THE CHURCH IN MADISON - WORSHIP & MINISTRY MEETING

FALL 2023

Basic Lessons on Life

God's Intention in Man

9/17/2023

Scripture Reading

Gen. 2:8 And Jehovah God planted a garden in Eden, in the east; and there He put the man whom He had formed.

Gen. 2:9 And out of the ground Jehovah God caused to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight and good for food, as well as the tree of life in the middle of the garden and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

Gen. 2:16 And Jehovah God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden you may eat freely,

Gen. 2:17 But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, of it you shall not eat; for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.

Rev. 2:7 He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes, to him I will give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the Paradise of God.

Rev. 22:14 Blessed are those who wash their robes that they may have right to the tree of life and may enter by the gates into the city.

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 6:57 As the living Father has sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me, he also shall live because of Me.

- I. Two choices remaining in front of man:
 - A. The tree of life:
 - 1. Signifying God as life to man.
 - 2. Issuing in a dependent life.
 - B. The tree of knowledge:
 - 1. Signifying Satan as evil to man.
 - 2. Issuing in an independent life.
- II. God wanting man to receive him as life by the way of eating:
 - A. Eating being the unique way to receive nourishment organically.
 - B. God being Man's real food.
 - C. To receive God by eating being to have God assimilated into man's being metabolically.
- III. God forbidding man to eat the tree of knowledge:
 - A. God's first commandment to man.
 - B. Eating to receive something in being critical to man:
 - 1. After man was created, God not asking man to do anything.
 - 2. God only charging man not to eat wrongly.
 - C. To eat the tree of knowledge being to receive Satan as an evil life into man's being.
 - D. God's forbidding commandment being a warning to man:
 - 1. Indicating God's greatness in dealing with man.
 - 2. Indicating God's love to man.
 - 3. Indicating God's desire that man would eat the tree of life to receive God into him as life.

Christian Students at UW-Madison

Weekly opportunities for fellowship and Christian community

- Mon. and Thurs. night Dorm Bible Studies
 - Mon. 7pm @ Ogg room 1227
 - Thurs. 7pm @ Dejope room 1110
- Throughout the week appointments on campus (lunch, Bible-reading, sports, etc.)
- Wed. night Revive (Students' Large Group Meeting) 7:30pm @ 1900 University
- Friday night Home meetings in the community
- Lord's Day Worship & Ministry Meeting of the church in Madison

Resources

- Christian Students at UW-Madison App: **csatuw**. <u>Now available in App Store!</u> Coming any day to Android.
- Bible Reading Challenge We started Matthew this week! 1 chapter/day, 6 days/week.
 - Work together to read the Bible consistently and consecutively for a prize at the end of the semester
 - Follow our schedule, or set your own goal and try to read a little bit each day.

Fall 2023 Events

- Fall College Conference with U of M!
 - Oct. 21-22, Arrowhead Bible Camp (North of Eau Claire). \$55/student.
- Pre-Thanksgiving Dinner and Gospel Meeting
 - Weekend before Thanksgiving. Details TBA

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