

## #5 The Divine Dispensing of the Divine Trinity

### Revealed in the Book of Ephesians

#### Bird's-eye view 2/6-12

I The revelation concerning the Triune God in the holy word is not for doctrinal understanding but for the dispensing of God in His Divine Trinity into His chosen and redeemed people for their experience and enjoyment: [2 Cor. 13:14](#) The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **A** The Bible reveals that the Triune God is not merely the object of our faith; He is subjective to us, dwelling in us and dispensing Himself into us to be our life and life supply. **B** The Bible was written according to the governing principle of the Triune God working Himself into His chosen and redeemed people as their life and life supply. [Psa. 36:8](#) They are saturated with the fatness of Your house, / And You cause them to drink of the river of Your pleasures. [9](#) For with You is the fountain of life; / In Your light we see light.

II The Divine Trinity is the framework of the entire Bible; the whole Bible, especially the book of Ephesians, is constructed with the Divine Trinity: [Eph. 1:4](#) Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love, [5](#) Predestinating us unto sonship through Jesus Christ Himself... [7](#) In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of offenses, according to the riches of His grace, **A** Ephesians is the only book in the Bible in which every chapter is structured with the Divine Trinity as its basic element. **B** If we do not know the Triune God, we cannot comprehend the profoundness of Ephesians, because every chapter of this book has the Divine Trinity as its framework.

III The entire revelation in Ephesians concerning the producing, existing, growing, building up, and fighting of the church as the Body of Christ is composed of the divine economy and the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity into the members of the Body of Christ; thus, the crucial focus of Ephesians is the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity into the believers: **A** Chapter 1 unveils how God the Father chose and predestinated the members in eternity, God the Son redeemed them, and God the Spirit sealed them as a pledge, thus imparting Himself into His believers for the

formation of the church, which is the Body of Christ, the fullness of the One who fills all in all. [Eph. 1:13](#) ...in Him also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise, [22](#) And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church, [23](#) Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all. **B** Chapter 2 shows us that in the Divine Trinity all the believers, both Jewish and Gentile, have access unto God the Father through God the Son, in God the Spirit: [Eph. 2:18](#) Through Him we both have access in one Spirit unto the Father, [1](#) This indicates that the three coexist and coinhere simultaneously, even after all the processes of incarnation, human living, crucifixion, and resurrection. [2](#) Through God the Son, who is the Accomplisher, the means, and in God the Spirit, who is the Executor, the application, we have access unto God the Father, who is the Originator, the source of our enjoyment. [3](#) We are a poem written by the dispensing of the Father as the source, the Son as the course, and the Spirit as the flow. [Eph. 2:10](#) For we are His masterpiece, created in Christ Jesus... [4](#) The Father's dispensing to produce the masterpiece, the Son's dispensing to produce the new man, and the Spirit's bringing us to the Father in one Body result in the building up of the church and the fulfillment of God's eternal economy. [Eph. 2:15](#) Abolishing in His flesh...that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace, [16](#) And might reconcile both in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it. **C** In Chapter 3 the apostle prays that God the Father will grant the believers to be strengthened with power through God the Spirit into their inner man so that Christ, God the Son, may make His home in their hearts, that is, occupy their entire being, that they might be filled unto all the fullness of the Triune God; this is the climax of the believers' experience and participation in God in His Divine Trinity: [Eph. 3:14](#) For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father, [16](#) That He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man, [17](#) That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love, **D** Ephesians 4 portrays how the

processed God as the Spirit, the Lord, and the Father is mingled with the Body of Christ so that all the members of the Body may experience the Divine Trinity: [Eph. 4:4 One Body and one Spirit](#), even as also you were called in one hope of your calling; [5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism](#); [6 One God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all](#). **1** The Body of Christ is the sphere for the development of the Triune God. **2** The divine dispensing of God the Father in His being over all, of the Son in His being through all, and of the Spirit in His being in all enables all the members of the Body of Christ to experience and enjoy the Triune God. **3** These verses reveal four persons—the one Body, one Spirit, one Lord, and one God the Father—mingled together as one entity to be the organic Body of Christ; thus, the Triune God and the Body are four-in-one. **E** Chapter 5 exhorts the believers to praise the Lord, God the Son, with the songs of God the Spirit, and give thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, God the Son, to God the Father: **1** This is to praise and thank the processed God in His Divine Trinity for our enjoyment of Him as the Triune God. **2** Through the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity, we are constituted as children of God, walking in God as love and light. **F** Chapter 6 instructs us to fight the spiritual warfare by being empowered in the Lord, God the Son, putting on the whole armor of God the Father, and wielding the sword of the Spirit: **1** God the Son is the power within us, God the Father realized in the Son is the armor upon us, and God the Spirit is the sword, who is the word of God. **2** This is the believers' experience and enjoyment of the Triune God even in the spiritual warfare.

**IV** According to the entire revelation of the sixty-six books of the Bible, the Divine Trinity—the Father, the Son, and the Spirit—is for God's dispensing, that is, for the distribution of God into His chosen people; God is triune so that He can dispense Himself into us, work Himself into us, for us to enjoy so that we can be built up to be the Body of Christ and prepared to be the bride of Christ for His second coming when the kingdom of the world becomes the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ for Him to reign forever and ever.

## 神戸に在る召会交わりと報告事項

### 1. 2023年新しい召会生活:

**【食べる】**召会は、キリストを食べて、キリストで構成され、表現し、代行します。

**【生む】**毎週の福音・牧養の枠組みで、出て行って、福音を伝えます:

a 古い方法で教理を人に伝えても、人は救われません。

b 新しい方法は、キリストを食べ、享受し、満たされて、人を愛し、キリストの豊富を人々に流し、残る実を結ぶことです。

c **福音の優先順位:** ①35歳以下の子供、青少年、大学生、若いビジネスパーソン、②36~69歳の現役世代、③70歳以上の年長者

d **福音の実行:** ①路上福音・ポスティング、②ウォーム・ドア、③海辺の聖徒

**【養い・成就】**15分の家庭集会で、毎週一人一人を養い、残る実を結びます。更にバイタル・グループで、一人一人を成就して、新しい奉仕者を生み出します:

a 新人を愛し、彼らの霊的幸福と成長のために、関係性を築きます。

**【建造】**主日集会は建造のためなので、集会所に集まるようにします:

a YouTubeからZoomへ、Zoomから集会所へ

**【祈り】**これらを実行するために、信仰をもって多く祈ることが必須です。祈りがなければ、推進力がないので、古い方法に戻ってしまいます。

### 2. 六甲学生福音センター外壁・防水工事および本山学生福音センター建設のための特別

**献金:**2/3時点で、511万円の特別献金がありました。ハレルヤ! 主を賛美します。

### 3. リジョイスガーデン雪遊びブレンディング:

2/11(土)10:30-15:30

各集会所9:45集合、10:00出発

天候上、雪が無ければ中止です。

### 4. 関西・四国・東海ブレンディング集会:

2/18(土)10:00-11:00@魚崎

### 5. 高校・大学受験セミナー:

2/19(主)13:45-15:30@本山

### 6. 土曜8:30-9:00の預言準備集会2月担当:

2/11 本山G

2/18 三宮・神戸

2/25 YPG

### 7. 福音集会2月担当:

2/12 魚崎・六アイ、2/19 YPG、2/26 六甲

**CP1** Having an excellent spirit which keeps opening to the divine dispensing and enjoy the dispensing and grow and reach the building

**III** The entire revelation in Ephesians concerning the producing, existing, growing, building up, and fighting of the church as the Body of Christ is composed of the divine economy and the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity into the members of the Body of Christ; thus, the crucial focus of Ephesians is the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity into the believers: **A**

Chapter 1 unveils how God the Father chose and predestinated the members in eternity, God the Son redeemed them, and God the Spirit sealed them as a pledge, thus imparting Himself into His believers for the formation of the church, which is the Body of Christ, the fullness of the One who fills all in all. Eph. 1:4 Even as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world to be holy and without blemish before Him in love, 5 Predestinating us unto sonship through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 13 ...in Him also believing, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of the promise, 22 And He subjected all things under His feet and gave Him to be Head over all things to the church, 23 Which is His Body, the fullness of the One who fills all in all. **2** The issue of God the Father's dispensing speaks forth God's eternal purpose, the issue of God the Son's dispensing speaks forth the accomplishment of God's eternal purpose, and the issue of God the Spirit's dispensing speaks forth the application of God's accomplished purpose. **3** Since the transcending Christ is the embodiment of the Triune God, His transcending transmission includes all the rich dispensing of the Triune God; the Triune God's threefold dispensing is included in the transmission of the transcending Christ and is completed and consummated in the all-inclusive transmission of the transcending Christ.

Ephesians 1 shows that God has blessed the believers with a threefold dispensing—first by the Father, second by the Son, and third by the Spirit. Eventually, this dispensing will be carried out by the transmitting of the transcending Christ. ... The issue of God's triune dispensing is the many sons, God's possession, and our inheritance. But there is no church until the transcending Christ comes in to transmit the totality of God's dispensing. The many sons, God's heritage, our inheritance, and the transmitting of the transcending Christ culminate in the church, the Body of Christ.

Application to young people, college students, new ones

God's plan, economy, is to dispense God Himself into the believers, producing and building the Body of Christ. Therefore, you should experience and enjoy the divine dispensing in your real life at school and at work. You have received the dispensing and are saved. Your subsequent growth depends entirely on the dispensing.

The secret of the Christian life is to remain open to the dispensing and to enjoy the dispensing. As you study, please pray as follows, "Oh Lord Jesus, when I study, I must not just work hard for myself like the Gentiles. I study in the Lord, with Him and for Him, enjoying God in the divine dispensing. If I leave the dispensing and enjoyment, God's economy is ruined for me. Therefore, I learn to live by participating in the divine dispensing of the Divine Trinity, the Father, the Son, and the Spirit. I should remain in God's plan, participating in the dispensing, so that I can be blessed, and reach the goal of God's economy which is the building of the Body of Christ." Dan. 6:1 It pleased Darius to set up over the kingdom a hundred and twenty satraps, who would be throughout the whole kingdom; 2 And over them, three chief ministers — of whom Daniel was one ... 3 Then this Daniel distinguished himself among the chief ministers and satraps because in him there was an excellent spirit, and the king considered setting him over the whole kingdom. Daniel was a leader who stood out among many leaders in the best countries of his time. He excelled because he had an excellent spirit within him.

You also, as a New Testament believer have an excellent spirit. 2 Tim. 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of cowardice, but of power and of love and of sobermindedness. The divine dispensing occurs in your spirit. Therefore, an excellent spirit is the one that is open and receiving the divine dispensing. The dispensing then spreads from the spirit to the heart. God is transmitting the transcendent Christ to us through the process of incarnation, human living, death, resurrection, and ascension. The Divine dispensing is included in this transmission. May you have an excellent spirit that is always open to this transmission and dispensing and become a useful person to God and man like Daniel. **Prayer** Oh Lord Jesus, God's divine economy is the dispensing of the divine Trinity into me as the member of the Body of Christ. I can experience and enjoy the divine dispensing in my real life at school and at work. May I continue to be open to divine transmission and dispensing, especially when I study. May I have an excellent spirit like Daniel and be useful to God and man.

**CP2** Open to the Divine dispensing, denying the outer man by faith and being strengthened into the inner man

**III C** In chapter 3 the apostle prays that God the Father will grant the believers to be strengthened with power through God the Spirit into their inner man so that Christ, God the Son, may make His home in their hearts, that is, occupy their entire being, that they might be filled unto all the fullness of the Triune God; this is the climax of the believers' experience and participation in God in His Divine Trinity. [Eph. 3:14](#) For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father,... [16](#) that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man, [17](#) that Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love. [2](#) Each of the three does not act for Himself but for the fullness of the Triune God; this is a beautiful picture of the Divine Trinity.

Suppose, when you come home from work on Friday evening, you are depressed and disappointed. It has been a poor day; nothing has gone well. When you come home, you are unhappy with your wife and children...The more you consider your situation, the worse it seems. At such a time you need to remember Paul's word: "I bow my knees unto the Father...that He would grant you...to be strengthened with power through His Spirit into the inner man." Then you should declare, "Satan, get away from me! I will enter into my inner man." If you turn to your inner man, you will be stirred up and strengthened. If you go on to pray for a few minutes, you will be strengthened even more. This strengthening even swallows up your physical weakness and tiredness...When you say that you are tired, you are in your old man, your outer man, your mentality. You need to be strengthened into the inner man. Do not remain in the outer man. You may be tired, but He is not tired. He who lives within you is much stronger than you. He is never tired...When we are strengthened into our inner man, Christ can make His home in our heart. For Christ to make His home in our heart is a great matter.

[Application to business persons, graduate students](#)

**Testimony** Every day, I was exhausted after a busy day at work. After returning home, many times I experienced that attending a meeting refreshed me inwardly and soothed my body's fatigue. However, when I had problems with work, it was

difficult to open myself to the Spirit flowing through the meeting. At such a time, I was reminded of the following Bible verses. [Matt.6:24](#) No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will hold to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. [25](#) Because of this, I say to you, Do not be anxious for your life, what you should eat or what you should drink; nor for your body, what you should put on. Is not the life more than food, and the body than clothing? [26](#) Look at the birds of heaven. They do not sow nor reap nor gather into barns, yet your heavenly Father nourishes them. Are you not of more value than they? [27](#) Who among you by being anxious can add one cubit to his stature? [28](#) And why are you anxious concerning clothing? Consider well the lilies of the field, how they grow. They do not toil, neither do they spin thread. [30](#) And if God so arrays the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is cast into the furnace, will He not much more clothe you, you of little faith? [31](#) Therefore do not be anxious, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, With what shall we be clothed? [32](#) For all these things the Gentiles are anxiously seeking. For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. [34](#) Therefore do not be anxious for tomorrow, for tomorrow will be anxious for itself; sufficient for the day is its own evil. I used to read this portion, but I thought I had to work hard for a living, so I had a veil over my head about trusting in the Lord and didn't understand them. However, I began to understand through my experiences in business life.

I had noticed that my outer man enjoys worrying, knowing that there is no point in worrying. It was also a manifestation of not trusting God. I prayed, "My soul, old man, outer man, my mind, you are attached to Satan, I am troubled without reason, but I even enjoy it. Outer man, stop working! Satan the devil, get away from me! I call on the name of the Lord, I open to the strengthening of the Father, and I obey the inner man!" Praying in this way, I was able to open to the divine dispensing and be refreshed.