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"Heaven and Hell Are Not Fiction!"

Spiritual World Really Exists and Afterlife Awaits Us



The God of love created the heavens, the earth, and all things in them. He sent Jesus to be the One who would save us, and He has clearly led in teaching us about Heaven and Hell so countless people could be saved, be awakened from spiritual slumber, and share love forever with Him in New Jerusalem. (Photo: *Heaven I & II* in 14 languages and *Hell* in 18 languages)

Anyone might ask the questions, 'Where will men go to after the life on the earth?' and 'Is there really an afterlife?' or 'Do Heaven and Hell really exist?' However, most people meet with death before they realize the answers. Even though some believe in an afterlife, they are barely able to enter Heaven because of lack of knowledge of Heaven.

Moreover, it is a heart-breaking situation to hear about major accidents or natural disasters resulting in the deaths of dozens of or even thousands of people. Matthew 7:21 reads, "Not everyone who says to Me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven will enter."

Heaven is a very beautiful and happy place and there is nothing we know of that can be compared to it. Since God owns Heaven and He is holy with no blemish and no spot, only those who act in His will can enter Heaven. He is also the God of justice who lets us reap what we sow. He allows us to reap 'Heaven' if we sow faith in our freewill and to dwell in a better dwelling place in Heaven to the extent that we live in the will of God. That is why Matthew 11:12 says, "From the days of John the Baptist until

now the kingdom of heaven suffers violence, and violent men take it by force."

In 2002, Dr. Jaerock Lee, a world-renown revivalist, revealed the mysteries of Heaven and Hell that were explained in the inspiration of the Spirit. He did it through publishing three books. The book *Heaven I* depicts the beauty of Heaven that is 'as clear as crystal', *Heaven II* illustrates the city of New Jerusalem that houses the glory of God, and Hell contains the earnest love of God who doesn't want anyone to go to *Hell*. The books have been translated and printed in many languages.

Through 2014, *Heaven I & II* have been published in 14 languages: Korean, English, Traditional and Simplified Chinese, Japanese, Spanish, Russian, French, Portuguese, German, Vietnamese, Italian, Indonesian, and Polish. *Hell* has been printed in 18 languages including Malaysian, Urdu, Thai, and Hindi, which has awakened countless numbers in the world from spiritual slumber.

The books *Heaven I & II* and *Hell* are available in well-known bookstores and online bookstores such as Amazon.com; through them many people

have now read the books and felt the love of God. They said they came to long for New Jerusalem in Heaven.

Manmin Central Church members had a special time of grace when they could feel the existence of Heaven and Hell more substantially. Just as written in 2 Corinthians 12:2 where Apostle Paul's spirit was separated from his body and saw Paradise, God allowed the spirits of eight pastors and workers of Manmin who achieved sanctification to be separated from their bodies at one place and visit Hell, the Lower and Upper Graves, and the dwelling places in Heaven during the second half of Friday All-night Service on May 25, 2013. They each testified to their experience. Their realistic testimonies helped the believers have more assurance in the existence of both Heaven and Hell which Dr. Lee had preached about. Through this, Manmin's members have been riding on more rapid flow of spiritual growth and change. (Relevant stories on Page 4)

Let's give all thanks and glory to God who shows us Heaven and Hell clearly and blesses us to lead the Spirit-filled Christian life with true faith and hope.



"My husband had a hearing impairment but came to hear and we were protected in the earthquake"

Sister Titikan Bunsom, aged 38, Chiang Rai Manmin Church in Thailand

I accepted the Lord 16 years ago, but I used to be just a churchgoer. I even stopped going to church ten years ago. But in May 2013, I began attending Chiang Rai Manmin Church, ministered to by Pastor Jaewon Lee, and now I am leading a proper Christian life.

Chiang Rai Manmin Church joins the worship service of Manmin Central Church in Seoul via GCN. Dr. Jaerock Lee's messages helped me understand the heart and will of God. He taught us to keep the whole Sabbath, pray unceasingly, and cast off sins and evil such as hard-feelings, hatred, and anger.

I was hot-tempered and often burst out into anger. I threw things at my son and hit him when my son didn't listen to me. But I realized my evil through the messages and changed into a person with kindness. Amazingly, my son also changed into an amiable boy. He was addicted to computer games, but he stopped playing them. He used to sing worldly songs, and read comic books, but stopped that too.

Moreover, my husband was unable to hear but he was blessed to hear sounds by Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer. In particular, when he heard Manmin Praise, he could hear the songs faintly. How happy and joyful I felt!

Around 6 o'clock on May 5, 2014 the earthquake measuring a magnitude of 6.3 struck near Chiang Rai. I live on the fourth floor of a five-story multiplex housing and one of my church members lived on the fifth floor. The strong earthquake caused other places to crack or the roofs collapsed. But even in such a dangerous situation my house and the member's house had no loss at all. Hallelujah!

I give all thanks and glory to God who protected me in the severe earthquake and blessed me to live a life as God's child.



(God Is Love)

Towards Sanctification

"If you love Me, you will keep My commandments" (John 14:15).

If your child is suffering and dying of a dreadful disease, as parents you might want to take the suffering on behalf of the child or you might think you wouldn't spare your life as long as it could save your child. The heart of God is the same. His heart for those who have become His children after accepting Jesus Christ is love

Now let's look into God's providence in human cultivation on the earth. Let's examine His love for His children and the reason He takes delight in them becoming sanctified.

1. The meaning and significance of sanctification

One dictionary definition of 'sanctification' is 'the act or process of acquiring sanctity, of being made or becoming holy.' What does it mean in the Lord?

It spiritually means that one, who used to go astray due to sins, receives the grace of salvation through Jesus Christ and changes by the power of the Holy Spirit to have a pure heart which is void of evil. In other words, people more closely resemble the Lord through living lives of believers and finally recover and accomplish the lost image of God.

Therefore, 'being sanctified' is one of our duties as God's holy children, and it is the ultimate goal of our Christian lives. Leviticus 11:45 reads, "For I am the LORD who brought you up from the land of Egypt to be your God; thus you shall be holy, for I am holy." God brought the Israelites up from Egypt and chose them as His elect because He wanted to make them His holy people who resembled the holy God. Now it becomes more important for us to become sanctified since the Holy Spirit dwells

1 Thessalonians 4:3 says, "For this is the will of God, your sanctification..." and 5:23 states, "Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ." Our sanctification is the will of God. It is also the reason why Jesus redeemed us from all our sins by shedding His precious blood.

Romans 6:6 says, "Knowing this, that our

old self was crucified with Him, in order that our body of sin might be done away with, so that we would no longer be slaves to sin." Jesus redeemed us from all our sins by His precious blood to open the way of our sanctification in which we no longer sin.

If one has tasted the grace and then has again fallen away into sins, he or she again crucifies the Son of God and puts Him to open shame (Hebrews 6:4-6). Jesus' salvation through crucifixion means nothing for those who go on sinning willfully without casting sins away. Of course, they won't be saved. If we have faith and know the love of God, then it is natural that we go forward in the process of our sanctification.

2. To become sanctified in heart

Then, what is the way of achieving sanctification in heart? John 14:15 explicitly tells us the way saying, "If you love Me, you will keep My commandments." If you truly love God, you will keep His commandments and naturally accomplish sanctification of heart.

After we become God's children, we come to keep His Words as the evidence of our love for Him. The Word is God, so those who love God naturally love to hear the Word of God, engrave it deep in their hearts, and act according to it. So, 1 John 5:3 says, "For this is the love of God, that we keep His commandments; and His commandments are not burdensome." If we love God, we will enjoy keeping His commandments and do it happily, then we won't feel troubled.

Then, what kinds of commandments are there in the Word of God? For instance, there are words that tell us 'to do' and 'not to do' something such as we are to 'love our enemies' and we are 'not to judge or condemn others'. There are also words that command us to keep or to abstain from or throw away things as well. 'To keep the Sabbath holy' or 'to abstain from every form of evil' are examples. Only those who keep such commandments can be said to love and fear God.

We should let the truth dwell in our hearts by casting away sins and living according to the Word. Laying aside our old selves and renewing ourselves is what we must do to go forth towards sanctification. Moreover, to the extent that we become sanctified, 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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Senior Pastor of Manmin Central Church Dr. Jaerock Lee

He is God's servant of love and power who has awakened people of all nations by spreading the core of the gospel following the example set by the Lord in manifesting the fiery works of the Holy Spirit.

Manmin Central Church opened with only 9 adults and 4 children in 1982. Through the works of the Holy Spirit the church has grown to become a megasized church with approximately 10,000 branch and associative churches world-wide. Just as Jesus preached and confirmed the word by the signs that followed His teaching, Dr. Jaerock Lee confirms that the Bible is the truth by showing the power of God.

- He has conducted many overseas crusades such as in Uganda, Japan, Pakistan, Kenya, the Philippines, Honduras, India, Russia, Germany, Peru, DR Congo, the U.S., and Estonia since 2000 and he has shown explosively powerful works as in the Uganda Crusade that was reported by CNN.
- He also preached in Jerusalem at the Israel United Crusade 2009. He proclaimed Jesus is the Messiah and it was broadcast live to approximately 220 countries. He is dedicated to the Word and prayer to accomplish the providence of God who desires all people of all nations to be saved at the end time by proclaiming the gospel to the end of the earth and achieving the mission of the ministry to North Korea.

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increases in our hearts.

The latter part of Luke 17:21 says, "For behold, the kingdom of God is in your midst." Just as written, to the extent that we cast away sins from our hearts, the hearts are more filled with the kingdom of God. Heaven is not all the same but the dwelling place and rewards are all different from person to person according to how much they cast off sins and how faithful they are in working for His kingdom.

If those who love God and have faith know this, they will have a more earnest hope for Heaven and become sanctified by fighting against sins and throwing them away. Therefore, your sanctification is the clearest expression of your faith in God and the evidence of your love for God.

3. The reason God wants us to become sanctified

Then, why does God tell His children to 'achieve sanctification even by striving against sins to the point of shedding blood' as written in Hebrews 12:4? It is because He loves His children.

Before explaining about why it is in His love that God wants us to become sanctified, let's look into the heart of men prior to the introduction and entrance of sin. Adam was created in God's image. He was of goodness because he had no evil. Adam was taught only the truth and goodness by God, so he knew nothing of sins and evil which are opposite to all he knew.

Adam, who originally had no sin and evil, enjoyed the authority of ruling over all things and he lived in the beautiful Garden of Eden where he lacked nothing. He also communicated with God who is spirit and he was enjoying the blessing of eternal life. However, through the temptation of the serpent, he committed the sin of disobedience, that is, he ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil that God had forbidden. From then on, a great change occurred according to the spiritual law. Everything was done as Romans 6:16 says, "Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?"

Adam's transgression caused all his authority to be handed over to Satan, that is, to the ruler of darkness. Since Adam, who was a living spirit, sinned and became flesh, he began to lose the image of God and became stained with sin and evil. It resulted that all descendants of Adam who sinned came under the control of Satan, which caused them to undergo every suffering on the earth and to eventually reach eternal death.

When God saw them lose all authority as His children and live lives no more than that of a beast, He felt great pain because He knew that they would end up in everlasting suffering in Hell. Then, what is the way we can recover the spiritual authority that the first man Adam had, and how can we again fully enjoy happiness?

The way is for us to accept Jesus Christ, be forgiven of all sins, and completely recover the lost image of God. In the spiritual realm, being sinless is power. Thus, sanctification is the only way. To the extent that we cast off sins and achieve sanctification, we can get back the authority that God gave to Adam and defeat Satan.

We can also manifest the works of the Holy Spirit to the same extent that we become sanctified. And we can possess the spiritual world transcending the limits of the flesh. Only when we become sanctified in this way can we achieve the heart of God and spiritual love. If one achieves spiritual love that even gives life and works faithfully in all aspects, they can dwell in New Jerusalem the best dwelling place in Heaven with the Lord.

Therefore, God's urging us to become sanctified is the expression of His greatest love for us. He also tells us to regain all spiritual authority and blessings that were lost through Adam's transgression.

4. God's way of leading people into sanctification

God led His people in various ways to make them perfect, spotless, and sanctified children. In the Old Testament time, He gave them the Ten Commandments through Moses and by letting them keep the commandments He helped them turn away from sins. He also sent prophets and allowed them preach His words to them whenever the Israelites sinned so that they could turn back from evil and repent. Furthermore, He has been setting men as good examples worthy to be followed in every age so that believers could run towards sanctification more earnestly.

Even though a student is very smart, his performance will be much different depending on whether he studies his textbooks alone or if he is taught by a teacher who shows practical examples in teaching. In the same manner, when we are with exemplary men together with God's Word we can run towards sanctification with greater faith and hope.

Jesus who is the Word came to the earth in flesh. Not only did He teach the truth but He practiced His Words, by which He showed good examples in everything. He taught us to love one another, and He practically healed people of diseases and infirmities and felt compassion over sinners and forgave them even up to seventy times seven. Following Him, we can also enter the depth of love. Jesus also told us serve one another and humble ourselves, and He Himself humbled Himself by washing creatures' feet and obeying until death. Learning from Him, we come to humble ourselves and serve one another.

1 John 3:2-3 reads, "Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is. And everyone who has this hope fixed on Him purifies himself, just as He is pure."

Here, 'this hope fixed on Him' refers to the hope that we will put on spiritual body that doesn't perish forever as Jesus did and live forever with the Lord in Heaven where there is no tear, sorrow, pain, disease, and death. If one has this hope to live with the beloved Lord forever he/she can achieve His perfectness.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, now we should put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth. I pray in the name of the Lord by doing so when He comes to take us you will enter into the bosom of the Lord your Bridegroom as a spotless and beautiful bride.

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"By the Lord's Grace My Life Changed"

Brother Hwansang (Vision) Kim aged 55, 1-9 Parish in South Korea

Junior Deaconess Youngja Yim aged 63, 2-16 Parish in South Korea

"When I saw the brilliantly dazzling flowerbeds, I felt peaceful and wonderful!"





"I cannot keep from going to Hell with this kind of faith!"

In May, 2013, I experienced an amazing thing during Friday All-night Service. In the service, the spirits of our church's pastors and workers who became sanctified were separated from their bodies by Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer in one place and their spirits visited Hell, Lower Grave, Upper Grave, and each dwelling place in Heaven. After their visits, they testified to what they had seen there. While I listening to the testimonies, God opened my spiritual eyes.

Brilliantly dazzling flowerbeds in Heaven came into my sight. I felt very peaceful and fascinated though I saw just flowerbeds. Then, God showed me people who were suffering with their bodies submerged in the lake of fire in Hell but with their faces outside of it. Afterwards, I read Dr. Lee's books Heaven I & II and Hell and came to know the places in detail. I realized the love of God who repays our deeds and I came to have greater hope for Heaven. Such experience served as the foundation of my faith and now I keep the whole Sabbath, give whole tithes, and pray in Daniel Prayer Meeting every night. I work as an assistant small group leader in my mission. I give all thanks and glory to God who blessed all my family members to run with hope for New Jerusalem.

I attended Friday All-night Service in May, 2013 through the persistence of my daughter Senior Deaconess Seunghee Oh who is a member of Nissi Orchestra. During the second half of the service, some people visited Hell, Lower and Upper Grave, and heavenly dwelling places and they testified to their visitation.

While listening to their testimonies, I was given faith in the existence of Heaven and Hell. When I heard about the misery of Hell, especially, I thought, 'I cannot keep from going to Hell with this kind of faith. I must lead a proper Christian life!'

Then, I started to attend Wednesday Service and Friday All-night Service as well as Sunday Services and to offer up whole titles. Meantime, I came to hate soap operas on TV and enjoy watching Dr. Jaerock Lee's sermons on GCN and listening to praises. I feel such happiness that it is as if I were in Heaven when I come to church.

As I try hard to live by the Word of God happily, blessings are overflowing in my hair salon I am running. I preach about Heaven and Hell to my customers these days. I give all thanks and glory to God who gave me hope for Heaven and blesses me to lead a true Christian life.

After I enlisted in the army in May 2006, I read many of Dr. Jaerock Lee's books including *Heaven I & II* and *Hell*. I received great grace through the books and made up my mind to lead a diligent Christian life after I got discharged from military service.

Meantime, in 2008 I had a dream right before being discharged from the service. I was drunk, walking with my friends in the dream. Then the heavenly gate opened and the Lord came in the air. At the moment I thought, 'The Lord really comes again in the air as the Bible says,' I was standing before the Judgment Seat and all my deeds appeared in the sea of glass in front of God's throne. I was thinking that I might be saved and go to Paradise at least. But a little bit of goodness worthy for salvation wasn't found in me. I was greatly alarmed. Finally the judgment ended and I fell into Hell.

While struggling, I woke up from the dream. I was so grateful that it was a dream and shed tears of relief. I cried myself to sleep. Now then I was in the lake of brimstone (Revelation 20:10)! I put out only my face and neck in the lake of brimstone. Many people were shouting with pain around me and I was also wailing miserably.

Brother Hyungbae Park aged 29, Young Adults' Mission in South Korea



"The houses glittering with golden colors and angels... New Jerusalem was magnificent!" "Save me! Please help me get out!" I shouted like this several times. Right then a person surrounded by brilliant light came over me who was in the darkness and held out his hand to me. He said, "God the Father has given you another chance." I saw him closely and recognized him. He was my Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee. I cried for a long time holding his feet. This dream was given to me in God's special grace. It caused my Christian life to change totally after the discharge in May, 2008.

In the second half of 2009, I had a dream of New Jerusalem which is the most beautiful place in Heaven. The houses glittered with golden color, the beauty of the ornaments was inexpressible, the flowers stayed fresh even though I walked on them, and I also saw angels. After I woke up from the dream, I was thankful to God who prepares such a beautiful and happy place as Heaven.

I came to understand the love of God in letting us reap what we sow. Knowing the heavenly dwelling place is decided according to the measure of faith, I tried hard to take a better dwelling place in Heaven by force. I finally achieved the heart of spirit and now I am running happily to achieve the heart of whole spirit that pleases God. I give all thanks and glory to God who blesses me to lead a truly valuable life.



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