



**EXCERPT FROM MINISTRY READING (THE KINGDOM CHAPTER 39):**

**THE TRANSFER OF THE REALITY OF THE KINGDOM INTO ITS MANIFESTATION**

**THE NEED OF MATURITY**

My heart aches for many of the Lord's children who seem to be somewhat ignorant, careless, and dull concerning the need to be matured. How serious it is that we are God's cultivated land, God's crop! There is no doubt that we are wheat, but how mature are we? Will we be the firstfruits or the harvest or the gleanings? I beg you to take this word seriously and to bring this matter to the Lord. By such a reaping of God's crop, which we call the rapture, the Lord Jesus will transfer the reality of the kingdom into the manifestation of the kingdom. Matthew 13:43 says, "Then the righteous will shine forth like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears to hear, let him hear." The righteous ones here are the overcomers. Those who are living in the reality of the kingdom of the heavens today will be raptured and transferred into the Father's kingdom to become the shining ones there.

**THE PRINCIPLES AS A WARNING**

There is no need for us to figure out the time that the firstfruits will be taken away and the time that the harvest will be taken away. Do not try to understand the Bible in this way. The Lord reveals to us not the details but the principles. So forget about your curiosity, but pick up the principles as a warning. We all need to pick up the warning and to realize that we need to be mature. We all need to pray, "Lord, have mercy upon me that I would be a part of the firstfruits and that I would be an overcomer."

Do not try to pick up the details. Rather, pick up some living, unveiling, revealing, stirring, and encouraging word from the Lord. Otherwise, you may be clear about some of the details but miss the rapture. Pick up the principle to receive the warning. We need to see God's purpose and intention, and we need to see our responsibility to cooperate with Him. We need to enjoy Christ, to participate in Him, and to take Him in until we are matured. Eventually, He will be expressed as our wedding garment, and we will be qualified to be co-kings with Him. Do not take all these points in order to systematize the Bible. May the Lord preserve us so that we will simply care for the pure and real revelation of the principles as a warning.

**Announcement:**

1. District prayer meeting on the coming Tuesday 9/1 is scheduled at district prayer meeting on-line locations starting from 8 PM. We encourage the saints to separate time to attend.
2. Corporate pursuing this week: "The Kingdom" messages 39 & 40.
3. Let us continue to have the burden of and practice gospel preaching and mutual shepherding.
4. Gospel to All the Nations sessions, 2 more upcoming gospel Zoom meeting dates and times: 4:00pm EDT on Saturday, September 12, September 26. Please invite your friends, relatives, classmates or colleagues. Come and see how the life of Christ meets the need of every person and enjoy the pure ministry of the Word as the gospel of the kingdom. For more details and to register please go to: <https://gospeltoallthenations.com/> You will receive the Zoom session information after registering.
5. There is a church-wide gospel meeting scheduled for Saturday 9/19. This gospel meeting is conducted on-line in Chinese. We need saints to pray for this event and invite gospel friends.
6. New morning revival (Crystallization-Study of Jeremiah and Lamentations) arrived and they are available at the entrance of meeting hall. For saints who have standing orders, you may pick it up or ask help from small group serving ones to arrange delivery. Bookroom also has a few additional copies for saints to purchase, please contact Brother James Ho.

**Prayer Burdens:**

**CIP Chinese-Speaking Online Gospel Meeting (9/29) -**

- A. May all the saints pray the desperate and specific prayer for their gospel friends, and invite them to the gospel meeting.
- B. Pray that the Lord would release more gospel friends to attend, and prepare their heart to receive the salvation.
- C. Pray for the Lord to bless and lead all the coordination and service (message, hymn singing, and testimonies).
- D. Pray for the binding and limiting of the interruption from the enemy.

**Shepherding The Next Generation -**

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**RU New Semester -**

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**Meeting Attendance:**

Small Groups (8/21~8/22): 159

Lord's Table (8/23): 148

Prayer Meeting (8/25): 52

# Young People End of Summer Family Blending and Project Presentation Briefing (8/29)

On Saturday 8/29/2020 there was a Young People End of Summer Family Blending and Project Presentation. There were about 75 brothers and sisters that joined the online meeting. Young people presented posters of six projects and shared their enjoyment of their reading on Joseph, Hannah & Samuel, Jeremiah, Mordecai & Esther, Stephen & Philip, and Timothy with Paul. May many young people and the parents turn their hearts to the Lord so that the Lord can gain His dispensational instruments for His return.

## Please pray for “The Shepherding of the Next Generation”

1. Pray that many saints will take up the burden to shepherd those of the younger generation – children, young people, college students, and young adults.
2. The young saints will not despise their youth and are willing to give themselves to the Lord to answer His call to be the overcomers of this age.



## Rutgers Fall 2020 Welcome Meeting (8/26)

Welcome back! Rutgers Christians on Campus began the semester with an online Welcome Meeting this past Wednesday. Our meeting began with a brief introduction of the club followed by sharing from the college students. The students testified concerning their campus church life experiences which included: the shepherding of the saints, being with one another, and the homes. A total of 6 freshmen joined the meeting and one new student was present also. There was a sharing on the “the spirit of the gospel” in order to encourage the students to give themselves to love the Lord. May the flame of the divine life burn in us and may the Lord pour out His blessing.

## Please pray for the following points related to the new semester:

1. That the incoming freshmen would have a good transition into college by establishing specific relationships with the members of all ages in the household of God.
2. That all the students would have a renewed burden for the gospel. May we seize this present opportunity to share their faith to their friends and classmates.
3. That all the saints would have the heart of the Lord as the shepherd, tending to the needs of the flock, providing the all-inclusive tender care.