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## 2013 Pastors' Devotional Service Deeds and truth, the evidences of true faith

At 3 P.M., on February 10, 2013, Pastors' Devotional Service was held with Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee as the speaker in the main sanctuary of Manmin Central Church.

A total of 341 devotees, comprising of 154 pastors of Manmin Central Church, 68 pastors from branch churches in Korea, and 119 overseas missionaries, offered up their hearts of devotion during the service and it was broadcast live in more than 170 countries through GCN TV and the internet. Pastor Soojin Lee, President of Pastors' Association presided the service. Pastor Taesik Gil, President of Central Regional Assembly gave the representative prayer. The Shalom Choir offered choral praise and the Nissi Orchestra offered up instrumental praise.

All devotees gave a special praise with the song entitled 'Precious Gifts', expressing their gratitude to God who blessed them to perform the glorious duty as pastors in the church that was established



Dr. Jaerock Lee, left, delivered the message and the devotees were determined to fulfill their precious duties with obedience, sacrifice, and love.



in God's great providence for countless souls' salvation at this end time.

Dr. Jaerock Lee preached under the title of "Do You Believe Me?" based on 1 John 3:18. His message was structured around the following: If the Lord asks us, "Do you believe Me?" what would be the response? Those of us who have the evidence in deeds and truth would be able to confidently answer that they believe and love the Lord. Likewise, faith must be accompanied by deeds and truth. Peter said he loved Jesus more than anybody else.

Nevertheless, when Jesus was captured, Peter denied knowing Jesus three times due to his fear. Afterwards, he lived with a repenting heart for the rest of his life, and he was faithful until he was crucified upside down. So, he was forgiven of the fatal iniquity. We also must bear the certain fruit of repentance and show the evidence of true faith, not just with words of the tongue, but in deeds and truth.

With regards to this Dr. Lee explained about the evidences of true faith that God wants pastors to show. The first evidence is 'submission and

obedience' to the Word of God, that is, how well we uphold the meaning of God's commands and obey them. The second one is sacrifice; how much we have sacrificed and dedicated ourselves for the kingdom of God and the souls. The third and last one is love; how much we have served souls with consideration and spiritual love and revived and encouraged the spirit of the people. The devotees firmly resolved that they shall diligently spread the love of God to the approximately seven billion people all over the world by delivering

the holiness gospel and the powerful works and show true faith which is followed by the evidences of faith being obedience, sacrifice, and love for the kingdom of God and souls. This service served as a spiritual turning point for the devotees, and they renewed their determination to become pastors who are proper in the sight of God at this point when the church is making earnest preparations for the era of the Canaan Sanctuary.

The United Holiness Church of Jesus Christ, Japan offered flowers and decorations on the altar with hope of being a foundation stone in achieving the global parish with the holiness gospel.

On February 17, 2013, pastors, elders, senior deaconesses, deacons, deaconesses, junior deaconesses, and the Levite workers (full-time workers of the church), Esther Fellowship (Pastors' wives' group), and Prayer devotees offered up 2013 Workers' Devotional Service with Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee as the speaker.

10,000 branch and associate churches

### Arise, Shine!



## Goodness (2)

# The level of goodness (2)

“And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect” (Romans 12:2).

As time is drawing near the last hour, sin and evil prevail and it's hard to find goodness and those who have true faith. However, the darker it is the easier it is to spot even a ray of light. Now, love is cooling down and the world is getting more and more evil. If we, as God's children, practice goodness, we can become light shining on the dark world and we can lead people to the Light. In doing so, we can give great glory to God.

In the previous edition, we looked into the first and second levels of goodness of the four steps to achieve perfect goodness. The first level is not to react in evil and to suppress ill-feelings. The second level is not to have any kind of discomfort or ill-feelings. Then, what are the third and fourth levels of goodness and how can we achieve such goodness?

## 1. The 3rd level of goodness: moving even the hearts of those who do evil against you

At the second level of goodness there is no evilness in the heart, so there is no negative counter-reaction to the evil. This level can be called the level of passive goodness. But, the third level of goodness can be called an active level of goodness. That is, it doesn't stay at the level of not reacting with evil to evil but reaches that of reacting with goodness toward evil people. A person who has achieved this level of goodness can be said to have reached the level of whole spirit.

Matthew 5:39-42 says, "...but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. If anyone wants to sue you and take your shirt, let him have your coat also. Whoever forces you to go one mile, go with him two. Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you."

If you can practice the kind of acts of goodness in these verses from the depth of your heart and in a natural way, you are at the 3rd level of goodness. You do not calculate your loss or gain. You don't even care about sacrificing yourself to fulfill what is good. Also, even if there is a person who acts like an enemy towards you, you would only think of the ways to have peace with him. Of course, in reality, you might have to sacrifice yourself. But if your heart is filled with goodness, you would not feel this is something difficult because you find yourself happy to do good.

Also, what is important is that spiritual power is in sinlessness and you will have stronger spiritual light as you get rid of evil and accomplish goodness in you. Once you enter into the 2nd level of goodness, since the enemy devil and Satan cannot work through you due to your spiritual light, tests and trials will leave you. Also, even if you face a trial, you will be blessed because you will pass it with goodness. When you enter into the 3rd level of goodness, the evil one will not be able to even touch you, and you will be able to destroy the deceptive methods of the enemy Satan and



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

the devil.

For example, a person who has acted with evil toward you can be moved in his heart by your words and deeds of goodness so that he will repent and turn from his ways. The reason this happens is because spiritually the enemy devil that was working on the other person leaves because your spiritual light is so strong and the spiritual light reaches the small portion of goodness that is remaining in the other person.

Therefore, I want you to remember that goodness is not being nice and giving up but the power to drive away the enemy Satan and devil and destroy their schemes. And now, are there any of you who are thinking, 'I haven't even cast off my evil yet. When will I be able to pass the 2nd level and reach the 3rd level of goodness?' Galatians 6:9 says, "Let us not lose heart in doing good, for in due time we will reap if we do not grow weary."

Even if you have not yet cast off your evil completely, if you just try to act in goodness, you will be able to get rid of your evil more quickly. Of course, it would be different from good words and good deeds coming from the heart that is completely cultivated with goodness. But if you try to think in goodness, speak in goodness, and act in goodness, then goodness will be added in you, and to the same extent the evil is cast off. If you have removed all the evil in you, then it means you have reached the 2nd level of goodness.

So, even in the 2nd level of goodness, you can have such good words and deeds that can move the heart of the other person. But sometimes, you just stay at the same level by not reacting with evil and only occasionally speaking good words that can comfort the heart of those who act evilly toward you. In addition, you can still act in goodness to move the other person's heart.

At the 3rd level of goodness, however, you will always have words and deeds of only goodness. You should not think you are at the 3rd level of goodness just because you do not have any ill-feelings in you

and you speak with good words even to those who did evil to you. You should check whether your good deeds are always the same in any kind of situation and toward any kind of person.

## 2. The 4th level of goodness: giving your life unsparingly even for those who do evil to you

At the 4th level of goodness that is the highest level, you will be able to give your life unsparingly even for those who do evil to you. It is the level of goodness of God who gave His only begotten Son as an atoning sacrifice for sinners. Also, it is the level of goodness of our Lord Jesus who gave up His life not only for the righteous but also for sinners.

Jesus was hung on a tree to redeem us from the curse of death that was inflicted upon sinners. He shed His precious blood to redeem the sinners from their sins once and for all. This is because God wanted to gain children of whole spirit who have the heart of Jesus Christ and love God to the utmost degree.

In the Bible we can find people who have reached this 4th level of goodness with a heart like Jesus, who gave His life even for evil people. In Exodus 32:32, Moses prayed for the people of Israel who kept on disobeying God's Word. It is said, "But now, if You will, forgive their sin and if not, please blot me out from Your book which You have written!"

Moses let the people of Israel experience God's wondrous works including letting them cross the Red Sea as if they were walking on dry land. Still, they continually complained and grumbled against Moses. Even for such people as this, when God's wrath was about to fall on them, Moses prayed to God. He offered his life as collateral to receive forgiveness for the people. The apostle Paul confessed in Romans 9:3 which reads, "For I could wish that I myself were accursed, separated from Christ for the sake of my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh."

Here, "my brethren, my kinsmen" refer to Jews and Pharisees who persecuted and interfered with the apostle Paul so much. Some Jews formed a conspiracy and bound themselves under an oath saying that they would neither eat nor drink until they would kill Paul. Likewise, the apostle Paul wanted even those who persecuted him to be saved though it would cause him to fall. If you reach this level of goodness, the enemy devil and Satan cannot hinder or interfere with you. You will also be able to receive authority and power and give glory to God greatly. You will dwell in New Jerusalem, the most beautiful place in Heaven, and remain close to the throne of the Father to enjoy greater honor forever.

Dear brothers and sisters, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will long for goodness, obey the Word of God, and come into the level of complete goodness more quickly.

## 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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# Method of spiritual growth: Eliminating self-righteousness and self-frameworks

**Q** Though I've managed a diligent Christian life and worked as a church worker, it feels like I am not growing spiritually and there seems no tangible fruit of blessing, so I feel distressed. What can I do in such a troubling situation?

**A** You may have several reasons for your distress, but why not first check if you have self-righteousness and individually developed personal frameworks or 'self-frameworks'. You must demolish them to grow spiritually. Then, let me tell you about what self-righteousness and self-frameworks are and the cases where a person does not please God due to them. I hope you will check yourself.

## Self-righteousness

'Self-righteousness' can be defined as insisting that a person's personal viewpoint is the right one. Namely, if we insist that we are right and hold fast to our opinions, it is self-righteousness. Even though men may think something is right, it is not always right in the sight of God. If we have this self-righteousness, we cannot completely follow the will of God.

One part of this self-righteousness is the worldly kind of righteousness which is clearly in opposition to the will of God. Another aspect of self-righteousness is the righteousness formed on the foundation of the truth. It is not easy to find righteousness formed within the truth for yourself. Such an aspect is usually found in those believers who have extensive knowledge of the truth and practice the truth to some extent. Why is that?

Many of them perform God-given duties and they can bear fruit in their duties. So, they sometimes consider themselves righteous and they are apt to overestimate their level of faith. Without noticing it, they think that their ideas are right and their actions are right. Because this form of righteousness is masked with the truth, the individual cannot really differentiate it from the righteousness of God.

Thus, it is harder for workers of faith to discover their self-righteousness. For this reason God sometimes allows trials for them so they can realize this self-righteousness and break it. Job is one of the examples of a case like this. Only when we break this kind of self-righteousness can we follow the will of God all the time and reap abundant blessings.

## Self-frameworks

Self-frameworks are hardened forms of learned thinking that a certain way doing thing is the right way and only way. Based on their knowledge or experience, they harden their opinions as to what is right. But this framework is often not right according to facts or the truth of God. But most people discern between what they believe is right and wrong based on such frameworks. The frameworks can also be categorized into personally developed worldly frameworks and frameworks formed with the truth. Such worldly frameworks are those that you make with worldly knowledge and social etiquette. The frameworks of the truth are the frameworks made in faith based on the truth, the Word of God.

Based on their frameworks, people persist in the belief that they are right; but this is self-righteousness. Those who have strong frameworks are likely to force their own thoughts on

others or they have judges or criticize others saying that their thoughts are wrong. Thus, self-righteousness and personal frameworks are very closely related.

Some people are very introverted and they don't express themselves much, so it seems that they don't insist on their personal thoughts. But even these people might have very strong righteousness. For example, they don't actively show their self-righteousness, but if you talk with them, you cannot really have a meaningful conversation. Even though all others give them the same kind of advice, they don't accept it.

On the other hand, some people have outgoing characters with loud voices and they seem to strongly insist on their ways, thoughts and ideas, but they may not actually have a strongly developed self-righteousness. They may accept other people's opinions and accept different kinds of people.

## Major cases of not pleasing God due to self-righteousness and frameworks

### | Passing Judgment and Condemnation on Others |

Some people, seeing other people, might think, "He shouldn't be doing that! Why is he acting like that?" or they easily give advice or rebuke others saying, "You should do this." They don't really understand others' hearts or their situations. Yet they rashly pass judgment and condemnation on others. It is judgment caused by self-frameworks with thinking that their way is the proper way to lead a life in Christ. In their self-righteousness they may insist that because they know the truth so well their thoughts and way are correct.

### | Disobeying |

When a superior gives an order for something to be done, some people disobey due to their frameworks. They say they obey, but they interpret the orders within their frameworks and act without understanding the meaning.

If they don't break their frameworks, the same kind of action is repeated over and over again and consequently they disobey. Some others disobey God although they

know the will of God very well because their opinions are different.

### | Making others suffer painful or difficult situations |

We are taught to humble ourselves and serve others, but some people make a framework with this word about service to others. They make some frameworks and teach subordinates saying, "The lower in the order has to unconditionally submit in obedience to their leaders. When a higher person visits the members, others are expected to serve him in a certain way."

Of course, it is not wrong to teach the ways to serve others. But, if they insist such things out of greed, they are being cheated even by themselves. Even though their subordinates suffer, they just think they cannot accept the truth in teaching because their measure of faith is so small.

Because each person has different measures of faith and different situations, if we don't accept others with a broad mind due to our frameworks, then others will sense our personal frameworks and not feel accepted.

**God** has poured down His love through the love of the cross and in the works of the Spirit so all men can reach salvation. If we feel this love, we cannot help but humble ourselves, love God and try to think of the things which are pleasing to God. Having this kind of thought in mind, as we always listen carefully to the Word of God and fervently pray, we can always feel God's great love and have longing for the heavy aroma in the scent of goodness. We hope you will discover your self-righteousness and personal frameworks through the Word of God and prayer to be able to demolish them. By doing so, may you grow up in spirit and be led by the Spirit in life-filled Christian life!

I graduated from College of Engineering in Seoul National University with a bachelor degree in mechanical design and earned my Master in Pohang University of Science and Technology in 1990. After that I started my career smoothly at Samsung Electronics with my focus on the research and development of its products. In 1993, Senior Deaconess Hyungjung Lee and I were married and we had our daughter, Gayung, and our son, Jungwoo. In July, 1998, I registered in Manmin Central Church through my wife's prayer and suggestion.

My wife said, when my daughter Gayung turned 5, she had seen a ghost and felt afraid of it. I hadn't believed in the existence of ghosts and hadn't given it any thought before. But it became a reality when it happened to my daughter. So, we went to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee and received his prayer. Since then, she hasn't seen any ghosts.

It had not been easy for me to keep the whole Sabbath in my life, but through this incident I experienced the living God. My team in Samsung often worked overtime at night or even all night. At times I worked on Sunday.

So, I started to work much harder during weekdays to keep the whole Sabbath so that there was no problem in the overall work schedule of the team. I had done so steadily, and in the end I got recognition from my team and company. As a result, I came to be able to keep the whole Sabbath. I tried my best to serve, sacrifice, and act in the Word of God. Then, I achieved recognition and heard compliments from people around me and I came to be full of happiness and joy.

## Keeping the whole Sabbath led to overflowing blessings of God!

Elder Kwanggyu Ko  
(Director of Research Center in Mirae M&H)



Elder Kwanggyu Ko and his family

God delighted in these small deeds of mine and blessed me. In 2000, I moved to another portable sound system development company and became a director in the Research Center whose development team alone has more than 30 researchers. In October, 2002, I made an offering for mission work just before Dr. Lee left for India to lead 2002 India Miracle Healing Prayer Festival and received his prayer. For the following three months, amazing works happened

to me.

From Minister's Award of the Ministry of Commerce, Industry and Energy in 2002 Korea Technology Exposition; Excellence Award in the field of Design Administration in 2002 Korea Design & Brand Competition; the President's Award in 2002 Venture Business Korea; Design Award in 2003 World Design Forum; to Technical Innovation Award in 2003 Electronics Exposition, USA! I came to receive as many as

five awards that were quite meaningful and prestigious at home and abroad. Hallelujah!

On August 1, 2004, I received Dr. Lee's prayer for blessings of the company I was working for at that time. In those days, the company had tried to be listed on the KOSDAQ for several years, but had failed. But on the morning after I received Dr. Lee's prayer, I heard that the company was successfully listed on the KOSDAQ! It was told that all the negotiations had been wrapped up by midnight. I could see that all complicated problems were unraveled right after the time of the prayer and then the negotiation ran well and it was successfully closed by midnight.

Since 2008, I have worked for a wireless internet sharer development company. I prayed in Daniel Prayer Meeting and relied on God all the time, and God blessed me to develop the world's first new product in a short period of time. The product was certified in South Korea in 2009 and in Russia and Japan in 2010. Its annual turnover reached 10 billion won—about 10 million US dollars.

My family offers up prayers of thanksgiving to God every day because we know it is the great love of God and His blessing to lead us to the precious church and shepherd. Moreover, my father, who used to be busy with ancestral rites as the eldest son of the eldest son's family, registered in my church with my mother. And he even became a deacon and she became a deaconess.

I give all thanks and glory to God who has guided my life in such a blessed way.

## “By the prayer of power, I was blessed to conceive a baby”

Sister Hortense Bandome(right) and her children  
(Kinshasa Manmin Holiness Church, DR Congo)



I was born into and raised in a Muslim family. In 1998, I got married and in the following year I gave birth to Valerie, my daughter. Afterwards, I delivered my second child but my baby died a few days after birth. The same thing took place in 2005, and I went to hospital to figure out the cause and had a thorough medical check-up. It was revealed that I was rubella virus positive and I could no longer have a baby.

In February, 2006, I attended Dr. Jaerock Lee's DR Congo Miracle Healing Festival. I received his prayer for the sick when he prayed on the stage after he had preached. Right then, God opened my spiritual eyes and I saw a white dove flying to him and sitting on his shoulder. I felt the presence of God and gave thanks and glory to God seeing countless people make lines to give their testimonies of healing.

In 2008, I registered in Kinshasa Manmin Holiness Church with longing for the holiness gospel that addresses the true sense of the Word of God in an easy and understandable way. I read Dr. Jaerock Lee's testimonial memoirs *Tasting Eternal Life before Death* and I was greatly moved knowing many kinds of incurable diseases he had had were burnt by the fire of the Spirit all at once. I was given faith that God would settle my problem of infertility.

In April, 2009, DR Congo Crusade was conducted with Mrs. Boknim Lee, President of Manmin Prayer

Center that is an affiliate of Manmin Central Church. I thought it would be a good opportunity to receive the blessing of conception and prepared myself with a longing heart. After she preached, Mrs. Lee prayed for the sick on the stage with the handkerchief of power on which Dr. Jaerock Lee had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). I received the prayer with an earnest heart. Then, I was convinced that I would be able to have a baby and I shed tears full of thanks and emotion. Afterwards, I came to have a baby and delivered my son, Daniel.

In late 2011, I saw a quadruple rainbow that was very clear and huge. Not long after, I came to know that I had become pregnant again. As my due date was drawing near, I went to hospital. But the check-up result showed that my twins were entangled with each other inside. My doctor told me that I had to have a cesarean to save at least one of them.

Before the operation, I drank Muan Sweet Water and I prayed earnestly with faith that both twins would be born healthy. Finally, I delivered healthy fraternal twins, son and daughter and became a mother of four children just as I had seen a quadruple rainbow in the dream. Hallelujah!

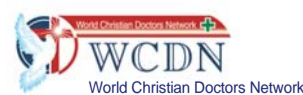
(Ref: Muan Sweet Water is the sweet drinkable water that had been changed from the salty sea water by Dr. Lee's prayer and it contains the power of God)



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