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# The Power of Re-creation 2017 Shaking the World in 2017

On the last Sunday in 2016, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee led Yearend Church General Assembly after Sunday Evening Service in the main sanctuary. He proclaimed the four God-given visions that all Manmin members in approximately 11,000 branch and associate churches should pray for in 2017.

Vision 1: The 'Power of Re-creation' This Power Changes and Renews Things That Have Already Been Created

"Once God has spoken; twice I have heard this: that power belongs to God" (Psalm 62:11).

When the power of re-creation is perfectly completed, abnormal climatological events and changes, unusual weather phenomena and natural disasters caused by mankind's breaking the order of natural law and pollution production, can be prevented through the control of temperature. The power can not only recover dead nerves and degenerated tissues but, it can even renew the hearts of men corrupted with sins and stained with evil and change them into hearts of spirit and goodness. This power of recreation is a 'secret weapon' that will lead to saving of countless lives in this end time. It is the gift of God who wants to lead them to New Jerusalem.

#### Vision 2: "Korean Churches and Overseas Ministry" This Church Will Lead All Peoples to Salvation

"[God] desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth" (1 Timothy 2:4).

As the world has recently been getting stained with sins and evil, even many believers and people in the Christian community become corrupt enough to meet with criticism. This has caused many non-believers to avoid church. Even believers have left God as the forces of antichrist have increased worldwide. In preparation for the end time, however, God has blessed this church with the powerful works that nobody can deny; the spiritual word that changes even the heart of men; spiritual warriors who perform the powerful ministry together; financial support for the ministry; and members who pray with one heart and obey. As the appointed time is drawing nearer with the change of the world situation, we will prepare more to purify the Christian community and the whole world with the whirlwind of the Holy Spirit.

#### Vision 3: The 'Beautiful Sanctuary' It Shows the Sincere Heart and Perfect Faith of the Believers

## "He will bring forth your righteousness as the light and your judgment as the noonday" (Psalm 37:6).

God wants believers to achieve a sincere heart in full assurance, shine in the world, and offer up beautiful aroma of praise and worship from the bottom of their hearts. The Canaan Sanctuary and Grand Sanctuary can be built by believers who achieve good and beautiful hearts and then become united in the Lord, love God, and trust the shepherd. In other words, it can be accomplished only through God-pleasing faith. The Grand Sanctuary in particular will be constructed as a magnificently symbolic structure that shows the dignity and glory of God all around the world. God will be greatly glorified through its construction.

#### Vision 4: 'Fruits of the Shepherd' The Believers Will Be United with the Shepherd in Trust and Love

"Those who sow in tears shall reap with joyful shouting. He who goes to and fro weeping, carrying his bag of seed, shall indeed come again with a shout of joy, bringing his sheaves with him" (Psalm 126:5-6).

Since the opening of the church, through the shepherd, God has planted hope for New Jerusalem, the best of the heavenly dwelling places. Since 2010, especially, God has concentrated on gaining true children by giving the flow of spirit and whole spirit at the price of the shepherd's sacrifice. He has also put an emphasis on 'trust' in the shepherd for the last a few years and wanted to gain the 'fruits of the shepherd' united in trust and love. This is because through the help of the shepherd's power of re-creation and by witnessing the shepherd's tears and sacrifice, they can trust the love of God and the Lord and become people of spirit and whole spirit.

In 2017, it is expected that you will play a key part in leading countless souls to salvation through the power of re-creation of the shepherd, and become God's true children. He is eagerly waiting to give you praise, honor and glory in the beauty of Heaven.



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers!" (Psalm 1:1)

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A long-awaited 2017 has come! People often say that blessed are those who are healthy, rich, honored, and well-educated.

No matter how many blessings may be gained in life, they cannot be said to be true blessings if a man cannot enjoy all his blessings eternally. Every one of those blessings could be gone in a day. All wealth returns to vanity if he dies. Moreover, if one does not believe the Lord, he will go to Hell, so he cannot be called a 'blessed man' even though he has great possessions.

Who, then, is a blessed man? What should we do to be prepared before God who wants to give us blessings? I hope you will become a truly blessed person, live a prosperous life, and glorify God.

#### 1. Those Who Do Not Walk in the Counsel of the Wicked

The counsel of the wicked comes from Satan that controls their sinful minds. If you have sinful natures in your heart, you think according to the flesh within you and then get involved in evil thoughts. The advice of the wicked comes out of such sinful mind and is hostile to God's will. A man with this wicked counsel hates, envies or slanders others for his own interest. He plots wicked schemes and does evil things like treating others in evil or even killing them for his own purpose.

Haman in the book of [Esther] is

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one example of those who followed the wicked counsel. He got so angry when a Jew, Mordecai wouldn't kneel down or pay him honor. He looked for a way to destroy all the Jews throughout the whole kingdom, including Mordecai. But God watched the evil scheme of that wicked man and let him fall into the trap that he made himself. His evil scheme was revealed before the king through the work of God and it aroused the king's great anger. The king made his officers hang Haman on the gallows he had prepared for Mordecai.

This case is much the same today. The wicked counsel always brings disasters. Daily newspapers cover many wicked men who plotted evil schemes and did wrong for their own honor and wealth. They prepared for those wicked schemes in secret, but the schemes were opened in public and they lost their positions and fame. But you can be led to prosperity when you walk in the wisdom from heaven.

Sometimes the wisdom of God looks unwise in the sight of worldly people. They think they can earn much money when they work on Sundays. They try to gain benefits even cheating others and think themselves wise. In the wisdom of God, we believers do not labor on Sundays. We give a whole tithe and abundant offerings to God. We are sincere and honest in doing business, so even if we suffer from some loss we won't deceive others or cause them damage.

When we act in the truth like this, we can receive the help of God, and in His blessings we can reap what we have sown.

#### 2. Those Who Do Not Stand in the Path of Sinners

Romans 6:23 says, "The wages of sins is death" Sin was the reason the first man Adam lost eternal life and fell into the way of death. He came to live a painful life of tears and sorrow because he was deceived by the serpent controlled by Satan and to walk the path of sinners. The

path of sinners leads to judgment and eternal death. So blessed are those who never stand in the path of sinners.

Usually people consider one who violates the law of the country or society as a sinner. They don't condemn him who has hatred or desire to murder in heart. In the same way, they don't condemn one who has greed or desire to steal but doesn't show them in action.

But you should understand that God says, 'You are a sinner.' when you have evil desires in your heart including hatred, jealousy, envy, theft, adultery, judgment, and slander. When they were agitated in your heart, God says you have already committed such sins and vou are a sinner because He sees our hearts.

Moreover, if you commit those sins in action, you will surely be condemned as a serious sinner before God (Galatians 5:19-21). You cannot enter Heaven if you do fleshly works without following the will of God even if you confess, 'Lord, I believe in You.'

But when people are told to keep God's commands and not to commit sins, many of them complain, 'How can I keep so many commands of the Bible? It's so heavily burdensome for me.' But you should understand it is not hard to keep His commands. Rather you must be painful when you hate or envy someone. You are peaceful when you love or serve others.

King Saul was very painful and uncomfortable while he chased David because of his envy and hatred for David. He disobeyed the command of God and continued to commit sin against the will of God not to miss the throne of a king. Because he stood in the path of a sinner, he even suffered from the evil spirit and met with disaster and pains. He eventually lost his life miserably in the war. However, David praised God even while his life was threatened by Saul saying, "The LORD is my shepherd, I shall not want." He relied on God all the time, professing, "Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me" (Psalm 23).

He was always filled with joy and peace because he followed the truth of God. If you keep God's commands and do not commit sins, you can have confidence before Him because your heart does not condemn you. Then, you can have peace and happiness all the time. Even if you are met with any hardship, God will give you the way of escape, and He will stop any trials and troubles from happening to you.

#### 3. Those Who Do Not Sit in the Seat of Scoffers

God hates the arrogant. The arrogant often stand against God and thereby lose the value of a man. Eve was tempted to eat the forbidden fruit because she had arrogance in her heart. She was deceived when the serpent said to her, 'You will be like God.'

The arrogant tend to elevate themselves and to boast of their own merits. They are painful when they feel insulted or despised, and they want to be served. However, God lowers down the proud who lift themselves up, but gives grace to the humble. The humble are praised and elevated by others because they lower themselves (Luke 14:11).

Jesus existed in the form of God, but became flesh and came down to this earth in the likeness of a servant. He took the cross to the point of death. In that way, He showed a good example of true service. You will be respected by people on earth and be recognized as a valuable man in heaven when you lower yourselves down and serve others like Jesus.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, to become a truly blessed man, we must not follow the counsel of the wicked, stand in the path of sinners, and sit in the seat of scoffers. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will rely on God, act in goodness, humbly serve others and thereby you will enjoy honor and glory eternally in Heaven as well as on the earth.

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#### 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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# Thanksgiving, the Key to Blessing!

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God wants His loving children to receive blessings both in spirit and body on the earth as well as receive heavenly rewards. In 2017, let's enjoy abundant answers and blessings through thanksgiving.

#### Thanksgiving, the Passage Way through which We Pull Down Answers from God

When we are experiencing conditions that are good, we will all give thanks to God. But if we can give thanks even in situations in which it is almost impossible for us to give thanks, it is a proof of faith. As 1 Thessalonians 5:18 says, to give thanks in all things is the expression of obedience to God's will.

And God's children should not just stay at this level of giving thanks in obedience to God's will. Just by the fact that we are saved, we should be able to give thanks in all things. Without the grace of God we would fall into eternal fire and suffer forever. Thinking about this, we can understand how great a gift of God it is to receive salvation and reach the beautiful Heaven. Therefore, we all should give thanks in all things.

> Next, to give thanks is the expression of faith in the Word of God. Mark 11:24 says, "Therefore I say to you, all things for which you pray and ask, believe that you have received them, and they will be granted you." If we believe in

this verse because we believe in God, we will not be disappointed even if there is no answer right now. Because we believe that God will give us the best response to what we are asking at the best time, then it doesn't matter even if the physical conditions or situations get worse. Thus, thanksgiving comes from faith. The kind of such faith is spiritual faith given by God from above.

There are two kinds of faith; fleshly faith and spiritual faith. With fleshly faith, people believe only what they can see and what agrees to their thoughts. However, we should believe the Word of God from the heart, and only then can we obey in deeds. Without deeds, the faith is deemed dead as written in James 2:26. With such fleshly faith void of deeds, we cannot receive answers and blessings. Moreover, it does not lead you to salvation, so you should have spiritual faith accompanied by deeds.

Spiritual faith enables you to believe the Word of God although it does not agree to your knowledge and thoughts, and once you believe, the belief will never change under any condition of reality (Hebrews 11:1-2). In addition, this kind of faith is not just knowledge but is followed by deeds as proof. Thus, people with spiritual faith can receive answers through prayer even though what they ask for seems impossible to happen. In order to have spiritual faith, we must obey the Word that we have learned in deeds.

If we have spiritual faith, we can give thanks even if the situation goes wrong. When we give thanks, God changes the situations into good ones and makes things impossible possible and possible even better. As said, thanksgiving is the expression of our faith in the Word of God, and that of obedience to His Word. In other words, it is the passage way through which we can pull down answers and blessings from above by fulfilling the justice of God.

#### $^{\circ}$ > Thanksgiving, the Power to Change Ourselves

A true believing life is to fill our hearts with the Word of God by diligently learning and hearing it. Namely, we have to get rid of untruths in our hearts and replace it with goodness and love. If we walk in the Light as God is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin (1 John 1:5-7).

We are thankful that we can listen to the spiritual word and we are also moved by the mysterious providence of God contained in the Bible. We also confess as in Psalm 119:103, "How sweet are Your words to my taste! Yes, sweeter than honey to my mouth!" It's like for the pure gold to come out from the furnace, it has to be refined in fire to remove the impurities. Likewise, to have the heart of truth which is clean and pure without any spot or blemish, we have to go through certain processes.

First, we have to discover the sins and evil in us that is against the Word of God. And we have to remove them. If we fight against sins to the point of shedding blood and cast away evil from the heart, we can lead a joyful, thankful, and happy Christian life in the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

But some people lose heart when they find out the untruths. They think they have been leading a faithful Christian life, so that when they find out that they have such evil in them, they are surprised or become disappointed. If you feel disheartened, it shows that you have not cast away the evil, but proves that you mistakenly thought it had been thrown away. The evil just remained inactive.

Philippians 4:13 reads, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens

me." If we cry out in prayer to be renewed in the truth, God will pour down grace and strength upon us and the Holy Spirit will help us so that we can cast off untruth. If you gave up in discouragement and failed to give thanks, you missed a chance of a great spiritual blessing. You overcome it only with thanks.

1 Peter 1:7 says, "So that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold which is perishable, even though tested by fire, may be found to result in praise and glory and honor at the revelation of Jesus Christ." Let's give thanks and be joyful in hope when we find out evil in us and thereby receive the strength to change so that we can stand on the rock of faith, enter spirit and whole spirit.

## "I Received Prize of Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport in God's Blessing!"

Deacon Jaekeun Joo, age 57, Parish 31, Manmin Central Church

Following my wife who attended Manmin Central Church, I registered in the church in January 1997. I could not wholly keep the Sabbath because I often worked or went on business trips on Sunday. I felt sorry before

God about it and in October 2011, I was advised by my wife, who had prayed for me, to attend Friday Allnight Service. I followed it, and in the service I praised with tears and experienced the Holy Spirit. From then, I tried to keep the Lord's Day attending Light and Salt Mission Service held for those working in restaurant or retail business. The service is held at 9 P.M. on Sunday after work.

In the meantime, I was guided to a construction site in the same field where I could keep the Lord's Day. After I began giving a tithe, I received greater financial blessings. Moreover, by Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer for the sick, I was healed of back pain caused by a past accident and stiffness of my neck caused by stress. I came to meet God who wants to give us many blessings although what I gave Him was a little.

I still had a strong sense of self-righteousness and self-centered-frameworks so I could not stand something unreasonable. I was wellknown for this characteristic in my field. I took it for granted that my wife and my three daughters followed and agreed with my opinions. But in 2013 while I was praying in Daniel Prayer Meeting, I realized that I had caused a lot of troubles to those around me and repented with tears. I had often justified myself saying, "I should say in this strong tone because it is about my workers' safety." But I finally realized I had disobeyed God's will.

In January 2015, I was assigned to a new construction site as a manager. I was the first person who came to work. I received Senior Pastor's prayer for the beginning of the day and started my work. I tried to be a good example as a member of Manmin. I prayed at Daniel Prayer Meeting daily.

I changed my attitude towards my workers. I tried to hear other workers' opinions gently and

accept theirs as much as possible. They thought it was strange but later they recognized my heart. As I also tried to consider my wife and children, they began talking to me about their daily lives without any discomfort. We came to laugh a lot at home. As I tried in this way, God let me experience His love.

While it rained in other places around my construction site, it did not rain in my site. It was protected like being in Goshen. At times it rained a little but we could keep working. Sometimes it rained after we finished work. So we could finish the construction work on time.

And my site was ranked as first in the Safety Investigation performed by Seoul City in 2016, and I received Prize of Minister of Land, Infrastructure and Transport on November 22 the day of Construction Technicians. Hallelujah!



### "My Three Sons Were Set Free from Games and Violence!"

Pastor Liujintao, age 41, Malaysia

Ten years ago, I was performing my ministry as a pastor in a church. But because of my husband's mental disorder, I had to make money for my family's living and raise my four children. When I thought about people in the church, I could not stop the ministry. My three sons were addicted to computer games and became violent and caused many problems. I was having a hard time and finally lost hope for life.

Meantime, I heard about Manmin Central Church and Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee. And I visited Korea to participate in Manmin Summer Retreat 2014 held in Muju. When I saw Dr. Lee solving souls' problems by the power of God, I felt like I finally found light in pitch darkness. I was so thankful. I started to read his books and watch his sermon programs on GCN. I came to have faith that I would solve my problems through God.

I prepared myself by repenting on behalf of



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my husband and my children and visited Korea again to take part in Manmin Summer Retreat 2015. Dr. Lee prayed for my husband calling his name and my husband's symptoms improved and he no longer needed to get injections. My children also changed quickly and became renewed.





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My first son Hexiaowen, age 17, stopped playing computer games and started to read Dr. Lee's books. He often fasted and has been trying to become sanctified. He attends Daniel Prayer Meeting and helps me teach the holiness gospel to students. He came to have hope that he will become a worker who can help Dr. Lee accomplish the world mission.

My second child, Hexiaoxiang, age 16, who used to cause a lot of troubles, changed as well. He does not fight with friends any more. He stopped playing games and started to teach Manmin Praise to the church members. He takes care of his siblings and his grades improved. My third child Hexiaoen, age 11, also stopped computer games. He also praises, prays, and studies well. My last child Hemeien also prays and guides her friends to the church.

My ministry also changed. As I started to let my members learn the holiness gospel through GCN (www.gcntv.org), they've become filled with grace and truth. They said they recovered happiness. I give all thanks and glory to God who restored my family and gave me great blessings in my ministry.



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