LIVING IN THE REALITY OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD - Week 2

Living in the Kingdom of God by Living a Hidden Life

Monday 4/28

Matt. 14:23

23 And after He sent the crowds away, He went up to the mountain privately to pray. And when night fell, He was there alone.

Luke 6:<u>12</u>

12 And in these days He went out to the mountain to pray, and He spent the whole night in prayer to God.

Matt. 14:14-22

- **14** And going forth, He saw a great crowd, and He was moved with compassion for them and healed their sick.
- 15 Now when evening fell, the disciples came to Him, saying, This place is deserted and the hour is already late. Send the crowds away that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves.
- 16 But Jesus said to them, They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat.
- 17 And they said to Him, We do not have anything here except five loaves and two fish.
- **18** And He said, Bring them here to Me.
- 19 And after commanding the crowds to recline on the grass, He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed them and broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples to the crowds.
- **20** And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve handbaskets full.
- **21** And those who ate were about five thousand men, apart from women and children.
- 22 And immediately He compelled the disciples to step into the boat and to go before Him to the other side, while He sent the crowds away.

Further Reading: *HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 1*

Tuesday 4/29

Matt. 6:1, 3-4, 5-15

- 1 But take care not to do your righteousness before men in order to be gazed at by them; otherwise, you have no reward with your Father who is in the heavens.
- 3 But you, when you give alms, do not let your left

hand know what your right hand is doing,

- 4 So that your alms may be in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.
- **5** And when you pray, you shall not be like the hypocrites, because they love to pray standing in the synagogues and on the street corners, so that they may be seen by men. Truly I say to you, They have their reward in full.
- **6** But you, when you pray, enter into your private room, and shut your door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.
- 7 And in praying do not babble empty words as the Gentiles do; for they suppose that in their multiplicity of words they will be heard.
- **8** Therefore do not be like them, for your Father knows the things that you have need of before you ask Him.
- **9** You then pray in this way: Our Father who is in the heavens, Your name be sanctified;
- 10 Your kingdom come; Your will be done, as in heaven, so also on earth.
- 11 Give us today our daily bread.
- **12** And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.
- 13 And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.
- **14** For if you forgive men their offenses, your heavenly Father will forgive you also;
- **15** But if you do not forgive men their offenses, neither will your Father forgive your offenses.

Further Reading: *HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 2*

Wednesday 4/30

Matt. 6:6, 18

- **6** But you, when you pray, enter into your private room, and shut your door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.
- **18** So that you may not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will repay you.

Matt. 17:1-9

- 1 And after six days Jesus took with Him Peter and James and John his brother, and brought them up to a high mountain privately.
- 2 And He was transfigured before them, and His face shone like the sun, and His garments became

as white as the light.

- **3** And behold, Moses and Elijah appeared to them, conversing with Him.
- **4** And Peter answered and said to Jesus, Lord, it is good for us to be here; if You are willing, I will make three tents here, one for You and one for Moses and one for Elijah.
- **5** While he was still speaking, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and behold, a voice out of the cloud, saying, This is My Son, the Beloved, in whom I have found My delight. Hear Him!
- **6** And when the disciples heard this, they fell on their face and were greatly frightened.
- 7 And Jesus came to them and touched them and said, Arise, and do not be afraid.
- **8** And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one except Jesus Himself alone.
- **9** And as they were coming down from the mountain, Jesus commanded them, saying, Tell the vision to no one until the Son of Man is raised from the dead.

Further Reading: *HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 3*

Thursday 5/1

Isa. 45:15

15 Surely You are a God who hides Himself, O God of Israel, the Savior.

1 Kings 19:12

12 And after the earthquake, a fire-Jehovah was not in the fire. And after the fire, a gentle, quiet voice.

John 20:14-17, 24-29

- 14 When she said these things, she turned backward and beheld Jesus standing there, yet she did not know that it was Jesus.
- 15 Jesus said to her, Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking? She, supposing that He was the gardener, said to Him, Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away.
- **16** Jesus said to her, Mary! She turned and said to Him in Hebrew, Rabboni! (which means Teacher).
- 17 Jesus said to her, Do not touch Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to My brothers and say to them, I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.
- **24** But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.

- 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, We have seen the Lord! But he said to them, Unless I see in His hands the mark of the nails and put my finger into the mark of the nails and put my hand into His side, I will by no means believe.
- **26** And after eight days, His disciples were again within, and Thomas was with them. Jesus came, though the doors were shut, and stood in the midst and said, Peace be to you.
- 27 Then He said to Thomas, Bring your finger here and see My hands, and bring your hand and put it into My side; and do not be unbelieving, but believing.
- 28 Thomas answered and said to Him, My Lord and my God!
- 29 Jesus said to him, Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed.

Further Reading: HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 4

Friday 5/2

Psa. 42:<u>7</u>

7 Deep calls unto deep At the sound of Your water spouts; All Your waves and Your billows Pass over me.

Isa. 37:31

31 And the remnant of those who have escaped of the house of Judah will again take root downward and bear fruit upward.

Acts 6:7

7 And the word of God grew, and the number of the disciples in Jerusalem multiplied greatly; and a large number of the priests obeyed the faith.

Acts 12:24

24 But the word of God grew and multiplied.

Acts 19:20

20 Thus, the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

Matt. 13:20-21

- **20** And the one sown on the rocky places, this is he who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy;
- 21 Yet he does not have root in himself but lasts only for a time, and when affliction or persecution occurs because of the word, immediately he is stumbled.

Further Reading: *HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 5*

Saturday 5/3

2 Cor. 12:3-4

- **3** And I know such a man (whether in the body or outside the body, I do not know; God knows),
- 4 That he was caught away into Paradise and heard unspeakable words, which it is not allowed for a man to speak.

Isa, 39:2-8

- **2** And Hezekiah was glad for them and showed them his treasury, the silver and the gold, and the spices and the fine oil, and his whole armory and everything which was found among his treasures; there was nothing in his house or in all his dominion that Hezekiah did not show them.
- **3** Then Isaiah the prophet came to King Hezekiah and said to him, What did these men say? And from where have they come to you? And Hezekiah said, They have come to me from a distant land, from Babylon.
- **4** And he said, What have they seen in your house? And Hezekiah said, They have seen everything that is in my house; there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shown them.
- 5 Then Isaiah said to Hezekiah, Hear the word of Jehovah of hosts:
- **6** The days are now coming when everything that is in your house and that your fathers have laid up as a treasure unto this day will be carried away to Babylon; nothing will be left, says Jehovah.
- 7 And they will take away some of your sons who will issue from you, whom you will beget, and they will become eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.
- **8** And Hezekiah said to Isaiah, The word of Jehovah which you have spoken is good. He said moreover, Indeed there will be peace and truth in my days.

Further Reading: *HWMR Living in the Reality of the Kingdom of God – Week 2, Day 6*

Lord's Day 5/4

Matt. 5:3. 8

- **3** Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of the heavens.
- **8** Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

2 Cor. 4:13, 16-18

- 13 And having the same spirit of faith according to that which is written, "I believed, therefore I spoke," we also believe, therefore we also speak,
- 16 Therefore we do not lose heart; but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.
- 17 For our momentary lightness of affliction works out for us, more and more surpassingly, an eternal weight of glory,
- 18 Because we do not regard the things which are seen but the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

Hosea 14:5-7

- 5 I will be like the dew to Israel; He will bud like the lily And will send forth his roots like the trees of Lebanon.
- **6** His shoots will go forth; And his splendor will be like that of the olive tree, And his fragrance, like that of the trees of Lebanon.
- 7 Those who sit under his shade will return; They will revive like grain And will bud like the vine; His renown will be like the wine of Lebanon.

Hymn: #553

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Further Reading:

The God-man Living, ch. 14

Churchwide Truth Pursuit of Genesis Level 1—Sequential Life-study Reading Scripture Reading and Copying: Gen. 11:10-32 Assigned Reading: Life-study of Genesis, msg(s).

Level 2—Topical Study

Crucial Point: Eve as Adam's Helper and Counterpart

Scripture: *Gen.* 2:18-25

Assigned Reading: The Glorious Church, ch. 2 Supplemental Reading: The Glorious Church, ch. 3; The Central Thought of God, chs. 3-4; The Central Thought of God, ch. 4; Truth Lessons, Level Three, Vol. 1, ch. 2; Revelation in Genesis: Seeing God's Desire and Purpose in Creation, ch. 7

Questions: See the church website a churchinnyc.org/bible-study