#### THE CHURCH IN MADISON - WORSHIP & MINISTRY MEETING FALL 2023

### **Basic Lessons on Life**

#### The Sense of Life 11/05/2023

#### I. The meaning of the sense of life

## A. The feeling of death - weakness, emptiness, uneasiness, restlessness, depression, dryness, darkness, pain, etc. - on the negative side

Romans 8:6a For the mind set on the flesh is death.

# B. The feeling of life and peace - strength, satisfaction, peace, rest, release, liveliness, watering, brightness, comfort, etc. - on the positive side

*Romans 8:6b* But the mind set on the spirit is life and peace.

#### C. Related to the consciousness of the conscience

*Ephesians 4:17, 19* This therefore I saw and testify in the Lord, that you no longer walk as the Gentiles also walk in the vanity of their mind...who, <u>being past feeling</u>..."

#### II. The source of the sense of life

#### A. The divine life with the richest, strongest, and keenest feeling

*Ephesians 4:18* Being darkened in their understanding, alienated from the life of God because of the ignorance which is in them, because of the hardness of their heart.

#### B. The law of life - the natural ability and function of life

Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life has freed me in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and of death.

Hebrews 8:10 ... I will impart My laws into their mind, and on their hearts I will inscribe them...

#### C. The Holy Spirit - the anointing ointment

**1** John 2:27 And as for you, the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone teach you; but as His anointing teaches you concerning all things and is true and is not a lie, and even as it has taught you, abide in Him.

#### D. Christ abiding in us

John 15:4-5 Abide in Me and I in you...I am the vine; you are the branches.

#### E. God operating in us

Philippians 2:13 For it is God who operates in you both the willing and the working for His good pleasure.

#### III. The function of the sense of life

#### A. Making us know whether we are living in the natural life or in the divine life

#### B. Making us know whether we are living in the flesh or in the spirit

Galatians 5:16 But I say, Walk by the Spirit and you shall by no means fulfill the lust of the flesh.

### **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 11:00am @ 1900 University

Resources:

- Download the new Christian Students at UW-Madison App!
  - App Store: csatuw
  - Google Play: cs@uw
- Bible Reading Challenge 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.