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GET ROOTED!

Morning Dew

Wake up each morning and be refreshed by contacting God. You can read a chapter of the Bible, sing to the Lord, or even call a friend to pray together!



Daily Bread

Be supplied and fed by the daily portion in the packet. Stay in the loop as we explore the unsearchable riches of Christ



Grow Together

Form long lasting, meaningful relationships by being grouped. Do life together. Pray together. Care for each other and others!



Keep the Feast

Come sing, praise and enjoy the Word of God all together! Every Wednesday at 7:30PM on Zoom.



CHECK YOUR ROOTS

Keep track of both daily and weekly activities.

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BIBLE READING SCHEDULE


















A suggested Bible reading schedule.

	Thursday		Friday		Saturday		Sunday		Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday	
Week 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Thessalonians 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Thessalonians 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Thessalonians 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Thessalonians 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Thessalonians 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Thessalonians 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Thessalonians 2
Week 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Thessalonians 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 5	<input type="checkbox"/>	1 Timothy 6
Week 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Timothy 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Timothy 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Timothy 3	<input type="checkbox"/>	2 Timothy 4	<input type="checkbox"/>	Titus 1	<input type="checkbox"/>	Titus 2	<input type="checkbox"/>	Titus 3

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WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Here is what your weekly schedule may look like.

	SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
MORNING							
							
AFTERNOON							
EVENING							



Enjoy the Lord by prayer and reading the Bible. Call a companion twice a week.
(10-15 minutes)



Complete the daily readings in your packet.
(10-15 minutes)



Find a time to meet with your assigned group at least once a week.
(45 minutes+)



Join us every Wednesday night!
(90 minutes+)

GROW TOGETHER GUIDELINES



Welcome to your community group for Rooted! As a component of Rooted, we hope each group would be able to find a time at least once a week to gather together. In these groups the goal is that we would all get to know one another and be built up together in Christ! Here are some suggested activities you all can do together:

- Pray together
- Sing
- Explore additional reading
- Hear one another's testimonies
- Come up with a creative way to present what was spoken at "Keep the Feast."
- Schedule to meet up with another community group
- Have a workout session
- Cook together
- Play a game (Codenames, Skribbl.io, Skyfall, etc.)

This list is by no means exhaustive! Each group is encouraged to decide on what they want to do each week.

WEEK 1 - THURSDAY

THE GOOD LAND OF CANAAN: A TYPE OF THE ALL – INCLUSIVE CHRIST

VERSES

Exodus 3:8 – And I have come down to deliver them out of the hand of the Egyptians and to bring them up out of that land to a good and spacious land, to a land flowing with milk and honey...

Colossians 2:6-7a – As therefore you have received the Christ, Jesus the Lord, walk in Him, having been rooted...

QUESTIONS

Why is the good land of Canaan an all-inclusive type of Christ?

According to Colossians 2, what is Christ to you?

DAILY BREAD

There are many types (symbols) in the Old Testament. We know that the Passover lamb is a type of Christ, and we know that the manna is a type of Christ. But I wish to point out to you that without this piece of land (Exodus 3:8), there is no all-inclusive type of Christ. The Passover lamb is not the all-inclusive type, and neither is the manna. Only the land of Canaan is the full type, the all-inclusive type, of Christ.

The people of Israel enjoyed the Passover lamb and then the manna day by day for forty years, but they were never fully satisfied. They just applied a little of Christ; they just experienced a small portion of Christ. Not until they entered the land of Canaan was He everything to them and were they fully satisfied. When they entered the land, what they ate came from the land, what they drank came from the land—all their living came out of the land. The land was everything to them. No other type in the Old Testament is so all-inclusive as the land of Canaan.

In Egypt was the lamb, in the wilderness was the manna, and ahead of the people of Israel was the land of Canaan. That is the goal; that land is the goal of God. We have to enter in. It is our portion. It is the all-inclusive gift of God to us. We must take possession of it. It is ours, but we must enjoy it.

The Word tells us in Colossians 2 that we have been rooted in Christ (v. 7). Now I would ask you to consider: If we have been rooted in Christ, then what is Christ to us? Yes, Christ is the earth; Christ is the soil. A plant or a tree is rooted in the soil, in the land. Even so, we have been rooted in Christ. He is a sphere, a realm for us to walk in. He is not just some food or water but a realm, a land within which we can walk. We must walk in Him. He is our land; He is our earth; He is our kingdom. Walk in Him.

Additional Reading: All-Inclusive Christ: Chapter 1 pages 18-19

WEEK 1 - FRIDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: BY TAKING THE WORD OF THE LORD

VERSES

Joshua 1:2-3 – Now then arise, and cross over this Jordan, you and all this people, into the land which I am giving to them, to the children of Israel. Every place on which the sole of your foot treads I have given to you, as I promised Moses.

Philippians 3:13-14 – One thing I do: Forgetting the things which are behind and stretching forward to the things which are before, I pursue toward the goal for the prize to which God in Christ Jesus has called me upward.

QUESTIONS

What is the goal set before us in our Christian life?

How do we take the Lord's Word and stand upon it to possess the land?

DAILY BREAD

There is something more wonderful ahead of us—the good land, the all-inclusiveness of Christ. We began with the little lamb, and we eventually come to the land of Canaan, the all-inclusive Christ. The land is still before us. We have enjoyed Christ, we have possessed Christ, and we have Christ—there is no doubt about it. And we are still enjoying Christ. Yet ahead of us is more of Christ. A much greater Christ is waiting to be possessed, for the goal God has set before us is the all-inclusive Christ. We must not stop short of the goal.

Suppose, then, we are ready to enter the land. What shall we do? First of all, we must take the Word of the Lord (Joshua 1:2-3). The Lord has promised it, but we must possess it. He has given it, but we must experience it. It is our portion, but we must take it. We must have the faith; we must have the confidence, the full assurance. It is not presently in our possession, but He will cause us to take it; He will cause us to possess it. We must believe Him and give Him our cooperation. Will we do it? Let us rise up today and go forth to possess the land. Praise the Lord, it is ours. Let us take it—not tomorrow but today. Never say “tomorrow.” In unbelief it is always tomorrow, tomorrow, tomorrow. Tomorrow belongs to the devil. In faith there is no tomorrow; it is always today. Today is ours. We must take it today. This is the first thing we must do. We must stand on the Word of God. We must take the Word of God and go on to possess the land.

On the one hand, God had given Israel the good land; on the other hand, Israel still needed to take the land by rising up to fulfill God's commission (Philippians 3:7-16). In order for God to regain the earth from the usurping hand of Satan, God's people needed to be in full cooperation and coordination with God.

Additional Reading: AIC pages 156 – 157

WEEK 1 - SATURDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: BY REALIZING THAT WE HAVE BEEN BURIED

VERSES

Joshua 3:13 – And when the soles of the feet of the priests who carry the Ark of Jehovah, the Lord of all the earth, come to rest in the waters of the Jordan; the waters of the Jordan, the waters that flow down from upstream, will be cut off, and they will stand in a heap.

Romans 6:4 – We have been buried therefore with Him through baptism into His death, in order that just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so also we might walk in newness of life.

QUESTIONS

Explain the significances of the experiences of the children of Israel in crossing the river Jordan.

DAILY BREAD

Second, we who are saved and have been enjoying Christ must realize that we have been crucified on the cross. We are dead, and we have been buried. When the children of Israel came out of Egypt, they crossed the Red Sea, representing baptism. Now again, at the Jordan, they passed through a body of water. The Red Sea and the Jordan represent the same thing—the death of Christ. In the Red Sea the army of Egypt was buried. Everything of this world and all the forces of this world were buried there. Likewise, in the eyes of the Lord when we were buried, all the things we loved, all the things that comprised our world, were buried with us. Now here at the river Jordan, God wants to remind us once more. Not only the worldly forces were buried, but we ourselves were buried too. We have been buried.

The Ark with the priesthood entered the Jordan river first, and there, in the heart of the river, the Ark with the priesthood stayed. The Ark is the Lord Christ, the testimony of God. Christ with the priesthood went into the very heart of the river of death. Then all the people went down to the bottom of that river and passed that very spot. Twelve people, one from every tribe of the twelve tribes of Israel, took a stone from the place at the bottom of the river where the Ark stood and brought it to the other side of the Jordan, that is, to the good land (Joshua 4:3). This signifies the resurrection. Only resurrected people can enter and possess the all-inclusive Christ. We are buried and raised up. Now we are in Christ.

Then Joshua took more stones, one for each of the tribes, and planted them at the very spot where the Ark stood (Joshua 4:9). This means that in the eyes of God we have all been buried in the death of Christ. After all this was accomplished, the Ark with the priesthood came out of the Jordan. After we were all put away, Christ emerged from death. We can say, “Hallelujah, we have been buried. Now we are on the ground of resurrection. Now we are in Canaan. Now we are in Christ, the good land.”

Additional Reading: AIC pages 157 – 159



WEEK 1 - SUNDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: APPLYING THE DEATH OF CHRIST

VERSES

Joshua 5:2 – At that time Jehovah said to Joshua, Make knives of flint, and circumcise again the children of Israel a second time.

Colossians 2:11 – In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision not made with hands..

Colossians 2:12 – Buried together with Him in baptism.

Romans 6:3 – ...All of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death..

Philippians 3:3 – For we are the circumcision, the ones who serve by the Spirit of God...

QUESTIONS

What is the significance of baptism?
Have you been baptized?

What is the flesh, the self, and the old man?

DAILY BREAD

The purpose of circumcision was to make God's chosen people a new people for the inheriting of God's promised land. The circumcising of the new Israel typifies the circumcision of Christ, by His death, applied to the believers in the putting off of the body of the flesh that they may inherit Christ in resurrection as the portion allotted to them by God.

In the New Testament we can find out the significance of circumcision. The spiritual meaning of circumcision is to put off the flesh, to put off the self and the old man (Colossians 2:11-12). Circumcision is a matter of putting off the flesh, the self and old man, through the crucifixion of Christ. Circumcision means to terminate your self, to terminate your flesh. Abraham exercised his flesh in Genesis 16 to produce Ishmael. In Genesis 17, God asked him to cut off his flesh, to terminate his natural strength, so that God could come in and bring forth Isaac by His grace for the fulfillment of His purpose. In Genesis 16 he had energized his natural strength, but in Genesis 17 his strength had to be terminated. The circumcision in the Old Testament is the equivalent of baptism in the New Testament. The real circumcision is not outward in the flesh but inward "of the heart, in spirit, not in letter" (Romans 2:28-29).

The problem is the same today. As long as our natural strength remains, it is difficult for God to come in to be our everything for the fulfillment of His purpose. God wants to come into us to be everything to us, but our flesh, our natural being and strength, our old man and old self, are a frustration to God's being everything to us. I want to tell you the good news that our old man has been crucified already (Romans 6:6). We all must see this, reckon on it, and take it by faith. By faith we can declare that our flesh, our natural man with its strength, has been crucified (Galatians 2:20). If we declare this and live according to it, then the God of resurrection immediately has the way to come into us and to be everything to us for the carrying out of His economy.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 14 page 160

WEEK 1 - MONDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: ENJOYING THE PRODUCE OF THE LAND

VERSES

Joshua 5:12 – And the manna ceased on that day, when they ate of the produce of the land; and there was no longer manna for the children of Israel, but they ate of the yield of the land of Canaan that year.

Galatians 3:14 – In order that the blessing of Abraham might come to the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

Philippians 1:19 – 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

QUESTIONS

In your experience how do you exercise your spirit?

Does the enjoyment in the land include manna?

DAILY BREAD

Immediately after applying the death of Christ to our members on the ground of being buried and resurrected with Him, we enjoy something of the life. We enjoy the produce of the land, the all-inclusive Christ. The manna stops, and the produce of the land takes its place. Now we are tasting the greater, the richer, the fuller Christ; now we are enjoying the land, the all-inclusive Christ.

Brothers and sisters, are you now enjoying the manna, or are you now enjoying the land? Undoubtedly, we are all enjoying Christ, but what kind of Christ? The produce of the land is much better than manna. What is your experience? Sometimes you enjoy Christ as the manna, and sometimes, it seems, you enjoy Christ as the produce of the land.

Let me illustrate. Suppose that early this morning I met a certain person who is extremely peculiar. This particular person always causes me to experience the resurrection life. Suppose that early this morning this person acted very strangely and greatly disturbed me. Then, returning to my room, I felt condemned in my conscience and made confession to the Lord, I said, "Lord, I am cleansed by Your precious blood!" After confessing and being forgiven, I was nourished. What kind of enjoyment was this? It was the enjoyment of Christ as a little bit of manna.

Now suppose that another day this same person troubled me again, and I was disturbed by him. But this time I took the ground of resurrection. I said, "Lord, I am resurrected! On the ground of resurrection, I exercise my spirit to put my members to death." Then instead of being angry with him, I was so happy in the Lord, I could say, "Hallelujah! Praise You, Lord, for my dear, peculiar brother!" What kind of experience is this? This was an experience of Christ as the produce of the good land.

Additional Reading: AIC pages 160 – 162

WEEK 1 - TUESDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: FIGHTING THE BATTLE

VERSES

Joshua 5:13-15 – Now once, when Joshua was by Jericho, he lifted up his eyes and looked; and behold, there was a man standing opposite him, and His sword was drawn in His hand. And Joshua went to Him and said to Him, Are You for us or for our adversaries? And He said, Neither, but as the Captain of Jehovah's army have I now come. Then Joshua fell to the ground upon his face and worshipped. And he said to Him, What does my Lord speak to His servant? And the Captain of Jehovah's army said to Joshua, Remove your sandals from your feet, for the place on which you are standing is holy. And Joshua did so.

Ephesians 6:12-13 – For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies. Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

QUESTIONS

What is a vision? And how do we receive a vision?

What is spiritual warfare?

DAILY BREAD

We not only need to remember that we have been buried, that we are on the ground of resurrection, and that we must apply the Lord's death to our members in a practical way, but we must also remember that there are evil powers in the heavenlies. Though we are enjoying a portion of the all-inclusive Christ, yet the enemy and his evil forces in the heavenlies are still usurping and occupying the land. You and I have to fight the battle to take possession of the entire land. Brothers and sisters, as soon as we enjoy Christ in such a way, we realize in our spirit the reality of the evil forces in the heavenlies. These evil forces are veiling the all-inclusiveness of Christ from the Lord's children. Therefore, we must fight the battle. By enjoying something of the all-inclusive Christ, we will be burdened for this fighting; we will be burdened for this battle.

It is at this stage that we are given the vision of the Lord Christ as the prince, the glorious captain, of the host of Jehovah. He will take the lead in the army; He will go before us; He will fight the battle for us. We need such a vision. How could Joshua receive this vision? It was simply because he was exceedingly burdened for the battle before him. Immediately after he and the people of Israel enjoyed the produce of the good land, he realized that before them lay the enemy and the stronghold of Jericho.

Some can testify from their experience that immediately after enjoying something of the all-inclusiveness of Christ they have realized the need of spiritual warfare. If we enjoy Christ in such a way, we will spontaneously go to the Lord with a burden for the battle.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 14 pages 162 - 163

WEEK 1 - WEDNESDAY

ENTERING THE GOOD LAND: HOW TO FIGHT THE BATTLE

VERSES

Joshua 6:4 – And seven priests shall carry seven trumpets of rams' horns before the Ark. Then on the seventh day you shall circle the city seven times, and the priests shall blow the trumpets.

Joshua 6:10 – And Joshua commanded the people, saying, You shall not shout, nor let your voice be heard, nor let a word go forth from your mouth, until the day I say to you, Shout! Then you shall shout.

Joshua 6:20 – So the people shouted and the trumpets were blown; and when the people heard the trumpet sound, the people shouted with a great shout, and the wall fell down flat. And the people went up into the city, each straight ahead, and they captured the city.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 – For though we walk in flesh, we do not war according to flesh; for the weapons of our warfare are not fleshly but powerful before God for the overthrowing of strongholds, as we overthrow reasonings and every high thing rising up against the knowledge of God, and take captive every thought unto the obedience of Christ.

QUESTIONS

What are some spiritual facts we can proclaim during our day?

How is the battle fought?

DAILY BREAD

How shall we fight the battle? This is certainly not a battle fought with carnal weapons. Our weapons for this battle, figuratively speaking, are rams' horns. We go to battle, but we go with instruments of peace; we go with rams' horns. Rams' horns are a symbol of fighting a warfare with peaceful weapons. They are not swords made of iron; they are rams' horns. They cannot kill; they are utterly peaceful. But they are weapons for battle. They are trumpets to be blown, declaring and proclaiming the gospel of peace. This is the weapon we must use to fight the spiritual warfare. We fight by proclaiming!

Is such a battle a kind of labor or a form of enjoyment? Indeed, it is not a labor but an enjoyment. It is even a rest and satisfaction. It is a war, it is a fight, it is a battle, and yet it is an enjoyment, rest, and a satisfaction. It is in this way that we possess the all-inclusiveness of Christ.

Brothers and sisters, this is the way. The victory is ours! Take the ground of resurrection, remembering that you are buried; apply the death of Christ to all your earthly members; enjoy Christ with the saints in the way of all-inclusiveness and declare and testify in faith all that the Lord is. Then the enemy will be utterly defeated and his stronghold cast down. We will defeat the enemy and take the land peacefully with rest and satisfaction. The enemy will be our bread; to engage in such a warfare will be our full satisfaction. The battle is the Lord's. There is nothing left for us to do but proclaim and enjoy the victory.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 14 pages 163 - 167



WEEK 2 - THURSDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND: AN OVERVIEW

VERSES

Deuteronomy 12:1 – These are the statutes and the ordinances that you shall be certain to do in the land which Jehovah, the God of your fathers, has given you to possess, all the days that you live on the earth.

Deuteronomy 16:16 – Three times a year all your males shall appear before Jehovah your God in the place which He will choose: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles. And they shall not appear before Jehovah empty-handed;

QUESTIONS

The children of Israel needed to learn how to live on the good land. What is the spiritual significance of this for us today?

Personally, what are some ways you enjoy Christ?

DAILY BREAD

Suppose that we have already taken possession of the land. We have entered into it, we have defeated and subdued all the enemies, and we are living in it. Now we must discover what manner of life we should have in the land.

First, we have seen something about the land. The land is good; it is exceedingly good. It is good first in its spaciousness, second in its transcendence, and third in its riches—three items. We have seen the details of its riches: it is rich in waters, in all kinds of food, both vegetable and animal, and in minerals. We have also been greatly occupied with the way to enter and possess the land, from the lamb of the Passover through many more experiences of Christ. Now we are in this wonderful land; we are in the all-inclusive Christ. What kind of life should we have in this good land? The book of Deuteronomy deals with this.

The book of Deuteronomy precedes the book of Joshua, but the contents of Deuteronomy deal with that which follows Joshua. In the order of the books, it is first, but in the matters with which it deals, it is subsequent. Joshua deals with the possession of the land—crossing the river, fighting the battle, entering the land, and wresting it from the usurping enemy. Deuteronomy, however, deals with the life we should have in the land after it has been possessed. In other words, it shows us the life we should live in order to enjoy what we have possessed. We have entered the land and taken possession of it; now we must learn how to enjoy it and live within it. We must not only know how to take possession of the all-inclusiveness of Christ, but also after possessing Him, how to live a life in the eyes of God that will enable us to enjoy Him. This is the message of the book of Deuteronomy.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 15 pages 168 – 169

WEEK 2 - FRIDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND: LABORING ON CHRIST

VERSES

Deuteronomy 8:7 – For Jehovah your God is bringing you to a good land...

1 Corinthians 15:10 – But by the grace of God I am what I am; and His grace unto me did not turn out to be in vain, but, on the contrary, I labored more abundantly than all of them, yet not I but the grace of God which is with me.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 – Always rejoice, unceasingly pray, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

QUESTIONS

Fellowship about what it means to labor on Christ as the good land.

What does it mean to have a “surplus” to share with others? Have you had an experience of this?

DAILY BREAD

We have seen how rich the good land is in so many aspects, but without laboring on it, how could its riches be brought forth and abundantly produced? To have this rich Christ is one thing, but to continually labor on Him is another. We must till our spiritual ground; we must sow the spiritual seed; we must water the spiritual plants—all the time. We cannot rely upon others to do it for us; we must do it ourselves, or it will never be done. Have you pray-read the Word this morning? How many times have you contacted the Lord today? We have a very rich land, but we do not work on it, so there is no produce. We are indeed rich in resource but poor in produce.

The Lord told His people that they must come together to worship Him at least three times a year: at the time of the Passover, at the time of Pentecost, and at the Feast of Tabernacles. And He told them that whenever they come together, they should in no way come with their hands empty. They must bring something in their hands to Him, something of the produce of the good land. If they were lazy and did not work on the land, not only would they be unable to bring anything to the Lord, but they would have nothing to satisfy themselves; they would be hungry.

This is the life in the good land. It is a life in which we are continually laboring on Christ, in which we are producing Him in a mass way. We are reaping so much of Christ that we are fully satisfied, and beyond that we have a surplus to share with others and to worship God. When you come, you bring something of Christ. When he comes, he brings something of Christ. Everyone brings a portion of Christ from his laboring on Him, and there is a rich enjoyment of Christ, not only by all the saints but most of all by God, to whom the best is offered.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 15 pages 171 - 173

WEEK 2 - SATURDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND:

NOT APPEARING BEFORE GOD EMPTY-HANDED

VERSES

Deuteronomy 16:16 – Three times a year all your males shall appear before Jehovah your God in the place which He will choose: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Tabernacles. And they shall not appear before Jehovah empty-handed.

1 Corinthians 14:26 – What then, brothers? Whenever you come together, each one has a psalm, has a teaching, has a revelation, has a tongue, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for building

QUESTIONS

Discuss with your group the relationship between Deuteronomy 16:16 and 1 Corinthians 14:26.

DAILY BREAD

We must realize that whenever we come to the meetings, whenever we come to worship the Lord, we should not come with our hands empty. We must come with our hands full of the produce of Christ. We have to labor on Christ day by day so that we produce Him in mass production. We need more than just a little of Christ to satisfy our own needs.

We must produce enough of Him so that there will be a surplus remaining for others, for the poor and for the needy: “You must open your hand to your brother, to the poor one with you and to the needy one with you in your land” (Deut. 15:11). There must also be a surplus to meet the needs of the priests and the Levites: “This shall be the priests’ rightful due from the people, from those who offer a sacrifice, whether an ox or a sheep: They shall give the priest the shoulder...You shall give him the firstfruits of your grain, of your new wine, and of your fresh oil, and the first shearing of your sheep” (18:3-4). And above all, the best of the surplus must be reserved for the Lord: “Then to the place where Jehovah your God will choose to cause His name to dwell, there you shall bring all that I am commanding you, your burnt offerings and your sacrifices, your tithes and the heave offering of your hand and all your choice vows which you vow to Jehovah” (12:11). When they harvested the field, they were to reserve the firstfruits for the Lord. When the cattle were brought forth, the firstborn were for the Lord. We must labor diligently, not only to bring forth enough to satisfy our own needs but also to acquire a surplus to meet the needs of others, with the best reserved for the Lord. Then we will be acceptable to the Lord, and He will be pleased with us.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 15 pages 172 – 173



WEEK 2 - SUNDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND: TWO WAYS OF ENJOYING CHRIST

VERSES

Deuteronomy 12:5 – But to the place which Jehovah your God will choose out of all your tribes to put His name, to His habitation, shall you seek, and there shall you go.

John 20:24 – But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

Hebrews 10:25 – Not abandoning our own assembling together, as the custom with some is, but exhorting one another; and so much the more as you see the day drawing near.

QUESTIONS

Describe the importance of our personal and collective enjoyment of the Lord and why we need both.

DAILY BREAD

According to the book of Deuteronomy, there are two ways set forth for enjoying Christ. One could be called the personal, individual way, and the other the collective way. For instance, as far as the grain—the wheat and the barley—was concerned, all the people of Israel at any time and in any place could enjoy it. This is one way of enjoying the produce of the land. But some of the grain could not be enjoyed individually and separately. The tithe and firstfruits of the grain together with the tithes and firstfruits of all their harvest must be preserved and on a certain day brought to the priests chosen by God. They must be brought to the place where God's habitation was located, the place where He put His name. At that place in the presence of God these things were to be enjoyed together with all the children of God and with God Himself. This was the collective worship.

Now let us apply these principles. We as Christians may enjoy Christ anytime and anywhere by ourselves. But if we would enjoy Christ in a collective way with the Lord's children, we have no choice; there is only one place to which we can go. To enjoy Him separately and individually is permissible anywhere—for this we have full liberty. But if we would enjoy Christ with the Lord's people as worship to God, we must go to the very place chosen by God. This is an extremely vital matter, for it preserves the unity of the Lord's children. Consider the children of Israel. For generation after generation, through century after century, there was no division among them, for they had only one center for their worship. No one dared establish another. There was only one location for them to gather, one place for them to worship—the place that Jehovah chose out of all their tribes to put His name and His habitation. In all the land of Israel, Jerusalem was unique. It was the place appointed by the Lord to which all the people must come for collective worship to Him.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 15 pages 176 - 177

WEEK 2 - MONDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND:

DAILY FELLOWSHIP WITH THE LORD

VERSES

Psalms 119:147-148 I anticipated the dawn and cried out; I hoped in Your words. My eyes anticipated the night watches, that I might muse upon Your word.

Lamentations 3:22-23 It is Jehovah's lovingkindness that we are not consumed, for His compassions do not fail; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness.

QUESTIONS

Discuss with your group how we can have daily, even continual fellowship with the Lord.

What is your experience of calling on the Lord's name?

DAILY BREAD

We must abide in the fellowship with the Lord daily and hourly (1 John 1:6; 2 Corinthians 13:14). We should not be away from Him but present in His fellowship. There should be no absence in our fellowship with the Lord. Daily and even hourly we need to be such persons. If I were not such a person, it would be hard for me to speak in the Lord's ministry. My speaking depends upon my continual and present fellowship with the Lord.

We must also be praying persons. We should pray unceasingly all the day long. This means that we have to call on His name. We need to call "O Lord." Do not think that such a short calling means nothing. It means a lot. While we are working in an office, teaching a class, or doing any task, we can call "O Lord Jesus." ...By calling on the name of the Lord, we can pray unceasingly. For us to be the speaking ones in our meetings, we must be praying persons.

We also must enjoy the Lord in the Word every day early in the morning to have a new start each day (Psalms 119:147-148). According to God's principle in His creation, He ordained to have a new year, a new month or a new moon, and a new day. Within every year we can have three hundred sixty-five new starts. If we failed for three hundred sixty-four days, we still have one more opportunity to have a successful day. We may have failed today, but thank the Lord tomorrow is still here waiting for us. Tomorrow morning we will have another chance to have a new start. Within every twenty-four hours, there is a new chance for us to have a new start and be renewed.



WEEK 2 - TUESDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND: CONFESSING

VERSES

1 John 1:9 – If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Revelation 12:10-11 – ...For the accuser of our brothers has been cast down, who accuses them before our God day and night. And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb...

Hebrews 8:12 – For I will be propitious to their unrighteousnesses, and their sins I shall by no means remember anymore.

QUESTIONS

Explain why the word “righteous” in 1 John 1:9 is so significant.

How often should we confess?

DAILY BREAD

By the power of the precious blood of Christ, it is possible for a Christian to live moment by moment in God’s presence. Whenever any little sin would come to frustrate your fellowship with God, you may instantly confess and claim the Lord’s prevailing blood. Immediately the fellowship is restored. Why should you waste time? The blood of Christ is available moment by moment, day after day. You can never exhaust the cleansing power of the blood of Christ. His blood is not only able to cleanse every past sin, but also every sin that you could ever commit.

By the power of the precious blood of Christ, you may enjoy a conscience free from the stain of guilt. Because of this, you can come boldly to God. “Let us come forward...with a true heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled from an evil conscience” (Hebrews 10:22). By the blood of Christ, your conscience can be free from guilt. Like a freshly washed window, it can be clear, bright, and full of light.

Finally, by the power of the precious blood of Christ, you can overcome every accusation of Satan. Though his accusations may be strong, the blood of Christ is stronger. It answers them, every one. This blood is your weapon. With this weapon you could never be defeated by Satan; rather, he will be defeated by you.

God is faithful in His word and righteous in the blood of Jesus His Son. His word is the word of the truth of His gospel (Ephesians 1:13), which tells us that He will forgive us our sins because of Christ (Acts 10:43); and the blood of Christ has fulfilled His righteous requirements that He might forgive us our sins (Matthew 26:28). If we confess our sins, He, according to His word and based on the redemption through the blood of Jesus, forgives us because He must be faithful in His word and righteous in the blood of Jesus; otherwise, He would be unfaithful and unrighteous. Our confession is needed for His forgiveness. Such forgiveness of God, which is for the restoration of our fellowship with Him, is conditional; it depends on our confession.

WEEK 2 - WEDNESDAY

LIFE IN THE LAND: EXPERIENCING CHRIST AS GRACE

VERSES

2 Corinthians 12:9 – 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.

2 Corinthians 13:14 – The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

John 1:17 – ...Grace and reality came through Jesus Christ.

QUESTIONS

What is the grace that Paul experienced in 2 Corinthians 12?

How does our environment help us experience Christ as grace?

DAILY BREAD

In 2 Corinthians we see a group of people who have attained to the uttermost to fulfill God's purpose....Although the term of the good land is not used in this book, spiritually speaking, we can see the good land in 2 Corinthians. The good land in this book is Christ Himself as the very embodiment of the processed Triune God given to us as the divine grace for our enjoyment. In this book we see some persons who possessed Christ as their God-given portion. These persons entered into the land promised and given by God, and they were enjoying this land, which is Christ Himself.

A good example of grace is in 2 Corinthians 12. In verses 7 through 9 Paul said, "There was given to me a thorn in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, that he might buffet me, in order that I might not be exceedingly lifted up. Concerning this I entreated the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He has said to me, My grace is sufficient for you." We might think that if the thorn were taken away, that would be a real grace...But this is not the grace mentioned in 2 Corinthians. The grace that Paul experienced was related to a thorn in the flesh which troubled and buffeted him all the time. The Lord was not willing to take the thorn away but told Paul that His grace was sufficient. If we were Paul, we might have argued with the Lord: "Lord, if Your grace is sufficient, it has to be sufficient to take the thorn away." However, if the thorn is taken away, we could never experience the sufficient grace. We could never taste how sufficient this grace is. The grace mentioned here is not something done by the Lord or given by the Lord. It is simply the Lord Himself within us, supporting us, energizing us, and strengthening us to face the trouble, to meet the situation. This is a living grace, a real grace, and is nothing less than Christ as the very embodiment of the fullness of the Godhead for our enjoyment.

WEEK 3 - THURSDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: THE INCREASING SCALE OF OUR EXPERIENCE

VERSES

1 Corinthians 5:7b – ...for our Passover, Christ, also has been sacrificed.

1 Corinthians 10:4 – And all drank the same spiritual drink; for they drank of a spiritual rock which followed them, and the rock was Christ.

QUESTIONS

How in our experience does Christ “become larger?”

In your own words, how would you explain to a new believer that there is so much of Christ to experience in the Christian life?

DAILY BREAD

We have seen much concerning the experience of Christ. We have begun with the lamb of the Passover and passed through many different items. Eventually, we have come to the land, the all-inclusive land. We have seen that this land is everything both to God and to the people of God. The picture is abundantly clear.

All the items from the lamb to the land are types of Christ. Each one, as a type, is complete and perfect in itself, but the last one, the land, is the all-inclusive and greatest type. The Passover lamb as a type of Christ is indeed complete and perfect, yet it is a type of Christ on a much smaller scale. When we come to the Lord and accept Him as our Redeemer, the Christ we receive is whole, complete, and perfect, but as far as our experience of Him is concerned, we experience Him only on a small scale, just as a little lamb.

From the time we experienced Christ as the lamb, we have always been progressing and advancing; we have continually made improvement in our experience of Christ and have enjoyed Him more and more. This does not mean that Christ has become larger and larger. No, Christ is the same, but according to our experience, we sense that He is greater and greater to us. Day by day in our experience Christ is becoming greater and greater. At the stage of our experience in which we reach the last item, the all-inclusive land, Christ is unlimitedly great to us. He is a spacious land. He is a land whose dimensions are the breadth, the length, the depth, and the height. There is no limit to the breadth and the length; there is no limit to the depth and the height. No one can tell you how great Christ is—His spaciousness is unlimited. This is the land we have entered. The other items can be measured. There is an extent, a limit, to the features and experiences of the Christ they prefigure. It is not so with the land. The Christ who is typified by the land is inexhaustible and immeasurable.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 pages 181 – 182

WEEK 3 - FRIDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: MATURITY AND WORK

VERSES

Joshua 5:12 – And the manna ceased on that day, when they ate of the produce of the land; and there was no longer manna for the children of Israel...

Hebrews 5:13-14a – For everyone who partakes of milk is inexperienced in the word of righteousness, for he is an infant; but solid food is for the full-grown...

QUESTIONS

What does it mean to “produce Christ” from our laboring on the land?

Why does God require “work” for us to enjoy the produce of the land, rather than just simply receive as with the Lamb or manna?

DAILY BREAD

When we enjoy Christ as the Passover lamb, God demands that we stop all our work (Exodus 12:16). The blood was put upon the door, and the meat of the lamb was eaten within the house. There was nothing more to do. The same applied to the eating of the manna. The manna came down from heaven for their enjoyment. So it is when we enjoy Christ in such a way. When we take Him as our Savior and as our daily food supply, there is absolutely nothing for us to perform. We only need to accept freely and fully what has already been provided. Any manner of work from us can only hinder the enjoyment of Christ in these aspects and would be an insult to God.

But when we come to the Ark, it is a different story, with the experience of Christ as the Ark we have the building up of the tabernacle. The aspect of work is even further intensified when we come to the land, for as we have already seen, unless we work on the land, it will produce nothing for us. The land is indeed different from the lamb and the manna. When the people of Israel entered the land and began to enjoy its goodness, the manna from heaven ceased, and the fruit of the land took its place as their food supply (Josh. 5:12). We must be deeply impressed with this difference: to enjoy the manna requires no work, but to enjoy the produce of the good land depends very much upon our work. It is entirely different.

When we enter into the all-inclusiveness of Christ, we enjoy much more of Him. But at the same time there is considerable responsibility that must be taken by us. The more we work on Christ, the more we will produce of Christ, the more we will enjoy Christ, the more we will have of Christ to share with others, and the more we can offer Christ to God. All this depends on the amount of our labor upon Christ. When we enter the land, we must work.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 pages 182 – 183

WEEK 3 - SATURDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: LABOR AND COOPERATION

VERSES

Deuteronomy 12:6 – And there you shall bring your burnt offerings... sacrifices... tithes... and your freewill offerings and the firstborn of your herd and of your flock.

1 Corinthians 3:6 , 9 – I planted Apollos watered, but God caused the growth.... For we are God's fellow workers....

QUESTIONS

Share an illustration (ex. Keep the Feast) of how you have feasted on other's production of Christ from their labor on the land.

What does it mean to cooperate with God to have the produce of the land?

DAILY BREAD

Every group of believers as a local expression of the Body of Christ must be a "corporation," a "factory" to turn out Christ in mass production. We must be working on Christ and producing Christ day by day. We must make Christ our industry. If others ask us what our business is, we should be able to answer that it is Christ, and our firm is Christ Incorporated. We want to see that this corporation will have branches in every city throughout the entire world. How wonderful if everywhere we go there would be this reality—a group of people whose only business is Christ: Christ Incorporated, London; Christ Incorporated, Paris; and Christ Incorporated, Tokyo. We are not speaking of some kind of human organization but of those who are built together in Christ in a practical way, whose only purpose is to work on Him in order to produce Him, enjoy Him, share Him, and express Him. This is what God intends that we do.

Consider again the people of Israel in the ancient times. After one year of laboring on the good land, cultivating the ground, sowing the seed, watering and pruning the plants, the day of the Feast of Tabernacles came. Then from all the cities and towns, the people came together to their center in Jerusalem, bringing the tithes and firstfruits of their produce. This feast together with God's people and with God Himself all depended upon their diligent work on the land.

Now we are enjoying Christ as the very reality of that exceeding good land. It is indeed the grace of God to give us such a land, but it is a matter that involves our full cooperation. We must cooperate and coordinate with God. God has prepared and provided this piece of land—that is, God has given us Christ. And God has poured out the rain from heaven upon this land—that is, God has given us the Holy Spirit. Yet there is the need of our cooperation. We must cooperate with God; then we will have the produce.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 pages 183 – 185

WEEK 3 - SUNDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: THE TEMPLE – GOD’S HOUSE (1)

VERSES

Deuteronomy 12:5 – But to the place which Jehovah your God will choose out of all your tribes to put His name, to His habitation, shall you seek, and there shall you go.

1 Corinthians 14:23-25 – If therefore the whole church comes together in one place, and...all prophesy and some unbeliever...enters...he is examined by all...so falling on his face, he will worship God, declaring that indeed God is among you.

QUESTIONS

What is the issue of our enjoying and laboring on Christ as the good land?

God is omnipresent, but where does God dwell?

DAILY BREAD

We must be deeply impressed with the word in Deuteronomy 12—it is extremely important. We must bring all our produce to the place chosen by God. What is this place? It is the place of God’s habitation. We all must bring Christ to this central place, there to mutually enjoy Him before God and with God. This will result in the habitation of God. We must realize that when we enjoy Christ not only in an individual way but in a corporate way, there will be an issue. The habitation of God will come into being. That means that on this earth, in this age, at this very moment, God will have a place to dwell. Brothers and sisters, when we enjoy Christ to a certain extent and when we come together to enjoy Christ before God and with God, this fact emerges—we are the habitation of God; God dwells among us. People today are asking where God is. They are saying, “You preach God, but where is God?” If we are those who enjoy Christ as the good land to such an extent that we come together on the ground of oneness to enjoy Him mutually with God, we will be the proper church. We can answer, “Come and see—God is in His home, and now God has obtained a dwelling place on this earth.”

You may answer that God is so great; God is omnipresent; God is everywhere. But I wish to tell you that when we enjoy Christ in a corporate way to a certain extent, God, in a certain and real sense, will be localized. He will have a definite address on this earth. You can say to your friends, “Come and see God. Come to the habitation of God. Come to His home.” The home of God is the very place where “Christ Incorporated” is. Wherever you go, if you can find “Christ Incorporated,” there is the home of God. Chapter 14 of 1 Corinthians tells us that when Christians come together in the proper way, people will come in and bow down, acknowledging that God is truly among them. In other words, they will confess that it is the habitation of God.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 pages 186 – 187

WEEK 3 - MONDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: THE TEMPLE – GOD’S HOUSE (2)

VERSES

Deuteronomy 12:7 – And there you shall eat before Jehovah your God, and you and your households shall rejoice in all your undertakings, in which Jehovah your God has blessed you.

1 Corinthians 3:9b – ...you are God’s cultivated land, God’s building.

Ephesians 2:21-22 – In whom all the building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling place of God in spirit.

QUESTIONS

With what is God’s habitation built?

What is it about God’s house that is such a rest to God and to us?

DAILY BREAD

Of what is this habitation, this home of God, built? It is built of Christ mingled and blended with so many believers. With them, Christ is everything. He is the all-inclusive land to them. Christ is what they eat; Christ is what they drink—Christ is everything to them.

A Christian is one who day by day is eating Christ, drinking Christ, digesting Christ, becoming mingled with Christ. After some time Christ to a certain extent becomes this man. In other words, you become what you eat, and you are known by what you eat. Just as an American is something of America, so a Christian is something of Christ. This morning he eats a little of Christ, and this evening he eats a little of Christ. Day by day he eats Christ and drinks Christ. Christ is gradually digested by him and mingled with him so that he and Christ become one. Then when he comes together with other Christians who have done the same thing, he brings Christ and they too bring Christ. Christ is everything to them. Christ is their very constitution. Wherever they go, they cannot help but bring Christ. When they meet together, they offer Christ to God, they enjoy Christ together, and they exhibit Christ. Whenever they speak, Christ comes out. Everything is Christ. This is the habitation of God; this is the home of God.

It is abundantly clear that this is the real church, the real expression of the Body of Christ. It is a group of people mingled with Christ, saturated with Christ, enjoying Christ day by day, and coming together with nothing but Christ. They enjoy Christ mutually, and they enjoy Christ before God and with God; therefore, God is among them. At that very moment they are the habitation of God; they are His house, His home. The habitation of God is the temple of God. And if we have the temple of God, we have the presence of God and the service of God.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 pages 187 – 188

WEEK 3 - TUESDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: THE CITY (1)

VERSES

Ephesians 1:22-23 – And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church, which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all.

Revelation 21:2 – And I saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

QUESTIONS

What is the significance of the city?

Where do true love, submission, and authority come from?

DAILY BREAD

We not only need Christ as our enjoyment but also Christ as the authority of God. This is exceedingly real. When you and I enjoy Christ together in the way that we have shown, the reality of the authority of Christ is among us. In such an enjoyment and out of such an enjoyment, we will be very submissive to God and to one another. Can you believe that after enjoying Christ in such a way we could quarrel with each other or that we could hate one another? It is impossible. When we submit one to another, we are really loving one another. True love does not exist in my taste, my choice, or my desire but in my submission. If there is submission among us, the authority of Christ is among us. It is the authority of Christ that enlarges the habitation of God, the temple of God.

What is the enlargement of the temple of God? It is the city of God. By the authority of Christ the church is not only God's home but also His city. Not only is the presence of God there but also the kingdom of God and the authority of God. When people come in, they will sense God's presence, and they will also sense God's authority. They will say that this is not only the house of God but the kingdom of God. Then there will be the city with the temple. The city and the temple are where there is a group of people who experience and enjoy Christ to such an extent that they are mingled and blended with Him in every way. When they come together, they enjoy Christ before God and with God. Everything with them is Christ. If we are in such a situation, praise the Lord, we have the house of God and we have the city of God. We are in God's home, and we are in God's kingdom. All who come into our midst will sense the presence of God as well as the authority of God. They will say, "God is not only dwelling here, but God is ruling here." Brothers and sisters, this is what God is seeking today. He is looking for such a situation on this earth, in the very place where you are living.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 page 189

WEEK 3 - WEDNESDAY

THE ISSUE OF THE LAND: THE CITY (2)

VERSES

Genesis 1:26a – And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion...over all the earth....

Romans 14:17 – For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

QUESTIONS

How does our enjoyment of Christ as the riches of the good land fulfill God's eternal purpose in His creation of man?

What is God seeking today and how can you and I participate in it? (You may use a personal testimony of your enjoyment in Rooted!)

DAILY BREAD

The temple is for the expression of God and the city is for the dominion of God; this fulfills God's purpose (Genesis 1:26). This is a great revelation. God's eternal purpose in Genesis 1:26 is to have mankind in His image for His expression and to represent Him with His dominion to reign over all things on this earth. The temple is the house of God for the expression of God. The city is the kingdom of God for the dominion of God. This is the issue of our enjoyment of the riches of Christ. When we enjoy Christ personally and corporately, we express Him as the temple of God. Then corporately, we are filled with the authority of Christ's life for the dominion of God. When people come into our midst they should sense and enjoy Christ and therefore, among us, there should be the expression and the authority of Christ.

At present we do know something about the land—how to get into it, how to take possession of it, how to enjoy it and live within it, how to labor on it, how to worship God in it, and how to have the temple and the city built upon it. We are clear that the land is Christ Himself, and the temple and the city are the fullness of Christ. Christ is the Head, and the fullness of Christ is the Body, the church. In this series we have been speaking of the land with the temple and the city. This is Christ with the church, His Body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all.

This is what God is seeking today. May we be faithful to Him and learn by His grace how to enjoy Christ, how to experience Christ, and how to apply Christ to our daily lives. Then we will continually grow in our experience and enjoyment of Him until that time when with the saints we enter the good land, labor on it, and the temple and the city come into being.

Additional Reading: AIC Chapter 16 page 190