, Day 3*

Thursday 3/20

1 Pet. 2:1-2

- 1 Therefore putting away all malice and all guile and hypocrisies and envyings and all evil speakings,
- 2 As newborn babes, long for the guileless milk of the word in order that by it you may grow unto salvation,

Rom. 8:6

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

Psa. 119:15, 23, 148

- **15** I will muse upon Your precepts And regard Your ways.
- 23 Princes as well have sat and spoken against me, But Your servant mused upon Your statutes.
- **148** My eyes anticipated the night watches, That I might muse upon Your word.

Heb. 5:13-14

- 13 For everyone who partakes of milk is inexperienced in the word of righteousness, for he is an infant;
- 14 But solid food is for the full-grown, who

because of practice have their faculties exercised for discriminating between both good and evil.

Phil. 3:15

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.

Further Reading: HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God-Week 3, Day 4

Friday 3/21

1 Pet. 2:5, 9

- 5 You yourselves also, as living stones, are being built up as a spiritual house into a holy priesthood to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
- 9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people acquired for a possession, so that you may tell out the virtues of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

Exo. 19:5-6

- 5 Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be My personal treasure from among all peoples, for all the earth is Mine.
- **6** And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the children of Israel.

Rom. 15:16

16 That I might be a minister of Christ Jesus to the Gentiles, a laboring priest of the gospel of God, in order that the offering of the Gentiles might be acceptable, having been sanctified in the Holy Spirit.

Rom. 12:1

1 I exhort you therefore, brothers, through the compassions of God to present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, well pleasing to God, which is your reasonable service.

Heb. 13:15-16

15 Through Him then let us offer up a sacrifice of praise continually to God, that is, the fruit of lips confessing His name.

16 But do not forget doing good and sharing with others, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.

Phil. 4:18

18 But I have received in full all things and abound; I have been filled, receiving from Epaphroditus the things from you, a sweet-smelling savor, an acceptable sacrifice, well-pleasing to God.

Further Reading: HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God- Week 3, Day 5

Saturday 3/22

2 Cor. 4:12

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

2 Cor. 10:13

13 But we will not boast beyond our measure but according to the measure of the rule which the God of measure has apportioned to us, to reach even as far as

John 12:24

24 Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

John 21:15-22

15 Then when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Feed My lambs.

16 He said to him again a second time, Simon, son of John, do you love Me? He said to Him, Yes, Lord, You know that I love You. He said to him, Shepherd My sheep.

17 He said to him the third time, Simon, son of John, do you love Me? Peter was grieved that He said to him the third time. Do you love Me? And he said to Him, Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You. Jesus said to him, Feed My sheep.

18 Truly, truly, I say to you, When you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished: but when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go.

19 Now this He said, signifying by what kind of death he would glorify God. And when He had said this, He said to him, Follow Me.

20 Peter, turning around, saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following, who also reclined on His breast at the supper, and said, Lord, who is the one betraying You?

21 Peter therefore, seeing him, said to Jesus, Lord, and what about this man?

22 Jesus said to him, If I want him to remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow Me.

Further Reading: HWMR The Government of God for the Economy of God– Week 3, Day 6

Lord's Day 3/23

Gen. 2:10-12

10 And a river went forth from Eden to water the garden, and from there it divided and became four

11 The name of the first is Pishon; it is the one that goes around the whole land of Havilah, where there

12 And the gold of that land is good; bdellium and onyx stone are there.

1 Cor. 3:6-9

- 6 I planted, Apollos watered, but God caused the growth.
- 7 So then neither is he who plants anything nor he who waters, but God who causes the growth.
- 8 Now he who plants and he who waters are one, but each will receive his own reward according to his own labor.
- 9 For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's cultivated land, God's building.

Rev. 21:9

9 And one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues came and spoke with me, saying, Come here; I will show you the bride, the wife of the Lamb.

Rev. 22:1-2

1 And he showed me a river of water of life, bright as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb in the middle of its street.

2 And on this side and on that side of the river was the tree of life, producing twelve fruits, yielding its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations.

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Further Reading:

The Crucial Revelation of Life in the Scriptures, ch.

Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Genesis Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading

Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 7 **Assigned Reading**: Life-study of Genesis, msg(s). 13-14

Level 2—Topical Study Crucial Point: Image

Scripture: Gen. 1:26

Assigned Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg. 8 Supplemental Reading: The Central Thought of God, ch. 2; The Central Line of the Divine Revelation, ch. 6; Revelation in Genesis: Seeing God's Desire and Purpose in Creation, ch. 4

Questions: See the church website

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