

## Please pray:

- ✿ COVID-19 situation in Montreal and all around the world: Please pray that the saints will persevere in prayer for the Lord's final move to end this age; that the Lord will protect all His interests on earth, including the churches and the saints; that the speaking of the ministry will continue in the seven feasts and in all the conferences and trainings; that the saints will continue to meet in a blended way and minister Christ to build up the Body; that the gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed and the hearts of men will be open to receive it.
- ✿ Eastern Canada Fall YP Conference (October 23–25): May we remember each of our young people, that they will be raised up in the church life as the generation that will bring Him back. May our dear Lord be their daily experience by prayer-reading the Word and exercising their spirits to call on Him to be their daily salvation.
- ✿ May the Lord bind the enemy behind the current conflict between US and China and reduce tension significantly so that Chinese government can further open up its domestic policy and give more freedom for the churches in China to assemble together and have more blending with other churches in the world.
- ✿ Pray for the political situation in Taiwan so that the severe tension between mainland China and Taiwan can be eased and avoid potential war in the Island. Pray to the Lord that because of the presence of a strong recovery in Taiwan, the Lord may preserve the peace of that land for His move in the world.
- ✿ Pray for various local needs, including saints in Montreal, contacts, and those in need of care and shepherding.

## Weekly Readings

- ✿ Holy Bible Recovery Version with footnotes: Luke 14:25 – 16:31
- ✿ HWMR: Knowing and Experiencing the All-Inclusive, Extensive Christ, week 5

## Announcements

- ✿ The **Eastern Canada Young People's Retreat** will be held via Zoom on Oct 23-25, 2020. See young people's serving ones for registration details.
- ✿ The **Children's Meeting** will be held via Zoom on Lord's Day's starting Sept 27 from 11:00AM-11:45AM for the Grade 3-6 children (Seniors) and from 1:30PM-2:15PM for the Grade 2 children and down (Juniors).
- ✿ The 2021 Chinese gospel calendar sign up is now open. Please contact your district serving ones. Deadline is Oct 25, 2020.

- ✿ All church meetings continue to take place online/via conference calls. These include the following: **Lord's Table Meeting** - Will be conducted online or via conference calls by the following districts/groups:
  1. English Central/NDG/West - Dennis L. host
  2. French - Allan Y. host
  3. Chinese East 1, 2 & 3 & Central 1 & 3 - Aaron C./John Y. host
  4. Chinese South - William L./John C. host
  5. Chinese West & North - John Ya. Host
- ✿ **Prayer meeting** - By districts/groups
- ✿ **Group meetings** - By districts/groups

## Upcoming Events

- ✿ Oct 23-25, 2020: The **Eastern Canada Young People's Retreat** via Zoom
- ✿ Nov 26-29: **Thanksgiving Conference**, Online LSM Webcast
- ✿ Dec 21-25, Anaheim: **Semi-annual Training**  
*The church website lists more events*

## This Week's Activities

<b>11</b>	✿ 10am-12pm: Lord's Table & Prophesying meetings via Zoom
<b>October</b>	
<b>LORD'S DAY</b>	✿ 11am-11:45am: Grade 3-6 children (Seniors) via Zoom
	✿ 1:30pm-2:15pm: Grade 2 children and down (Juniors) via Zoom
<b>12</b>	✿ 9:30am - 11:00am: Video message and group fellowship
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>13</b>	✿ 7:30-9:00pm: English/French/Chinese prayer meetings by districts via conference calls
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>14</b>	✿
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>15</b>	✿
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>16</b>	✿ 6:30-9:00pm: Various Home Meetings (English/French/Chinese) via Zoom
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>17</b>	✿
<b>Saturday</b>	
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## If Anyone Sins

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Scripture Reading: John 5:14; 8:11; Rom. 6:1-2; Num. 19:1-10, 12-13, 17-19; 1 John 1:7—2:2

### I. SINNING AFTER BEING SAVED (Continued)

Second, if a man sins he will be punished in the coming age. If a Christian sins and does not deal with it properly in this age, he will have to deal with it in the coming age. When the Lord comes again, "He will repay each man according to his doings" (Matt. 16:27). Paul said, "For we must all be manifested before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done through the body according to what he has practiced, whether good or bad" (2 Cor. 5:10).

Besides these two terrible consequences, there is another immediate result of sin—the breaking down of fellowship with God. To a Christian, fellowship with God is a most glorious privilege. Such fellowship is the greatest blessing he can have. However, if he sins, he will immediately lose his fellowship with God. The Holy Spirit within him will grieve for him, and the life in him will feel uncomfortable about his sin. He will lose his joy as well as his fellowship with God. Formerly, when he saw God's children, he was warmly attracted to them, but now he no longer feels that warmth; there seems to be a barrier between him and them. Formerly, prayer and Bible reading were sweet. But now they have lost their sweetness; he can no longer touch God. Formerly, he treasured the church meetings very much; when he missed one meeting, he felt that he had suffered a great loss. But now the meetings are tasteless to him; it no longer makes a difference whether or not he goes. When he sees God's children, he wants to run away instead of meeting them. Everything has changed.

It is a serious thing for a person to sin after he is saved! We must never be loose in our conduct. We must never tolerate sin and must never give ground to it.

But what do we do "if anyone sins"? If a Christian becomes careless and sins by mistake, if he is overtaken by sins, what should he do? How can he come back to the Lord? How can he recover his fellowship with God? This is a very important subject, and we have to study it carefully.

### II. THE LORD HAVING BORNE ALL OUR SINS

To take care of this matter, we must first realize that the Lord Jesus has borne all our sins on the cross. All the sins which we have committed, as well as those we are committing and will commit during our whole life, were borne by the Lord on the cross.

However, on the day we believed in the Lord, under God's light we only saw the sins that we had committed before we had believed. A man can only be conscious of the sins which God shines His light upon; he cannot feel the sins which he has not yet committed. Therefore, the actual sins the Lord Jesus bore on the cross are more than the sins that we see. The Lord Jesus bore all of our sins on the cross, but we see only the sins which we have committed.

You may have been saved at the age of sixteen, or you may have been saved at the age of thirty-two. All the sins you committed before your salvation are absolutely and totally forgiven by the Lord. However, at the time of your forgiveness, the number of sins that you were conscious of was actually much less than the actual number of sins which the Lord bore for you. Your experience of the Lord's grace went only so far as your personal experience of your sin. But the Lord's work on our behalf was based on His knowledge of our sins. We must realize that even the sins that we are not conscious of are included in the Lord Jesus' redemption.

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