

Week of November 14

Living under Christ's Kingship and Allowing Him to Reign in Us

"In those days there was no king in Israel; each man did what was right in his own eyes." (Judg. 21:25)

"Now to the King of the ages, incorruptible, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory for ever and ever. Amen." (1 Tim. 1:17)

Because there was no king in Israel during the time of the judges, the children of Israel did what was right in their own eyes, and as a result they became rotten and corrupted. Doing what is right in our own eyes is lawlessness. Lawlessness is not recognizing and submitting to God's authority.

In the Lord's recovery we need to be delivered from the lawlessness portrayed in Judges and to live under the rule of God in the kingdom of God and do the will of God. The God in whom we believe and whom we serve and who is being dispensed into us is the King of the ages, the King of eternity. We need to realize that Christ is our King reigning in our hearts and recognize the kingship of Christ in the local churches, where we live under His kingship. If we allow Christ to reign in us, bringing in the kingdom with lovingkindness, truthfulness, faithfulness, justice, and righteousness, we will become the same as He is in these virtues. (*Crystallization-Study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth*, msg. 9, II.C, IV.A, 1.d, II.E, III.A, B.2, 5.c)

Being Faithful in the Practice of Fruit-bearing

"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." (John 15:5)

The Lord wants us to have a spiritual life in the church, to go to the meetings, to worship Him, and to live Him. But what is all this for? If all the saints in the church were like this, yet no one bore any fruit, the church would eventually die out. The most basic, crucial, and vital thing is for us to bring forth children.

To bring forth spiritual children, you must make a serious decision to contact people. You can contact your relatives, friends, neighbors, colleagues, classmates, etc. You should pray, "Lord, I do not want to contact them in a natural way. I do not want to have natural talk when I meet with them. Lord, show me the vital way, the living way, to bring them to You."

If you pray such a prayer, the Lord will show you. Today there is the need of some faithful doers in the practice of fruit-bearing. (*The God-ordained Way and the Eldership*, ch. 1)

Thanksgiving Conference

Living Stream Ministry will once again host the upcoming 2021 International Thanksgiving Conference as an online global conference. The general subject is "Living in and with the Divine Trinity." For the church in Los Angeles, we will gather together by languages on Zoom and/or in-person. The schedule is as follows:

- Meeting 1: Friday, November 26..... 10:00 AM
- Meeting 2: Friday, November 26..... 7:30 PM
- Meeting 3: Saturday, November 27..... 10:00 AM
- Meeting 4: Saturday, November 27..... 7:30 PM
- Meeting 5: Lord's Day, November 28.....10:00 AM
- Meeting 6: Lord's Day, November 28..... 4:00 PM

Let us prepare ourselves for this upcoming time of ministry and sanctify these days for the hearing of faith among us. Please pray for the Lord's blessing upon this conference. Pray for the release of His Word through this ministry. Pray that many saints would prepare their hearts to receive and respond to the Lord's present speaking to His recovery to advance His move on earth.

Bibles for America

At Bibles for America (BfA), we're always considering how we can reach more people with the Word of God. Recently, Instagram unlocked some new features that allow us to more easily share our content, including BfA blog posts and the free offer for a NT Recovery Version. We are burdened that God's Word would be spread on this channel so that light would shine on all those sitting in darkness.

Please pray for the Lord to be wisdom to us as we continue to explore using social media, and Instagram in particular. Pray that He would lead and guide us to reach many more of His hungry seekers.

The Lord's Move in a Time of Pandemic

The pandemic is still active around the earth. The level of infection is stable or decreasing in some continents, but this month there has been an increase in Europe, and some nations are imposing restrictions. Please pray that 1) that the uncertainty and anxiety related to the pandemic will open people to the gospel, and 2) the church life and gospelizing will continue to flourish in Europe despite the restrictions.

European University Conference

The fall conference for European university students and recent graduates will take place in the UK from November 19 to 21. The subject is "Acts—the Continuation of Christ." Please pray:

1. For the travel and health of all those who attend, before, during, and after the conference.
2. That all the attendants will receive and have a renewed vision of God's eternal economy (Acts 9:4-5; 26:19) to be the Lord's witnesses (1:8) and the Lord's continuation on the campuses in Europe (1:14, 2:42, 28:31), and will take no way except the way of prayer, the Spirit, and the Word (4:31).
3. That the Lord will gain this generation of college students in Europe for His move to end the present age.

Pakistan

The pandemic that began in 2020 disrupted the rhythm of our church life. From the outside, it may seem that we have been disturbed by the enemy. But in reality, we must thank the Lord for the special grace given to us in such a special environment. We sing praise to Him, for nothing can stop the move of the Lord on the earth. The damaging work of the enemy only proves that the grace of the Lord is sufficient in all kinds of circumstances!

For some encouraging reports from the churches in Lahore, Islamabad, Karachi, and Rawalpindi, see the October 2021 newsletter of the Lord's Move to Asia:

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Announcements

1. **Morning Revival:** Week 9 of *Crystallization-study of Joshua, Judges, and Ruth*, vol. 2.
2. **Wednesday Night Ministry Meeting:** Live broadcast this Wednesday beginning at 7:25 pm at lsm.org/live in English, Spanish, Chinese, and Korean. Outlines will be posted on the same site.
3. **December Semiannual Training Registration:** LA's video training begins December 20. More information at tinyurl.com/wintertrainingla. Registration must be completed by Tuesday, November 30.
4. **Children's Work Conference:** Recordings of the November 13 sessions will be available this week for all parents and serving ones at scyp.com/children.
5. **Living Stream Ministry:** The [October newsletter](#) features an enlightening article called "A Short History of the English Recovery Version" alongside encouraging reports and helpful fellowship.
6. **Ways to Give:** Information about the church's online giving platform, Subsplash, and where to mail checks, are at www.churchinlosangeles.org/members/offerings.