

Week 48 : Imitate Christ, Christian Mens Breakfast

Week 48 Discussion Notes:[1. References to days are from the *Imitate Christ Study Guide*]

1. In Chapter 8, Kempis wrote that if we wish to be Christ's disciple, we must offer ourselves to Him with all our heart. Devotion to Christ isn't so hard at church, or where other Christians congregate. It is quite another thing to show one's devotion to Christ in places where God is disrespected or hated. (Day 331 & 332)
2. What does the Bible say about hypocrisy? Do you imagine that God appreciates hypocrisy any more than you do? (Day 332)
3. In Chapter 9, Kempis wrote, in the voice of the Disciple, "*What can I do for all my sins but humbly confess and lament them, and implore Your mercy without ceasing?*" *Indeed, what else can we do but confess and lament them? We know the strong terms in which God condemns sin (Day 334 and 335)*
4. How much would you sacrifice for another person? Does the gender, age, or relationship to you make a difference? (If so, why?) How much would you sacrifice for God? (Day 336)

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 4 , Chapter 8 : The Offering of Christ on the Cross; Our Offering (November 27, 2012)
2. Book 4 , Chapter 9 : We Should Offer Ourselves and All That We Have to God, Praying for All (November 30, 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: