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Joseph's Life Journey with Faith Presented for Children in New Bible Study Book, *Joseph, the Passage to God's Covenant*



It is important for children to have a role model to follow in their faith. A new Bible study book to present a good role model to them was published on April 17, 2018. It is Dr. Jaerock Lee's seventh book in the junior Bible study series titled *Joseph, the Passage to God's Covenant*.

This book depicts the life journey of Joseph: from the time when he seemed to hit rock bottom when sold as a slave to Egypt at the age of 17 until he became the second ruler to the

Pharaoh over Egypt and built the foundation of Israel to become a great nation.

It consists of 16 chapters. Every chapter starts with an instructive story and illustrations that attract children's interest. It is followed by main text and ends with 'activity' parts that help children review the main text and think further about how to apply it to their life.

In addition, varied material is included such as the family tree of Jacob, the father of Israel,

and his son Joseph. It illustrates Joseph's route from place to place for the purpose of helping understand the historical background. Since Joseph believed the good will of God in such great hardships, he prospered and gained recognition from others as a great leader everywhere he went. It is expected that by following the footsteps of Joseph children understand the plan of God that is higher and greater than men's and the love of God who wants to give only good things to them.

Special Daniel Prayer Meeting Award Ceremony Full of Answers and Blessing

At 8.30p.m., on April 8, 2018, the Special Daniel Prayer Meeting Award Ceremony was held in the main sanctuary with the preliminary praise. This two-part session of Special Daniel Prayer Meeting was held from February 26 through April 8, a total of 42 days under the title of "Seven Prayer Points of 2018". The meeting started at 9p.m. and the Spirit-filled scenes were broadcast via GCN (www.gcntv.org) and the internet.

There was a drawing of lots event to choose 201 people among those who had attended more than 40 days, and special awards were given to them. Between the lot-drawings, members of the Performing Arts Committee offered up special performances. The Grand Prize winner whose prayer card was chosen by Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee went to Deaconess Misuk Park (Parish 15, photo). And Dr. Lee in his mountain prayer house prayed for the church members' blessings by phone.

Manmin Prayer Center holds Daniel Prayer

Meeting with a 21-day as a session that has a specific prayer title each session. People all over the world can join in the prayer for the righteousness and kingdom of God on GCN or on the internet. The center also conducts a service in the morning and a prayer meeting in the afternoon during weekdays for those who want to solve their problems or receive healing of diseases.





Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

Men of Whom the World Was Not Worthy (2)

“Who by faith conquered kingdoms, performed acts of righteousness, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire...and others experienced mockings and scourgings, yes, also chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were put to death with the sword; they went about in sheepskins, in goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, ill-treated (men of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains and caves and holes in the ground”.
(Hebrews 11:33-38)

In the last edition, we looked into the faith of Elijah who brought down the answer of fire by faith, Esther who saved her people, and Daniel who did not compromise in the face of death. These great forefathers of faith were not afraid of any kind of threat because of their spiritual boldness that came from love for God.

Let's delve into the forefathers of faith who overcame the world in the unity with the Lord by faith in the New Testament time.

1. Perfect Faith that Can Even Give One's Life

John 6:53-55 reads, “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. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day. For My flesh is true food, and My blood is true drink.’”

What does it mean by ‘eating the flesh of the Son of Man and drinking His blood’? The Word is God (John

1:1), and the Word became flesh and came to the earth (John 1:14). He is Jesus. So, eating the flesh of the Son of Man means to make the Word of God bread for our life. When you ‘eat the flesh of the Son of Man’, you must drink His blood as well. It indicates that you must not only learn the Word but also act upon it in obedience at the same time. It spiritually refers to the act of casting away evil and replacing it with goodness and love.

When you walk in the Light by acting upon the Word, the blood of the Lord cleanses you from all sin (1 John 1:7) and your faith becomes perfected (James 2:22). And you have sure hope for resurrection, so you don't hold fast to things on the earth. You also have perfect love even to give your life for the Lord.

It is because you know and believe that the glory that'll be given to you in heaven is incomparably greater compared to the momentary persecutions on the earth, even if you are put to death. In addition, since you realize the love of the Lord who sacrificed everything for you, you can give even your life for the Lord.

2. The Forefathers of Faith Who Loved God with Their Lives

1) The Lord's disciples were severely persecuted and martyred.

Apostle James, a brother of John, was the first among the Lord's disciples to die as a martyr. He was beheaded during the reign of Herod. Apostle Peter suffered from many persecutions, threats and imprisonment. But he boldly preached the gospel. At the appointed time, he was martyred by being crucified upside down. Apostle John was plunged into boiling oil in the time of Emperor Domitian, but he suffered nothing from it since the Lord was with him. Afterwards, he was exiled to Patmos and recorded the Book of Revelation.

The reason the Lord's disciples could endure persecutions and face martyrdom was because they had

God-given faith and their hearts were filled with the love of the Lord. They did not spare anything for the Lord, not even their lives.

2) Apostle Paul was beheaded while preaching the gospel to the Gentiles.

Apostle Paul was born a citizen of the Roman Empire. He was an elitist with best knowledge available in his time. Such a man left behind everything after he met Jesus Christ and felt pleased with all sufferings he had to endure for the church, the body of Christ (2 Corinthians 11:23-27). He was stripped and beaten in public and imprisoned, but he praised God in the prison (Acts 16:22-25). He was stoned by people, and they threw him outside of the castle for they thought he was dead (Acts 14:19).

Nevertheless, he kept going the way for the Lord. It's because of the love of God for him (Romans 8:35-37). He had previously persecuted churches and believers in the Lord, but the Lord came to him and set him as an apostle for Him. He was so grateful for the grace of God.

He preached the gospel earnestly as an apostle of the Gentiles throughout his life and at the appointed time, he was beheaded. Until he entered the Lord's bosom, he gave everything he had to Him.

3) Early Church members endured the severe persecutions in the Colosseum.

In the year 64AD there was great fire in Rome. It is said that Nero was responsible for setting fire to Rome to rebuild the Roman Empire. But he blamed the fire on Christians, and they were arrested for it. Nero let the citizens watch them killed by beasts in the Colosseum.

Most of them faced death without fear. Some were fed to wild animals while praying to commit their spirit to the Lord, and others died joining their hands together and praising to God with their eyes in heaven. They faced the end of their lives offering glory.

4) The Early Church members were not spared from any persecution and martyrdom.

The persecutions against Christians were intensifying throughout the second century. They were forbidden in public places and stoned in street riots. Church leaders, especially, were persecuted severely.

Ignatius of Antioch was a bishop of Antioch Church, and he was fed to the lions in Colosseum as a martyr. Polycarp was a disciple of Apostle John and a Christian bishop of Smyrna. He was forced to say the Roman Emperor was his Lord, but he would not submit to any kind of threats and was burned at the stake.

As the persecutions became more severe and prolonged, to avoid the persecutions, Christians lived in the Catacombs, underground burial places under Rome. They lived there in danger of death for decades.

They seemed to live a miserable life as if they lived in death, but they endured everything with love for the Lord. They engraved the love of the Lord with prayer and praise every day and they talked about heavenly joy that people who died before them would enjoy and lived in hope for heaven.

The persecutions were extremely severe right before Christianity was officially recognized. Christians were deprived of citizenship, churches were burnt, and many pastors and church leaders were arrested. The leaders imprisoned were forced to worship the Roman gods, and when they rejected it, they were severely punished. Most of the martyrs in such serious persecutions were given chances to survive if they denied they were Christians. But they joyfully faced death to give their lives for the Lord.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will please God with the faith of which the world was not worthy and enjoy every blessing prepared for His loving children.

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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Trust and Love

God deserves our love given even with our lives and our perfect trust. What kind of trust and love do you have in God? Let's delve into the secrets to achieving perfect trust and love for God, the Lord, and the Holy Spirit.

**You should cast off
fleshly thoughts that
are hostile toward God.**



Romans 8:7 reads, "Because the mind set on the flesh is hostile toward God; for it does not subject itself to the law of God, for it is not even able to do so." What does 'the mind set on the flesh' refer to?

'The mind set on the flesh' is untruth that comes out from the heart through the work of soul. It agitates lust in heart and hinders people from developing spiritual faith that pleases God. If one has this fleshly mindset, they pass judgment on everything according to their own standard and they think pursuing personal benefits. In this mindset, people criticize something that is right, mistakenly think of goodness as evil, and just live without knowing they are wrong.

Let's say you bumped into a person who you were fond of, but he didn't greet you back and made an odd face though you greeted him. You may think, 'Did I do something wrong to him? I thought he is nice, but he turns out to be rude!' You may change your thought in an instant. You didn't consider his situations at all and judged him based on your cunning and changing heart.

2 Samuel chapter 6 depicts King David who rejoiced over the ark of the LORD when it was carried back to Jerusalem. He joyfully danced and praised God. Seeing this, his wife, Michal, despised him and thought he behaved with no dignity. She judged him from her evil and arrogance though his deeds belonged to goodness in the sight of God.

**You should understand
God's good will by hearing
what the Holy Spirit says
and receiving His guidance**



In Matthew 15, a Gentile woman asked Jesus to cast an unclean spirit out of her daughter. Then, He said, "Let the children be satisfied first, for it is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." Rather than feeling hurt, she lowered herself and said, "Yes, Lord, but even the dogs under the table feed on the children's crumbs."

Jesus praised this humble confession she made and answered her petition instantly. If she had insisted on her pride, she would have felt hurt, lost heart, and given it up. However, the woman had enough faith to receive the answer. That's why she could unchangingly hold onto Him with a confession of goodness.

Jesus knew her faith, so He gave her the opportunity to fulfill the measure of justice for the answer by making her show her faith until the end. He also

In Luke 13, there was a woman who for eighteen years had had a sickness caused by an evil spirit. She was bent double and could not straighten up at all. Jesus laid His hands on her; and immediately she was made erect again and began glorifying God.

But the synagogue official got indignant because Jesus had healed her on the Sabbath and began telling the crowd to get healed during weekdays, not on the Sabbath day. He did not care that the power of God had taken place and those living miserably had experienced the love of God. Because he had no love and no goodness, he passed judgment in his self-righteousness and framework and insisted what he said was the will of God.

If one has untruthful attributes such as hatred, jealousy, and greed or has self-righteousness and self-frameworks, fleshly thoughts are retrieved. They may think of something good as evil. Thus, we should root out the fleshly thoughts that are hostile toward God. If you see something good not as goodness, it is your evil. You should cast it away quickly and try to have spiritual thoughts in every matter. As 1 Corinthians 2:13 says, "Which things we also speak, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught by the Spirit, combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words." only when you have spiritual thoughts can you understand and trust God who is spirit.

meant to elicit her humble confession to show what true faith is like to those who easily lose heart, blame God, and change when the answer does not seem to come.

Those who discern everything in goodness trust Jesus' goodness and love, so they may ponder upon why Jesus did so. After you accept the Lord and receive the Holy Spirit, you will be able to be guided by the Spirit and thereby discern everything in goodness to the extent that you cast away more of evil and fleshly thoughts.

However, if you have evil thoughts, untruth, and attachment to the world, the Helper the Spirit cannot work. When you destroy fleshly thoughts, receive the help of the Holy Spirit and think in goodness, you will realize the profound will of God. As you realize more of it, your trust will be deepened.

**Trust increases
as love increases**



Peter, a disciple of Jesus, trusted and loved Jesus during His public ministry, but after the crucifixion, his love came to be even deeper. His Rabbi, Jesus, whom he loved so much, the good and precious Son of God was crucified miserably in front of his eyes. However, he denied Him rather than protect Him, and even cursed at Him.

Nevertheless, Jesus quietly looked at him without any rebuke and took the suffering of the crucifixion. After he witnessed the suffering of Jesus who died for him, his love increased and deepened. As love

increased, so did the level of his trust in Him.

He had been afraid even before a servant-girl, but after the Lord's resurrection he preached the gospel even when surrounded by those with murderous looks on their faces. Even when he was crucified upside down, his trust did not shake whatsoever. He could be martyred gloriously in fervent love and strong trust.

Let's become united in true trust and love on the earth and comfort and give love to God in New Jerusalem.

In February 1998, I went to Kenya to see my sister Senior Deaconess Miok Oh who lived in Africa at that time. I visited the hair salon she worked for and happened to meet missionaries of Nairobi Manmin Holiness Church there. Through them, I learned about the ministry of Manmin and Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee. I saw the video clips of Manmin Central Church Performing Arts Committee's performances. I was amazed and decided to visit the church later.

Ten months later, I returned to Korea and registered in Manmin. I attended every worship service and Daniel Prayer

Meeting. I led a happy Christian life and became a member of Performing Arts Committee.

I had been interested in dancing from my youth and belonged to the cheerleading team of my university. I was thankful for the guidance of God who knew everything about me. From 2003, I performed in Senior Pastor's overseas crusades, witnessed powerful works manifested through his prayer and increased my faith.

Since 2009, I have been working on choreographing and dance training. In order to spiritually renew myself, I tried my best in reliance on God who led me, who is nothing, from Kenya to



“I give thanks to God for leading me with boundless love and power!”

Deaconess Mikyung Oh, age 40, Canaan Mission, Manmin Central Church

Korea and guided me to become a Manmin member and a worker for the Lord.

I tried hard to fight against sin to the point of shedding blood according to the Word of God and to cast away every form of evil. In June 2015, I finally achieved the heart of spirit and felt so happy. One day, I found myself coughing a lot and it did not stop. I went to hospital and heard that I had tuberculosis. It could be shocking news to me, but I was not so much shocked as mindful of the

good will of God who is love always. When I prayed with His will in my heart, I was given realization that He was refining me to lead me to New Jerusalem, the most beautiful heavenly dwelling place.

I believed God as the Healer as recorded in Exodus 15:26. I was all the more devoted to prayer to receive healing by faith. Senior Pastor appeared in my dreams and I also received his prayer in person. Meantime, it started to be cured. I repented of

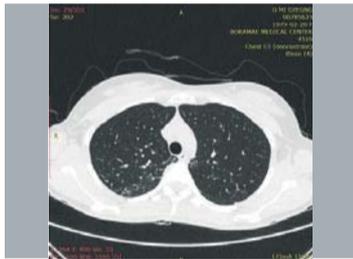
what I had not repented of although I thought I had done it. I was given the grace to repent thoroughly. I finally received complete healing. Hallelujah!

In 2018, I am studying hard to be a better choreographer to show better quality performances and teaching worship dance as a host on GCN dance programs. I hope to deliver hope for heaven and Senior Pastor's ministry of great power to countless people in the world. I give all thanks and glory to God.

CT scan on her lungs



▲ Before the prayer
Lung alveoli destruction and severe inflammation caused by tuberculosis



▲ After the prayer
No inflammation



“Manmin is special and by far the best!”

Pastor Oleg Dyachenko, age 47, Morning Star Church in St. Petersburg, Russia

I had seen Bishop Vladimir Osipov, Chairman of Russia Manmin Churches' Association change in the Lord and bear abundant good fruit as he worked together with Manmin. So, I had longed to join the ministry of Manmin. In 2008, I visited Manmin Central Church for the first time and have kept, in my heart, the grace

I received from Dr. Jaerock Lee, the pastors, and the church members.

In 2018, I paid a visit to the church again with other pastors in happiness and expectation. When I offer up worship services and pray in Manmin, I get spiritually excited and filled with the Holy Spirit.

This is important. I liked the time with Dr. Lee. He

always takes care of us with the heart of a father. He is gentle and nice. Manmin members are also special and their service touches my heart.

The Easter Performance was amazing. It is hard to express what I felt during the performance. It was professional and by far the best I had ever watched (right). I could not but shed

tears when I saw the scene of Jesus being on the cross. The acting was amazing, and the music, the cross, and the scene of nailing were all amazing.

It was my first time to see such a performance depicting the miserable heart of Judas Iscariot who betrayed Jesus. The scene

of Lord's resurrection was full of bliss. I will deliver the grace I received in Manmin to people in Russia Hallelujah!



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