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EXCERPT FROM MINISTRY READING (THE KINGDOM CHAPTER 41):

THE LORD'S DEALING WITH THE GENTILES AND THE JEWS AT HIS COMING BACK

THE LORD'S DOING

The present situation in the Middle East is very significant! In 1948 the nation of Israel was re-formed, and in 1967 the city of Jerusalem was returned to the Jews. When I was saved more than fifty years ago, I read the prophecies concerning the re-forming of the nation of Israel. At that time I could hardly believe that the nation of Israel could be re-formed. It seemed impossible for Jerusalem to be returned to the Jews. But Hallelujah! What seems impossible to us is possible with God! And the Lord did it! It was the Lord's doing, and it was marvelous in our eyes.

In 1948 the nation of Israel was suddenly re-formed. Then in 1967 in only six days the city of Jerusalem was returned to the Jews. For twenty-five centuries, since 606 B.C., Jerusalem had not been under the control of the Jewish people. But suddenly overnight it was put back into their hands. Surely this is the Lord's doing. Today the focus of the world's attention is upon the Middle East situation with the little nation of Israel as the center. All the Ishmaelites, the Arabs, are still plotting against the Jews. But Israel is being preserved by the Lord.

The whole earth will become the kingdom of Christ (Rev. 11:15). The stone that strikes the Gentile world will become the mountain, the kingdom, filling the whole earth (Dan. 2:35). Some of the Gentiles will be left alive after the battle of Armageddon, and they will become the peoples, the nations, upon the earth. The converted and saved Jews will be the priests in Jerusalem teaching people how to serve the Lord. The Lord Jesus will set up Jerusalem as His capital, and from His throne He will reign as King over the whole earth.

Announcement:

1. District prayer meeting on the coming Tuesday 9/8 is scheduled at district prayer meeting on-line locations starting from 8 PM. We encourage the saints to separate time to attend.
2. Corporate pursuing this week: "The Kingdom" messages 41 & 42.
3. Gospel to All the Nations sessions, 2 more upcoming gospel Zoom meeting dates and times: 4:00pm EDT on Saturday, September 12, September 26. Please invite your friends, relatives, classmates or colleagues. Come and see how the life of Christ meets the need of every person and enjoy the pure ministry of the Word as the gospel of the kingdom. For more details and to register please go to: <https://gospeltoallthenations.com/> You will receive the Zoom session information after registering.
4. There is a church-wide gospel meeting scheduled for Saturday 9/19. This gospel meeting is conducted on-line in Chinese. We need saints to pray for this event and invite gospel friends.
5. Starting from Monday, we will start a new morning revival of the past semi annual training. For those who have standing order, you may pick up your morning revival at the entrance of meeting hall or you may ask small group serving ones to arrange deliver to you. There are also hard copies for saint to purchase, please contact book room serving ones for detail.
6. There is a tree branch clean up today 9/6 starting from 3 PM. Saints are recommend to bring gloves to clean up. For detail and coordination, you may contact brother Keming.
7. The new school year children's parents fellowship is scheduled on tonight Sep. 6, at 7:45-8:45PM. (Class moving up date is Sep.13.)
8. There will be an online conference for all the young working saints and young couples in the churches in the Northeast on Friday, September 25 and Saturday, September 26. We welcome saints to attend this fellowship. For detail, contact brother Shepherd.

Prayer Burdens:

CIP Chinese-Speaking Online Gospel Meeting (9/29) -

- A. May all the saints pray the desperate and specific prayer for their gospel friends, and invite them to the gospel meeting.
- B. Pray that the Lord would release more gospel friends to attend, and prepare their heart to receive the salvation.
- C. Pray for the Lord to bless and lead all the coordination and service (message, hymn singing, and testimonies).
- D. Pray for the binding and limiting of the interruption from the enemy.

Shepherding The Next Generation -

- A. Pray that many saints will take up the burden to shepherd those of the younger generation – children, young people, college students, and young adults.
- B. The young saints will not despise their youth and are willing to give themselves to the Lord to answer His call to be the overcomers of this age.

RU New Semester -

- A. That the incoming freshmen would have a good transition into college by establishing specific relationships with the members of all ages in the household of God.
- B. That all the saints would have the heart of the Lord as the shepherd, tending to the needs of the flock, providing the all-inclusive tender care.
- C. Pray for the students and serving ones to join the on-line Bible Study groups more regularly. Also pray that much more shepherding and interaction would take place during the Bible Study time.

Meeting Attendance:

Small Groups (8/28~8/29): 161

Lord's Table (8/30): 141

Prayer Meeting (9/1): 53

Letter from FTTA Trainee

In case you didn't know already, I, Jere Xu, am currently in my first term of the Full-Time Training in Anaheim (FTTA). Because of the current COVID-19 pandemic situation, the training is being held remotely, but me and some of the trainees in the Northeast region of the US (and even trainees from other parts of the country or the world) have the privilege of being housed in a camp owned by some saints called Kingston Penuel Christian Center (KPCC) in Kingston, New York.

Being with the Brothers and the other saints

Because many of the saints in the various churches have the feeling that we need to take extra safety precautions in order to take care of others and avoid any health issues, things are very different for us in this term of training. I'm not necessarily complaining, because many other trainees in this term are either alone at home or joined with a few other saints in homes or at other centers. We here in KPCC have the privilege of having an arrangement as close as possible to the "normal" setting of the training, so I really thank the Lord for that. Currently in the camp we have four brother trainees and ten sister trainees, and a good number of them are in quarantine for the next two weeks because they came from states that were on the NY quarantine list. Even though we don't have everybody in person yet, it's still be exceedingly joyful to be able to pursue the Lord with the saints in person, especially after spending the past five months participating in meetings virtually on Zoom. I'm very much looking forward to what the Lord will do during this term! I know that this time will fly by because we are all quite filled in our schedules and there is just wave after wave of dispensing. I have the assurance that these years will be a great eternal memorial to the Lord.

Enjoyment from the ministry

Us trainees are currently in what we call "pre-training", which is slightly more intense than the regular schedule in terms of



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classes. I don't really feel that it's too much, rather this is what I have been longing for all of my life! There is nothing better than to be constantly under this rich ministry!

For the sake of brevity, I will only mention one matter that really refreshed me, and that is the matter of what fellowship really is. It's easy to fall into the trap of thinking that "fellowship" is just to receive advice or just to get things done with others or (God forbid) to socialize with the saints. No. The most succinct definition of fellowship is just the flowing of life, which is the Triune God Himself.

It might seem like this is too general, but it's actually very practical. Our God never stops flowing, He is never stagnant. Just like our human bodies function because our blood is constantly flowing and just like how electrical currents only give power when it's constantly flowing, life needs to constantly flow and move through us and in us. When we enter into this fellowship, more of this sweet Person in His life and essence is added to us, and more of our sinful nature and fleshly being is dealt with and stripped away. Our fellowship with the Lord is just a sweet communion with Him, just like a loving relationship with the people we care about.

There are two aspects of this fellowship, vertical and horizontal. We have vertical fellowship with the Lord, and we have horizontal fellowship with our fellow brothers and sisters who are also in this divine fellowship. What's amazing is that the two aspects depend on each other. If have a problem with a fellow believer, if we are closed off for any reason, we should have the sense that our fellowship with the Lord is also affected. We should not think that these two matters are separate, because there is only one fellowship in this universe.

I look forward to sharing more of my enjoyment throughout this term.

Much grace,
Jere Xu