Week 22 : Imitate Christ, Christian Mens Breakfast

Week 22 Discussion Notes:[1. References to days are from the *Imitate Christ* Study Guide]

1. In Chapter 12, Kempis writes, *"PATIENCE, O Lord God, is very necessary for me, I see, because there are many adversities in this life."* What does patience have to do with overcoming adversities? (Day 149)
2. Kempis urges us to turn away from sin. Have you turned from sin? Or put another way, is sin part of your past, your present, or your future? (Day 149)
3. In The Little Kempis, we are advised to *"make a fresh start every day; not be afraid of hard work; and not waste time in idleness."* Do you agree? (Day 150)
4. In Chapter 13, and in Instructions for Religious, Kempis admonishes us to submit to our spiritual leader. How far should we take this advice in giving deference to the leadership of our priest of pastor? (Days 152 and 153)

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 12 : Acquiring Patience in the Fight Against Concupiscence (May 29, 2012)

2. Book 3 , Chapter 13 : The Obedience of One Humbly Subject to the Example of Jesus Christ (June 1, 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: