

**THE VISION, THE LIVING, AND THE PRACTICE
OF THE LORD'S RECOVERY TODAY**

Morning Message Three

**The Vision of the Lord's Recovery—
The Recovery of the Divine Revelation
concerning the Consummated Spirit and the Eternal Life**

Scripture Reading: John 7:37-39; Gal. 3:14; John 3:15; 17:3;
1 John 1:2; 2:25; 5:11-13, 20

I. The divine revelation concerning the consummated Spirit—John 7:37-39; Gal. 3:14:

- A. The term *the consummated Spirit* implies that the Spirit has been processed and thus has become the consummated Spirit:
1. The Bible unveils the fact that the Spirit of God has become the consummated, all-inclusive, and compound Spirit—Phil. 1:19.
 2. “In this matter the negligence, ignorance, deficiency, misunderstanding, and misinterpretation on the part of Christian teachers has reached the climax” (*The Crucial Points of the Major Items of the Lord's Recovery Today*, p. 16).
- B. Not one of today's theologies, including the Nicene Creed, stresses adequately the following five critical points concerning the Spirit of God in the move of God's eternal economy:
1. The Spirit who gives life being not yet before the glorification (resurrection) of Christ—John 7:37-39.
 2. The last Adam (Christ in the flesh) becoming a life-giving Spirit—1 Cor. 15:45b; 2 Cor. 3:17.
 3. The compound Spirit typified by the anointing ointment—Exo. 30:23-25.
 4. The Spirit of life, the Spirit of God, the Spirit of Christ, Christ Himself, and the indwelling Spirit all referring to the compound Spirit who gives life—Rom. 8:2, 9-11.
 5. The seven Spirits of God—Rev. 1:4; 3:1; 4:5; 5:6.
- C. Eventually, the Spirit in all of the above aspects is simply *the Spirit* as the consummated Spirit to be the consummation of the processed Triune God—John 7:39; Rev. 22:17:
1. The Spirit is the processed, compound, all-inclusive, life-giving, indwelling, sevenfold intensified, consummated Spirit as the ultimate consummation of the processed and consummated Triune God to be the eternal portion of His chosen, redeemed, regenerated, sanctified, transformed, and glorified tripartite people as their life, life supply, and everything.
 2. “We all need to pay our utmost attention to pick up this point, for the consummated Spirit is one of the crucial points of the major items of the Lord's recovery” (p. 18).

II. The divine revelation concerning the eternal life—John 3:15; 17:3; 1 John 1:2; 2:25; 5:11-13, 20:

- A. The Lord has recovered among us the scriptural view and proper realization of the eternal life of God, which we have received of God through our believing in the Son of God—John 3:15, 36a.

- B. Eternal life is a life on the highest plane, being the divine life of God and even the complete Triune God Himself, uncreated, incorruptible, indestructible, and also eternal—Eph. 4:18; John 5:26; Rom. 8:2; Heb. 7:16:
1. To be eternal means to be perfect and complete in quality, quantity, time, space, and existence.
 2. The eternal life that we received through our believing in Christ is perfect and complete in its quality, in its quantity, in time, in space, and in existence:
 - a. The eternal life is the life that is not only everlasting but eternal both in time and in nature—John 3:16; 1 John 1:2.
 - b. The eternal life is the uncreated life of God, the indestructible life, and the incorruptible life—Eph. 4:18; Heb. 7:16; 2 Tim. 1:10.
 - c. The eternal life is the life that is in the Son of God and that is the Son of God—1 John 5:11-12; 1:2; John 14:6.
 - d. The eternal life is the life with which the believers are regenerated and which becomes the believers' life, making them the children of God and members of Christ—Col. 3:4a; John 1:12-13; Eph. 5:30.
 3. It is with this eternal and everlasting, wonderful and marvelous life that we have been regenerated, that we are being transformed, and that we will be glorified with the consummated Triune God as our eternal glory—1 Pet. 1:3; John 3:3; 1 John 3:9; Rom. 12:2; Heb. 2:10; Rom. 8:17; 2 Thes. 1:10.
- C. The eternal life has three stages, and these three stages are in three ages:
1. In the present age, the church age—Rom. 6:23; 1 John 5:13.
 2. In the coming age, the kingdom age—Matt. 19:17.
 3. In the eternal age, in the new heaven and new earth with the New Jerusalem as the center—Rev. 21:1-2; 22:1-2, 14.
- D. Those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life—Rom. 5:17:
1. Reigning in life is “unto eternal life” (Rom. 5:21); that is, the issue of our reigning in life will be the New Jerusalem, which is the totality of the divine life—John 4:14b.
 2. The goal of our reigning in life should be uniquely and ultimately the goal of God's eternal economy—the New Jerusalem as the universal incorporation of the union and mingling of divinity with humanity—Rev. 21:9-10.