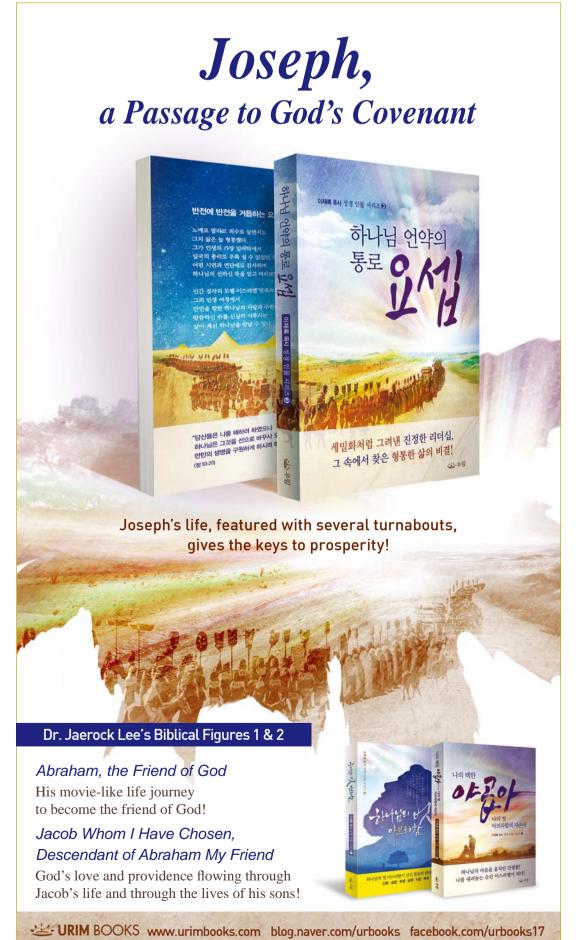
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# Ranked First in Korea's List of Weekly Religious Bestsellers

'Joseph, a Passage to God's Covenant' <From Dr. Jaerock Lee's Biblical Figure Series 3>



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's 105th book *Joseph, a Passage to God's Covenant* was ranked first in the weekly bestseller religious books list of Kyobo Book Centre, the Korean biggest bookstore. The sales are assessed based on both online and offline sales data, and the book was ranked

first though only nineteen days had passed since its publication.

This book is the third in the series, following Abraham, the Friend of God and Jacob Whom I Have Chosen,



Descendant of Abraham My Friend. It presents a detailed description of the life of Joseph who set up the foundation of Israel.

At a critical point of time, a seventeen-year-old boy went through a great redirection in life: he was betrayed and cast into slavery but he later became second in the hierarchy of rule in Egypt. During his thirteen years of trials, he prospered in all things. It was because he knew how to truly serve others and thereby gained and moved their hearts. That is why he was able to rule over the Egyptian empire with strong and sincere leadership.

Profound wisdom is found in several turnabouts in his life's journey. The author of this book, Dr. Lee, received the content in deep inspiration while praying, so it covers Joseph's faith and goodness in depth. It is not just a must-read for Christians but for anyone who longs to prosper in wisdom of life as well.

The e-book version has been published, and it is now available at Kyobo Book Centre, Yes24, Aladdin, Bandi & Lunis, Ridi Books, Interpark, Google Books, and iBooks. This book will serve as a passage leading many people to learn about true leadership and providing the readers with the keys to living prosperous lives and achieving God's providence as Joseph did.

Readers' Review

"Joseph waited for God's appointed time to fulfill His covenant and lived in wisdom of goodness. His life and God's good will impressed me, and I became absorbed in the book," [Inja Kim, School Teacher].

"Joseph considered the hearts of Pharaoh, his people, and the servants in Potiphar's house and sought their benefits. His example presents an outstanding way of resolving the conflicts many people experience in their lives," [Seongik Lee, Broadcaster].



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"So Jesus said to them, 'Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink His blood, you have no life in yourselves...For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink" (John 6:53-55).

In order to sustain life of the flesh, an individual must both consume food and remain hydrated. Water allows the digestion and absorption of nutrients as well as the discharge of unnecessary wastes and poisonous matters from within the body. Although we accept Jesus Christ, receive the Holy Spirit, and become God's children, eternal life is gained only when we eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man.

How can we eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of Man? Continuing from the last issue, let us delve deeper into that subject.

#### 1. We Should Make Bread of the Flesh of the Son of Man

Eating of the flesh of the Son of Man and thus making bread of it requires us to also drink of the blood of the Son of Man. In other words, we must not only build our knowledge of God by diligently hearing and reading of His Word, we must also make bread of the Word so that it will be engraved in our heart. What, then, is the difference between "making bread of God's Word in the heart" and "building and storing His Word as knowledge"?

Any information stored in the brain can be forgotten, and just because we "know" the truth does not necessarily guarantee that we will act according to the truth. In reciting the Bible, we must not only

## **Eating of the Flesh and Drinking** of the Blood of the Son of Man (2)

memorize the verses with our lips but also make an effort to meditate on them. For instance, if we memorize the verse of Matthew 5:44 which reads, "Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you", then we must be able to put it into practice in our lives.

When someone does evil and persecutes us, according to God's Word we will be able to love him and even pray for him. If we kept God's command only in our head as mere knowledge, our hearts would be troubled, and we might even come to hate others and finally pay back evil with evil. Yet, if we made bread of this particular commandment, love and mercy would exude from within us and we will be free of hatred and temper. When we continuously make the bread of humility we will get rid of arrogance.

#### 2. We Should Drink the Blood of the Son of Man Together

Our making bread of God's Word requires not only the understanding of Scriptures in the inspiration of the Holy Spirit but also the receipt of God's grace and strength through fervent prayer. Also necessary at this stage is the effort of each individual to properly believe in the Word and put it into practice. This is the act of drinking of the blood of the Son of Man.

Therefore, "drinking of the Blood of the Son of Man" refers to practicing God's Word. God's Word can be divided into four categories. They are "Keep's," "Throw Away's," "Do's," and "Do Not's, and we are to keep and obey each one of them.

With no deeds of obedience, we will not experience God's works and without firsthand experiences of God's works, we will not be able to go beyond the faith that is mere knowledge. James 2:22 tells us, "You see that faith was working with his works, and as a result of the works, faith was perfected." Only when we show God the deeds of faith will the faith as knowledge

be transformed into spiritual faith.

Even if one's faith is as small as a mustard seed at first, when he keeps showing God deeds of his faith, God will allow him to experience His grace and power and work to nurture his faith into a great faith. When we trust in God's Word and put it into practice every moment of our lives, we will attain "to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ" (Ephesians 4:13).

On the other hand, if we do not put God's words into practice even when we have faith the size of a mustard seed after receiving the Holy Spirit, we will not be able to have spiritual experiences nor will our hearts be transformed regardless of the length of our lives in Christ. Recognizing that in the worst case, we may even be robbed of our faith and altogether driven away from faith, I urge each of you to perfect your faith by drinking the blood of the Son of Man.

#### 3. We Should Have Faith With Deeds to Receive Salvation, Eternal Life, Answers, and Blessings

If you trust the promises of God written in the Bible, your faith would surely be accompanied by corresponding deeds. Suppose someone promised you treasure worth millions of dollars and placed it in Washington, D.C. And he told you if you walked there all the way from New York City, covering some 331 kilometers (about 206 miles) on foot you could get it. If you really wanted the treasure and if the person who informed you of it is trustworthy, you would walk from New York to Washington.

For that reason, the second half of James 2:26 reminds us that "faith without works is dead." Many people profess with their lips, "I believe in the almighty God" but because they are unable to wholly believe, they cannot show the kind of faith that is accompanied by deeds. Just as we find in God's Word, only the spiritual faith

accompanied by deeds can give us salvation and God's blessings and answers to our prayers.

Some people cite Romans 10:13, which tells us, "Whoever will call on the name of the Lord will be saved," to argue that even the people living in sin can be saved if they profess their faith. They attempt to justify their sinful ways. Yet, this particular verse symbolizes the limitless love of God who has saved sinners through Jesus Christ and must not be used to justify

As God's Word always is and must be paired, we must look at each verse in the Bible in the context and only the interpretation of the Scriptures in the inspiration of the Holy Spirit will yield accurate understanding. Romans 10:9-10 tells us, "If you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation." Romans 10:13 actually means that only the confessions from the lips of those who have arrived at righteousness will result in salvation.

What, then, does the Bible mean when it tells us, "...with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness"? We read in Romans 2:13, "For it is not the hearers of the Law who are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified." In other words, when we truly believe from our heart God's Word that we hear, we will live according to His Word and that will allow for us to become justified which in turn results in righteousness.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, by diligently eating the flesh and drinking the blood of the Son of Man, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will please God with the kind of faith that is accompanied by deeds and prosper in every affair of

#### The Confession of Faith

- 1. Manmin Central Church believes that the Bible is God-breathed Word that
- 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
- 4. Manmin Central Church believes in the resurrection and ascension of Jesus Christ, His Second Advent, the Millennium, and the eternal heaven
- Creed" each time they come together and believe in its content verbatim
- 5. Members of Manmin Central Church confess their faith through "The Apostles"

"[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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# Beautiful Life Following the True Value Let us now look into the beautiful life of those who became renewed by realizing life's true value which in turn will serve as an opportunity for us to possess the true value ourselves.

'Apostle Paul' considered all the things as rubbish that he used to consider precious Paul was a Jew and a Pharisee who strictly kept the Law. He was born a citizen of the Roman Empire, and he studied under Gamaliel, who was the foremost scholar of the time. He took great pride in himself. He liked winning in debates with others with his knowledge, and he did not accept what was not right in his view.

But from the time that he met the Lord on his way to Damascus, his life changed completely. He considered all the things as rubbish that he used to consider precious and enjoyed (Philippians 3:7-9). He gave up his wealth, fame, and time and also received harsh persecutions and sufferings joyfully if it was for preaching the gospel. In the end he died as a martyr (Acts 20:24).

The apostle Paul saw Paradise in the Third Heaven

(2 Corinthians 12:2-4), and it was more than enough to count all earthly glories but rubbish (2 Corinthians 11:23-28).

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In this world, even very precious things change in value as time passes. But the things given by God who is spirit never change. To the extent that the level of your faith and the goodness of your heart increase, the value of Heaven will also increase within you.

If you set your goal in Heaven, not following things in vain (Ecclesiastes 1:2), you can lead your Christian life in God-given comfort, happiness, joy, and thanks. If you obey the Word of God and resemble the Lord, the faithful God will fulfill His promise, and you need not worry about anything (Matthew 6:31-32; 7:7-11).

'Nicodemus and the believers of the early church' had no fear because they knew the truth

Nicodemus was a ruler of the Jews. He came to Jesus at night and heard about the regeneration and the secret of eternal life (John 3:1-21). Since he had some fear left in his mind, he came to Jesus at night when nobody could see him.

Through this meeting with Jesus, Nicodemus changed completely because he gained the truth that he had looked for with thirst. Later he openly and boldly spoke for Jesus before the Pharisees who were planning to kill Jesus. He rather pointed out their wrongdoing (John 7:50-51).

And after the crucifixion, he brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes for the funeral of Jesus. Because the truth of Jesus was so precious, he gained the boldness to say what is right is right, even if it meant he could lose his high position and power, or even his life.

The same goes for the martyrs of the early church. From the resurrection of the Lord, there had been severe persecutions against Christians. The believers had to face so many persecutions just to keep their faith and they were martyred in many kinds of cruel punishment. Some of the martyrs were military generals or their wives. They were martyred together

with poor farmers and slaves. Some were healthy young men. Some others were weak and old. Still others were little girls. They encouraged one another to keep the faith. Even when they stood before ferocious lions, they accepted their deaths being at peace, praising God. As the fruit of their martyrdom with no fear, the Roman Empire officially recognized Christianity, and it led to the gospel being spread to the whole world.

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Even little children or feeble elderly ladies will have no fear if they have hope of Heaven and true love. But those who follow the desires of this earth cannot have this boldness even though they are strong young men.

But if they really believe in the glory of Heaven, they will not act with fear or doubt. They do not worry about losing their possessions. They do not compromise with the world. They have faith and hope of Heaven, and they love God who has given them the hope. So, they can do everything with confidence (1 John 4:18). Thus, we should be humble and seek others' benefits all the time, and become brave like lions for the glory of God.

'Two Witnesses' have realized the true value The ministry of the Two Witnesses, which is recorded in the book of Revelation 11:3-13, will be unfolded during the 7-year Great Tribulation. The witnesses will perform with the great power of God in their ministry and people will be afraid of them, but when the time comes they will be captured by the anti-Christ and martyred.

Since childhood they both have been believers of Judaism, but they have the thirst for the truth in their hearts. They constantly have the conflict in heart thinking, "Is this faith really true? Who is the Christ that Christians are talking about?" At one moment nearing the Seven-Year Tribulation, they will come in contact with the gospel of holiness and understand the truth. Now, they become determined to give their lives for the Lord.

Even when they are left on this earth for the Tribulation, even when they are persecuted by the power of the anti-Christ, their fervor for their duty never cools down. After they fulfill their duties, they will reach a glorious position in Heaven.

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Jesus took the sufferings of the rugged cross without sin to save all mankind and He overcame death and resurrected. He promised us the glory of the most precious Heaven and sent us the Holy Spirit.

Our confession of love for the Lord, our promises to the Lord to become sanctified, our burning hope for New Jerusalem should not change. TESTIMONIES NO. 514 OCTOBER 30, 2016 Manmin News

### "The Holiness Gospel Is Really the Word of God That Gives Life to Churches"



Bishop Kabutu Nshimbirwe Biriage, Chairman of Bethsaida Churches, DR Congo

I am President of Kibu Pastors' Association, Professor of Goma University, and Bishop Chairman of Bethsaida Churches.

Five hundred sixty one churches belong to Bethsaida Churches, and we have schools from the primary school to the university. I heard about Manmin Central Church from Elder Muhindo who attends Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church in Kenya. He said biblical works occur in the church and I was attracted to it.

In November 2015, I attended Nairobi Manmin Church's 15th anniversary service and learned about the Dr. Jaerock Lee's powerful works and the holiness gospel through Bishop Dr. Myongho Cheong. I was very glad to hear it.

I was sure that Dr. Lee's message is the word of life that gives life to churches and that leads people to Heaven. I was moved by Dr. Lee's books *The Message of the Cross*; *My Life, My Faith*; and *The Measure of Faith*.

I realized the essential point of the gospel is the circumcision of the heart, and thought I should join in Manmin replete with the works of the Holy Spirit. In June

2016, I invited Dr. Cheong to Pastors' Seminar held in Goma and in complete agreement, in July all the churches registered as Manmin's branch churches.

Now we are planning a big project to establish Manmin Bethsaida Bible College to spread the holiness gospel. We are preparing to open its courses in the five centers in the eastern areas including Goma, Bukabu, Ubira, and Baraka. Around 800 seminary students registered and have been longing to be taught the holiness gospel through the programs.

In early October, I attended Manmin Central Church's 34th anniversary events to meet Dr. Jaerock Lee in person. I could tell it was a big church, and the performance was so good that I felt like I was looking at the city of New Jerusalem firsthand.

On top of that, I was so happy to see Dr. Lee in person. He communicates with God through prayer and performs the power, but he is very humble and I was very touched by him. I want to follow his example of prayer. I give thanks to God who let me meet him, and to Manmin that accepted my churches and allowed me to open the Bible College.



## "God-given Blessings on the 34th Anniversary Overflowed"

Manmin Central Church's 34th anniversary was much more special than ever. As for the weather, it was really hot on October 4th, which was five days before the anniversary. Due to the late summer heat, the highest temperature was 29 degrees Celsius. But it dropped, and on October 8th it was 21.8 degrees Celsius. God always allowed the best and most optimum weather during the church's big events and sometimes He allowed rain before the events to clean the environment. This time as well, it rained from Friday afternoon until early Saturday morning.

On Saturday morning, Women's Mission members made Korean traditional pancakes in the best of weather. The cool winds kept blowing to cool the completed ones. We felt God's touch in controlling the weather and happily cleaned the sanctuaries and prepared food.

On October 9, the weather forecast predicted that it would be cold with 17 degrees as the highest temperature and strong winds were predicted that would make us feel even colder. However, the winds died away around the church. It was sunny and refreshing weather. The warm sunshine let our church members have lunch at the best temperature between 23 and 24 degrees!

When I served overseas guests, I saw them experience the

works of God
through Senior
Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's
prayer. I was so proud to
be a member of Manmin. Many
bishops who came from Africa and
Egypt expressed their thankful hearts
and showed their love and respect for Senior
Pastor.

Dr. Mikhail Morgulis, President of Spiritual Diplomacy, USA asked Senior Pastor to pray for his country hit by Hurricane Matthew that was a Category 3 storm. On October 8, when Senior Pastor prayed during Anniversary Eve Service, it weakened to Category 1 and died out as a tropical cyclone.

The guests also praised our church and members. I felt grateful to Senior Pastor who spiritually brought us up with right teachings. I was so happy to realize the glory unfolded in the name of Manmin, full of God's blessings and fruits of glory!



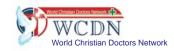
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