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## Easter Sunday Service and Holy Communion Resurrected and Renewed in the Grace of the Lord

The core of the Holiness Gospel is focused on the five-fold gospel consisting of Regeneration, Sanctification, Divine Healing, Resurrection, and Second Coming of the Lord. The Resurrection indicates that the Lord overcame death, resurrected, and became the Savior of all men. Here the term 'resurrection' doesn't just mean that a dead man is revived, but also it means the revived man gains perfect life and lives forever without seeing death.

As described in the Acts of Apostles, the disciples of Jesus Christ witnessed the resurrected Lord Jesus in person and came to be sure about their resurrection that would happen at the end time. With the assurance, they could lead a totally transformed life. Practically all of them had such firm faith in the resurrection that they were able to accept martyrdom while preaching the gospel.

On March 31, 2013, it was Easter Sunday, the time when Christians commemorate Jesus Christ's resurrection. In the Sunday Morning Service, Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee delivered the message entitled "Resurrection" based on Acts 1:11. He said every man has no choice but to die, but through the Lord's crucifixion and resurrection the way of eternal life was opened. He added that we can walk the way by being forgiven of sins and becoming God's child.

In the Sunday Evening Service, he preached with the title of "Grace Given to Us" taken from John 6:53-55. He emphasized that we should recover the image of God's child that God really wants by eating the flesh of the Son of Man and drinking His blood, namely, knowing and practicing the Word of God. After the message, Holy Communion was held in the main sanctuary, the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th sanctuaries and the members in other local sanctuaries and branch churches also joined the ceremony via GCN TV simultaneously. Catechism Ceremony and Baptism Ceremony were held on March 17, 2013 and on March 24, 2013 respectively.

Commemorating Easter Sunday, Women's Mission gave Easter eggs to the church members, government offices, schools, and offices around the church. In doing so, they delivered the love of the Lord who overcame death and resurrected. The church members had been preparing for the Easter Sunday by looking back upon their Christian life, repenting, and giving thanks and with prayer and fasting. With the day as the starting point, they came to be able to increase their faith more quickly. In fervent prayer, they have imprinted the love of the Lord on the cross and the glory of the resurrection in their hearts. They are now running to experience the resurrection.

Remember My tears and blood that I shed for My beloved ones.

Do not be overcome by evil and the world that are just nothing  
By thinking of the shepherd that the Father sent you at this end time

Remember those who lived in the glory in the Father's calling

My desire is that you never cause the price of My blood for you to be in vain.

I am near you always  
And I watch you all the time.

Do not cover My eyes and My heart, either.  
I always pray that all of you will participate in the resurrection.

I hope you will experience My earnest heart  
through the shepherd always,  
and you will feel it all the time  
through the Holy Spirit in you.

Excerpt from the prayer offered up by the Lord

## Goodness (8)

# Naaman's Goodness

“And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian” (Luke 4:27).

Naaman was a captain of the army of the king of Aram, a country that was adjacent to Israel. He was a valiant warrior, but he was a leper as written in 2 Kings 5:1. In those days, leprosy was an incurable disease so he couldn't be free from it even with good medicine or outstanding medical treatment of the time. He wasn't healed even when he relied on the god he served. But he received healing by the power of God after meeting Elisha the prophet of Israel.

The Bible tells us that not all men have been able to receive blessing although they were with prophets who performed great power and they were with Jesus the Son of God. Only the ones who sought the truth with goodness like the deer pants for the brook's water, like Naaman, can meet the living God and receive blessing.

So, Luke 4:27 reads, “And there were many lepers in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet; and none of them was cleansed, but only Naaman the Syrian.” By seeing the deeds of Naaman we can understand the keys to receiving the answers from God. Then, what aspects of Naaman were deemed as goodness?

## 1. Listening to the good news with humbleness

In the house of Naaman there was a young maidservant who had been taken captive from Israel. One day, she said to her mistress, “I wish that my master were with the prophet who is in Samaria! Then he would cure him of his leprosy.”

These words of hers were told to Naaman, and he did not reject her words at that time. Although he had a very high position next to the king, he was so humble that he would not even neglect the word of a lowly maidservant.

The words of the maidservant was the news of goodness. If we listen attentively to the good news with humbleness no matter whoever might preach it, God deems our hearts to be good. If Naaman had been wicked and stubborn, he would have neglected her words saying, “You are only a maidservant, why do you interfere?”

Today many people will not listen when we evangelize them saying, “God is alive. He can answer anything you desire if you come to Him with faith.” Their reaction tells us the extent that they are good. There are many who do not want to hear what preachers say though it is heard. As they come to hold higher positions and have greater possessions, they will not listen to the preachers and they tend to rely on the world more and more.

## 2. Showing the evidence of faith with deeds after listening to the good news

When he heard about the prophet of Israel from the maidservant, he didn't send his servants to bring the



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

prophet to him and he didn't send a letter asking the prophet to pray for him. He himself went to the prophet.

2 Kings 5:5 says, “[Naaman] departed and took with him ten talents of silver and six thousand shekels of gold and ten changes of clothes.” Naaman showed his earnest desire to be healed with offerings he had prepared with sincerity.

Naaman did not expect that he would reap what he had not sown. So, when he went to the prophet of God, he did not expect more than what he had sown. Instead, he prepared offerings with sincerity and earnest hope for his healing.

In the end, Naaman came to Elisha, though he was sick, with offerings he had prepared. But Elisha didn't personally come before Naaman, but he just sent a messenger to him, saying, “Go and wash in the Jordan seven times, and your flesh will be restored to you and you will be clean.” Naaman was furious and said, “Behold, I thought, ‘He will surely come out to me and stand and call on the name of the LORD his God, and wave his hand over the place and cure the leper.’”

When Elisha's servant told him to go wash himself seven times in the Jordan to be healed, in Naaman's own mind and by his own thoughts he could not believe what the servant had said. He has gone to Elisha with faith, but because Naaman had fleshly limitations, he could not believe and accept the words of the prophet, and instead he felt as if he had been mistreated. He was just about to return to his own country.

But, the following deeds of his tell us how good and humble he was. His servants said to him in 2 Kings 5:13, “My father, had the prophet told you to do some great thing, would you not have done it? How much more then, when he says to you, ‘Wash, and be clean’?” The fact that the servants called him ‘My father’ and they could give advice to their master shows how good and humble he was.

He did not neglect the words of his servants but listened to them. He was so broadminded that he could accept whatever was right and good. That's

why his servants could advise him with love. Naaman eventually turned his thinking around and he obeyed the advice his servants offered him. He dipped himself in the Jordan River seven times as instructed by the prophet Elisha.

The number “7” spiritually refers to the perfection. The water of the Jordan symbolizes the Word of God. So, his dipping himself in the Jordan seven times meant he fully obeyed the Word of God. He did not give up although he was not healed the third or fourth time. He fully obeyed God's command and dipped himself in the river seven times, in that way he fully experienced the work of God.

He followed the good will of God and obeyed the Word to the very last even though it was not consistent with his own thoughts. When Naaman believed the word of the prophet and fully obeyed it, God accepted it joyfully and healed him of his leprosy as recorded in 2 Kings 5:14. In other words, when we trust men of God, God regards it as trust in Him and as goodness, as recorded in 2 Chronicles 20:20.

## 3. To repay the grace he received unchangingly and without forsaking it

Luke chapter 17 describes that Jesus healed ten leprosy men but only one of them came to Him and gave thanks. Then, Jesus said in Luke 17:17, “Were there not ten cleansed? But the nine—where are they?”

Today when many people pray to God that He might heal them or give them the desires of their heart, they confess they will be faithful to the point of death after healing or vow something to receive God's answer. But in many cases they forget their confession after being healed. But Naaman didn't forsake the grace. 2 Kings 5:15 reads, “When he returned to the man of God with all his company, and came and stood before him, he said, ‘Behold now, I know that there is no God in all the earth, but in Israel; so please take a present from your servant now.’”

After he was healed, he didn't just leave for his country. He returned to Elisha with all his company and expressed his thanks. He also made a remark of determination that he would only acknowledge and serve God. (2 Kings 5:17)

Just as said above, God chose Naaman and received glory through him though he was a Gentile since he had a good inner heart that gave thanks for God's grace and would never betray God whom he met.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, the greatness of your blessing and the speed of answers are different according to how much goodness you have cultivated in your heart. I pray in the name of the Lord that you will have the heart of goodness like that of Naaman and manifest the goodness in perfect deeds. I hope by doing so you will become the source of joy and receive answer to your heart's desire.

## 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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# A life of subduing and ruling over

God created the first man Adam and then Eve and He blessed Adam to subdue and rule over all things.  
By delving into the spiritual meaning of the blessing, we hope you will be blessed to subdue and rule over your heart.



## ◆ Subdue the earth and rule over everything on it

God the Creator formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being. God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed and blessed him to enjoy the authority as God's child. God taught everything to the man and allowed him to subdue and rule over everything on the Earth as well as to cultivate and keep the Garden of Eden.

Genesis 1:28 records how much blessing God gave to Adam the first man He created. The first blessing that God gave to Adam was to 'be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth.' Along with Eve, whom God gave to Adam as his wife, Adam became fruitful, multiplied, and filled the 'earth' with his children in the Garden of Eden.

The second blessing that God gave to Adam was to 'subdue the earth.' God gave Adam the Garden of Eden and the Earth as an inheritance and told him to 'rule over and keep' them. The third blessing that God gave to Adam was to 'rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.' God gave Adam wisdom and understanding to make it possible, and blessed him to be able to rule over the animals by being in communion with them.

By the way, there was another reason why God allowed Adam to subdue the earth and to rule over everything. This is because in the second heaven, to which the Garden of Eden belongs, there is an area where the spirits of the darkness dwell as well.

In the second heaven, there is the Garden of Eden which belongs to the domain of light and there is also the domain of darkness. They are adjacent to each other. God separated the light from the darkness after saying, "Let there be light" on the first day of the six-day creation for human cultivation. Then, as it was the first night, God released evil spirits from the

Abyss. And on the second day, God gave them a place where they could dwell in the east of the Garden of Eden.

On the sixth day, God formed man and gave him the authority to subdue and rule over the earth and all things in it. God wanted him to protect the Garden of Eden and the Earth from evil spirits and blessed him to live the life worthy to be deemed God's child.

## ◆ With the truth, subdue your heart which is the spiritual field

As recorded in Genesis 2:16-17, 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." That is, eating from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil leads to death because the tree symbolizes God's sovereignty.

When the first man Adam obeyed the Word of God, he could subdue the earth and rule over all things on it. But everything changed after he ate from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. He was sent out from the Garden of Eden because he failed to watch over his heart and disobeyed. In the end, he came to eat from the ground only in toil because the ground of the earth was cursed due to his sin. He also eventually was faced with death just as it had been spoken that 'the wages of sin is death.'

Just as written in Matthew chapter 13, the ground and the field here stand for the heart of men who are formed of the dust from the ground. In other words, it indicates that whoever conquers his heart, which is spiritual land, and rules over it in accordance with the Word of God can recover the authority and power which Adam once possessed. Thus, when you cultivate the heart field into fertile land, it is the same as subduing spiritual land.

To the same extent that you don't cultivate the heart-field into fertile land, you can't subdue your

own heart. As long as you have fleshly attributes left in your heart, you cannot be said to have conquered your heart completely. This is because your heart is changeable if fleshly attributes still remain in you.

When we subdue our hearts completely, we can overcome the world that is full of sin and evil and keep our hearts from the worldly things. But if you don't you will be rather subdued by the worldly things when temptations or hardship come to you. Here, you can check how much you conquer your heart by seeing if you practice what you plan to do. To conquer it perfectly, you need to throw away 'rocks' in your heart and also root out the 'thorns' in it. Then, God's blessing will follow you.

## ◆ Subdue your heart by filling it with love

After subduing our heart, what should we control and rule over, and how? For example, if you have hatred in your heart, it is subduing your heart to pull it out. And when you put love in your heart, it is to control your heart. If you completely fill your heart with love it is to rule over your heart. If you reach this level, you will have no fleshly thought, hear the voice of the Spirit, and receive His guidance.

As read in Philippians 2:13, "For it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure," God is at work in us and leads us to achieve His will. The Spirit who searches all things, even the depths of God, lets us hear His voice, and guides us to the prosperous way.

If anyone can subdue his heart, it means he has cast away all untruthful things, so he can watch over his heart. In addition, if you control and rule over your heart with generous virtue and love, the evil one cannot touch you and people will obey you from the bottom of their hearts. People around you will praise you. We hope you will subdue, control, and rule over your heart and enjoy authority and blessing of God's child.

# ‘The Message of the Cross’, The message of life that awakens souls all over the world

Dr. Jaerock Lee’s sermon series “The Message of the Cross” clearly addresses God’s great love, His justice and the providence embedded in the human salvation including the explanation on the question ‘Why is Jesus Christ our only Savior?’ as written in 1 Corinthians 1:18 and 2:6-10.

Understanding the reason why God placed the tree of the knowledge of good and evil leads to realization of the deep love of God who wants to gain true children. In the providence of the cross that was hidden before the ages, you will also experience the love with which God saved us by giving His only begotten Son as an atoning sacrifice.

As explained above, ‘The Message of the Cross’ shows the great love of God and that Jesus Christ is the way of salvation. Every reader will gain the encouragement to lead a proper Christian life through the message.

‘The Message of the Cross’ awakens souls all around the world and guides them to the way of blessings and answers in various platforms: a book; the GCN TV sermon program that is broadcast in more than 170 countries (See [www.gcntv.org](http://www.gcntv.org)); a sermon section on Manmin Central Church’s website [www.manmin.org](http://www.manmin.org); and the training program of Manmin International Seminary and Manmin Missionary Training Center.



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Dr. Jaerock Lee, the world revivalist in Madison Square Garden, New York, USA. He guided innumerable people to the arms of the Lord by preaching about the reason why Jesus is our only Savior and healing them with God’s power.



## “After realizing the core of the gospel, I gained confidence”

Evangelist Serge Jacoby (Chukurei Ministry, Belgium)

In May, 2010, I was given Dr. Jaerock Lee’s book *The Message of the Cross* by Missionary Christina Roh who is ministering to Hainaut Manmin Church in Belgium. The book demonstrates the providence of the Lord’s cross that is the essence of the gospel.

I felt the existence of the Holy Spirit when reading the deep spiritual message. By this, everything changes: my ways of thinking, my point of view, my faith, and so on. Moreover, it allowed for me to gain greater confidence in conducting my ministry.

The great love of God came to me, and it dawned on me that to achieve the heart of the Lord is a priority in a Christian life. In March 2011, I was given an opportunity to receive the handkerchief prayer during Pastor Heesun Lee’s Handkerchief Healing Meeting conducted in Brussels Manmin Church. Surprisingly, my vision was improved through the prayer. I was able to read very small letters without my eye glasses. I extend my sincere thanks to Dr. Lee who taught me the love of God and the Lord in the providence of the cross.

## “This is an amazing message that changes men’s hearts”

Sister Cynthia McMillan (Sydney, Australia)



I am a science teacher in a Catholic school. In 2008, I was given Dr. Jaerock Lee’s book *The Message of the Cross* by my friend. I couldn’t stop reading it because the things that I had been curious about during my Christian life were all explained in the book.

In particular, I was touched by the great works of God who created all men and animals with the same structure. All of them have two eyes, one nose, one mouth, two ears, etc. Now, during my classes, I can explain about the greatness of God the Creator and about the universe and the solar system in an easier way with the full assurance. They even ask me to talk about God more.

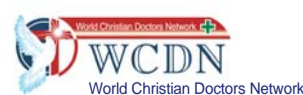
What’s more amazing is that Dr. Lee’s books change men’s hearts. Whoever listens to the message could realize the amazing providence of God, feel grateful for the love of the Lord, live according to the Word, and come to lead a true Christian life. I give all thanks and glory to God who blessed me to have true faith.



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