

2008 Summer Training: Crystallization Study of Luke:**Message Seven: The Jubilee (1)**

The first mentioning of the jubilee in the Bible is in Leviticus 25:8 – 17. It is recorded as a prophecy in Isaiah 61:1 – 3 and is fulfilled in reality in Luke 4:16 – 22. These verses revealed that in the year of jubilee there were two main blessings: the returning of every man to his lost possession and the liberation from slavery. Everyone who had sold his possession, his allotted portion of the good land, was returned to it without paying anything to redeem it, and everyone who had sold himself into slavery regained his freedom and returned to his family. This signify that in the New Testament jubilee the believers have returned to God as their lost divine possession, have been released from all bondage, and have returned to the church as their divine family. In the Old Testament type the jubilee lasted for one year, but in the fulfillment it refers to the entire New Testament age, the age of grace, as the time when God accepts the returned captives of sin and when those oppressed under the bondage of sin enjoy the release of God's salvation. The believers' enjoyment of the jubilee in the age of grace (their enjoyment of Christ as God's grace to them) will issue in the full enjoyment of the jubilee in the millennium and in the new heaven and new earth.

The year of the jubilee is the age of Christ as grace dispensed into us for our enjoyment by His words of grace. We must receive the Lord Jesus as the real jubilee in us; if we have Him, we have God as our possession and can be delivered from the bondage of sin and Satan to have real freedom and rest. When we receive Christ as our Savior and life, He comes into us to be our jubilee, but unless we allow Him to live in us and unless we live by Him, we are not practically living in the jubilee. If we allow Christ to live in us and we live by Him, everything is to our satisfaction. Everything can be satisfying to us only after we have gained the all-inclusive Christ as our enjoyment; it is not outward persons, matters, or things but Christ within us who enables us to be calm and free of worries as we face all kinds of situations.

The proclamation of the jubilee in Luke 4 governs the central thought of the whole Gospel of Luke, and the parable of the prodigal son in Luke 15 is an excellent illustration of the jubilee. The prodigal son left his fathers house, selling his possession to himself. If man does not have God as his possession and enjoyment, he is empty and poor. Adam lost his portion of enjoyment of God when he did not take the tree of life; all the unbelieving people of the world have lost God as their possession and enjoyment and have sold their members to sin to become slaves of sin. One day the prodigal son returned to his possession and his father's house; that was a jubilee, a liberation, and everything became pleasant and satisfying. In redemption God is our possession for our enjoyment; to be saved is to return to our inheritance, to return to God, to come back to God and enjoy Him anew as our possession. God has become our blessed portion of Christ, but many Christians are unhappy and are like lights that do not shine, because they do not "turn on the switch" by taking God as their portion. The father's acceptance of the son and the son's returning to his father and his father's house were the year of jubilee to the son, the year of grace.

God in Christ has become the fattened calf for the enjoyment of the repentant and returned prodigal sons. This corresponds to Leviticus 25:11 – 12, which says that the people were neither to sow nor reap in the year of the jubilee but only to eat and enjoy; once we repent and return to God by receiving the Lord Jesus, we obtain God within, and this is the beginning of our jubilee. We are not the Father's hired servants but His enjoying sons, and we can continually enjoy Go as our possession from now unto eternity.

2008 Winter Training

Place: Living Stream Ministry Campus, Building 5, 2431 W. La Palma Avenue, Anaheim, California

Dates: Monday, December 22, 2008, 4:00pm—Saturday, December 27, 2008, 9:30pm

Registration Deadline: November 1st, 2008

Cost: \$150 for live training, \$75 for video training. Outline Fee: \$5.00

2008 Thanksgiving Conference

Time: November 27th (Thursday) – November 30th (Lord's Day) 2008

Place: Renaissance Schaumburg Hotel

1551 N. Thoreau Dr. Schaumburg, Illinois 60173

Please register by November 1st, 2008. Saints are welcome to attend

2009 International Chinese Speaking Conference

Time: January 25th (Lord's Day) – January 27th (Tuesday), 2009

Place: Taipei, Taiwan

Registration: please register through Ben Wu or Henry Hsu (whether or not one needs hospitality)

Registration fee: \$150

Please register by November 30th, 2008

2008 Fall Junior High and High School Conference

High School Brothers' Conference (register before 10/12/2008)

Time: 10/24 – 10/26/2008 Place: Engedi Camp

High School Sisters' Conference (register before 10/12/2008)

Time: 10/24 – 10/26/2008 Place: Oak Glen Camp

Junior High Brothers' Conference (register before 10/19/2008)

Time: 10/31 – 11/2/2008 Place Engedi Camp

Junior High Sisters' Conference (register before 10/19/2008)

Time: 10/31 – 11/2/2008

Place: Oak Glen Camp

Registration fee is \$100 per person, please register through www.scypwork.org

2008 Fall College Conference

When: 11/7 – 11/9/2008

Where: Big Bear Elementary School, Big Bear California

Subject: Wonderful Savior and His Dynamic Salvation

Cost: \$95

Registration deadline: Please register by 10/26/2008

Exercise – Living a Life to Proclaim the Jubilee of Grace

From September 11 – October 30, on Thursday of these 8 weeks there will be exercise of living a life that proclaim the Jubilee by praying and visiting. We will meet at hall 2 every Thursday at 7:30 PM, have some prayer and fellowship, and visit saints at 8:00 PM. We hope saints who are willing to live such a life of proclaiming the Jubilee will join this practice Thursday at 7:30 PM. Please pray for this matter, praise the Lord.

Corporate Meeting Delayed

- For Chinese speaking saints, the corporate meeting originally scheduled on October 5th will be delayed one week, the next Chinese speaking corporate meeting will be on October 12th, 2008
- Corporate prayer meeting scheduled on October 7th is changed to October 14th, 2008

Gospel Calendar

2009 Gospel Calendar is available for pre-order, cost is \$5.00 each plus tax. Please pre-order by November 2nd, 2008

Fellowship and Report on Finances

The total offering on October 5th is \$3,789.00 (general \$2,469.00 designated \$1,320.00)

Weekly Reading Schedule of New Testament

Reading Schedule for this Week:

Lord's Day	Luke 10:1 – 24	Monday	Luke 10:25 – 42
Tuesday	Luke 11:1 – 36	Wednesday	Luke 11:37 – 12:12
Thursday	Luke 12:13 – 48	Friday	Luke 12:49 – 13:9
Saturday	Luke 13:10 – 14:14		

Morning Revival for this week

Crystallization Study of Luke Message Seven

Church Meeting Schedule (10/6/- 10/12/2008)

Meetings	Date	Time	Place
Young People Serving Ones Fellowship	Monday	6:30 PM	House 5
Prayer Meeting	Tuesday	07:30 PM	Hall 1
Prayer Meeting (Chinese)	Tuesday	07:30 PM	Hall 2
Truth Pursuit (Chinese)	Wednesday	10:00 AM	Hall 2
Ministry Meeting	Wednesday	7:30 PM	LSM campus
Sisters' Meeting	Thursday	10:00 AM	Hall 2
College Meeting	Friday	06:30 PM	Homes
Small Group (Working Saints)	Saturday	06:30 PM	Homes
Small Group (Chinese)	Fri. Sat.	07:00 PM	Homes
Small Group (Chinese)	Saturday	10:00 AM	Hall 2
Sisters' Prayer Meeting	Saturday	09:30 AM	House 6
Young People's Meeting	Saturday	06:30 PM	Hall 1
Lord's Table	Lord's Day	10:00 AM	Hall 1
Lord's Table (Chinese)	Lord's Day	10:00 AM	Hall 1

Date	Meal / Cleaning Service	Lord's table Service
10/12/2008	District B	District C
10/19/2008	District C	District A