## Outline of the Messages for the Full-time Training in the Spring Term of 2008

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## GENERAL SUBJECT: THE BELIEVERS

Message Fifty-One

## Their Future—in the Completing Stage of God's Full Salvation, the Stage of Glorification

Scripture Reading: Rom. 8:17-18, 21, 30; Col. 1:27; 3:4; Heb. 2:10; Rev. 21:10-11

- I. In the completing stage of God's full salvation, the stage of glorification, the believers will be redeemed in their body, they will be raptured, and they will be judged at the judgment seat of Christ, which is the judgment seat of God—Rom. 8:23; Phil. 3:21; Rev. 12:5; 14:1, 15; Rom. 14:10; 2 Cor. 5:10.
- II. In the completing stage of God's full salvation, the stage of glorification, the overcoming believers, those who are rewarded at the judgment seat of Christ, will be invited to the marriage dinner of the Lamb, and they will participate in the coming kingdom—the manifestation of the kingdom of the heavens—Rev. 19:7-9; Matt. 13:43a; 24:47.
- III. In the completing stage of God's full salvation, the stage of glorification, the believers will be glorified—Rom. 8:17-18, 29-30:
  - A. Glory is the expression of God—vv. 18, 21; Col. 1:27; 3:4.
  - B. Although our glorification may appear to be a sudden occurrence, it will actually be the consummation of a process of gradual growth and development in life—Mark 4:26-29:
    - 1. Our glorification will be the issue of our growth in the divine life unto maturity—Heb. 6:1.
    - 2. The believers will not be glorified until they reach maturity in life; their glorification will be the issue of the maturity in life—2 Pet. 1:5-7.
    - 3. Glorification is the issue of transformation, and transformation is accomplished by the gradual and continual growth in life—Rom. 12:2; 2 Cor. 3:18; 1 Cor. 3:6-7; Eph. 4:13, 16.
  - C. For God to glorify us means that the glory which has been sown into us saturates our whole being and is expressed through us—Rom. 8:30; Col. 1:27; 3:4; Heb. 2:10:
    - 1. When our entire being has been permeated and saturated with the element of the divine glory, this glory will come out of us; this is what it means for the believers to be glorified—Col. 3:4; Rom. 8:30.
    - 2. When we experience this glorification, we will be in the expression of the processed and consummated Triune God—Rev. 21:10-11.

- D. The glory of God is intrinsically related to the economy of God—Eph. 1:6, 10, 12, 14; 3:21; 5:27:
  - 1. God is a God of glory—Acts 7:2; Eph. 1:17; 3:14, 16; 1 Cor. 2:8; 2 Cor. 4:6; 1 Pet. 4:14.
  - 2. God's purpose is to bring many sons into glory—Heb. 2:10; 1 Cor. 2:7; Eph. 1:6-7, 12, 14.
  - 3. God created us as vessels prepared unto glory—Rom. 9:23.
  - 4. Sin is falling short of God's glory—3:23.
  - 5. Christ's redemption has fulfilled the requirements of God's glory—vv. 24-25; Heb. 9:5; cf. Gen. 3:24.
  - 6. Through the gospel of the glory of God, God has called us into His eternal glory—2 Cor. 4:4; 1 Tim. 1:11; 1 Pet. 5:10; 1 Thes. 2:12.
  - 7. Christ in us is the hope of glory—Col. 1:27; 3:4.
  - 8. We are being transformed into the Lord's image from glory to glory—2 Cor. 3:18.
  - 9. The goal of God's organic salvation, and the last stage of this salvation, is glory—Heb. 2:10; Rom. 8:17, 21, 30.
  - 10. We will enter into the highest stage of oneness—the oneness in the divine glory—John 17:22.
  - 11. There is glory to God in the church—vv. 22-23; Eph. 3:21.
  - 12. There will be the glory of God in the kingdom—Matt. 6:13; 16:27; 26:64; Rev. 5:13.
  - 13. The New Jerusalem will have the glory of God—21:10-11.
  - 14. The glory of God in the economy of God involves deification—God becoming man that man may become God in life, in nature, and in expression—John 1:14; Col. 3:4; Heb. 2:10; Rev. 21:10-11.
- E. The believers will be glorified with the incomparable glory; this glory will come not objectively from without but subjectively and organically from within them—Rom. 8:18; Col. 1:27; 3:4; 2 Thes. 1:10.
- F. Christ dwells within us as our hope of glory—Col. 1:27:
  - 1. Christ can be our hope of glory because He dwells within us to be our life and our person—3:4; Eph. 3:17:
    - a. The glory with which we will be glorified dwells in us right now; this glory is a living person, the indwelling Christ—Col. 1:27.
    - b. The Christ who is God's expression, the effulgence of God's glory, is the One who has come into us to be our hope of glory—Heb. 1:3.
  - 2. When Christ our life is manifested, we will be manifested with Him in glory; we will be glorified in Him, and He will be glorified in us—Col. 3:4; John 17:10; 2 Thes. 1:10, 12.
- G. God's glory will be expressed from our spirit to our soul and through our body; the three parts of our being will be the same as Christ is and will be fully saturated with God's glory—1 Thes. 5:23; Phil. 3:21.
- H. When the believers are glorified, they will be in the glory of the divine sonship and will shine with the glory of God—Heb. 2:10.
- I. In this glory God will be expressed in a full way; this will be the ultimate issue of the dispensing of the processed and consummated Triune God—Rev. 21:11.