

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS WITH WALTER RAUSCHENBUSCH

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To Live in God and *Life with God*

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**“AND THIS SHALL BE MY JOY AND CROWN,
IF I HEAR AND SEE YOU PRESSING ONWARD
IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF JESUS CHRIST
TO WHOM I HAVE TRIED TO LEAD YOU.”**



His final words in his farewell sermon on Sunday evening, July 4, 1897,
as pastor of the Second German Baptist Church, New York City.

ASCENSION DAY (MAY 14, 2026) TO THE DAY OF PENTECOST (MAY 25)

ASCENSION DAY	Hebrews 1:1-4	<i>The Culminating Revelation of God</i>	13
Friday	Matthew 7:15-23	<i>The Inward and Outward</i>	64
Saturday	Col. 2:6-7	<i>The Convictions of Jesus</i>	154
Sunday		CORPORATE WORSHIP	
Monday	Psalms 116	<i>Real Worship</i>	10
Tuesday	John 12:20-28	<i>Dying Piecemeal</i>	14
Wednesday	2 Tim. 1:1-12	<i>Salvation Came to Me</i>	37
Thursday	1 Cor. 2:6-16	<i>Second Great Struggle</i>	38
Friday	Heb. 11:1-3, 12:1-3	<i>Seeing the Invisible</i>	27
Saturday	Gal. 2:20	<i>Above All Else</i>	60
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NEW LIFE WITH GOD AND WITH OTHERS

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Thursday	Phil. 4:10-13	<i>The Source of Our Life</i>	35
Friday	Eph. 4:25-5:2	<i>Remove the Obstacles</i>	7
Saturday	Luke 9:57-62	<i>Original Discipleship</i>	105

QUEST FOR THE HOLY GRAIL OF TRUTH

Sunday		CORPORATE WORSHIP	
Monday	Luke 24:28-35	<i>Taught What to See</i>	69
Tuesday	Matt. 23:23-28	<i>Those Jesus Ridiculed</i>	64
Wednesday	John 20:24-28	<i>True Christianity</i>	28
Thursday		<i>Dear Mother, I Have to Believe the Truth</i>	70
Friday		<i>I Cannot Do Otherwise</i>	71
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Sunday	CORPORATE WORSHIP		
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Wednesday	1 Peter 4:10-11	<i>All Are Called</i>	69
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Saturday	Psalm 103	<i>Life Is Miraculous</i>	178

JUSTICE, LOVE AND SOLIDARITY

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Wednesday	2 Cor. 13:14	<i>Our Business</i>	154
Thursday	Romans 12:3-9	<i>The Principle & Practice of Koinonia</i>	156
Friday	Luke 14:7-14	<i>Putting Our Feet Under the Same Table</i>	157
Saturday	Isaiah 6:8	<i>A Fulcrum for God's Love</i>	91

Sunday	CORPORATE WORSHIP		
Monday	Matt. 25:31-32,41-46	<i>The Final Test of All</i>	149
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Wednesday	Eph. 4:13-16	<i>Pioneers of the Kingdom</i>	74
Thursday	1 Cor. 13:7,8,13	<i>The Universal Power of Love</i>	188
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Saturday	Isaiah 61:1-4	<i>God's Country</i>	179

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Tuesday	Matt. 13:22	<i>The Deceitfulness of Riches</i>	63
Wednesday	Phil. 2:1-4	<i>Unhorsing Privilege</i>	169
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WHAT OUR NATION NEEDS

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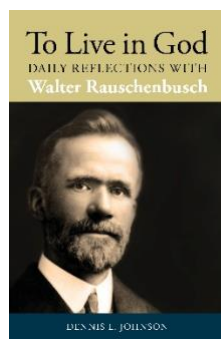
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