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The Power of Re-creation Is Unfolding in This Church

The Works of the Holy Spirit, Sweet Water of Power, and Manmin Praise

The God of love is helping men to possess true faith by showing the power of re-creation through the Holy Spirit. The power of re-creation refers to the power that re-creates and renews things created by God

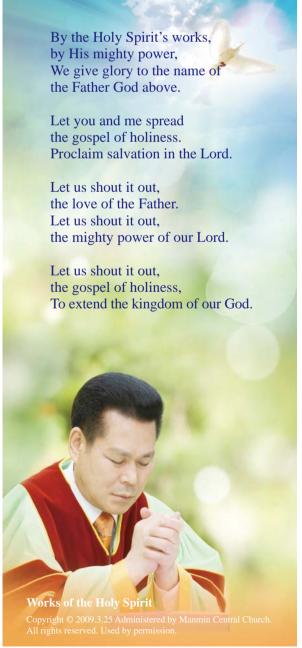
In Exodus 15:25, bitter water at Marah became sweet water by the power of God. Today as well, salty sea water in front of Muan Manmin Church was changed into drinkable fresh water by Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's prayer. In using the water in faith, people are experiencing works of healing and answers.

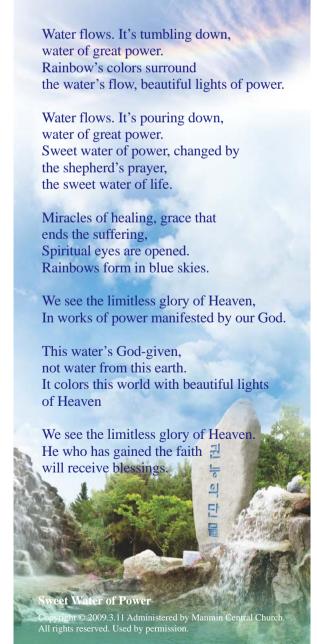
In Exodus 16:13-14, God sent manna and quail to the Israelites who were in the wilderness. God also sends swarms of dragonflies to Manmin members every summer. They sit on the members and let them feel happiness and God's love. Just like the members of the Early Church in Acts 2:43-47, Manmin members have experienced signs, wonders, and God's powerful works. They have prayed every day, helped one another, and diligently spread the gospel. Moreover, powerful works have been manifested through the handkerchiefs on which Dr. Lee had prayed just as extraordinary works unfolded when people carried handkerchiefs from Apostle Paul to the sick (Relevant story on Page 3).

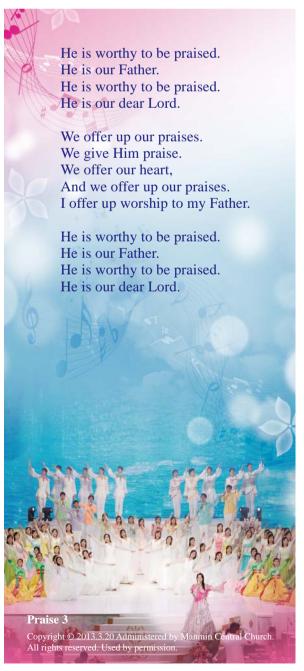
In Deuteronomy 31:19 and 22, God gave the song to the sons of Israel through Moses so that they could keep the Word of God and practice it even after they entered the Promised Land, Canaan. At this time too, God began giving Manmin praise songs beginning with 'Lord's Confession' as the first one on February 3 in 2009. He gives these songs to purify the members' hearts and to let them offer up God-

pleasing praises. Through them, Manmin members in and out of Korea have felt the love of God, have had hope of Heaven added by them, and their hearts have become beautiful and good.

On February 6 in 2015, during the first half of Friday All-night Service, Manmin members celebrated the sixth anniversary of Manmin Praise and praised together to give glory and thanks to God for giving the praises that all Manmin members all around the world can sing. Pastor Heejin Lee, Chairperson of Performing Arts Committee, preached the message under the title, "He Is Worthy to Be Praised" based on Isaiah 43:21. She said, "I urge you not to follow the worldly trend or flow but to awaken all people of all nations with the power of the shepherd, the word of life, and Manmin Praise. Let's give all thanks and glory to God."











Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

"I have heard the grumblings of the sons of Israel; speak to them, saying, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall be filled with bread; and you shall know that I am the LORD your God" (Exodus 16:12).

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Pharaoh did not want to let the Israelites go, even as Egypt was being afflicted with various plagues. But, after the plague of the death of the firstborn, he told the Israelites to leave quickly.

Everything was done as God had said. The sons of Israel now left Egypt and set out for Canaan. Counting only male adults there were 600,000. A mixed multitude also went up with them, along with flocks and herds, a very large number of livestock (Exodus 12:38).

Now let's look into their journey for Canaan with Moses. By delving into the incidents during the journey, I urge you to put yourselves in Moses' or the Israelites' position and check if you would act according to the will of

1. God parted the Red Sea and attested to Moses

From the moment the Israelites left Egypt, God moved ahead of them, guiding them with a pillar of clouds by day and a pillar of fire at night.

But Israel's peaceful march ended in a short time. Pharaoh took six hundred special war-chariots and all charioteers of Egypt to chase after them (Exodus 14:7). It must have been a fearful view. Before them was the Red Sea and from the behind, the Egyptian army was chasing them. The Israelites, struck by terror, began raising complaints against Moses.

This proved that they still didn't believe in God. They came out of Egypt because God heard their cries when they were suffering from

"You Shall Know That I Am the LORD Your God"

slavery. Moses didn't forcefully bring them out. But God did not rebuke the Israelites who had such little faith, but He showed a great work of His power through Moses

First, the angel of God, who had been going before the camp of Israel, moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from before them and stood behind them. Then, during the night, the side of the Israelites had light, but there was only the cloud and darkness on Egyptian side. The Egyptian army could not march forward in the complete darkness.

Finally, Moses stretched out his staff as God commanded him. By a strong east wind that blew all night, the vast sea was divided, the dry land appeared, and the people were walking on the dry land in the middle of the sea. When they finished crossing the divided Red Sea, Moses stretched out his hand over the sea again. Then the parted Red Sea returned to its normal state. In an instant, the whole Egyptian army was buried in the water.

Moses' sister Miriam and the women also danced with timbrels in their hands, giving glory to God. (Exodus 15:20-21). The Ten Plagues in just themselves were amazing, but God confirmed that He was with the Israelites and attested Moses once again by parting the Red Sea.

Moses fasted and prayed for the people

The fifteenth chapter of Exodus describes the incident at Marah. After they had crossed the Red Sea, the Israelites went into the wilderness. Not being able to get any drinking water, they arrived at a place called 'Marah.' They finally found water, but the water there was too bitter to drink. They had witnessed the Ten Plagues, and they had crossed Red Sea on dry land just three days before, but they again began to pour out their complaints without showing faith. Through faith of one person, Moses, God changed the bitter water into sweet water.

When they complained about food, God gave them manna. When they wanted more than manna, God sent quail to them so that they could enjoy eating meat. Again when there was no water, not even the bitter one, the people complained. God had Moses strike a rock and water came forth.

Through faith of only one person, Moses, God forgave all the Israelites and in His mercy sent the works to save them. Even after that, however, the people of Israel still could not show faith when they faced difficulties. The sympathetic concern that Moses had each time cannot be expressed with words. He had to pray on behalf of the people who did not have the faith to pray. At the same time, he had to teach them the truth and plant faith in them. Moreover, he was put in a desperate situation where he prayed for the people of Israel offering his own spirit.

It was when Moses went to receive the Ten Commandments. He fasted and prayed for 40 days to receive the Ten Commandments for the Israelites. But they were impatient when Moses had not yet showed up. They made a golden calf and were giving sacrifices before the image of the calf and enjoyed themselves eating and drinking. God was grieved over such evil acts they committed and was going to destroy all of them and form a great nation through Moses.

But Moses was pleading with God to save the people of Israel, offering his own spirit (Exodus 32:32). Through his desperate prayer, God forgave the people once again.

3. Miriam became leprous because she criticized Moses

Even though they had seen many works of God, they didn't have faith, so they complained against Moses and grieved God whenever faced with difficulties (Psalm 78:40). Although they were freed from the difficulties thanks to Moses' faith, they even criticized Moses saying he was unrighteous when something didn't agree with them.

For example, when Moses married a Cushite woman, his brother Aaron and his sister Miriam criticized him. Numbers 12:2 says, "And they said, 'Has the LORD indeed spoken only through Moses? Has He not spoken through us as well?' And the LORD heard it." They meant they had the authority to rebuke a wrongdoing of Moses because they were also prophets of God. God did not forgive Miriam and Aaron for criticizing Moses, for he was faithful in all God's household and was a man after God's heart. God poured His wrath on Miriam and Aaron who criticized Moses, and Miriam became leprous.

After Moses prayed to God to heal her, God healed her.

4. The reason why God showed the powerful works to the Israelites

While they were marching towards the Canaan Land, the Israelites saw many signs and wonders, but they continuously contested and complained against God and Moses, the man of God. However, God was patient with them; He just showed them so many powerful works so that their faith could grow.

Then why did God perform so many powerful works before the Israelites through the faith of Moses? This is because God earnestly wanted them to grow in faith through seeing the power of God. God guided them to know and believe in God through experiencing the works of the almighty God and to obey with their heart.

Also, when He performed a great work, He said, "You shall know that I am the LORD your God" (Exodus 16:12). Here, to know God is to cast off all sins and evil and resemble God who is Light. And, it is to obey the will of God with perfect spiritual faith. Only such persons can enter the Promised Land, Canaan.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, God protected the sons of Israel from the Ten Plagues, parted the Red Sea, sent manna and quail, and guided them with the pillars of cloud and fire. By His grace and power, the Israelites—God's elect—could enter into Canaan which stands for the holy dwelling place.

In order to enter the sacred place, we should cast off dirty and filthy sins and evil and achieve sanctification of our hearts. Also, we should believe God from heart and only give thanks and rejoice, though in hardship, with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith.

I pray in the name of the Lord that you will become God's true children and enter New Jerusalem the most beautiful heavenly dwelling place.

English

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
- 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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In 2008, I he ard about Senior Pastor Dr.

Jaerock Lee

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Sister Yoko Hayashi, studying languages to spread the holiness gospel to many souls who are living in darkness as she used to be

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I still liked
worldly pleasure and enjoyed playing
computer games and surfing the Internet.
I was complacent thinking I may be able

to be saved and enter Paradise. So I was

lazy in managing my believing life.

I kept on exposing myself to violent or sensual images or videos. I often drank alcohol. I was affected by mentally unhealthy materials and animations on the internet, so my attitude was unstable and negative. I knew it should never be going as it was, but there was nothing I knew that I could do about it.

When I was younger, I didn't open my heart to my parents, and I had few friends. Meantime, I confined myself in a negative framework of myself. And I was antagonistic toward other people. I was a cold person. I thought the online games

"Since Being Freed from Video Game Addiction, I Am Living with A Feeling of Life's True Value"

Sister Yoko Hayashi, age 24, Tabata Manmin Church, Tokyo, Japan

were my only shelter. I felt too anxious to keep calm thinking I would have no place to be without the games.

In March, 2011, a major earthquake with a magnitude 9.0 occurred off the coast of Tohoku region of Japan, in the north-western Pacific Ocean. It claimed many people's lives. I heard about and watched the incident through news articles and programs on TV and the Internet. It shocked me such that I couldn't sleep for several days.

'Such many people's lives ended at a single moment. Life is vain, indeed', I thought. I thought about where the people were now, and then I began sobbing and crying because I did know about Heaven and Hell and the holiness gospel and I didn't spread the good news to people.

Then I had a dream while sleeping. Senior Pastor appeared in the dream. He was sitting and watching the computer monitor and then he came over to me where I was lying down. He stroked my hair and said, "It's still early. You can rest a little more."

In the dream, I felt his gentle and warm heart and I was very happy. I finally made up my mind not to live in the way I had lived. I deleted the games and animations in my computer. I tried to pray at least for a minute every day and to read a chapter of the Bible daily. During worship services, I listened attentively to the sermons, took notes, and prayed about them.

In March 2013, I started to attend Tabata Manmin Church in Tokyo. I have led a happy Christian life with the help of Pastor Kyungtae Chung and the church members. I wait for the Lord's Day even during weekdays. I pray in Daniel Prayer Meeting every night and become filled with the Holy Spirit.

I was also given hope to accomplish the world mission with the shepherd so I am studying linguistics in the graduate school. I am also studying Chinese, English, and Korean. I've read almost all Senior Pastor's books in Japanese and Chinese because I have longed for his spiritual messages. I am a leader of Shining Praise Team and administrator of Young Adults' Mission. I am also in charge of publishing newsletter of our mission. I am so grateful.

I give all thanks and glory to God and the Lord who allowed me to realize the true value of life and live with hope for New Jerusalem.

From the age of nineteen, I did drugs,

smoked,

and drank alcohol

because

fatigue

was gone

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Brother Ryl Dumdum (second from right), who was freed from drug addiction by the grace of God, with his wife (second from left) and their three children

I had drug-induced hallucinations. In the meantime I met my wife and we got married. But happiness was just a fleeting moment.

I may have appeared to live a normal life

"By the Handkerchief Prayer, I Was Set Free from Drug Addiction"

Brother Ryl Dumdum, age 40, Cebu Manmin Church, the Philippines

with my wife, and our two daughters and son. But we often argued because I didn't give her full amount of my salary but kept some to buy alcohol and drugs. My wife did not know I was still drinking alcohol and taking drugs.

Meantime my wife began her Christian life in Cebu Manmin Church in November

Meantime my wife began her Christian life in Cebu Manmin Church in November 2011. On January 16 in 2012, I also went to the church. However, it didn't mean I broke my bad habits of drinking and drugs. I thought my life would be very boring without them. In 2014 I skipped church for almost six months.

My condition was worsening around that time. Without drugs I became weary. In December 2014, I bought a different

drug than what I did because I couldn't get what I had normally taken. Then my head was trembling and I foamed at the mouth. I went to hospital but the doctor couldn't figure out what the symptom was from.

My wife was perplexed, and my family urgently went to the church to receive the prayer of the handkerchief on which Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee had prayed (Acts 19:11-12). After Pastor Rosetta Sung prayed with the handkerchief for me, I became very peaceful.

After experiencing the amazing powerful work of God, my family gained peace and we are all leading diligent Christian lives. I give all thanks and glory to God who saved me from the swamp of sins.

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"My Life Became Totally Renewed After Meeting the God of Love"

Elder Hangcheol Shin, age 56, with his loving wife

One morning in January 1984, I was taking a walk. A 15-ton dump truck ran over me. It was a big accident. When I was rolling on the road, fear of death swept over me. I thought at the moment, 'My life is ending in this split moment.' Then this slipped out through my lips, "God! Save me, and I will go to church and do good works." And surprisingly, I was not injured at all.

I wanted to end my life due to alcohol addiction and depression

After the accident, from July in 1984, I began attending church. Not knowing the Word of God, I couldn't have faith. I was just a churchgoer. Also I liked drinking alcohol because my parents would give me alcohol even when I was very young. It was natural for me to drink alcohol. It was a source of joy in my life.

In 1989, I got married but I continued to enjoy drinking alcohol. So I frequently argued with my wife and even beat her. We had three lovely daughters, but I didn't change. My wife and I hated each other and fought with each other continuously. We were like enemies. In the end, I came to show the signs of alcohol addiction and had gastrointestinal disorders. When I

was sober, I felt nervous and shook. I complained about minor things that normal people might have easily understood. I got angry, and held ill feelings inside. I was living in pain every day.

In 1993, I started up a business named Joongang Brain which makes and sells office storage supplies. Since I opened it with small amount of money and the business didn't go well, debt was mounting over time. I thought nothing was going well with me. With no motivation, I was socially phobic, and depression took over me. It was not just once or twice that I wanted to give up on my life.

Nevertheless, I went to church three times a month for business' sake. Whenever I went, I repented, "God! I drink alcohol and commit sins. I am sorry. Please lead me to a church abounding in the word of life and help me to live a proper believing life like a decent human."

I met the God of love who healed my body and heart

In the meantime, I was guided to Manmin Central Church by Deaconess Seolhyun Na.

On November 15 in 2002, I was offering up the church's Friday All-night Service. Before the sermon was preached, the video about Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's 2002 India United Crusade was playing. The crusade deeply moved my heart.

Then Dr. Lee delivered a lecture on Genesis. During the message, he emphasized that we should cast off sins in our hearts and should live a life of goodness. His voice sounded like God's voice which was like the sound of thunder to me. I became assured that God led me to a church filled with the word of life. So I registered as a Manmin member on the following Sunday. Then I received Dr. Lee's book *Tasting Eternal Life before Death* which was a gift for new-comers.

After reading Dr. Lee's testimony in the book, I became filled with joy that I finally met the true shepherd. Listening to his sermons every week, I realized that the true Christian life is to cast away untruth and accomplish the heart of the Lord. That is what God really wants us to do!

And that was not the end of it. I was healed of alcohol addiction and

gastrointestinal disorders after Senior Pastor's prayer for the sick, and stopped drinking alcohol and smoking! I came to love praises, so I threw away about 2,000 music albums of pop songs, classical music, and so on. I prayed every night in Daniel Prayer Meeting. I unloaded my burden of sins and became able to share love with other believers in the church. Then, social phobia and depression were gone. Hallelujah!

Blessings are overflowing in my life

After these spiritual problems were addressed, blessings started to come upon my business. Although businessmen in the same field moved to another field due to various difficulties, I had no problem. Rather, more companies wanted to sign contracts with my business. I had more work than before. I felt so thankful for the grace of God. So I began trying to be a source of help for God's kingdom. Then God blessed me. I was reminded of having broken peace with my wife and He gave me grace of thorough repentance for it.

A year after my registration in the church, I became a small group

leader. Then, I became a group leader, vice president of a

mission, sub-district leader in my parish, and leader of sub-district leaders in my great grand parish, and then I even became vice president of Sub-district Leaders' Association. While I worked faithfully, it dawned upon me that what's important is that I should cast away untruth and work faithfully with the heart of spirit. I started to look back upon myself.

My parents were very strict. As the seventh child among their eight children, I had selfcentered character and strong self-righteousness. I was not moved to show forgiveness, consideration, or yielding of my position or belief. Worse, I was introverted and even conceited. So, I started to offer up prayer with fasting and repentance. And I tried to put myself in others' shoes. I longed to become void of ego and fill my heart with the Lord. I diligently broke my 'self'. I also fasted and prayed whenever Senior Pastor conducted overseas crusades.

On March 31 in 2014, I finally received blessing to achieve the heart of spirit, the heart God wants.

heart God wants.

My oldest sister, who was receiving treatment for colorectal cancer, watched me become renewed. She came to my church and received Senior Pastor's prayer. And it was medically proven she was completely healed.

Another sister of mine works for Seoul Metropolitan Subway. She registered in our church. She was recently blessed to get promoted from a stationmaster to a chief master supervising 150 stations. My mother is leading a happy Christian life as well.

I am very grateful and excited because I met this precious church at this end time and came to join in extending the kingdom of God. My family also overflows with happiness because my loving wife and daughters are also living with hope for Heaven. I give all thanks and glory to God who came to me, healed me, renewed me and blessed me. I'd like to shout it out!

"Come to Manmin Central Church. By God's powerful works, evil hearts change into good hearts, good personalities are developed, diseases are healed, all kinds of life problems are solved, and blessings overflow! Welcome!"



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