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“I Believe God the Creator Changes Me!” Men’s and Women’s Missions’ and Prayer Devotees’ Devotional Service



Speaker Dr. Jaerock Lee, Senior Pastor of Manmin Central Church (Photo 1), at Men's and Women's Missions' and Prayer Devotees' devotional Service (Photo 2), explained about God-pleasing faith so that they can check their faith and attain to the highest level of faith. The devotees offered up a special performance with dance and audacious confession of faith in their change (Photo 3).

On May 14, 2017, during Sunday Evening Service, Men's and Women's Missions and Prayer Devotees' Association had their devotional service. Men's Mission consists of five united missions that have 16 sub-missions, Women's Mission of five united missions that have 19 sub-missions, and Prayer Devotees of 18 groups that pray for the kingdom of God. In addition to them, the Men's and Women's Missions from 43 branch churches joined the service.

The service was broadcast live on GCN (www.gcntv.org) and on the Internet. Elder Seokgil Song, President of Men's Mission

presided over the service, Senior Deaconess Seyoung Oh, President of Prayer Devotees' Association gave representative prayer, Deaconess Seonghee Kim, President of Women's Mission in Masan Manmin Church read the passage. The representatives of the members offered up special praise with “I Love You, Flock of Manmin” and all devotees gave the special performance with song “Warm Love” to God.

Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee, the speaker of the service, delivered the message “Faith” based on Hebrews 11:3. He urged them to check their own faith by the Word, run more

fervently, attain to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ, and thereby participate in the glory shining like the sun. He presented the faith that God wants them to have: unchanging faith, faith in the invisible spiritual world, and faith in the power of the shepherd who changes and perfects them.

Throughout the service the devotees made up their minds to trust all the more in the love of God who is almighty, in the Lord who is preparing the beautiful Heaven for us and in the power of the shepherd. They are determined as well to unchangingly run towards New Jerusalem with the trust.

Deacon Hyungjong Kim Received Devoted Son Citation from the Mayor of Seoul for Taking Good Care of His 99-year-old Mother



On May 8, 2017, the 45th Parents' Day Celebration Event was held in Jangchung Arena in Jung-gu, Seoul, and Deacon Hyungjong Kim, age 56, of Canaan Mission and Parish 9 of Manmin Central Church received the 'Devoted Son Citation' from the mayor of Seoul.

Although he belongs to the first

class of the visually disabled, for the last 21 years he has taken good care of his mother who is now 99 years old.

He said, “I just did what I have to do, so I am a little ashamed to receive this great prize. But I feel thankful. I just wanted to give true love and fulfill my duty in my place when I saw my church's Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee practicing love for people by helping them.”





Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

“This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him” (John 2:11).

The First Sign of Jesus

2. Jesus' First Sign of Having Water Poured in the Waterpots and Changing It into Wine

Virgin Mary told Jesus that the wine for the wedding had run out while the atmosphere of the party was in full swing. She had observed Jesus very closely and she trusted fully that Jesus could do something about the situation.

But when Mary told Jesus that there was no more wine, in John 2:4, Jesus said to her, “Woman, what does that have to do with us? My hour has not yet come.”

Here, we should pay attention to the fact that Jesus did not call Mary ‘mother’ but ‘woman’. The Word is God, and the Word became flesh and came to the earth. He is Jesus (John 1:1). Jesus, who is the Word, has no beginning and end and is the Creator of all things. The reason John 2:3 says ‘the mother of Jesus’ is that it was written by the disciples who called Mary ‘Jesus’ mother’.

Also, Jesus said, “Woman, what does that have to do with us?” and this means that Jesus had nothing to do with drinking and getting drunk like the worldly people. Therefore, by saying this, Jesus showed beforehand that His turning the water into wine was not for the worldly people but only for fulfilling the providence of God.

What, then, does it mean by “My hour has not yet come”? The hour that Jesus mentioned refers to the time when Jesus would shed His blood on the cross and fulfill the providence of salvation after He preached the gospel of the kingdom during His public ministry. Jesus meant this hour had not yet come.

Jesus did not immediately accept the request of Mary, but Mary said to the servants, “Whatever He says to you, do it” (John 2:5). Jesus answered to her faith and showed that sign. Jesus told the servants to fill up six stone waterpots. There were six stone waterpots set there for the Jewish custom of purification, containing twenty or thirty gallons each.

Also, the waterpots were not just ordinary clay pots but waterpots of stone. Stone symbolizes something

unchanging and firm. Next, the number six here symbolizes the six thousand years of human cultivation. When Jesus told the servants to fill the waterpots with water, they filled them up to the brim. It symbolizes that the human cultivation will go on for a full 6,000 years without going beyond that.

Jesus told them, “Draw some out now and take it to the headwaiter” (John 2:8). When the servants obeyed Jesus and took some water to the headwaiter, it was already changed into good quality wine. The headwaiter who did not know where the wine came from called the bridegroom and said to him, “Every man serves the good wine first, and when the people have drunk freely, then he serves the poorer wine but you have kept the good wine until now” (John 2:10). This tells us that the latter wine, which was made from water by Jesus, was of very good quality.

3. The Spiritual Meaning of This Sign of Changing Water into Wine

First, water symbolizes the word of God, and more specifically here, it refers to the body of Jesus who is the word of God that came down to this earth taking on a human body (John 1:14). Next, wine symbolizes the precious blood of Jesus who redeems mankind from their sins.

Therefore, the spiritual meaning of changing water into wine and letting the people drink means that Jesus, who is the word that came in human body, would shed His precious blood at the appropriate time and redeem all mankind from their sins. Just as those who tasted the new wine made from water rejoiced and became happy, those who are forgiven of their sins by the blood of the Lord will rejoice and become happy in their deepest heart.

John 2:9 says, “When the headwaiter tasted the water which had become wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew).” Here, the headwaiter and other guests symbolize the worldly people. These servants represent God’s

servants and workers today. The servants obeyed the word of Jesus. As they gave the wine to the guests of the wedding, God’s servants and workers have to diligently supply the worldly people with the new wine made out of water. It means we have to diligently spread the providence of the cross and who Jesus is and why He shed His blood.

John 2:11 reads, “This beginning of His signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory, and His disciples believed in Him” It foreshadows that only when Jesus was crucified and revealed His glory by resurrection on the third day, could His disciples have true faith. Why is that?

In Matthew 12:38-40, people were asking for more signs. So, Jesus said, “An evil and adulterous generation craves for a sign; and yet no sign will be given to it but the sign of Jonah the prophet; for just as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of the sea monster, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.” It foreshadows that only when Jesus manifested the sign of Jonah, namely when Jesus was crucified and revealed His glory by resurrection, could His disciples have true faith.

It was not until they witnessed the resurrection of Jesus who had been buried that they came to have true faith. Afterwards, they received the Holy Spirit and power, preached the resurrection of the Lord and the message of the cross, and eventually most of them were martyred for the Lord. The first sign of Jesus foreshadowed His crucifixion and resurrection—the amazing providence of human salvation.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray in the name of the Lord that by understanding the heart of the Lord who desires all people to be saved, you will spread the gospel to the ends of the earth and adorn yourselves as His brides so that many people can be forgiven of their sins by the precious blood of the Lord and live with the hope for Heaven.

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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How to Be Renewed Daily

Let's look into the three ways to renew ourselves daily, and thereby become the Lord's beautiful brides who can pass through the pearl gates of New Jerusalem.



Point 1

“Do You Live in the Word of God?”

In the Bible are the ways to meet God and experience Him, and where the secrets to receiving answers and blessings and achieving sincere heart in perfect assurance. Only when you pray holding on to the Word of God, can you gain realization by the Holy Spirit's inspiration and feel the love of God more deeply.

Before people come to know the truth, they live by their own standard. They return hatred to those who hated them and they think it just. For their benefit, they trick others or break a law, and think it right because others are doing it, too. But when the word starts to fill your heart, then you begin to renew yourselves by acting upon the Word telling you to do, not to do, to cast off, and to keep (Psalm 119:9).



If it is difficult for you to cast off the lingering attachment to the world and you are short of hope for Heaven, you have to make bread from the messages of Heaven and Hell first. If you want to receive answers, check yourself according to the message of “Seven Spirits.” If you are a student and wish to study well by the wisdom and strength of God, there is a message series “Secrets to Study.” You may pray, “Let me go into spirit”; but you should not pray vaguely. You should arm yourself with the message such as “Spiritual Love,” “Nine Fruits of the Holy Spirit,” and “Beatitudes,” and then you should pray holding to the Word. Then, you can be changed.

By the way, chances are that even those who have been Christians for long years do not live in the Word. They say they have made notes of the messages and that they have read many religious books. However, they received grace when they listened to it, but then they forgot. They did not keep it in their heart properly. Although they are not armed well, they think they know it well because they have heard it before. They even say the message is not in their style, or that it is not interesting because they heard the same message before. They fall into idle thoughts and doze off during services. Only when you put the Word in action and obey it after reading and listening to it, can you be renewed.

Point 2

“Do You Apply the Word to Yourself?”

If you do not apply the word to yourself well, you may fall into one of two categories. The first are those who diligently study it and memorize it but think it does not apply to them personally.

For example, you memorize that, in order to accomplish peace you should cast off the heart of seeking one's own benefit and consider others. However, when you work with others, you still seek for your own benefit, and make conflicts with others. Moreover, you apply the message you hear only to others. You say, “He is so selfish. He has strong self-righteousness and frameworks. He breaks peace with me,” and you judge him. You don't realize that you are obstinate and cause conflicts with him.

You need the grace of God to find yourself while listening to the word and apply it to yourself. In order that by the inspiration of Holy Spirit you discover yourself and understand the word that you couldn't understand before, you need a longing heart and true effort.



The second category of not applying the word to oneself is that letting go of the word that's been received. They just attend those meetings where they can receive grace, but since they fall short of an effort to make the word theirs, they are slow to change in their heart. There will be no fruit even though they seem diligent (Hebrews 2:1).

If you hang onto the messages for a week that reveal yourself, and you continue to pray, you will change little by little every day and spiritual faith will grow. When such a little change doesn't stop, the Holy Spirit in your heart will rejoice. And it will make your Christian life a happy one. Moreover, if you keep on making an effort in usual days, your faith will dramatically grow up in a special moment of grace.

Point 3

“Are You Faithful to Your Duty with Gratitude?”

Just as Psalm 116:12 says, “What shall I render to the LORD for all His benefits toward me?” when you are changed by the Word and receive grace, you surely wish to do something for the Lord.

Even if you are a novice Christian, once you received the grace, you may have started cleaning various places of the sanctuary or doing volunteering works in Sunday school, traffic control, the church restaurant and so on. Even if you are not a church worker, you may be trying hard to gather together, take care of brothers and sisters in faith and give intercessory prayers.

You do not want to be acknowledged. You do not want to receive something in return. You do it because you are thankful for the grace. You do it because you feel happy as you can do something for God. If you are faithful with this aroma of thanks, God will be pleased to take it and help you change quickly.



Moreover, while you are faithful to your duties you may find more chances to discover yourself since you may have to deal with many souls. You may discover more of who you are and the things that need to be improved. You can embrace various kinds of people, and understand the deeper heart of God.

Of course, you can do this when you are faithful not with just your physical body alone, but with the aroma from the heart of thanks for the grace. You should also have a longing heart to discover more of you and change yourself. Let's renew ourselves to be faithful to our duty like this. If you renew yourselves in the Word of God, your spiritual faith will increase quickly and will eventually become the fruit of whole spirit and stand before the throne of God.

Let's change into a true holy child without any blame or spot and run with hope to find yourself in the arms of God.

“I Came to Have a Baby after Six Years of Marriage!”

Deaconess Seonyoung Park, age 35, Masan Manmin Church



My husband and I got married in May 2011. We had a problem because no baby had been conceived. We went to an oriental medical clinic that was well-known nationwide and took the expensive medicine that the doctor prescribed, but it did not work. In the meantime, I heard that a married couple came to have a baby after they received Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer. In January, 2014, we also received Senior Pastor's prayer.

However, we had changing of mind when we still hadn't conceived afterwards. We turned back to the worldly methods again. In the infertility clinic, the doctor said Deacon Jinyoung Choi, my husband had no problem but my right fallopian tube was blocked. He said it was not impossible for me to have a child. But I could not conceive. My ovulation cycle was irregular, so I received drug treatment but it failed again.

I also underwent artificial

insemination twice but it did not work at the first treatment. It succeeded in the second time but I had miscarriage soon. After I got over it, I finally realized that I had not shown faith when I myself was faced with difficulties although I had seen so many signs, wonders, and powerful works. I felt so sorry.

In March 2015, my husband and I offered up vowed-prayer for 42 days in the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting. We gave offerings, our time, and our hearts to God. I worked faithfully for the kingdom of God as a small group leader and an offering-collecting volunteer. I came to pray, “Answer my prayer at the best timing” while I had prayed to receive the answer quickly. As I tried to renew myself in reliance on God, I was not impatient any more.

In October 2015, I had a dream in which Senior Pastor prayed for me to deliver a healthy baby. I was pleased because I was assured of the answer to my prayer. When we

came to Senior Pastor during Lunar New Year's Holiday in February 2016, my husband and I wrote ‘blessing of conception’ on our palms and shook hands with him. I also sold something I cherished to give offerings in Men's and Women's Devotional Service held in March. We offered up our hearts and devotion. A few days later, after we visited Senior Pastor, I went to the ob-gyn specialist and found out that a baby had been conceived though it was not in the time of ovulation.

My church members were so happy about it, and the church had a festive mood. My husband and I felt thankful with tears for the love of God. On November 28, 2016, after six years of marriage, our pretty daughter Haeun was born and she is growing up well.

I give all thanks and glory to God who answered our prayer and blessed us through the amazing power of the shepherd.

“My Broken Rib Was Recovered, and My Hearing Ability Improved”

Brother Om Bahadur Rai, age 61, Nepal Manmin Church



I registered in Nepal Manmin Church in February 2015 under the guidance of my son Deacon Gyan Bahadur Rai

who lives in Katmandu. He would deliver the word of God and powerful works by phone calls to plant faith in me as I was living in the countryside.

In August 2016, I had a big accident. A gigantic rock that weighs around 40kg rolled from the mountain and hit me in my back while I was working in the highlands.

I screamed with great pain, and my wife, who was working nearby, was stunned. She called in the people in the town and moved me home. They told me to go to the hospital but it was too far and I had a difficulty even moving. With my hands I felt two of my ribs were broken and out of place.

The pain was so great that I could not sleep.

I wanted to go to Katmandu and receive the prayer of the handkerchief from Pastor Grace Lee of Nepal Manmin Church (Acts 19:11-12). But it was impossible because there was no transportation due to downpours in the area. I talked about the situation and asked him to ask for her prayer.

My son's family in Katmandu received Senior Pastor's prayer saved on his cell phone with Pastor Grace Lee. I also received the prayer saved in the MP3 player many times, and sprayed Muan Sweet Water on my fractured parts (Exodus 15:25). Afterwards, it improved quickly and I came to stand up and walk for myself.

In November 2016, my son delivered good news. It was that Rev. Heesun Lee, Manmin World



Guidance Pastor would come to Nepal Manmin Church to lead the church's Eleventh Anniversary Service. I went to the church with my wife and mother and attended the handkerchief healing meeting (Acts 19:11-12). When I received the prayer, a healing

work happened to me. I had not been able to move my back but I came to bend my back right after the prayer. I also recovered the ability to hear in my left ear through which I had not been able to hear sound well since three years ago. Hallelujah!



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