# WEEKLY FELLOWSHIP

# The church in Phoenix

# Meeting Schedule

### Lord's Day

10:00 am – Lord's Table Meeting11:00 am – Prophesying Meeting

# **Tuesday**

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

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

# **Friday**

7:30 pm – Small Group Meetings

#### Saturday

9:30 am – Cleaning & Maintenance at the Hall

7:30 pm – Young People's Meeting (Phoenix Hall 7/20)

Continue in the Ministry and the Word

# Holy Word for Morning Revival

Laboring on the All-inclusive Christ Typified by the Good Land for the Building Up of the Church as the Body of Christ, for the Reality and the Manifestation of the Kingdom, and for the Bride to Make Herself Ready for the Lord's Coming – Week 12

#### Life-Study of Matthew

Message 23 Matt. 7:1-12

#### **Announcements**

# July Semiannual Training Message 12

- Wednesday 7/17
- o 7pm at the Phoenix Meeting Hall
- o Open message for all the saints

# 2024 North America Chinese-speaking Saints Perfecting Training—Shepherding According to God

- July 19 (Fri. afternoon) July 23 (Tues, afternoon in Cerritos, CA)
- July 24 (Wed. afternoon) -- July 28 (Lord's day noon in Camp Penuel, NY)

#### Saturday Monthly Brother's Training-7/20

- o Phoenix meeting Hall
- o 8:30am

#### Lord's Day Children's Meeting Serving One's Fellowship

- Lord's Day—8/4 after prophesying meeting
- o Children opening room
- Lunch will be served with saints providing sides

# Labor Day Blending Conference-Denver

o Saturday Aug. 31 - Monday Sept. 2

 Meeting 1:
 9:30 AM Sat. 8/31

 Meeting 2:
 7:00 PM Sat. 8/31

 Lord's Table and Meeting 3:
 9:30 AM LD. 9/1

 Meeting 4:
 7:00 PM LD. 9/1

 Meeting 5:
 9:30 AM Mon. 9/2

- Location: Church in Denver meeting hall
  - 2180 S. Leyden St. Denver, CO 80222
- o Registration is required through each locality
- Hospitality and children's program are available through registration

#### Offerings

Please send your offerings through *Zelle* to the following email address: <a href="mailto:offerings@churchinphoenix.org">offerings@churchinphoenix.org</a>.

# Life-Study of Matthew - Study Guide

Dear brothers and sisters,

We will continue this week's truth pursuit with Message 23 of the Life-study of Matthew, entitled The Decree of the Kingdom's Constitution (11). This life-study covers Matt. 7:1-12, which concerns the principles of the kingdom people in dealing with others.

Here are a series of consolidated excerpts from this message followed by key verses for pray-reading and questions for your study:

"Apparently, the Lord's intention in 7:1-12 is to cover the principles according to which the kingdom people deal with others. Actually, His intention here is to encourage us to forget ourselves and to take care of others... In helping others, we must be blind. If you want to help others in the church life, you need to be blind. If you would be a good husband or wife, be blind in taking care of your spouse. Do not measure, judge, or criticize. Do not have any measurement of others. This is a way of showing mercy toward them. If you show mercy toward others, you will receive mercy. But if you measure others without mercy, then you will also be measured without mercy. With what measurement you mete, it will be measured to you.

Mercy does not do any measuring. This means that mercy imposes no requirements. Anything that requires a measurement is not mercy. Mercy does not know mathematics; it does not know how to add or subtract. Mercy is absolutely blind. Why do you treat me so well when I am so pitiful? It is because you are merciful toward me. ...If you would be merciful, you must be like Isaac, who blessed Jacob in a blind way. Likewise, we, the kingdom people, must be blind in dealing with others. If so, we shall be merciful to them and always take care of them... For us to deal with others, we must consider them, sympathize with them, and be merciful toward them. The kingdom people must take care of others in their dealings with them.

If you read these verses again and again, you will see that the basic principle hidden here is that we must forget ourselves and take care of others. Do you know why you criticize others and judge them? It is because you think of yourself too much. You neglect the feelings of others and do not care for them. You care only for your feeling. Hence, you judge and criticize others. Therefore, if we would be kept from judging others, we must take care of them. This requires that we forget ourselves and consider others. If we center around ourselves and ignore the feelings of others, we shall criticize them. But if we take care of others, we shall not judge them (Witness Lee, Life- study of Matthews, Living Stream Ministry, Anaheim, CA, msg. 23)."

Key Verses for pray-reading: Matt. 7:1-12.

#### Questions:

- 1. How does the principle of taking care of others apply to Matt. 7:6? Who are the dogs and the hogs? What may happen if we do not care for others' situation and speak only according to how we feel?
- 2. What three organic and living words/verbs revealed in Matt 7: 7-11 will lead us on the proper way of taking care of others when contacting them? How does each apply to us in our experience of contacting the Lord for others' sake?
- 3. According to Luke 11:13 and Matt. 7:11, what two controlling principles should govern our contact of others?