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## “Towards the True Happiness and Joy!” Students Renewed with the Hope for Heaven



Manmin's students have been renewed and are now riding well on the flow of whole spirit. They have replaced their smart phones with the 2G phones, stopped playing online games, and started to study hard, and now are worshipping with a good attitude during worship services and praying because they want to.

What happened to them? One of the Aesop's fables "The Sun and the Wind" talks about what motivates people to move. In the dispute of who is strong enough to take off the coat of the man on the street, the Sun won. The love, sacrifice, and sincere service that someone showed to the students moved their hearts, made their hearts open widely, and shine with the faith and hope in them.

Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee has helped and encouraged students with scholarships and financial support. He has also taught students how to lead a proper Christian life and prayed for them so that they can achieve their goals. In 2016 he invited them to his mountain prayer house to give them hope for Heaven and let them experience true happiness and joy in the Lord.

On December 27, 2015, Dr. Lee, who had earnestly wanted to show the beauty of Heaven to students, invited them to his prayer house. From the day he announced the invitation, they began to change so quickly. In every worship service, they concentrated on the message and replied with 'Amen' to the preacher. Even many adult members were moved by them. Many of the students also started to pray and even participated in the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting. They read the Bible, fasted, studied hard to get a good mark on the midterm test, and developed their abilities. They prepared themselves for the visit with their hearts for four months.

This year on May 7th and 14th, Middle School Students' Mission, High School Students' Mission, and students from branch churches in Korea paid a visit to the Dr. Lee's prayer house. Dr. Lee welcomed them at the entrance and shook hands with all of them. He talked to them, had photos taken with them, and had a great time with them. They ate many kinds of food, exercised, and got a sense of the happiness they will feel in Heaven. Since this happy

memory lingers in their hearts, they are still feeling so happy.

Brother Sunjin Kim, 11th grader, stated, "I felt the Senior Pastor's great love for us students. Now I do not fight and do not use foul language. I used to fight with my friends in school but I now get along well with them. My school teacher asked me what had happened to me and really liked my new attitude." Sister Sunju Yim, 11th grader, from Daejeon Manmin Church said, "After the visit, Senior Pastor's love often comes to mind. So, I shed tears and offer up my heart to God through praises and prayer."

Brother Sion Kim, 12th grader, President of High School Students' Mission stated, "I had to prepare for this visit as a leader so I didn't have enough time to study for my midterm test. But, God helped me stay focused on my studies and I was ranked number one for the midterm test in my whole school." Sisters Jin Lee and Hyun Lee, twin sisters, 10th graders, smiled and said, "We wanted to repay the shepherd's grace and studied hard. We won first place respectively in each class."

Brother Sungjae Park, 8th grader, said,

"I hurt my tailbone while I was playing soccer. I heard that I should receive six weeks of medical treatment. But when I took a picture with Senior Pastor, I shook hands with him harboring my heart's desire for healing. After that I quickly recovered."

As students were renewed, even their parents have been blessed. Deaconess Heekyung Song, age 39, said, "My son, Youngjae (9th grader), has stopped playing online games and started to pray. I am so thankful to Senior Pastor. He let me realize what it is like to raise children with love."

Pastor Jaejung Lee, Principal of Students' Sunday School, said, "Senior Pastor thinks about how he can help students renew themselves and how he can encourage them all the time. Many students have been renewed through his love, and I also learned spiritual love from this visit."

Manmin's students will grow up well in the love of God, the Lord, and the shepherd. They will proclaim the glory of God all over the world at this end time and wake up all people of all nations with the beautiful aroma of the Lord.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

“Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus, took His outer garments and made four parts, a part to every soldier and also the tunic; now the tunic was seamless, woven in one piece. So they said to one another, ‘Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it, to decide whose it shall be’; this was to fulfill the Scripture: ‘They divided My outer garments among them, and for My clothing they cast lots’” (John 19:23-24).

# God’s Providence Found in Jesus’ Clothing

contempt that were to be, and should have been, subjected to which was inflicted only upon the sinners.

Filthier than any filth and more dishonorable than all dishonors is sin. As many people today are living amongst this sin, they are also increasingly growing numb to it. However, just as the light exposes the things of darkness, when the Word of God, who is Light itself, shines upon our heart, all the shameful sins within us are exposed. People who had been drenched in the filth of this world and living in sin cannot dare to keep a straight face as their despicable hearts and deeds, with which they will stand before God’s judgment, are made known in full.

Yet, Jesus redeemed us from our sins and endured for us the humiliation and indignity on our behalf. And, anyone who believes this can be free from the shame. Therefore, each of us must be grateful for the love of the Lord with all our heart and be ready to embrace Him by swiftly accomplishing perfect sanctification.

## 2. God’s Providence in Soldiers’ Dividing of Jesus’ Outer Garments

The outer garments of Jesus spiritually represent the nation of Israel and its people. When His outer garments were split into four pieces, the form of the garments disappeared and the only remnants were pieces of cloth. This signifies how Israel was to be destroyed. Just as pieces of cloth were the only remnants of Jesus’ outer garments, this indicates how only “the people of Israel” would remain.

This is why the Roman soldiers’ dividing of Jesus’ outer garments symbolizes how the nation of Israel was to be destroyed by the Romans, and their splitting the garments into four pieces signifies how the people of Israel would be dispersed into four directions—north, south, east, and west.

Jesus’ prophecy concerning the city of Jerusalem is found in Luke 19:43-44: “For the days will come upon you when your enemies will throw up a barricade against you, and surround you and hem you in on every side, and they will level you to the ground

and your children within you, and they will not leave in you one stone upon another, because you did not recognize the time of your visitation.”

Precisely according to the prophecy, in 70 A.D. the Roman general Titus brought about the complete destruction of the city of Jerusalem. Just as Jesus had said “They will not leave in you one stone upon another,” Jerusalem was demolished to the ground. During the siege of the city, more than a million Jews were massacred and those who survived the siege and the massacre were dispersed into all directions and subsequently subject to all kinds of persecutions of the Gentiles.

The most atrocious event that has befallen Jews was a systematic massacre implemented by the Nazi regime during World War II. Over six million were killed stark naked only because they were Jewish. Such a vast number of people were killed as one of the curses because their forefathers had put Jesus to death, who had come to this world as their King.

The Jews were persistent in asking for Jesus’ death and they said, “His blood shall be on us and on our children!” (Matthew 27:25), and thus they received retribution for their demands, and they lived through a brutal history. All this was symbolized in the Roman soldiers’ dividing Jesus’ outer garments into four parts.

## 3. God’s Providence in the Soldiers’ Casting Lots for Jesus’ Tunic

Jesus’ tunic was “seamless”—which means that the garment was not sewn together—but “woven in one piece.”

Here, the “tunic” refers to the heart of man. The tunic of Jesus, the king of Israel, symbolizes the heart of Israel’s posterity and represents their faith in God.

The founder of the Israelites, God’s Elect, is Jacob. God personally changed Jacob’s name to “Israel” and formed the twelve tribes of Israel from the twelve sons of Jacob. For a long time, the Israelites were a homogenous people, not intermarrying with men and women of other nations, and they served the only God.

Then during the reign of Rehoboam

the son of Solomon, a civil war in Israel split the country into Israel in the north and Judah in the south. People of Israel in the north soon began marrying the Gentiles and they lost the integrity of a homogenous nation. Only the people of Judah in the south became the true descendants of Israel as they remained racially homogenous. For this reason to this day, Israel’s descendants are referred to as “the people of Judah,” or Jews.

Just as Jesus’ tunic was woven in one piece, Jews had long remained a homogenous people, beginning with their forefather Jacob. This is why the Roman soldiers did not tear Jesus’ tunic and this spiritually symbolizes how the heart of the Jewish people toward their God can neither be divided nor destroyed by man. Rome failed to wipe out the faith of the people of Israel.

Even after the fall of Jerusalem and despite hardship and suffering in all corners of the earth for almost two millennia, the Jews did not lose or forsake their identity and finally on May 14, 1948, they returned to the land of their forefathers and an independent, sovereign nation was established. Thus the prophecy in Ezekiel 38:8-9 was accomplished. What other race on the earth has held fast to their national identity, has been kept safe by their faith, and has had their statehood as a nation restored around 1,900 years after destruction?

The heart and the faith which the people of Israel inherited from their forefather Jacob was that firm, and it is the preservation of Jesus’ tunic that foretold the unfolding of such history.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, everything recorded in the Bible from the fall of Jerusalem and the suffering of the Jews to the destruction and restoration of Israel, has been fulfilled. Things that have yet come to pass are the events that are to take place in the coming days, one of which is the return of our Lord in the near future to take us to Heaven. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will keep watching and praying, quickly complete your adornment as the Lord’s brides, and welcome the Lord who will come again to take us.

## 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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# Three Conditions to Receive Answers

In Mark 9:23, Jesus said,  
 “‘If You can?’ All things are possible to him who believes.  
 ” If you pray with faith, you will surely receive the answer.  
 Now let’s delve into the three conditions you should meet in order to receive the answer.



## The First!

Set Up a ‘Prop of Faith’

There is true faith that God recognizes and by which God gives answers, which is spiritual faith. But there is also general faith that is different from spiritual. This general faith is faith as knowledge. The faith as knowledge is gained by hearing sermons or reading the Bible. Since it is faith stored in memory device, it is not followed by actions. Thus, this general faith in itself does not bring answers to us. We should cultivate spiritual faith to receive answers from God.

In Mark Chapter 2, a crowd of people gathered around Jesus. There was also a paralytic man who was carried by his friends on a pallet. Being unable to get to Jesus because of the crowd, they removed the roof above Him; and when they had dug an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic was lying. Because they certainly believed that Jesus could heal diseases, they went before Jesus even by opening the roof.

In order for you to receive your heart’s desires, you must set up a firm ‘prop of faith’ by showing your faith through your actions. You not only have to pray earnestly, but also, if urged by the Spirit, you have to fast or offer all-night prayers. Depending on each

one’s measure of faith, you might also have to do good deeds such as evangelism, voluntary service, or charitable work by the urging of the Spirit. When you show your faith with actions, which is to set up the prop of faith from your side, spiritual faith can be given from above.

There are times when some of the sick people come and receive prayer when they have not yet even received Christ. In this situation there is a minimum prop of faith that must be provided by the sick people themselves. They must listen to such basic messages about God the Creator and Jesus Christ and at least have faith as knowledge. They have to come using that faith as a foothold so that divine healing can take place. By the way, there are some believers who get involved in accidents or who get serious diseases and come to receive prayer. Then they should check if they have kept the Lord’s Day holy and given tithes. These are the two most basic commandments that all believers in God must keep. If you do not keep these two commandments, it’s difficult to receive the answer by faith. It’s because, as James 2:26 says, faith without works is dead.

## The Second!

Don’t Have Any Barrier of Sin

Even if you prepare the prop of faith from your side, it will not work if you have a barrier of sin between God and you. Even if you try to set up the prop of faith, the wall of sin will shake that prop (Isaiah 59:1-2). Jesus seeing their faith said to the paralytic, “Son, your sins are forgiven.” By saying this, Jesus indicated that diseases come from sins and only after they destroyed the barrier of sin could they receive the answer (Mark 2:5).

Satan can make sinful people have thoughts of doubts and other fleshly thoughts. Then, the prop of faith will be shaken. It can cause doubts possibly to block the answer, and then they may even lose their faith that is knowledge. They might even

consider other people’s testimonies or their own past experiences as coincidence. With a barrier of sin, Satan can cause negative thoughts so that the prop of faith can’t be set up firmly. Eventually, it’ll be difficult to receive the answer.

Therefore, in order to receive the answer, we must not have a barrier of sin before God. But you must not lose heart thinking that God will not give you an answer because you committed sins. If there is a wall of sin, we have to honestly confess our sins before God. And if we turn from sins and walk in the Light, we can be forgiven of all sins by the blood of Jesus (1 John 1:7-9). He will forget it as far as the east is from the west.

## The Third!

Receive the Gift of Spiritual Faith from God

Jesus said to the paralytic man who was on a pallet that was let down from the roof, “I say to you, get up, pick up your pallet and go home” (Mark 2:11). It was profession of faith of Jesus. The paralytic man and his four friends set up the prop of faith, and Jesus put spiritual faith on it. Then the miracle took place. The paralytic man stood up on his own, picked up his pallet and walked back home.

If spiritual faith, with which we can believe from heart, comes down from above, the change can take place instantly. Worries, concerns, anxiety, nervousness, and despair will disappear. You will gain the conviction that your heart’s desire will be answered. So, you have to wait until you receive such faith. If worries and anxiety disappear and peace comes down upon you, it shows that you have gained the conviction. Therefore, to receive God’s answers in any matter, you have to set up the prop of faith with your best effort, and you should pray that God will give you the spiritual faith from above in addition to your own faith.

You shouldn’t just act recklessly or presumptuously according to your own ways and thoughts saying that you prayed and fasted. And when difficulties come your way, you shouldn’t say things are not working out even though you prayed and fasted. If you really believed in God with your heart, you should also wait until spiritual faith is given from above. The answer is given at the time when God gives you the gift of spiritual faith.

If ones’ soul prospers, they have already prepared the prop of faith not to mention having no wall of sin. Their prayers will be answered by God right away as necessary (1 John 3:21-22).

However, for big answers for the kingdom of God, it cannot be done by one person’s individual effort. If it’s for a department, all the members of the department should set up the prop of faith together. If it’s for a parish, the members of the parish and if it’s for the whole church, the whole church has to put up the prop of faith together. Then can they receive the answer.



## “I Met My True Shepherd and Received Blessings!”

Senior Deaconess Hyunsuk Han, age 55, Parish 15, Manmin Central Church

After I got married in 1987, I was busy working, taking care of my baby, and doing house chores. For these reasons, I became lazy leading my believing life. Meanwhile, my husband, Elder Eungmun Kim and I felt spiritually thirsty for the Word of God and began looking for a church that preached spiritual messages. One day, my husband received Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermon tape from an acquaintance and listened to it. Then, he suggested going to a Friday All-night Service of Manmin Central Church together.

In 1993, we registered in the church. Through the sermon series “The Message of the Cross”, we learned about the providence of salvation and the reason why Jesus is our only Savior. We witnessed many signs, wonders, and powerful works. At the same time our faith increased. By the time a year passed, my first daughter Jinsil, then age 6, became so thin due to encephal meningitis and enteritis. But she recovered very quickly after she received Senior Pastor Dr. Lee's prayer. A few years later, my second daughter Jinsol, then age 9, was also healed of acute otitis media through the prayer recorded on the automated response system. Our life was full of the living God's works.

Since the word of life gave me hope for Heaven, I started to work faithfully for the kingdom of God as a cell leader and a member of

the choir. In December 2010, I suddenly had abnormal symptoms. I felt dizzy and vomited whenever I moved, so I had to lie on bed without moving. My ultrasonography showed that the symptoms were the sign of appendicitis and my appendix was about to burst. I was told to have a surgery.

I repented that I had not given thanks and often complained about my circumstances although I said I had faith. I received Senior Pastor's prayer recorded on ARS and drank Muan Sweet Water with faith. And I was

completely healed of it. It served as a great opportunity for me to wake up spiritually by the love of God. From then I began going to Senior Pastor every Sunday morning with my family and expressing my grateful heart to him. I felt his love and made up mind to be renewed.

In summer of 2014, my left leg was swollen and the knee would not bend. I heard that my cartilage was torn and was filled with liquid. The doctor said that cartilage is not restored once it is torn. He added that it would just get worse and recommended

that I have physical therapy and surgery. I could neither walk nor fulfill my duty and do house chores. I realized humans are just weak and incapable beings if God does not protect them. I knew that there was nothing I could do but just knelt down before God.

I looked back upon the 20 years of my believing life. God protected me and let me stay healthy. Thinking of the grace, I offered up my heartfelt thanks to Him. In August, there was Manmin Summer Retreat. After I received Senior Pastor's prayer on the

first night during the Divine Healing Meeting, I came to walk and was able to freely go up and down the stairs.

In June 2015, it was a few days before Women's Mission's Devotional Service. I had tried to find out the reason my spiritual growth had stayed sluggish. One day I realized something. I finally discovered ‘myself’ who had been using my wisdom, methods, and fleshly thoughts before certain problems. I had not been able to find it out because I mistakenly thought that I had been doing well.

I also realized that doing what I want does not please God but living a life that God wants me to lead pleases Him. I felt like I found out the last piece of the puzzle. With great expectation, I prepared for the devotional service. Two days before the service, I heard that I achieved the heart of spirit. Hallelujah!

I am working as a leader of Women's Mission, my husband is serving as a district leader, and my first daughter Jinsil is glorifying God as a member of the praise team, and my second daughter Jinsol is preparing herself to become a God's competent worker studying visual design in college. I give all thanks and glory to God who gave me the greatest blessings.

## “Holy Spirit Abiding in Me, I Love You”

Deacon Chhanyang Rai, age 31, Nepal Manmin Church

Before I went to church, I thought that there would be nothing after death. I thought of this world as everything. Because my life was so dry and desolate, I hung around pubs, bars, and nightclubs. I had no goal and just led a meaningless life.

In January 2006, my brother asked me to go to church. He said it was established by a Korean, which got my attention and I followed him. The church was Nepal Manmin Church. It was quite big and clean compared to other churches. They were joining Manmin Central Church's worship services via GCN and listening to Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons. His messages were about God's love, the Lord's love, Heaven, Hell, sins, and repentance. He also let us know why we live a life on the earth. I was so pleased to know the purpose of my life.

On December 25, 2010, the God of love gave another chance for Manmin members to turn back from sins, repent, and gain a new life through Senior Pastor's prayer of intercession. Senior Pastor implored his loving members to be wary of sins with love and tears. His love touched my hardened heart. Pastor Grace H. Lee of Nepal Manmin Church asked me not to sin any more. After that I repented before God and started to live a

renewed life.

I read Senior Pastor's books *The Message of the Cross*, *The Measure of Faith*, *Heaven, Hell*, and *My Life My Faith*. *The Message of the Cross* taught me the joy of living a Christian life, and his testimonial memoirs *Tasting Eternal Life before Death* and *My Life My Faith* moved my heart to tears.

In 2012 at the New Year's Service, Senior Pastor, who was in his mountain prayer, expressed his heart to the members singing the song “The Castle of the Shepherd” by phone. He urged us to go to New Jerusalem together for sure. I was deeply moved by his great love and again shed a lot of tears.

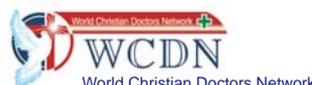
I deleted many pop songs from my cell phone and computer, and began listening only to Manmin Praise songs that fill me with God's love and give me hope for Heaven. I give all thanks and glory to God who allows the praises with beautiful melodies and words.



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