



Session # 17: Hale and Farewell
 Tuesday March 7, 2017

Wake up, sleeper, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you. —Ephesians 5:14

Excelsior! But first our review:

- #1 = Hell Week or fundamentals and conditioning: use prayer and rely on the Holy Spirit
- #2 = Down and Dirty or the chicken is involved but the pig is committed plus 'what did you do; what are you supposed to be doing; when will you start doing that?
- #3 = The S Factor or the position and posture of Surrender must lead you to acts of Sacrifice
- #4 = The Show Stopper or living our faith moves us from Fear Knots to Fear Nots because we live in the fear of the Lord
- #5 = Do you have what it takes? No you don't but you don't have to when you let the Holy Spirit fill you
- #6 = Half full or half empty...is a trick question! Remember two simple rules: 1) There is a God 2) I am not he, and...which wolf do you feed
- #7 = Which Vitamin C or focus your heart on the Character of Christ and you'll grow the fruit of the Spirit
- #8 = Bad News: Christmas is Coming or bad news: you need a savior and good news: God sent Jesus to die for you and live with you in the middle of your wilderness
- #9 = Magnification or 'what we dwell on is what we become' and whose desk do you leave it on?
- #10 = You Be the Judge or 'do you have an anchor? Do you know how to use it?' which is the Paraclete
- #11 = Drawing the Line or God's healthful boundaries, living within them, and it's all ALWAYS about relationship
- #12 = Changing Your Spots or U turns are You Turns that turn blind spots into Son spots
- #13 = O2 or 'put your own mask on first' to receive the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and then...just breathe
- #14 = Second Sight or 'every problem is a spiritual problem' so find how Jesus is the answer all the way through to the end
- #15 = Violent Tendencies or 'the Fall is worse than we thought' so dwell on this: It's not about you; it's all about Jesus
- #16 WIP=TBA as the race of life so (don't) hold your breath!

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If you can keep your head when all about you
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you;
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,
But make allowance for their doubting too:
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,
Or, being lied about, don't deal in lies,
Or being hated don't give way to hating,
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise;

If you can dream - and not make dreams your master;
If you can think - and not make thoughts your aim,
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster
And treat those two impostors just the same:
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools;

If you can make one heap of all your winnings
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,
And lose, and start again at your beginnings,
And never breathe a word about your loss:
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew
To serve your turn long after they are gone,
And so hold on when there is nothing in you
Except the Will which says to them: "Hold on!"

If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,
Or walk with Kings - nor lose the common touch,
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,
If all men count with you, but none too much:
If you can fill the unforgiving minute
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,
And - which is more - you'll be a Man, my son!

By Rudyard Kipling