

二月 February – 四旬期 Lent

7th – 启示录的含意 The Message of Revelation (启示录总览 Book Overview) 我们正在成为谁的样式? Who Are We Becoming?

14th - 舍己的争战 The Battle of Self-Denial (罗马书 Romans 7:7-8:1-2 and/or 诗篇 Proverbs 5) (四旬期 Lent)

21st – 祈祷与谦卑的争战 The Battle of Prayer & Humility (路加福音 Luke 18:1-14) (四旬期 Lent)

28th – 爱的争战The Battle of Love (约翰一书 1 John 4:7-21) (四旬期 Lent)

主要论述 Primary Claim

若是我们拒绝自我反省并为真实的属灵成长进行努力,我们将误以为自己是耶稣的朋友,但其实已成为了「十字架的敌人」。我们所耳濡目染的道理与宣传(stories)将会决定我们成为谁的样式。

If we refuse to do the hard work of self-reflection and proper spiritual formation, we will become "enemies of the cross" while thinking we are friends of Jesus. The stories we immerse ourselves in will determine who we will become.

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腓立比书Philippians 3:7-11

只是我先前以为於我有益的,我现在因基督都当做有损的。不但如此,我也把万事当做有损的,因我以认识我主基督耶稣为至宝。我为他已经丢弃万事,看做粪土,为要得着基督,并且得以在他里面,不是有自己因律法而得的义,乃是有信基督的义,就是因信神而来的义;使我认识基督,晓得他复活的大能,并且晓得和他一同受苦,效法他的死,也许我也得以从死里复活。

"But whatever were gains to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. What is more, I consider everything a loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them garbage, that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ—the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead."

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腓立比书 Philippians 3:12-14

这不是说我已经得着了,已经完全了,我乃是竭力追求,也许可以得着基督耶稣所以得着我的。弟兄们,我不是以为自己已经得着了,我只有一件事,就是忘记背后,努力面前的,向着标竿直跑,要得神在基督耶稣里从上面召我来得的奖赏。

Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me. Brothers and sisters, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.

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腓立比书 Philippians 3:17-21

弟兄们,你们要一同效法我,也当留意看那些照我们榜样行的人。 因为有许多人行事是基督十字架的仇敌,我屡次告诉你们,现在又 流泪地告诉你们。他们的结局就是沉沦,他们的神就是自己的肚腹! 他们以自己的羞辱为荣耀,专以地上的事为念。我们却是天上的国 民,并且等候救主,就是主耶稣基督,从天上降临。他要按著那能 叫万有归服自己的大能,把我们这卑贱的身体改变形状,和他自己 荣耀的身体相似。

"Join together in following my example, brothers and sisters, and just as you have us as a model, keep your eyes on those who live as we do. For, as I have often told you before and now tell you again even with tears, many live as *enemies of the cross of Christ*. Their destiny is destruction, their god is their stomach, and their glory is in their shame. *Their mind is set on earthly things*. But our citizenship is in heaven. And we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body."