

HOME WITH GOD

CHAPTERS 7 & 8

Memory Verse:

- Week 1: Ephesians 1:3
- Week 2: 1 Corinthians 15:22
- Week 3: Galatians 2:20 I have been crucified with Christ, and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The live I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.
- Week 4: Romans 12:4-5 Now as we have many parts in one body, and all the parts do not have the same function, in the same way we who are many are one body in Christ and individually members of one another.

Chapter 7 Questions:

1. Is union with Christ focused exclusively on the individual? How does this doctrine connect believers to one another across differences? (p. 102)
2. What does the story of Philemon and Onesimus teach us about the new family formed by our union with Christ? (p. 109) How can a local church reflect (or fail to reflect) this shared union?
3. How does incorporation into Christ reframe membership, sacraments, and spiritual disciplines?
4. What is one step you can take to deepen your experience of community in the church?

Chapter 8 Questions:

1. How does union with Christ empower obedience rather than just demand it?
2. How does union with Christ relate to spiritual warfare? (p. 127)
3. How does union with Christ relate to the Great Commission? (p. 131)

Homework:

1. Read chapters 9, 10, and the conclusion of the book
2. Reflect on the discussion questions (below)
3. Work on the memory verses

Chapter 9 Questions:

1. Do you ever doubt your salvation? If so, how does the distinction between union with Christ and communion with God help you think through these doubts?
2. How does Worley define “communion with God”? (p. 136)
3. How does a Christian practically abide/remain in Christ (p. 140)? What is one way you can deepen your experience of abiding in Christ?
4. What have you found to be the greatest challenge to your success in abiding with Christ? (p. 143)

Chapter 10 Questions:

1. Reflect on this line from page 159, “Don’t miss this: at the fullness of time, all things will be united to Christ. To say it another way: Jesus Christ is the end of the world.”
2. What temporal and eternal rewards belong to believers? (p. 160) What’s the relationship between the believer’s rewards and their union with Christ?
3. Do you long for heaven? Why or why not? If so, what is it you long for most?