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Our fervor towards the Lord keeps growing! 2013 Men's Mission's Devotional Service



Men's Mission members' special performance during the service. They give out the light of the truth as if they were missionaries dispatched to their workplaces and local communities. They are arming themselves with the Word and offering earnest prayer to enter the best dwelling place in Heaven.

On April 7, 2013, a powerful song sung by Men's Mission members was resounding in the main sanctuary of Manmin Central Church during Sunday Evening Service. Together with loud beats on the drums and dressed in white shirts, red ties, and gloves that were red, yellow, and blue, they offered up special praise with the song "Let Us Go Forth". They were full of pure fervor towards the Lord.

2013 Men's Mission Devotional Service was simultaneously broadcast via GCN TV (www.gcntv.org) and Men's Mission members from Daejeon, Masan, Gwaungju, Miryang, Western Busan Manmin Churches attended. During the service, Elder Seokgil Song, President of Men's Mission presided over the service and Elder Nakhoon Seong, Vice President offered up representative prayer. Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee preached the message entitled "Our Fervor" based on 2 Timothy 4:7.

Dr. Jaerock Lee said that Men's Mission should play the role of the pillars of the church. In their families, they are a head who is responsible for the faith of their family members. The message God gave to them explained about the kind of fervor that is proper in the sight of God. It is, first of all, a fervor that comes from their love for the Father God; secondly fervor that is truthful; and thirdly, a fervor with gratefulness for God's grace.

The devotees said that they had happily prepared for the devotional service with desire to please God. Many of them stated that they would try their best to become the light in the world and receive blessing in spirit and body. Men's Mission were being renewed through the double session consecutive special Daniel Prayer Meeting and the blessing given to them on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2013. Their moving performance drew the attention of the members and raised hopes that all would become well-armed spiritual warriors by the time 2013 Leadership Seminar held in July, 2013.

The Bible Study in Chennai Manmin Church, India

Chennai Manmin Church, India ministered to by Pastor Joseph J. Han gains overflowing blessings through their Bible Study. The members have the Bible Study every week in six areas including Kilpuk, Egmore, Villivakkam, Sidco Nagar, and G.K.M Colony.

Kala, vice cell leader, age 31, said, "My heart has been changed just by listening to the Word and trying to obey it. I am joyful. The members in my area did not know about the Bible very well, but through this Bible Study we came to be filled with the Spirit and we've become united as one. This has brought revival to us." Nisha, aged 29 and the cell leader stated, "Our faith grows up while we learn the spiritual meanings in the Scriptures and the fundamentals of Christianity and apply them to our own Christian lives."

With such passionate participation, Chennai Manmin Church will run the Bible Study on Wednesdays and Saturdays as well as on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays—the days they are currently meeting and studying.

Double Session Consecutive Special Daniel Prayer Meeting With the title of "Fruit of Heaven"

From March 18, 2013 and for 42 days, the double session consecutive special Daniel Prayer Meeting is in progress being held through the Manmin Prayer Center. Manmin members offer up their aroma of earnest prayer for the kingdom of God, His righteousness and to become 'fruit' of Heaven that achieves the beautiful heart of the Lord.

The meeting will be under way till April 28, 2013. People can attend the meeting not only in the main and the second sanctuaries but also anywhere since it is broadcast live via GCN TV. It is scheduled from 9 to 11:40 P.M. on weekdays and 9 to 11 P.M. on weekends. On Friday, they give Friday All-night Service, not Daniel Prayer Meeting.

Goodness (10)

Apostle Paul's Goodness (2)

“I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience testifies with me in the Holy Spirit, that I have great sorrow and unceasing grief in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh” (Romans 9:1-3).

The Apostle Paul had tremendous self-righteousness and self-pride. He had a strong sense of superiority. He was an earnest seeker of truth and thoroughly-prepared in every situation. If he began to think through something in his mind, he persistently investigated and pondered upon it until he got his answer. This way he formed a strong ego. On one hand he was broad-minded; however, on the other he was always calculating with many kinds of thoughts.

But he cut himself off from things that belong to the flesh when he realized that what he had deemed right was not right after meeting the Lord. He was educated under Gamaliel who was one of a select group of masters of the Jewish Law but he counted what he learned but rubbish. Moreover, he unchangingly gave thanks for the grace of the Lord that he received from Him in all circumstances

The more severe the hardships and persecutions became that he suffered, the stronger the aroma of his thanks to the Lord became. He could lay down his own life for those who caused evils. He could also give glory to God by performing amazing power. He established many churches and laid a foundation for the world mission. He became the apostle to the Gentiles. Then, how was he able to achieve the highest level of goodness that pleases God and perform with the great power in the New Testament time?

1. He had love sufficient to give his life for those who persecuted him

One who really loves the Lord comes to love souls as the Lord loves souls. That's because he realizes from the bottom of his heart that Jesus came down to the earth and was crucified to save sinners. So, if we truly love the Lord, we will take pity and mercy on the souls who are running toward death because of their sins.

The Apostle Paul's love for the souls was so great that he confessed in Philippians 1:8, “For God is my witness, how I long for you all with the affection of Christ Jesus.” Just as Jesus had mercy on sinners while he was suffering from severe pains on the cross, the Apostle Paul was not concerned about himself when he suffered from hardships and tough persecutions. Rather, Paul was concerned about the churches founded in the name of the Lord and their members, and he prayed for them always (2 Corinthians 11:28-29).

When church members acted against the will of God, he confessed in Philippians 3:18, “For many walk, of whom I often told you, and now tell you even weeping, that they are enemies of the cross of Christ.” He loved souls so much. That's why he traveled around visiting every church and did not stop admonishing them day and night with tears for them to be able to live in the truth of the gospel. This fervent love of Paul was not just for those who accepted the gospel but also for people who denied the gospel and persecuted believers.

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Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh.” ‘My own kinsmen’ here do not simply indicate his relatives. They are Jews and Pharisees who persecuted and tried to thwart Paul's work.

In Acts 23:12-13, more than forty Jews bound themselves with an oath to neither eat nor to drink until they had killed Paul. Paul wished he would be cursed and cut off from Christ as long as it meant that those wicked people were to be saved. This is because he accomplished the highest level of goodness that is to the point of laying down his own life for those who caused evils.

Apostle Paul said, “For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh.” ‘Being separated from Christ’ means falling into Hell. He did not confess it because he did not know the horror of Hell. The Apostle Paul understood Hell more than anybody else. This tells us how great his love for the souls was.

2. His desire was to glorify God in everything

With the power God gave Paul, a person who was born lame got up and walked, and Paul was not harmed when he was bitten by a viper. God performed extraordinary miracles through Paul such that people carried handkerchiefs and aprons from his body and when they touched the sick people with them, the sick people were healed and evil spirits were cast out. Although Paul could perform this amazing power, he never became arrogant nor showed off but gave all the glory to the Lord.

He made a humble remark in 1 Corinthians 15:10, “But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me.”

Paul was so humble and accomplished a pure and clean heart by living a life of ‘dying daily.’ By doing so, he could have deep fellowship with God and experience many spiritual things. God let Paul see Heaven and know heavenly rewards.

The more he desired to understand the spiritual realm the more the Lord let Paul understand about the spiritual realm through personal revelations. Our Lord gave Paul revelations and let him know the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit, and the kingdom of heaven. The Apostle Paul kept the spiritual words in his heart and told promising people these spiritual secrets to lead them to love the Lord more fervently.

3. He did not flaunt himself

When wicked people gained spiritual knowledge, saw visions and heard secrets of the spiritual realm, they take advantage of them to show themselves off. Goodhearted people, however, when they gained spiritual knowledge, try to keep it in their mind and cultivate their hearts with it. Whatever they see with their spiritual eyes, they will be thankful to God the Father. They do not flaunt themselves, but try to change into spirit. If they heard deep and mysterious spiritual messages, they try their best to change into spirit with the words.

The Apostle Paul did not say, “I am greatly favored by God and I receive deep revelations and have this deep fellowship with God.” That's because he produced the fruits of goodness, patience and self-control based on the heart of goodness. He did not say a single word to those who could not understand it, and kept what he could say lest anybody should stumble down.

In 2 Corinthians 12:1-5, he said he had been in Heaven and confessed, “Boasting is necessary, though it is not profitable; but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord...On behalf of such a man I will boast; but on my own behalf I will not boast, except in regard to my weaknesses.” He wanted to plant the hope for Heaven into the hearts of church members by letting them know his testimony about Heaven, but he had no desire to boast of himself.

Because he knew he could understand many spiritual things through the work of the Holy Spirit, he had a special love for the Holy Spirit. He considered that he accomplished nothing by his own prayer but recognized everything is possible with the work of the Holy Spirit.

The Apostle Paul could perform great and extraordinary miracles after he had completely demolished self-righteousness. But at any time he confessed, “This is not what I did. I can do nothing, but everything was done by the power of the Father.” So, the greater power he performed the more he lowered himself and the greater glory God could receive.

Our Father God searches for this kind of person who has a good heart, and gives such a person His power and various gifts.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, Apostle Paul proclaimed in 1 Corinthians 11:1, “Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ.” I pray in the name of the Lord that you will achieve the highest level of goodness like Apostle Paul and be used as an instrument of glory at this end time.

The Confession of Faith

1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that is perfect and flawless.
2. Manmin Central Church believes in the unity and the work of God the Trinity: God the Holy Father, God the Holy Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
3. Manmin Central Church believes that we are forgiven of our sins only by

the redeeming blood of Jesus Christ.

4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ, His Second Advent, the Millennium, and the eternal heaven.
5. Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through “The Apostles' Creed” each time they come together and believe in its content verbatim.

“[God] Himself gives to all people life and breath and all things.”(Acts 17:25)

“And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.”(Acts 4:12)

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The four biggest roots of evil in us

Proverbs 17:3 says, "The refining pot is for silver and the furnace for gold, but the LORD tests hearts."

In order to restore the image of God that men lost and enter New Jerusalem, the most beautiful dwelling place of Heaven, we need to cast away even every form of evil in our hearts. But it is not easy to discover and cast away evil that is deeply rooted in us, so God allows for trials. Then, what are the biggest roots of evil we should get rid of?

Falsehood,
the lack of truthfulness

1

If one is not truthful, he often lies. He breaks promise to others and even himself. He overstates or understates facts.

Some people purposely lie to deceive others, and others habitually lie and are incited to make up lies. In many cases, they even don't know the fact that they are lying.

When Jesus said to him, "Truly I say to you that this very night, before a rooster crows, you will deny Me three times", Peter replied, "Even if I have to die with You, I will not deny You"

(Matthew 26:34-35). However, Peter denied Jesus three times before a rooster crowed that very night.

Of course, Peter thought he spoke the words with his heart. But he couldn't keep what he had spoken due to fear when he was faced with the reality of his words. If men have untruthfulness that remains in them they can't assure themselves of their own words and they can't keep their confession, either. Thus, you have to find the nature of lying and cast it away to become a man of integrity.

Straying from the right path,
a desire to seek one's own
benefit without following
God's will

2

'To stray from the right path' signifies that you don't act in the right way. It is when your hearts, thoughts, and action are not right. If all people abide by the law and the order, there will be no problem in their society. In the same manner, God's children must live in accordance with the Word of God in the 66 books of the Bible for they have citizenship of Heaven.

It is not walking the right path that makes things go wrong and causes one to be tempted by personal passions and desires to gain benefit and takes in unrighteous things. Abraham gave the full price of the field for Sarah's burial state though the sons of Heth tried to give it to him for free (Genesis 23:13).

Daniel and his three friends didn't compromise with the untruth. They walked only the path of righteousness. While doing so, Daniel was put into the lions' den and his three friends were thrown into the furnace. However, they were not hurt at all—even to the extent that not even a strand of hair was burned and they glorified God greatly (Daniel 6:16-23; 3:19-27).

You can walk on the right path when you don't seek your own benefit and don't spare your life as long as it is the will of God. Apostle Paul lived such a life and walked the right way in any kind of hardship, so he could say in 1 Corinthians 11:1, "Be imitators of me, just as I also am of Christ."

Deceitfulness,
not keeping one's own
words and hearts

3

If you don't fulfill what you planned to do and change plans for your benefit or advantage, it means that you have deceit in your heart. No matter how small it is, if you change your plan, it is because of a cunning heart in you.

Your nature with which you are not steadfast on something belongs to a sly heart. These kinds of people easily change their plans. They even betray others although they seemed to work together faithfully at first.

If you have such a heart, it is easy for you to fall into the worldly temptation such as fame, authority,

and financial gain. Thus, to the extent that we cast away deceitfulness from our hearts and cultivated truthfulness in our hearts, we can be used for the kingdom of God more greatly.

Therefore, we must keep our words without changing what we have set in our hearts. If you regard such things small and don't keep them, you can't build relations of trust with God. To the extent that we keep promises with others as well as ourselves and act in it, such deceitfulness is gotten rid of and truthful heart comes into our hearts.

Despising,
not being able to regard
others more important
than oneself

4

If you despise someone or something, you have no respect for them or think that they are unimportant. If you have it you look down on others with authority that you have and abuse them. All actions caused by arrogance can be said to be those of contempt.

To the extent that you do something to one of the little ones, you do it to the Lord. To love your brothers is to love the Lord. Thus, if you despise others, it shows that you despise God. When the Israelites asked Samuel to appoint a king for them God said they had rejected Him from being their King as written in 1 Samuel 8:5-7. And when the sons of Israel grumbled against Moses, God said their grumbings are not against Moses but against God (Exodus 16:8).

We must keep in our hearts that there are many members but one body in the Lord as read in 1 Corinthians 12:20. Each of us is a member of the church which is the body of Christ. If members have contempt for one another, the body is uncomfortable

all the time and it can't function well.

Each member of the body has its own role and there is not one among them that is unimportant. It tells us that we must not feel contempt for others even if they are not educated, well-mannered, or they are in poverty. It is like the mouth saying to the eyes that they are "unnecessary to the body". If the body doesn't have eyes, however, the whole body as well as the mouth could not help but be lost and fall into a pit. It would be foolishness.

Philippians 2:3 reads, "Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves." Therefore, if you regard one another as more important than yourselves and serve them you can never ignore them. You must not forget your position and duty, and even if you are loved by and get recognition from others you must show humble attitude and deeds unchangingly.



“The love of the Lord fills my heart”

In February, 2013, I became filled with joy after hearing that I was cast in the role of Mary Magdalene in 2013 Easter Performance. Through the message preached in the church, I had learned how good the heart of Mary Magdalene was and longed for her beautiful goodness.

In the Daniel Prayer Meeting when I thought about my role of Mary Magdalene, who had a beautiful heart, my love towards the Lord became more ardent. I could be immersed in the role with thanks for the love and grace that the Lord unsparingly gave me.

I experienced an amazing thing during the



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performance. At the moment I saw the scene of Joseph from Arimathea shrouding Jesus' body, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's face was overlapped with Jesus' face! I couldn't stop crying because I was reminded of Dr. Lee who prayed for the faith for our salvation and spiritual growth until he had completely sacrificed his own life.

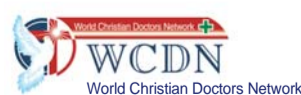
While practicing for the performance, I received amazing blessing, I achieved the heart of spirit and became a leader of Heavenly Dance Team. I give thanks to God and the Lord of love and extend my thanks to Helper the Holy Spirit who guides me in the truth.



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