

Prayer Meeting – September 27, 2011

Eph. 1:20 Which He caused to operate in Christ in raising Him from the dead and seating Him at His right hand in the heavenlies, 22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church.

We not only need a vision of the ascension of Christ; we also need to realize the principles related to the ascension of Christ. When Christ ascended to the heavens, everything related to God's redemption had been finished. When the Lord was on the cross, He declared, "It is finished!" (John 19:30)...Having fully accomplished everything, Christ ascended to the heavens and sat down (Eph. 1:20; Heb. 1:3b). The fact that He sat down indicates that all His work had been completed. In addition, when Christ was exalted to the heavens in His ascension, God subjected all things under His feet (Eph. 1:22a). Thus, today everything has been completed; the Lord is seated in the heavenlies, and there is nothing more to be done.

What is the Lord doing in the heavenlies today? The Bible tells us that He is waiting for His enemies to be subdued and made the footstool for His feet (Heb. 10:13). How will this be accomplished while He is waiting? This will be accomplished by the church praying a certain kind of prayer. The prayer that is needed is not an ordinary kind of prayer but a specific, definite, and extraordinary kind of prayer. This kind of prayer is based upon the ascension of Christ and claims all that the Lord has obtained and attained in His ascension. This prayer takes the ground of Christ's ascension and is based upon the fact that the Lord has ascended to the heavens, attained to the highest place, and obtained all things.

We need to take hold of this fact. We need to take this ground and claim all that the Lord has obtained and attained. Today the Lord is waiting for His church on earth to function. He is waiting for the church to pray, claiming all that He has obtained and attained. Thus, we all must go to the Lord, not by ourselves but with some other brothers and sisters, to pray in a special way. Perhaps we have never prayed in this way, but I believe that if we look to the Lord, He will show us something. (*The Collected Works of Witness Lee*, 1963, Vol. 1, pp. 154–155)

Prayer Items:

1. **International: The Lord's Move in Hungary**

- Pray that the Lord will raise up His testimony in Budapest, Tata, Sopron, and other cities in Hungary.
- Pray that the Lord will strengthen His move in Hungary through the migration of saints who are burdened.

2. **Local:**

Special Irvine Church-wide Conference

- Pray that the Lord would use this time to release His current burden and direction to the church that the church as one new man would enter further into a church life of vitality, mutuality and fruit-bearing.
- Pray for the attendance of the saints at the conference and that all would see a vision of the church life that the Lord desires and is seeking in His recovery.

Campus Labor at UCI and IVC

- Pray for the follow-up and care of all who have been recently contacted on these campuses.
- Pray that all the students, full-timers and saints would enjoy the shepherding of the pneumatic Christ to be one with Him in shepherding the newly contacted students.