Week 41 : Imitate Christ, Christian Mens Breakfast

Week 41 Discussion Notes:[1. References to days are from the *Imitate Christ* Study Guide]

1. Rev. Bush wrote *"Circumstances change, but principles abide, and human nature is the same from age to age."* Have you found this principle to be true? (Day 281)
2. In Chapter 54, Kempis addresses the issue of "nature" (the old person, in sin) verses "grace" (the new person, saved by Christ). How do YOU match up in the comparison? (Days 282 and 283)
3. Have you observed, what Kempis calls in chapter 55, *"a nature prone to evil from youth."* That is, do you see, with your own eyes, that people, apart from God, tend, naturally, toward an evil nature? (Day 284)
4. Kempis wrote in Chapter 55, *"For without grace I can do nothing, but with its strength I can do all things in You."* Is accepting God's grace literally a matter of all or nothing? (Day 286)

The Christian Mens Breakfast group meets this Saturday and (almost) every other Saturday at a local restaurant in Davie, FL. Call Tom Truex, or use the CONTACT tab at K-Line.ORG to get more information.

Our discussion will focus on the Chapters listed below, from *The Imitation of Christ,* by Thomas à Kempis.[1. The dates listed are the dates the chapters were posted online, which also corresponds to the suggested reading plan in the study guide.]

All items listed below are online at ImitateChrist.ORG:

1. Book 3 , Chapter 54 : The Different Motions of Nature and Grace (October 9, 2012)

2. Book 3 , Chapter 55 : The Corruption of Nature and the Efficacy of Divine Grace (October 12, 2012)

Also Posted this Week at ImitateChrist.ORG:

1. Challoner’s Reflections[2. Right Rev. R. Challoner, D.D., V.A., Imitation of Christ, Dublin: McGlashan and Gill, 1873] on *The Imitation of Christ* for each of the above chapters.

Footnotes: