

Outline of the Messages for the Thanksgiving Blending Conference

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GENERAL SUBJECT: THE ALL-INCLUSIVE CHRIST AS REVEALED IN MATTHEW

Message Three

Jesus—the King-Savior’s Name Given by God and

Emmanuel—the King-Savior’s Name Called by Man

RA *Hymns*: 1083, 68

Scripture Reading: Matt. 1:21, 23; 18:20; 28:20

- Matt 1:21 And she will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins.
- Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).
- Matt 18:20 For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst.
- Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.

I. “She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins”—Matt. 1:21:

- A. *Jesus* is the Greek equivalent of the Hebrew name *Joshua*, which means “Jehovah the Savior,” or “the salvation of Jehovah”; Jesus is Jehovah becoming our Savior and our salvation—Rom. 10:12-13; 5:10; cf. Phil. 1:19.

Rom 10:12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all and rich to all who call upon Him;

Rom 10:13 For "whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Rom 5:10 For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

Phil 1:19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

- B. The name Jesus includes the name Jehovah, which means “I Am Who I Am,” indicating that Jehovah is the self-existing and ever-existing eternal One, the One who was in the past, who is in the present, and who will be in the future forever—Exo. 3:14; Rev. 1:4:

Exo 3:14 And God said to Moses, I AM WHO I AM. And He said, Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, I AM has sent me to you

Rev 1:4 John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from Him who is and who was and who is coming, and from the seven Spirits who are before His throne,

1. Jehovah is the only One who is and who depends on nothing apart from Himself; we must exercise our spirit of faith to believe that “He is” and we are “not”; He is the only One, the unique One, in everything, and we are nothing—Heb. 11:6.

Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to be well pleasing to Him, for he who comes forward to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

2. As the I Am, He is the all-inclusive One, the reality of every positive thing and of whatever His people need—John 6:35; 8:12; 10:14; 11:25; 14:6.

John 6:35 Jesus said to them, I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me shall by no

- means hunger, and he who believes into Me shall by no means ever thirst.
- John 8:12 Again therefore Jesus spoke to them, saying, I am the light of the world; he who follows Me shall by no means walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.
- John 10:14 I am the good Shepherd, and I know My own, and My own know Me,
- John 11:25 Jesus said to her, I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes into Me, even if he should die, shall live;
- John 14:6 Jesus said to him, I am the way and the reality and the life; no one comes to the Father except through Me.
3. We may say that we believers have a signed check with the space for the amount left blank, and we can fill in whatever we need; whatever we need Jesus is, such as light, life, power, wisdom, holiness, or righteousness; everything we need is found in the name of Jesus.
- C. Jesus is our Joshua, the One who brings us into rest, which is Himself as the good land to us—Heb. 4:8; Matt. 11:28-29.
- Heb 4:8 For if Joshua had brought them into rest, He would not have spoken concerning another day after these things.
- Matt 11:28 Come to Me all who toil and are burdened, and I will give you rest.
- Matt 11:29 Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am meek and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.
- D. The Lord's name, His person, is the all-inclusive compound Spirit—S. S. 1:3; Exo. 30:23-30; Phil. 1:19.
- S. S. 1:3 Your anointing oils have a pleasant fragrance; / Your name is like ointment poured forth; / Therefore the virgins love you.
- Exo 30:23 You also take the finest spices: of flowing myrrh five hundred shekels, and of fragrant cinnamon half as much, two hundred fifty shekels, and of fragrant calamus two hundred fifty shekels,
- Exo 30:24 And of cassia five hundred shekels, according to the shekel of the sanctuary, and a hin of olive oil.
- Exo 30:25 And you shall make it a holy anointing oil, a fragrant ointment compounded according to the work of a compounder; it shall be a holy anointing oil.
- Exo 30:26 And with it you shall anoint the Tent of Meeting and the Ark of the Testimony,
- Exo 30:27 And the table and all its utensils, and the lampstand and its utensils, and the altar of incense,
- Exo 30:28 And the altar of burnt offering with all its utensils, and the laver and its base.
- Exo 30:29 Thus you shall sanctify them that they may be most holy; whatever touches them shall be holy.
- Exo 30:30 And you shall anoint Aaron and his sons and sanctify them that they may serve Me as priests.
- Phil 1:19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,
- E. The name of Jesus is above every name—2:9-10:
- Phil 2:9 Therefore also God highly exalted Him and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,
- Phil 2:10 That in the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
1. The name of Jesus is for us to believe into—John 1:12.
- John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name,
2. The name of Jesus is for us to be baptized into—Acts 8:16; 19:5.
- Acts 8:16 For He had not yet fallen upon any of them, but they had only been baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.
- Acts 19:5 And when they heard this, they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.
3. The name of Jesus is for us to be saved—4:12.
- Acts 4:12 And there is salvation in no other, for neither is there another name under heaven given among men in which we must be saved.

4. The name of Jesus is for us to be healed—3:6; 4:10.
 Acts 3:6 But Peter said, Silver and gold I do not possess, but what I have, this I give to you: In the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene rise up and walk.
 Acts 4:10 Let it be known to you all and to all the people of Israel that in the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, whom you crucified and whom God has raised from the dead, in this name this man stands before you in good health.
5. The name of Jesus is for us to be washed, sanctified, and justified—1 Cor. 6:11.
 1 Cor 6:11 And these things were some of you; but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and in the Spirit of our God.
6. The name of Jesus is for us to call upon—Rom. 10:13; 1 Cor. 1:2; Acts 9:14; Gen. 4:26.

Rom 10:13 For "whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."
 1 Cor 1:2 To the church of God which is in Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, the called saints, with all those who call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, who is theirs and ours:
 Acts 9:14 And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call upon Your name.
 Gen 4:26 And to Seth also a son was born, and he called his name Enosh. At that time men began to call upon the name of Jehovah.

7. The Spirit is the heavenly air for us to breathe; by exercising our spirit to call upon the name of the Lord, we breathe in the Spirit and thereby receive the Spirit—John 20:22; Gal. 3:2; 1 Thes. 5:17; Lam. 3:55-56; *Hymns*, #255.

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed into them and said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit.
 Gal 3:2 This only I wish to learn from you, Did you receive the Spirit out of the works of law or out of the hearing of faith?
 1 Thes 5:17 Unceasingly pray,
 Lam 3:55 I called upon Your name, O Jehovah, / From the lowest pit.
 Lam 3:56 You have heard my voice; do not hide / Your ear at my breathing, at my cry.
Hymns #255

1	O Lord, breathe Thy Spirit on me, Help me pour into Thy bosom	Teach me how to breathe Thee in; All my life of self and sin.
CHORUS		
	I am breathing out my sorrow, I am breathing, breathing, breathing,	Breathing out my sin; All Thy fulness in.
2	I am breathing out my own life, Letting go my strength and weakness,	That I may be filled with Thine; Breathing in Thy life divine.
3	Breathing out my sinful nature, Breathing in Thy cleansing fulness,	Thou hast borne it all for me; Finding all my life in Thee.
4	I am breathing out my sorrow, Breathing in Thy joy and comfort,	On Thy kind and gentle breast; Breathing in Thy peace and rest.
5	I am breathing out my sickness, I am breathing in Thy healing,	Thou hast borne its burden too; Ever promised, ever new.
6	I am breathing out my longings I am breathing in Thy answers,	In Thy listening, loving ear; Stilling every doubt and fear.
7	I am breathing every moment, Breath by breath I live upon Thee,	Drawing all my life from Thee; Lord, Thy Spirit breathe in me.

- F. The purpose of calling on the name of the Lord is:

1. To be saved—Rom. 10:13.
 Rom 10:13 For "whoever calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."
2. To be rescued from distress, trouble, sorrow, and pain—Psa. 18:6; 118:5; 86:7; 50:15; 81:7; 116:3-4.
 Psa 18:6 In my distress I called upon Jehovah / And cried out to my God. / He heard my voice from His temple, / And my cry before Him came to His ears.
 Psa 118:5 Out of my distress I called upon Jehovah; / Jehovah answered me and set me in a place broad and free.

- Psa 86:7 In the day of my distress I call upon You, / For You answer me.
Psa 50:15 And call upon Me in the day of trouble: / I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me.
Psa 81:7 You called in trouble, and I delivered you; / I answered you from the secret place of thunder; / I proved you at the waters of Meribah. Selah.
Psa 116:3 The bonds of death encompassed me, / And the distresses of Sheol fell upon me; / I fell upon trouble and sorrow.
Psa 116:4 But I called upon the name of Jehovah. / O Jehovah, I pray, deliver my soul.
3. To participate in the Lord's lovingkindness, His mercy—86:5.
Psa 86:5 For You, O Lord, are good and ready to forgive / And abundant in lovingkindness to all who call upon You.
 4. To partake of the Lord's salvation—116:2, 4, 13, 17.
Psa 116:2 Because He inclines His ear to me; / Therefore I will call upon Him all my days.
Psa 116:4 But I called upon the name of Jehovah. / O Jehovah, I pray, deliver my soul.
Psa 116:13 I will take up the cup of salvation / And call upon the name of Jehovah.
Psa 116:17 To You I will offer a sacrifice of thanksgiving, / And I will call upon the name of Jehovah.
 5. To receive the Spirit—Acts 2:17, 21.
Acts 2:17 "And it shall be in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream things in dreams;
Acts 2:21 And it shall be that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."
 6. To drink the spiritual water and eat the spiritual food for satisfaction—Isa. 55:1-2, 6.
Isa 55:1 Ho! Everyone who thirsts, come to the waters, / And you who have no money; / Come, buy and eat; / Yes, come, buy wine and milk / Without money and without price.
Isa 55:2 Why do you spend money for what is not bread, / And the result of your labor for what does not satisfy? / Hear Me attentively, and eat what is good, / And let your soul delight itself in fatness.
Isa 55:6 Seek Jehovah while He may be found; / Call upon Him while He is near.
 7. To enjoy the riches of the Lord—Rom. 10:12; 1 Cor. 12:3b; Deut. 4:7; Psa. 145:18.
Rom 10:12 For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all and rich to all who call upon Him;
1 Cor 12:3b ... and no one can say, Jesus is Lord! except in the Holy Spirit.
Deut 4:7 For what great nation is there that has a god so near to it as Jehovah our God is whenever we call upon Him?
Psa 145:18 Jehovah is near to all who call upon Him, / To all who call upon Him in truth.
 8. To stir ourselves up—Isa. 64:7.
Isa 64:7 And there is no one who calls upon Your name, / Who stirs himself up to lay hold of You; / For You have hidden Your face from us / And have consumed us by our iniquities.
 9. The name of Jesus is for us to pray in—John 14:13-14; 15:16; 16:24.
John 14:13 And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.
John 14:14 If you ask Me anything in My name, I will do it.
John 15:16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you, and I set you that you should go forth and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give you.
John 16:24 Until now you have asked for nothing in My name; ask and you shall receive, that your joy may be made full.
 10. The name of Jesus is for us to be gathered into—Matt. 18:20.
Matt 18:20 For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst.
 11. The name of Jesus is for us to cast out demons—Acts 16:18.
Acts 16:18 And she did this for many days. But Paul was greatly disturbed; and turning, he

said to the spirit, I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.
And it came out that very hour.

12. The name of Jesus is for us to speak boldly in—9:27.

Acts 9:27 But Barnabas took hold of him and led him to the apostles, and he related to them how Saul had seen the Lord on the road, and that He had spoken to him, and how in Damascus he had spoken boldly in the name of Jesus.

G. Satan hates the name of Jesus:

1. Satan utilizes people to attack the name of Jesus—cf. 26:9.

Acts 26:9 Well then, I thought to myself that I ought to do many things contrary to the name of Jesus the Nazarene,

2. The religionists attacked the name of Jesus, forbidding the believers to preach or teach in that name—4:17-18; 5:40.

Acts 4:17 But in order that this would not be spread further among the people, let us threaten them that they no longer speak based upon this name to anyone.

Acts 4:18 And when they called them, they charged them not to utter anything at all nor teach based upon the name of Jesus.

Acts 5:40 And they were persuaded by him. And having called the apostles to them, they beat them and charged them not to speak based upon the name of Jesus; and they released them.

3. When the apostles were persecuted, they rejoiced that they were counted worthy to be dishonored on behalf of the name of Jesus—v. 41; 15:26.

Acts 5:41 So they went from the presence of the Sanhedrin, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to be dishonored on behalf of the Name.

Acts 15:26 Men who have risked their lives for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

H. The Lord Jesus praised the overcomers in Philadelphia because they did not deny His name—Rev. 3:8:

Rev 3:8 I know your works; behold, I have put before you an opened door which no one can shut, because you have a little power and have kept My word and have not denied My name.

1. The recovered church has abandoned all names other than that of the Lord Jesus Christ, belonging to the Lord absolutely.

2. To denominate the church by taking any name other than the Lord's is spiritual fornication; the church, as the pure virgin betrothed to Christ (2 Cor. 11:2), should have no name other than her Husband's.

2 Cor 11:2 For I am jealous over you with a jealousy of God; for I betrothed you to one husband to present you as a pure virgin to Christ.

II. “Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel’ (which is translated, God with us)”—Matt. 1:23:

- A. Jesus was the King-Savior's name given by God, whereas Emmanuel was the King-Savior's name called by man—v. 23.

Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).

- B. Matthew is a book on Emmanuel—God incarnated to be with us—vv. 21-23.

Matt 1:21 And she will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for it is He who will save His people from their sins.

Matt 1:22 Now all this has happened so that what was spoken by the Lord through the prophet might be fulfilled, saying,

Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).

- C. Emmanuel is all-inclusive—Phil. 1:19:

Phil 1:19 For I know that for me this will turn out to salvation through your petition and the bountiful supply of the Spirit of Jesus Christ,

1. He is first our Savior (Luke 2:11), then our Redeemer (John 1:29; Rom. 3:24), then our Life-giver (1 Cor. 15:45b), and then the all-inclusive, indwelling Spirit (John

14:16-20; Rom. 8:9-11).

Luke 2:11 Because today a Savior has been born to you in David's city, who is Christ the Lord.

John 1:29 The next day he saw Jesus coming to him and said, Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!

Rom 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

1 Cor 15:45b ... the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit.

John 14:16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever,

John 14:17 Even the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him; but you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you.

John 14:18 I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.

John 14:19 Yet a little while and the world beholds Me no longer, but you behold Me; because I live, you also shall live.

John 14:20 In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

Rom 8:9 But you are not in the flesh, but in the spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Yet if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not of Him.

Rom 8:10 But if Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, the spirit is life because of righteousness.

Rom 8:11 And if the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you.

2. Actually, the content of the entire New Testament is an Emmanuel (Matt. 1:23; 18:20; 28:20; Rev. 21:3), and all the believers in Christ, as the members of Christ, are a part of this great Emmanuel, the corporate Christ (1 Cor. 12:12; Col. 3:10-11).

Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).

Matt 18:20 For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst.

Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

1 Cor 12:12 For even as the body is one and has many members, yet all the members of the body, being many, are one body, so also is the Christ.

Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

- D. The practical Emmanuel is the Spirit of reality as the presence of the consummated Triune God in our spirit; His presence is always with us in our spirit, not only day by day but also moment by moment—John 1:14; 14:16-20; 1 Cor. 15:45b; 2 Tim. 4:22:

John 1:14 And the Word became flesh and tabernacled among us (and we beheld His glory, glory as of the only Begotten from the Father), full of grace and reality.

John 14:16 And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, that He may be with you forever,

John 14:17 Even the Spirit of reality, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him; but you know Him, because He abides with you and shall be in you.

John 14:18 I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.

John 14:19 Yet a little while and the world beholds Me no longer, but you behold Me; because I live, you also shall live.

John 14:20 In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you.

1 Cor 15:45b ... the last Adam became a life-giving Spirit.

2 Tim 4:22 The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

1. He is with us in our gatherings—Matt. 18:20.

- Matt 18:20 For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst.
2. He is with us all the days—28:20.
Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.
3. He is with us in our spirit—2 Tim. 4:22:
2 Tim 4:22 The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.
- a. Today our spirit is the land of Immanuel—Isa. 8:7-8.
Isa 8:7 Now therefore the Lord is bringing up upon them / The mighty and abundant waters of the Euphrates, / The king of Assyria and all his glory; / And it will overflow all its channels, / And go over all its banks.
Isa 8:8 It will sweep through Judah; it will overflow and rise / Until it reaches the neck; / And the spreading out of its wings / Will fill the breadth of Your land, O Immanuel.
- b. Because God is with us, the enemy can never take over the land of Immanuel—v. 10; cf. 1 John 5:4; John 3:6.
Isa 8:10 Take counsel, yet it will be frustrated; / Speak the word, yet it will not stand; / For God is with us.
1 John 5:4 For everything that has been begotten of God overcomes the world; and this is the victory which has overcome the world—our faith.
John 3:6 That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
4. We can enjoy the presence of the Triune God in gathering together for the teaching of His holy Word—Matt. 18:20; 28:20; Psa. 119:30; Acts 6:4.
Matt 18:20 For where there are two or three gathered into My name, there am I in their midst.
Matt 28:20 Teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you all the days until the consummation of the age.
Psa 119:30 I have chosen the way of faithfulness; / Your ordinances I have set before me.
Acts 6:4 But we will continue steadfastly in prayer and in the ministry of the word.
5. We enjoy grace and peace through the Spirit as the presence of the Triune God—Gal. 6:18; Acts 9:31.
Gal 6:18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.
Acts 9:31 So then the church throughout the whole of Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace, being built up; and going on in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it was multiplied.
6. The Spirit's leading and witnessing are His presence—Rom. 8:14, 16.
Rom 8:14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.
Rom 8:16 The Spirit Himself witnesses with our spirit that we are children of God.
7. We enjoy the dispensing of the Triune God through His presence as the Spirit—2 Cor. 13:14.
2 Cor 13:14 The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- E. To live with Christ as Emmanuel, we need to be in His divine presence, which is the life-giving Spirit as the consummation of the Triune God—Gal. 5:25:
Gal 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.
1. To live with Christ, we still live, yet not by ourselves alone but by Christ living in us and with us as Emmanuel; the Triune God cannot complete His intention to dispense Himself into our being outside of us; therefore, His being with us must be inward—2:20.
Gal 2:20 I am crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ who lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live in faith, the faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.
2. Emmanuel is our life and person, and we are His organ, living together with Him as one person; our victory depends upon Emmanuel, the presence of Jesus.
3. If we have the Lord's presence, we have wisdom, insight, foresight, and the inner

knowledge concerning things; the Lord's presence is everything to us—2 Cor. 2:10; 4:6-7; Gal. 5:25; Gen. 5:22-24; Heb. 11:5-6.

2 Cor 2:10 But whom you forgive anything, I also forgive; for also what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, it is for your sake in the person of Christ;

2 Cor 4:6 Because the God who said, Out of darkness light shall shine, is the One who shined in our hearts to illuminate the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Cor 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.

Gal 5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Gen 5:22 And Enoch walked with God after he had begotten Methuselah three hundred years, and he begot more sons and daughters.

Gen 5:23 And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty-five years.

Gen 5:24 And Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.

Heb 11:5 By faith Enoch was translated so that he should not see death; and he was not found, because God had translated him. For before his translation he obtained the testimony that he had been well pleasing to God.

Heb 11:6 But without faith it is impossible to be well pleasing to Him, for he who comes forward to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.

F. If we would enter, possess, and enjoy the all-inclusive Christ as the reality of the good land, we must do so by the presence of the Lord; the Lord promised Moses, "My presence shall go with you, and I will give you rest" (Exo. 33:14); God's presence is His way, the "map" that shows His people the way they should take:

1. In order to fully gain and possess Christ as the all-inclusive land for God's building, we must hold on to the principle that God's presence is the criterion for every matter; regardless of what we do, we must pay attention to whether or not we have God's presence; if we have God's presence, we have everything, but if we lose God's presence, we lose everything—Matt. 1:23; 2 Tim. 4:22; Gal. 6:18; Psa. 27:4, 8; 51:11.

Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).

2 Tim 4:22 The Lord be with your spirit. Grace be with you.

Gal 6:18 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brothers. Amen.

Psa 27:4 One thing I have asked from Jehovah; / That do I seek: / To dwell in the house of Jehovah / All the days of my life, / To behold the beauty of Jehovah, / And to inquire in His temple.

Psa 27:8 When You say, Seek My face, / To You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek.

Psa 51:11 Do not cast me from Your presence, / And do not take the Spirit of Your holiness away from me.

2. The presence of the Lord, the smile of the Lord, is the governing principle; we must learn to be kept, to be ruled, to be governed, and to be guided by the direct, firsthand presence of the Lord—27:8; 80:3, 7, 17-19.

Psa 27:8 When You say, Seek My face, / To You my heart says, Your face, O Jehovah, will I seek.

Psa 80:3 O God, restore us; / And cause Your face to shine, and we will be saved.

Psa 80:7 O God of hosts, restore us; / And cause Your face to shine, and we will be saved.

Psa 80:17 Let Your hand be upon the man of Your right hand, / Upon the son of man whom You have strengthened for Yourself;

Psa 80:18 Then we will not turn back from You. / Revive us, and we will call upon Your name.

Psa 80:19 O Jehovah God of hosts, restore us; / Cause Your face to shine, and we will be saved.

3. As a representative of the reigning aspect of a mature life, Joseph enjoyed the presence of the Lord, and with it the Lord's authority, prosperity, and blessing—Gen.

39:2-5, 21; Acts 7:9.

Gen 39:2 And Jehovah was with Joseph, and he became a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master, the Egyptian.

Gen 39:3 And his master saw that Jehovah was with him and that Jehovah caused all that he did to prosper in his hand.

Gen 39:4 And Joseph found favor in his sight, and he ministered to him; and he made him overseer of his house and put all that he had in his charge.

Gen 39:5 And from the time he made him overseer in his house and put him over all that he had, Jehovah blessed the Egyptian's house on account of Joseph; and the blessing of Jehovah was upon all that he had, in the house and in the field.

Gen 39:21 Jehovah was with Joseph; and He extended kindness to him and gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer.

Acts 7:9 And the patriarchs became jealous of Joseph and sold him into Egypt; yet God was with him

4. Moses was a person very near to God's heart and according to God's heart; hence, he had God's presence to a full extent—Exo. 33:11.

Exo 33:11 And Jehovah would speak to Moses face to face, just as a man speaks to his companion. And Moses would return to the camp, but his attendant Joshua the son of Nun, a young man, would not depart out of the tent.

5. The apostle Paul was one who lived and acted in the presence of Christ according to the index of His whole person expressed in His eyes—2 Cor. 2:10.

2 Cor 2:10 But whom you forgive anything, I also forgive; for also what I have forgiven, if I have forgiven anything, it is for your sake in the person of Christ;

6. "In my youth I was taught various ways to overcome, to be victorious, to be holy, and to be spiritual. However, not any of these ways worked...Nothing works but the Lord's presence. His being with us is everything"—*Life-study of Joshua*, 2nd ed., p. 50.

- G. The entire New Testament is an Emmanuel, and we are now a part of this great Emmanuel that will consummate in the New Jerusalem in the new heaven and new earth for eternity; the New Testament begins with a God-man, who is "God with us," and ends with a great God-man, the New Jerusalem, which is "Jehovah Is There"—Matt. 1:23; 1 Cor. 6:17; Acts 9:4; 1 Tim. 3:15-16; Rev. 21:3, 22; Ezek. 48:35.

Matt 1:23 "Behold, the virgin shall be with child and shall bear a son, and they shall call His name Emmanuel" (which is translated, God with us).

1 Cor 6:17 But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit.

Acts 9:4 And he fell on the ground and heard a voice saying to him, Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?

1 Tim 3:15 But if I delay, I write that you may know how one ought to conduct himself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and base of the truth.

1 Tim 3:16 And confessedly, great is the mystery of godliness: He who was manifested in the flesh, / Justified in the Spirit, / Seen by angels, / Preached among the nations, / Believed on in the world, / Taken up in glory.

Rev 21:3 And I heard a loud voice out of the throne, saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will tabernacle with them, and they will be His peoples, and God Himself will be with them and be their God.

Rev 21:22 And I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb are its temple.

Ezek 48:35 It shall be eighteen thousand reeds all around, and the name of the city from that day shall be, Jehovah Is There.