The church in Phoenix

Meeting Schedule

Announcements

Lord's Day (Tempe hall 1/12)

10:00 am – Lord's Table10:30 am – Prophesying meeting

Tuesday

7:00 pm – Spanish-speaking prayer meeting at home

7:30 pm – English-speaking prayer meeting at meeting hall

Thursday

7:00 pm – Small group meeting (Spanish/English)

Friday

7:00 pm – Small group meetings (Spanish)

7:30 pm – Small group meetings

Saturday

9:30 am – Cleaning & maintenance at the hall/corporate morning revival

7:30 pm – Young people's meeting

7:00 pm – Small group meeting (Burmese)

Continue in the Ministry and the Word

Holy Word for Morning Revival

The Christian Life - Week 2

Life-Study of Matthew

Message 46 Matt. 15:21-39

Saturday Monthly Brother's Study Group—1/11

- o Review volume 2, lesson 54
- Phoenix meeting hall, 8:30am

❖ Lord's Day blending meeting in Tempe—1/12

o 1619 S Hardy Dr., Tempe AZ 85281

International Chinese-Speaking Blending Conference

- o Friday, Feb. 14- Lord's Day, Feb. 16
- o Anaheim, California

Mountain States Blending Conference

- o Friday, Feb. 21 Lord's Day, Feb. 23
- o Phoenix meeting hall

Offerings

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Dear brothers and sisters,

We will resume this week's truth pursuit with Message 46 from the *Life-study of Matthew*, entitle "The Pathway to Glory (5)". This message focuses on Matt. 15:21-39. These verses cover the faith of a gentile woman, showing what matters to the Lord is not outward practices but the inward condition by personally feeding on the Lord, then coming to the church meetings to corporately feast on Him.

Here is an excerpt from this message followed by key verses for pray-reading and questions for your study:

Although the woman's request had nothing to do with eating, the Lord purposely related her case to the matter of eating to show us that what we need is not outward washing, but eating for the inward nourishing. In his doctrinal arrangement Matthew put these matters together that we might understand that for the kingdom of the heavens we do not need outward cleansing, but what we need is for Christ to get into us. Are you sick or weak? Do you have certain problems? Do not try to deal with these things in an outward way. Instead, deal with them in an inward way by eating Jesus. In fact, you should forget about all those things. What you need is not outward washing, but Christ coming into you. The Lord seemed to be saying to the Canaanite woman, "You don't need healing. You need Me! And you do not need Me outwardly; you need Me inwardly. (Witness Lee, Life-study of Matthews, Living Stream Ministry, Anaheim, CA, msg. 46).

Key Verses for pray-reading: Matt. 15:26-28

Questions:

- 1. Explain the connection between the two sections of Matt.15:1-20 and Matt.15:21-28, by showing how these two sections reveal the real situation of religion today.
- 2. Why did the Lord always seem to reject the disciples proposals? How does this relate to us?
- 3. The Canaanite woman came to the Lord asking for a healing, so why did the Lord change the focus to eating?