

**THE SERVICE NEEDED FOR THE PRACTICAL EXISTENCE  
OF THE UNIVERSAL ONE NEW MAN**

Evening Session: Message Three

**Speaking the Same Thing and Doing the One Work  
in the Consciousness of the One New Man**

Scripture Reading: Eph. 2:15; 4:24; 3:17a; Col. 3:10-11; Rom. 15:6; 1 Cor. 1:10; 15:58

- I. The Lord intends to raise up His believers throughout all the world to seek Him, and when we seek Him, we will see that what He wants is the one new man expressed in the local churches—Phil. 3:7-14; Eph. 4:24.**
  
- II. For the church as the universal one new man, we all need to take Christ as our person in the matter of speaking—Matt. 12:34-37; Eph. 3:17a; John 7:16-18:**
  - A. In the one new man there is one person with one mouth to speak the same thing—Rom. 15:6; 1 Cor. 1:10.
  - B. We need to consider *one new man* in Ephesians 2:15 together with *one mouth* in Romans 15:6 and *speak the same thing* in 1 Corinthians 1:10:
    1. There is only one new man, and the one new man has only one person, so the one new man speaks with one mouth and says the same thing.
    2. The church is the new man with only one person—Christ—and this person controls our speaking; thus, whatever He speaks is surely the same thing.
    3. In the one new man there is only one person, and only this person has the freedom to speak—Matt. 17:5.
    4. Although we are many and come from different places, we have one mouth and speak the same thing, because we are the universal one new man having one person—Eph. 2:15; 4:24; 3:17a; Rom. 15:6; 1 Cor. 1:10.
  - C. If we take Christ as our person and as our life, spontaneously we will all speak the same thing; then we will be the one new man in reality and practicality.
  
- III. There should not be several works in the Lord's recovery; all the co-workers in all the regions should do the same one work for the unique Body, the universal one new man—Col. 4:11; 1 Cor. 15:58; 16:10; Phil. 2:30:**
  - A. "I hope that we will consider our present situation before the Lord. Are we doing the same one work for the recovery? If not, we should let the Lord have the freedom to adjust us" (*Further Consideration of the Eldership, the Region of Work, and the Care for the Body of Christ*, p. 19).
  - B. "In the Lord's move in His recovery, there should only be one work, not different works. Our situation is different from this. We have different works without any consciousness. This is dangerous" (p. 19).
  - C. As God's fellow workers, working together with Him, we should do only one work—the work of the Lord—2 Cor. 6:1a; 1 Cor. 3:9a; 15:58; 16:10:
    1. There should not be several works in the Lord's recovery; all the co-workers should do the same one work universally for the Body of Christ, the one new man.

2. Although Paul and Peter worked in different regions, they did not carry out two works; instead, they had only one work.
  3. The regions of the work should not divide the churches.
  4. Concerning the work, the New Testament does not have the consideration of geographical regions.
  5. To bear a regional flavor is not scriptural, because all the members of the Body of Christ should bear the same flavor.
- D. “You must have the assurance that, wherever you are and whatever you do, you are building up the center, the reality, and the goal of the eternal economy of God, which will attain the New Jerusalem” (*The Practical Way to Live a Life according to the High Peak of the Divine Revelation in the Holy Scriptures*, pp. 58-59).
- IV. When the one new man has been brought into full existence, we will not speak of the differences between the churches or of the jurisdiction and autonomy of the local churches; instead, we will realize that all the churches are parts of the universal one new man—Col. 3:10-11; 4:15-16:**
- A. At that time we all will be taking Christ as our person and living Christ; thus, only Christ will be among us, and only Christ will be manifested—Phil. 1:20-21a.
  - B. The churches will progress in the divine life to such an extent that eventually they will all be absolutely the same—Rev. 1:4, 11-12; 1 Cor. 4:17; 7:17; 14:33b.
  - C. “I do expect that the day will come when all the local churches look alike, and I believe that when that day comes, the Lord will return” (*The Church—the Reprint of the Spirit*, p. 29).
- V. Today is the day to have a new man constituted of all the local churches, including all the saints as one in Christ, who is all and in all—Col. 3:10-11:**
- A. What is here in the Lord’s recovery is nothing but Christ, and this Christ is all and in all; this vision will rescue us from all things other than Christ—1:18.
  - B. “Today on this earth...God wants to have another man, the new man...He wants to gain the one new man on earth. Today’s Christianity absolutely cannot meet this need. Christianity is full of divisions, and everyone is independent. The Lord’s desire is to have the one new man on the earth, so we all need to rise up to take Christ as our corporate person. If we want to make a decision or live a certain kind of life, we cannot decide merely in ourselves; instead, we must take Christ as our person in the new man and with the new man. This requirement is great and high. In this way the new man grows and matures, and we will arrive at a full-grown man” (*One Body, One Spirit, and One New Man*, p. 76).
  - C. This will be the ultimate church life—a universal new man taking Christ as his person and living out Christ; this will conclude this age, usher in the kingdom, and bring the Lord back—Eph. 4:24; Phil. 1:20-21a; Rev. 11:15.