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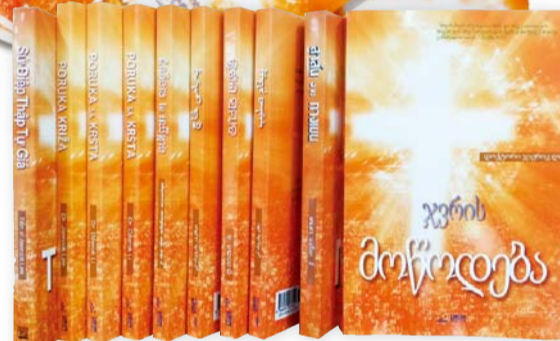
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Life and Change Provider

Dr. Jaerock Lee's books in 57 languages including Odia of India



In August 2013, Cornelius, a German publisher, released Dr. Jaerock Lee's book *Heaven II* in German after the publication of *Heaven I*, and both of them have been well-reviewed by readers.



From left, Vietnamese, Croatian, Serbian, Bosnian, Cambodian, Kurdish, Odia, Persian, Thai, and Georgian

The Message of the Cross has been translated in 54 languages and selling in every corner of the world. The book explains the four conditions met by Jesus Christ to be our only Savior.

Mr. Reinhard, President of Cornelius said, "This book pictures the beauty of Heaven in full detail. It is essential for Christians in Germany. That is why I chose this book and published it." Cornelius is a well-known Christian publishing house located in Saxony-Anhalt which is famous for being the birthplace of Martin Luther, a prominent figure of the reform movement in 16th century Christianity known as the Protestant Reformation.

Dr. Jaerock Lee's multilingual books have constantly gained popularity in many places all over the world. One of his books, *The Message of the Cross*, was recently published in Odia language, which drew people's attention and plays an important role in the ministry of the remote areas.

The book was issued in the six official languages of the United Nations: English, Chinese, Russian, Spanish, French, and Arabic. The Hebrew edition was also released. Additionally, 17 language editions have been added such as the Persian language of Iran, Odia of India, Vietnamese, Serbian, and Bosnian, which resulted in the book's publication in a total of 54 languages.

Until now, 88 books of Dr. Lee have been issued in Korean including a sermon series, a lecture series, collections of testimonies and columns, Christian essays, and study books for cell group services, children, and students. 44 books of them have been translated in 57 languages, which brings the number of his books to a total of 280 multilingual volumes.

Grace Publishing House, a renowned Christian publisher in Taiwan and

Manmin Publisher in Malaysia published his books in Chinese. They are selling in China, Taiwan, Malaysia, Singapore, and Hong Kong and in various overseas Chinese communities, where they are being received with great appeal by the people. Brother Jian Zemin said with amazement, "*The Power of God* has detailed explanations on who God is, what His power is, and who can receive such power. I could learn from it that there are the four levels

of the light of the power."

E-books' publication as well as paperbacks ought not to be overlooked. There are 260 volumes in 45 languages that have been issued and steadily selling on online bookstores such as online Kyobo Bookstore, ridibooks.com, iBooks, and amazon.com.

Dr. Lee's books have attracted the readers' interest and love all around the world since their contents are distinct and specialized such that they satisfy the readers' spiritual thirst. Particularly, the books give clear and confident messages about the existence of Heaven and Hell and God's powerful works which even Christians in general have only a vague knowledge. The books provide them with the explicit answers to the Scripture passages in the Bible that are hard to understand.

Most of all, Dr. Lee's books contain God's love and His providence, which has facilitated the strengthening of faith for countless Manmin church members in approximately 10,000 branch and associative churches and other readers as well.

Sister Santila in India stated, "I learned from *Heaven I* that the heavenly life is fascinating and Heaven itself is magnificent, even beyond my imagination. If you want to know about Heaven, you must read the book. In his book *The Measure of Faith*, Dr. Lee explains about faith very clearly. He talks about different heavenly dwelling places given to each one according to his own individual measure of faith. If you want to check your faith and possess greater faith, I highly recommend the book."

Bible Study for Children, Junior 3

Powerful Prayer Opens the Doors of Heaven!

When you can't concentrate on your studying...
When you argue with your friend...
When you have hard times...

How exciting it would be if you have a key to solving all the problems!



"Call to Me and I will answer you, and I will tell you great and mighty things, which you do not know" (Jeremiah 33:3).



Bible Study for Preschoolers, Kids 2
'I Am a Leader of Prayer like Jesus'

Blessed Are the Merciful

“Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy” (Matthew 5:7).

A dictionary definition of the word ‘mercy’ is “compassionate treatment of those in distress.” The mercy that God talks about is to forgive others from the heart and admonish them with love when they commit sins or give times of difficulty to us. It is similar to goodness of the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit, but it belongs to a deeper level.

Goodness is the heart free of evil that seeks only after goodness. When the heart of goodness is revealed in action as love that changes others, it is the mercy that God desires. From now I will explain about the fifth blessing among the Beatitudes by looking into the three aspects of true mercy.

1. Boundless mercy of forgiveness

Matthew 12:20 tells us that Jesus changed people with the heart of goodness that doesn’t break off a battered reed and put out a smoldering wick. He showed the mercy of forgiveness with love great enough to sacrifice even His life.

‘Not breaking off a battered reed’ carries the meaning of not immediately punishing someone but to endure him, even if his heart and actions are full of evil. Most people do not understand or forgive someone when he does harm to them. Instead, they hate, fight with them, and spread their shortcomings. However, Jesus endured with everybody and gave all an opportunity to be changed.

‘Not putting out a smoldering wick’ is not forsaking the children of God who have received the Spirit but have little chance for salvation because they do not live according to the truth. It is the heart of the Lord who bears with and leads even those who still commit sins to repent and be changed by the truth.

The mercy of forgiveness is the heart of God. He had mercy on us when we were destined to the dreadfulness of Hell because of our sins. He sent His only begotten Son to us as atoning sacrifice. He allowed for Him to shed all water and blood for us, which demonstrated God’s great love.

However, many people commit sins even after they say they have become God’s children. Even though they break the heart of God, He does not forsake them right away. He waits for their repentance and returning with the mercy of forgiveness just like the father who waited for his prodigal son. If you repent and turn back from sins, our Father God will remove your transgressions from you as far as the east is from the west and He will forgive you.

2. Mercy of discipline with love

‘Discipline’ may sound the opposite of forgiveness but actually it is not. It is because the mercy of discipline recognized by God is not done with hatred or condemnation, but with love, so it helps others change. Just as Hebrews 12:6 says, “For



Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee

those whom the Lord loves He disciplines, and He scourges every son whom He receives,” this mercy of discipline is the love of God.

Because God loves us so much, He gives us yet another opportunity to turn back from sins through His discipline. This is because if there is no discipline people may continue to desire the world even after they have received salvation and may fall again into the darkness. God cannot just watch as we are following the enemy devil and Satan, so He gives us grace to turn back from the way of sins by disciplining us.

Suppose your child did something wrong. You might not spank him immediately to discipline him. Instead you might teach him why and how what he did was wrong and then gently reprimand him so that he can deeply repent from his heart. But if your child repents with his lips but keeps on sinning, you will have to use the rod of discipline to punish him though it breaks your and his heart. You should make your loving child turn back even with such discipline.

But discipline without love can’t be said to be mercy. Say a child in the neighborhood stole something from your house. If the child repents from his heart, a person of goodness will have mercy on him and forgive him. But, those who are evil will get furious over the loss, rebuke him, and even demand he be severely punished. Even if you do not punish him, if you spread it around or you are biased toward him, it is not mercy and you cannot change the child.

Only when you discipline someone with love by considering the situation and the person’s future can we say you applied the mercy of discipline. The Bible explains to us in detail the process of admonishing and disciplining a brother who commits sins (Matthew 18:15-17). You should first advise him and give him a chance to change with love, not spreading it here and there. But if the

brother still does not listen and it seems that he will listen to higher authority of the group he belongs to, you can go to him again with those people to advise him once again to turn back. If he still does not listen to them, you should report it to the church to save the brother. If he refuses to listen to the church, you can just let him be as a worldly person.

You can just follow what the Bible teaches us, but the thing is that we must not judge or condemn others though they committed sins. Only when we discipline out of mercy with love can we receive mercy from God.

3. Mercy in charitable works

If a brother is suffering from poverty and you do nothing but just acknowledge the situation as such a pity, you cannot say there is any mercy. The kind of mercy recognized by God is to actually give what you have to your brother who is in need. James 2:15-16 reads, “If a brother or sister is without clothing and in need of daily food, and one of you says to them, ‘Go in peace, be warmed and be filled,’ and yet you do not give them what is necessary for their body, what use is that?”

Some say they want to help but they do not have anything to give. But if your own children are starving, none of you would just look at them. You would give your children what you have right now. You should do the same for your brothers.

We should not just unconditionally help those who are suffering. It is not right to help those who are in hardship as a result of their sin or those who do not work because they are lazy. If we help some people whom we should not help in the sight of God, it may result in loss to us. Besides, we should also help people in the world as well as brothers in faith, which is to save souls.

4. For they shall receive mercy

What kind of blessing will be given to those who extend mercy to others in the proper way in the sight of God? If we forgive and have mercy on those who give us a hard time and do harm to us, when we are in hardship or do harm to others by mistake, God will give us mercy and a chance to be forgiven. If we have mercy and help those in need or with diseases, God will give us wealth and good health.

If we have mercy on others, God forgives us of our transgression, fulfills our shortcomings, and makes our infirmities whole. This is the blessing from God given to those who have mercy on others.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, I pray in the name of the Lord that you will cultivate mercy in your heart, show your mercy in action, give life and comfort to many people, and, above all, receive mercy from God who is full of love and mercy and enjoy a blessed life forever.

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 Checklist for Passing the Rock of Faith and Entering the Level of Spirit



“Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them, may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. And the rain fell, and the floods came, and the winds blew and slammed against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded on the rock” (Matthew 7:24-25).

“Why have you not stood on the rock of faith?”

- When something goes against your thinking, you do not obey or tend to obey only things that you agree with.
- You still get hot-tempered and often stand firmly in an argument due to a strong sense of insistence and frameworks of thought.
- You fast and pray but you still have ill-feelings which break peace and you have a changing mind.
- You smile on the outside and look kind but you still hold in ill-feelings.
- You have worked faithfully and devoted yourself to the work of God as a leader but your heart hasn't been circumcised yet.
- You have the framework of goodness that says ‘such and such’ is of goodness.
- You lack the basic knowledge on Christian faith and you feel still uncomfortable, frustrated, and disappointed.
- You often lose heart and the ability to keep things in mind and to keep doing something is insufficient.
- You pray earnestly but you still have ill-feeling and do only things that you like to do.
- Once you think you are right and something is of the truth, you do not change the thought in the strong framework of thoughts.
- You make excuses to justify yourself.
- You use an extremely negative way of thinking that causes you to think you can't make it.
- You are quite self-centered and selfish, so you can seldom give spiritual love.
- You hardly rely on God.
- You think you are of goodness.
- You have deficiencies of the body.
- You harbor hard feelings and manners of the flesh remain in you.
- You insist on what you like, you think, and what agrees with your personality.
- You judge others in your thoughts.
- You are influenced by fleshly affection.
- You have craftiness in your heart so you follow what you think right.
- You still have desire to show off and boast of things that belong to you.
- Your framework of goodness hasn't been fully broken yet and craftiness and cowardice remain in your heart.
- You love others in your way—in self-centeredness—so you lack spiritual love.
- You disobey due to your own thought and have ill-feelings.
- You are not good at understanding others and harboring them with love.
- You have to break the framework of your personality in order to give joy and comfort to others with positive ways of thinking.

The God of love writes the names of the people who believe in Jesus Christ in the Book of Life, makes them His children, and sends the Helper, the Holy Spirit, into their hearts as a gift. The Holy Spirit gives birth to spirit in them, guides them in the recovery of the image of God that men lost due to Adam's transgression, and leads them to stand on the rock of faith and become men of spirit.

For better understanding of the level of faith that is to ‘stand on the rock of faith’ and the faith that is of spirit, let's think about watermelons. After we get rid of the external dirt and foreign substances from the rind of the watermelon, it can be likened to the level of ‘standing on the rock of faith’. This is because only when we stand firmly on the truth can we lay our foundation in running towards sanctification as God's children (Matthew 7:24).

However, even at this level, people still have some forms of evil in their original character, nature or life force though they don't do evil or harm to others. Only when they throw away every form of evil can they enter the level of spirit. Hence, only when we've gotten rid of all the rind of the watermelon and only its inner contents remain, can the allegory compare inner fruit to the level of ‘spirit’.

If we come into the level of spirit, evil is not revealed even unconsciously. We can believe and rely on God in any kind of situation. At this level we want to go to the arms of the Lord with hope for Heaven and we would willingly take the cross for souls' salvation on this earth. We want to give love with no desire to receive it back, so we can harbor and love even those who hate us and do harm to us.

To become such men of spirit, we need to pass the level of standing on the rock of faith first. Then, why haven't we stood on the rock of faith yet? The reasons and a checklist to enter the level of spirit quickly based on the lectures delivered in 2013 Leadership Conference.

“What should you do to come into spirit quickly?”



- You have to break off greed and selfish-motives in your personality and nature and feel love towards God and approach Him.
- You have to destroy the strong framework of personality that was formed due to the surrounding while you grew up, and humble yourself thoroughly.
- You have to meet and experience God yourself, not just hear about Him; and you must completely believe and rely on Him from the heart.
- Although you have destroyed the framework of personality with the heart of obedience, you should humble yourself and totally break the framework of arrogance.
- You should pile up fiery prayer and develop hearts considerate of others.
- You should get rid of every form of evil in your nature.
- You have to check if what you believe and what you think to be right or wrong.
- You should not think in terms of ‘yours’, ‘your’ thought, what ‘you’ want to achieve, what ‘you’ want to have, and you should change an unclear way of acting.
- You should get rid of fleshly affection and stop doing things in a fleshly way.

“He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him” (John 14:21).

“My sweetest hours are when I pray to the good God”

Senior Deaconess Seyoung Oh (President of Prayer Devotees' Association)

I start my day with prayer and end it with prayer. I have unchangingly prayed for the kingdom of God and His righteousness for 23 years, which have been my sweetest moments.

Manmin Central Church has Prayer Devotees' Association which is made up of those who are devoted to prayer. We pray in the sanctuary day and night with various prayer titles such as 'national evangelism', 'the world mission', 'the church', 'Senior Pastor', and 'the church workers'. The Prayer Devotees' Association has three subgroups: Prayer Warriors; Prayer Devotees; and Part-time Prayer Devotees. I am the president of the Prayer Devotees' Association.

I have enjoyed praying with joy and thanks

I registered in Manmin Central Church through the guidance of a friend in February 1988. I started to understand the spiritual meaning of the Word of God written in the Bible and experienced the love of God and the Lord while listening to Senior Pastor Dr. Jaerock Lee's message. I enjoyed blissful moments in prayer with God the Father who is so good.

I was excited on the way to the sanctuary to attend



Daniel Prayer Meeting led by Mrs. Boknim Lee, President of Manmin Prayer Center at 9 P.M. every night. This is because I always have expectation of talking with my loving Father. I came to join the Prayer Devotees' Group as a part-time devotee in 1991. After work, I prayed every night for around 40 minutes before Daniel Prayer Meeting.

I prayed all the time so I was very joyful and my coworkers called me "Miss Smile". After I got married in 1994, I could pray more and I was very grateful. But at some point, I was feeling some kind of pressure. I thought I fulfilled my duty diligently as a prayer devotee, but I became a little half-hearted and felt timid since my husband's business slumped.

One day, Senior Pastor Dr. Lee talked about how important the role of the wives is in a meeting of Women's Mission. I realized that all things had been my fault and started to discover myself and break my ego with a humble heart. In addition, I listened to the sermons that made me discover the untruthful things in my heart. I meditated on them, prayed, and tried hard to cast off such things.

I destroyed the framework of my personality with longing for sanctification

In 2006, Dr. Lee preached the message under the title of 'The Self' in the Prayer Devotees' Devotional Service. I received a lot of grace through the message. I listened to it more than ten times, checked myself, and corrected improper things in my heart and thoughts. I tried hard to get rid of arrogance that I had not found before because it was an excuse for my faithfulness for my duties.

In 2009, Prayer Devotees' Association had time to meet Dr. Lee. At that time, God showed me a vision. In the vision, Dr. Lee's face had hollow cheeks since he lamented and cried for those who still hold to the worldly things and commit sins. I felt the love of the shepherd deeply and came to long to become sanctified all the more. I came to long to listen again to sermons and read the sermon summaries in the Church Bulletin, *Manmin News*, and on the church website. I also prayed fervently.

During the Leadership Conference held in July 2011, I realized that I lacked boldness and I tend

not to express the righteousness within my heart. I endeavored to destroy the framework of that part of my personality. I also tried hard to apply the messages of Pastor Heesun Lee, President of Prayer Devotees' Association to my life and act with the heart of God, the Lord, and the shepherd. I diligently worked to change my personality so that I can express my ideas boldly when leading a prayer meeting and counseling the members.

I have fulfilled my duty with the heart of spirit and powerful prayer

Prayer devotees pray from 10:30 A.M. to noon and from 1 to 3 P.M. We also pray in Daniel Prayer Meeting from 9 P.M. We pray for more than six hours a day for the kingdom of God and the shepherd and volunteer as ushers and for the offertory and lunch preparation on Sunday.

My duty as a prayer devotee is, for me, my life. I am happy on the way to the sanctuary. In particular, when I receive the answers to my prayer titles for the kingdom of God the joy is too big to express.

One day, I was praying for Dr. Jaerock Lee and the church mission team who were to hold an overseas crusade. I saw a vision where prayer devotees and Satan were having a tug-of-war. It was tense so I prayed more fervently and in the end we won the spiritual warfare. Of course, the crusades were successfully ended. It was a good opportunity to engrave how crucial the duty of prayer devotees is in my heart.

In May, 2013, the joyful news arrived while I was running to achieve the beautiful and good heart of the Lord. It was that I have achieved the heart of spirit. This caused the members to press on to accomplish the heart of spirit. Prayer devotees were offered to God through prayer. We must have no ego and only the Lord should abide in us.

I desire to pray fervently, break my ego more thoroughly, and receive the power of God to lead many souls to the way of salvation. Also, I will imprint the love of God towards all Manmin members in my heart and run earnestly to achieve the providence of the end time with prayer. I give all thanks and glory to God who has led my life to become a truly blessed life.



With her husband, Deacon Hyungil Kim and her daughter, Sister Aeyoung Kim



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