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**“God will surely accomplish what He has spoken.”**

**Manmin Church proclaims its 4 visions for Year 2020**



On December 29th, 2019 Manmin Central Church held its General Assembly right after the Sunday Evening Service. Pastor Soojin Lee, Acting Senior Pastor, announced 4 visions for the year 2020 that the whole congregation should accomplish.

## **Vision 1 – Arise, Shine (Isaiah 60:1-3)**

God set up this church to shine in this generation which is darkened by sins and evil. Manmin has delivered the holiness gospel through the broadcasting and literary media ministries; manifested countless signs and wonders in overseas crusades, revival meetings, and summer retreats; and, guided countless souls to salvation.

By faith the church will overcome the trials that God allowed and shine all the more brightly. When it shines throughout the whole world with the holiness gospel and the fiery power of the Holy Spirit, nations and kings will come to the light of Manmin and give glory to God the

Creator.

## **Vision 2 – A Sincere Heart in Full Assurance of Faith (Hebrews 10:22)**

God wants to gain the best fruits through human cultivation. These best fruits are the saints with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith. Just as the pure gold doesn't change despite passage of time, he who has a sincere heart doesn't change in any situation or environment. Only when we have such a sincere heart can we have full assurance of faith.

During our cultivation on this earth, sometimes evil in our heart is revealed through trials and refinements. At times we go through hardships by the work of the enemy devil and Satan. But we should pray more fervently and circumcise our hearts to grow in faith. We should arm ourselves with the Word and prayer so that we can cast off clear evil in our conscience and natures to become the true

fruit that God is waiting for.

### Vision 3 – The Sanctuary Filled with Love (1 John 4:11-12, 1 Corinthians 12:12)

It is a certainty that the Grand Sanctuary will be built when the time comes because it is not the plan of a man but of God. Therefore, our hearts must first be changed by the truth to become pure so that it can be a beautiful and God-pleasing sanctuary.

We need to be united as one with warm service and love. Then, God will receive our worship and prayer with joy, and we can come closer to the time of construction of Grand Sanctuary.

### Vision 4 – The Power of Re-creation 100% (Ezekiel 37:4-10)

The works of re-creation are the works that affect

change, restoration, and renewal of things damaged that had already been created. The reason we need the power of re-creation is that we must save just one more soul in this end time of the world which is full of sins and evil.

Just as Ezekiel the prophet saw in a vision, if people see sinews and flesh restored on dry bones and become an army, that is, if they experience amazing works as if they saw God in person, they could not help but have faith. The power of re-creation is the love expression of God who doesn't give up on people at the end of time but wants them to be saved and sanctified by faith.

God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. He will do what He has said. We give all thanks and glory to God who set up Manmin Central Church in His great providence and He has guided us. The ministry of Manmin will never stop until God-given dreams and visions come true.

Engraving in the heart!

## The strength for success, is in the heart!

In December, we make new resolutions for a new year. We make plans for the next month, the next week, and for the next day. Now check yourself to see if you do what you have planned without changing your mind.

When things don't go as planned, there must be a reason. It is due to an attribute; a mind that changes.

You say, "I will surely do it next month," but it may not go as you planned. Then, all you have to do is make a new resolution again and do it.

At the same time, you must control your heart.

That is, as you correct the problem, you should control your heart so that you can keep going according to your resolution.

In the end, you can control your heart, rule over it, and subdue it.

In this way, at one point you will be able to do everything according to your plan.

You will become a man of strength who can do things once you decide to do them.

You can do things prosperously in the will of God the Father.

Your heart will grow up. If you can accomplish what you have planned, you will accomplish even greater things next time.

If you can control and rule over your heart, what is it that you cannot do in the Lord?

If you fail to do what you have planned, reflect on yourself, find the reason, and fix it. To that extent, you will improve and be able to accomplish in the Lord what you have planned.

"Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the springs of life" (Proverbs 4:23).

Senior Pastor's message to the congregation  
in the meeting on Sunday morning  
March 31, 2018.





Senior Pastor Rev. Jaerock Lee

# The Providence in the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

“Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it. The LORD God commanded the man, saying, ‘From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die’” (Genesis 2:15-17).

People who do not know God’s profound providence of human cultivation frequently might ask, “Why would God have placed the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the garden and put man on the path to destruction?”

The God of love didn’t place the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the garden to intentionally lead mankind on the path to death. So, for what purpose did God place the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in the Garden of Eden?

## 1. The Blessing and Warning Given to the First Man, Adam

Though at the time of his creation the first man, Adam, was physically a grown man, mentally he was like a newborn. Therefore, while he was in the Garden of Eden Adam had to go through the process of gaining a great deal of spiritual knowledge including things about God, the spiritual realm, the truth, goodness, the light and the like, as well as necessary knowledge by which he could rule over all creation. After such a process, as the lord of all creation, Adam had acquired the necessary qualifications to rule over and subdue all things.

As God told Adam in Genesis 1:28, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it,” the first man gave birth to a lot of children and thus became “fruitful.” And as the master of all things he had tremendous authority for a long time. Yet, God gave man free will and barred him from doing one thing. God commanded him not to eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. After a long time had passed, however, Adam and Eve could not keep God’s command in mind and ended up eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

## 2. The Process in Which Sin Entered Man

The following from Genesis 3:1 elaborates the process of the first man Adam coming to sin.

The serpent was craftier than any beast of the field

which God had made, and it tempted the woman Eve. The reason most people find serpents extremely abominable today is because the serpent led mankind to death and thus they naturally detest serpents.

In the garden before the temptation, unlike today, the serpent used to look adorable and delightful to the eye. It was also very crafty so that it could even win people’s hearts.

One day, the serpent asked the woman, “Indeed, has God said, ‘You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?’” In reply, the woman said to the serpent, “From the fruit of the trees of the garden we may eat; but from the fruit of the tree which is in the middle of the garden, God has said, ‘You shall not eat from it or touch it, or you will die.’”

While God had clearly said, “...you will surely die”, Eve told the serpent that God had said, “... you will die.” Disregarding and deteriorating God’s directive, Eve added to and even changed God’s words “you will surely die” to “you will die”. The serpent knew the kind of opportunity that was available, seized it, and told Eve, “You surely will not die! For God knows that in the day you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”

Now that Eve had fallen for the serpent’s temptation, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of this life were triggered and the fruit of the tree was seen to be good for food and that it was a delight to her eyes. Eve ended up eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil and even gave its fruit to Adam as well.

According to the law of the spiritual realm which dictates, “The wages of sin is death” (Romans 6:23), God’s Word “You will surely die” was applied to man who now had to pay for his sin. That did not mean, however, that the life in Adam and Eve expired immediately after they ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

When God said, “You will surely die,” He referred not only to physical death of man but also the death of spirit, the master of man; the end of communication

between God and Adam is the same as “the death of Adam’s spirit.” Furthermore, every descendant of Adam after his sin became a sinner and was subject to death and everything on the earth was cursed as well (Genesis 3:17).

The serpent was cursed more severely than all other creatures. God said to the serpent in Genesis 3:14, “...On your belly shall you go, and dust shall you eat all the days of your life.” Spiritually, “the serpent” here refers to the enemy devil and Satan while “dust” symbolizes man who has been formed of “dust from the ground.”

In other words, to say that the serpent would be eating dust means that the enemy devil and Satan would rule over and bring trials, afflictions, and suffering to fleshly people drenched in sin. This is why people who have fallen away in this world suffer from all kinds of suffering, brought upon them by the authority of the enemy devil and Satan.

### 3. The Reason God Placed the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil in the Garden of Eden

Even though God knew in advance that Adam would eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, He still placed the tree there because God still wanted to give Adam true happiness!

Adam did not encounter sorrow while living in the Garden of Eden. As a result Adam was not able to feel and experience true happiness. In order for anyone to appreciate the true worth of something, he must experience that which is the opposite of “something” as learned through relativity.

For instance, if you have never been ill since birth, you could not fully understand the magnitude of the suffering and grief brought forth by disease, nor could you truly appreciate having good health. Only those who have been hungry can appreciate the abundance of food, and only when there are evil and darkness will people truly appreciate goodness and light.

Without having witnessed death in the Garden of Eden that is void of sorrows, Adam could not understand God when He told him that he would die if he ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. As he experienced the torment and sorrow associated with hunger, cold, heat, death, parting, sin and evil in this cursed world, Adam could finally realize how

happy and blissful his life had been in the Garden of Eden.

No matter how abundant a person’s life may be, unless he knows of true happiness of his life, who can say he is living a meaningful life? A truly worthwhile life would be the kind in which the person feels happiness even if he were to suffer momentarily. This is why God placed the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. It was to allow for man to recognize and understand relativity by experiencing sorrow and suffering.

In his free will Adam ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and as a result of his sinning, mankind has come to live in the midst of sufferings stemming from cold, heat, disease, poverty, hunger, parting, death, and the like. When we enter Heaven after having learned this relativity and undergone human cultivation, we will realize how wonderful the life in heaven is, give thanks to God from the heart, and live in perpetual bliss and joy.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, God put the tree of the knowledge of good and evil in place, He has cultivated humans and He has prepared a way for all men, the sinners, to receive salvation. As 2 Corinthians 4:17 tells us, “For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison,” even if we face sorrow and affliction momentarily in this world, we will enjoy “an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison” in the indescribably glorious heaven.

I pray in the name of the Lord that you will understand the way of salvation, possess joy and happiness of salvation, and finally live in the eternal Heaven.

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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)

## “I’d like to help the church even if it is as a small cogwheel.”

Deaconess Jimin Park (5th Young Adults’ Mission)

I attend Sunday Morning Service in the broadcasting room because I upload subtitles for Choir Anthems and various sermons to GCN webpage ([www.gcnetv.org](http://www.gcnetv.org)), and because I have to make special notes by time during the service for later-editing work.

I majored in Science of Image in Broadcasting, and naturally came to work for broadcasting team of Young Adults’ Mission, which helped me served the Lord in the church’s broadcasting room beginning in April, 2011.

In June, 2011, Dr. Jaerock Lee led the “Special Divine Healing Meeting.” I felt the vivid atmosphere of the meeting in the broadcasting room. I was overwhelmed by the fact that I took a small part in it.

Since then, my mind has changed. I began looking back on myself on Saturdays to do my job better, which was a wake-up call to my insensitive Christin life. Because I had to make notes of sermons, I had to focus on the message. And it helped me receive much grace through the word.

It’s a very small duty, but I will keep doing my service even though it’s a small cogwheel turning silently somewhere in the church.



## “I deliver the love of the Lord in other languages because this is my church.”

Hyungjoon Kim (4th Young Adults’ Misison)

I’ve voluntarily served the Lord as an English interpreter for about 5 years. I’m interpreting the order of service for Friday All-night Service, Easter Performance, or other performances. I also help guests from abroad during the main church events such as the Summer Retreat and the Anniversary Celebration.

When I share with them the grace and love I received from the Lord, and my idea about Dr. Jaerock Lee’s love for church members, they are moved and happy, which makes me happier.

Before I interpret, I always say in my prayer, “Lord, help those who receive grace through my voice feel the warm love of God the Father.” One day, I interpreted for an overseas guest during Daniel Prayer Meeting. I still can vividly remember the teardrops that fell from her eyes the moment she heard my interpretation.

I’m doing this duty with a sense of ownership because this is my church. I’m serving the Lord to pay back for the grace I’ve received. Even after I got a job, I keep serving voluntarily and try to offer up my heart to God through my service.

I am grateful to God the Father who gave me this precious opportunity, and I want to give my thanks to the staff of Overseas Mission Bureau who always welcome me like their own family.







## “Thanksgiving wells up when I deliver the grace of the Lord with my voice.”

Deaconess Hyung-Kyung Lee (1st Canaan Mission)

I help GCN as narrator. Back in college, I was an in-house announcer for the college broadcasting. Knowing this fact, GCN Magazine staff offered me this duty. Since then, I've helped GCN for 15 years.

Now, I'm a fixed narrator for Manmin Magazine, which is broadcast in the Friday All-night Service every week.

I receive much grace whenever I do the narration. But the biggest blessing is that I pray and long for the Lord's grace all the more to do this duty well.

If I catch a cold, I cannot do my job well. So, I realize that it is God's grace to speak with my voice. Moreover, thanks increased in my life. Whenever church members say they felt God's grace through my voice, it encourages me a lot.

I experienced the Holy Spirit after joining Manmin Central Church. I was completely healed of knee pain and cervical herniated disc through the prayer of Dr. Jaerock Lee. Grateful for the grace, I'm doing my given duties.

Holding onto Philippians 4:13, "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me," I'm praying that I may be used wholly for God's kingdom and His glory.



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