



# **The Sermons of the Gospel of John**



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## Preface

My spiritual teacher, Dr. Yune Sun Park (1905 -1988) was my example of Reformed Theology and puritan devotional life in my ministry, because God led me to Him in the time of my theological seminary, Chong Shin Bible College and Hapdong Theological Seminary in South Korea and Westminster California Seminary (D. Min 1906) in the United States of America. After that my heart has longed for imitating his faithful devotion to serve God's mission. Now also in Cambodia missionary serving I want to resemble him in my ministry continuously, because I love his faithful heart to the Scripture.

In such considering, according to the impressed stream of my heart, I have wanted to express the world of his faithful understanding of the Scripture to plant his theology, his faith and his revival fire in Cambodia Mission Field. As the result, I concentrate on translation ministry of his books. First of all, I translated his theological books, *Biblical Theology, Reformed Dogmatic and Autobiography, the Scripture and my Life* into English, and also I translated 68 sermons in his Revelation, 57 sermons in his Romans, 23 sermons in Proverbs and 148 sermons in the Synaptic gospels into English to translate into Khmer for Cambodia church by my CEMF translation team.

During I translated his sermons; I saw the wonderful passion that my teacher that loved the Word of God, the Scripture wholeheartedly. I could make sure to understand his spiritual high dimension to treat the truth. And I felt that his sermons are like the precious treasure of the truth in contemporary day.

I am glad to share the 75 sermons of the Gospel of John in his Commentary translated into English version to the others. In the will of God I have a project to share his teaching through the translation of his Commentaries for Cambodia church. And also I have some plan to share his understanding of the Scripture to all Cambodian Christians by opening Jung Am Seminar.

Although the literary ministry walks so isolated way in several struggling endured time, if it is the will of God, I want to obey his direction in my prayer

in my life. I appreciate my sponsors and my staffs and my cooperated co-workers in my true heart. Of course I give thankful heart to my family for their prayer and their faithful cooperation in this ministry.

May the grace of God be with the readers to enter into the world of Jung Aim's godliness through his sermons?

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## **Sermon 1 The Ignorance of man and its solution to God (Jn 1:1-11)**

As to the writings in verses 4-5, we think that the human ignorance to God. Jesus is the eternal self-existent God, the creator, the one to give the life, and the revealer. But the man does not know him much.

1. Before the man repents his sin, he does not know God.

In the man, the most miserable thing is the ignorance. If the children do not know their parents, we cannot say that he is a man. Moreover if we do not know the one who created all things and made me is not the true man. What does it mean that the Scripture points that the man is the darkness? It means that the man does not know God completely. The Scripture says that the man is the total depravity anywhere. The Scripture said, “The LORD looks down from heaven on the children of man, To see if there are any who understand, who seek after God. They have all turned aside; together they have become corrupt; there is none who does well, not even one”. (Ps 14:2-3) and “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?” (Jer 17:9). “21For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom; it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe.” (I Cor 1:21). The history has been accomplished by his word. Only the one who repents his sin can know true God. Saint Augustine was corrupted at his youth time. And then was fallen down into the skeptics. But as he wept under the fig tree at the garden and repented, God met him, as he opened the Scripture and he read From 13:13-14 he said in his hot heart, “The Lord created us for you, Our heart has no the peace before we abode in you.”

2. The man knows Christ, as the man believes in the testimony of the word of God and he will repent truly.

What is the testimony? True testimony does not worship the testimonial one oneself. As we read the epistle of Peter, we have no the desire to worship Peter himself. Paul revealed himself as the chief of sinner; Peter permitted to inform his failure directly to the world. The testimony of the Baptist John was “He said, ‘I am the voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’ as the prophet Isaiah said.” “(1:23). It was not to testimony himself but the true testimony to reveal only the Lord. Not only that, also the evangelism of the other disciples of Jesus was true testimony, that is, it was the evangelism to bring about the others (1:42), and the evangelism, “come and see” (1:46). True testimony was established so. The Scripture is the testimony to have such character. As we the Scripture we have no the desire to worship the Apostles and the prophets. We know Christ through the Scripture and believe in the gospel. Because the testimony of the Scripture is true, there are many people to repent in reading the Scripture.

(1) Before about 200 years ago, two great scholars of British, Sir Gilbert West and Lord Lytteton promised each other that they find out what they cannot believe in the Scripture. West studied the resurrection of Jesus and Lytton studied the issue of Paul’s conversion. After studying they understood that the Scripture is true, after they met each other and repented before Christ. To the book that Lyttaton wrote about Paul, able scholars also were impressed. Dr. Johnson said, “This is what the unbelievers cannot answer.”

(2) Lord Roshester was the arrogant anti-Christian. And also he read the Scripture to oppose it, in reading Isaiah chapter 53; he repented and believed the divine nature of Christ and the inerrancy of the Scripture.

(3) Giovanni Pappinni who was the Italian writer was the anarchist, the atheist, the Skeptic and non- Christian. And also he read the Scripture to oppose it and repent and pointed Christ and confessed, “He is the king of peace, the savior Lord, the anointed one, the Son of God and the son of man.” Dr. Simon Greenleaf, who was the greatest legal scholar said, “The testimony of four gospels is the complete document that the court demands as the document of testimony.”

## **Sermon 2 The Happiness of the believer (Jn 1:10-12)**

What is the man of true happiness? The king in a kingdom is not happy and also the son of the king is not happy. The Scripture says, “for” All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls,” (I Pet 1:24). The happiness the Scripture informs to us has the permanent nature as its main point. But the happiness of the world is temporary. Let’s know where true happiness is. It’s to believe in Christ. Because the faith makes us been happy eternally.

### **1. Faith is precious.**

The faith does not belong to every man. Paul says “and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith”. (II Thess 3:2) Verses 10-12 in the text said, “He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God”. The people do not know God, although they live in the earth that God made. It is the ignorance not to know the grace as the grace. We should know the fact that this earth is so beautiful and it is the present of God. Three astronauts that rode the spacecraft of Apollo 11 saw the global at the moon and said that it was more beautiful than the other orb. (July 1969) The world of moon has no oxygen. God created the global so precious for the man can live. Then although the man lives in the earth, but they do not know God. It is their darkness. In the future as the space science is developed it shall be revealed actually that the global is more beautiful than the other orb. Some space scientists said, “As the men entered into the moon world and observed the system and then we can

know our world.” That is right. The fact that the system of the global is made well shall be proved in comparing of the other orb systems more. True knowledge to some matter is always realized by comparing it to the other. We know that this world was created by God and have many creditable evidences to believe in so. But for the faith is the treasure, everyone has no it. Billy Sundry, who was a revivalist was a baseball player, had proclaimed the fact that his 11 friends did not believe in Jesus but were died like this and that, but he himself to believe in Jesus received the grace and lead the revival meeting. Why is it difficult that the man believe in God so? Because the soul of the man was died by his sin and his fault. Although many people do not know God, among them the one to know God and to believe in Him is happy.

2. The contents to believe in Christ are precious truly.

Our text said that “the one to believe in “points “the one to accept”. (Verse 12 a) “Accepting means receiving. God is the creator to make us; he is not the one to get some benefits by receiving something out of us. Job 22:2 said, ““Can a man be profitable to God? Surely he who is wise is profitable to himself“. He remembers that we are the clay. (Ps 103:14) Therefore he makes us been well by only giving something to us. We naturally receive the blessing by receiving all things out of God. We should take the attitude to receive always by not external figure but by our deep souls. To believe in God is the only way to receive the blessing out of God. To be faithful to God also is the method to receive “ The some who were healed by Jesus received by believing in him. Lincoln who is informed the greatest president did not receive any heritage out of their parent, but he received a scripture out of his

mother and also he learnt the faith. He received the grace of God by faith and became great as a great president.

To be faithful to God also is “the method to receive “We cannot be faithful to Him by our power. We start to be faithful by expecting the power from Him. And also we receive the worthy reward that God gives as the result of fidelity. Therefore the faith to believe in Christ itself is blessed.

### **Sermon 3 Of the fact that the word became the flesh (Jn 1:14)**

The fact that the word became into the flesh was the final method and highest direction to save his own people. Refer to Heb 1:2.

1. His incarnation is the fullness of grace.

Our text said, “full of grace and truth”. Why is the grace called for fullness of grace? The one who gives the grace is only God. The

Worldly men know that it is glory to receive what he desires out of the other.

But God wants to give without any price. How much does God give to us

without price? As we think all creatures that he gave us, in fact we have

received much precious treasure. For example, how much precious is the air

that he provides? As we do not take it for few minutes, we will be died. He

provides us this like the precious treasure abundantly. And how much

precious is the water that God provides us without the price? As we got

fasting, and we see the water, we much good heart. It consists of two

molecules of hydrogen and one molecule of oxygen (H<sub>2</sub> O), it is best

medicine. How much wide is the usage of the water? As we see the physical

system of the man, it consists of 80% the water of the body. If we buy the

water as we are short in us, how much expensive to drink it? God who gives

the precious thing without the price gave his son, Jesus Christ to the world

without the price, this is the fullness of grace. What he came into the world is

the grace to give the eternal life. (3:16)

2. The incarnation is the fullness of the truth.

(1) God revealed the truth through the prophets to his people. The truth also is great. It is the truth of the laws and the prophets, which is the prophecy to shake out the earth. (Heb 12:26 b) Then as the prophecy, Christ was

incarnated. This is to shake out the earth and the heaven. (Heb 12:26 b)

According to the Biblical scholar, the Old Testament prophesied 456 times to Christ. What it prophesied in the several hundred time was accomplished is the highest issue of the truth. . He is Amen to all covenants of God. II Cor 1:19-20 said, “For the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we proclaimed among you, Silvanus and Timothy and I, was not Yes and No, but in him it is always Yes. 20For all the promises of God find their Yes in him. That is why it is through him that we utter our Amen to God for his glory“. Christ who it prophesied to his coming for 456 times came finally and also the New Testament shall come in the earth at the second time directly and indirectly. It is sure that he shall come to the world too. The prophesy of the Old testament and the New Testament reveals 1518 times, the biblical scholars said.

Therefore the first coming prophesied for 456 times was accomplished, Will not be the second coming prophesied for 1518 accomplished? For he always is faithful he shall accomplish his word. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever“, Heb 13:8 said.

(2) There are many truths in the world. “Scientific truth”, “literary truth” and “several truths”. But if they left out of Christ it is not the truth in the true meaning. Only Christ is the one truth that establishes all truth truly. (14:6) before we find out this truth, we cannot possess all other truths truly. Herman Dooyeweerd said, “As we absolutized the relativized truths, if we consider itself as self-sufficient truth, it makes the truth as the lies.” ( Any hypostatizing, I. e. any absolutizing of that which is relative, turns truth into falsehood. – New Critique of Theoretical Thought Vol II p 527)



## **Sermon 4 The movement of proclamation that Nathanael was led into the faith (Jn 1:43-49)**

### **1. The testimony to meet “the written one” (verse 45)**

The Christian faith is not to believe human ideal and also the vague mystery. The Christian faith is to believe in the accomplishment of exact truth. The one who says faith and faith but is not interesting in the written Scripture, is a kind of wrong mystics to hate believing in exactly, that is a liberalist. It is dangerous for he walks on the way of life with his own thought. But true faith aims on the exact purpose. Accordingly it demands the written truth. The men do not finish by only word but leave the document to interrelate the document of contract each other. In the issue of dealing of money.

### **2. The testimony , “come and see” (46-48)**

We think the effective saying also in leading the man into the faith. Of course. Saying just like that should be biblical. By such saying many people believe in Christ. But more effective method is to make the men brought to Christ. First is to believe and then to know it is the method to know the truth of Christianity. Because it is difficult to know the essential truth of Christianity with human knowledge. The methods that today we approach to the Lord are to pray before him and to obey the word of the Lord. As we did so we experience the miraculous work.

As Nathanael obeyed the exhortation of Philip, “Come and see” (verse 47), the Lord knew the sincerity of his personality. It was established by his supernatural insight. Not only that he said that although he did not see him physically but he said to see the fact that Nathanael had been under the fig tree.

It also was the supernatural work. Just like that the supernatural work to come out of the Lord. We get the assurance as we experienced the supernatural work and receive the grace to obey the Lord with voluntary heart.

I, 10 years ago met a certain saint that was taken harm by an automobile accident. He took 10 times great operation for wound of harmed. His bladder was disappeared his interlines were cut off and he took urine by making a hole in the abdomen. He tried to suicide himself several time because it is too afflicted. But after he experienced the miracle of God for several time he did not die but was alive. Although now also his body was afflicted so, his heart keep on the peace by Christ's grace.

## **Sermon 5   Revealing of the Lord at the place that the man commits sin (Jn 2:13-22)**

The temple is the house of prayer. (Mt 21:13) As the temple of Solomon was constructed, the stones also picked out of the other place and were established in quiet. I King 6:7 said, “When the house was built, it was with stone prepared at the quarry, so that neither hammer nor axe nor any tool of iron was heard in the house while it was being built.” They changed the place to keep on quietness into the shop to sell the good. Jesus said that their activity means the deed of thief. (Mt 21:13)

### **1.        He rebuked the corrupted state.**

They sold some goods to help the convenience of God’s people externally. The people used some matters in the world for thinking that it is not sin extremely. As it is so the faith gradually loses the living power. If the bees hate to move into the flower to get little honey, they enter into the honey in the bee box, the whole bodies are mixed by the honey, and they cannot be moved. Anytime, the secularized thought is blocked to the holy things. Not only that through it the people are dropped down into the actual atheism. Refer to Titus 1:16.

### **2.        His severe cleaning**

The eagles come on the place that the death stays. The Lord came on suddenly in the temple. The Scripture says that the judgment of the Lord comes into the temple. The Lord of glory comes on the one to sleep in sin like the thief. This event of the gospel of John was the accomplishment of the word, Mal 3:1. It said, “Behold, I send my messenger, and he will prepare the

way before me. And the Lord whom you seek will suddenly come to his temple; and the messenger of the covenant in whom you delight, behold, he is coming, says the LORD of hosts”. Dan 5:3-5 reveal that the finger of the Lord was revealed suddenly to the king Bezzasar filled of his arrogance and wrote the word, “mene mene tegel ubarsin”. “Mene” means that the generation of the king was counted and shall be terminated, “Tegel” means that the king was measured and showed the shortness. “Beres” means that the nation of the king is divided and is offered to the Mede and the Persia. God measures the men so and if they repent his sin he judges them. We should be able to be hanged on the measurer of God. The weight of every man is revealed without concealing directly. As we sit down on the measurer can he lift up his weight? Anytime the weight of each man is revealed directly. What is the weight of our faith? Is not it light like chaff? And is not it light like the air?

## **Sermon 6 Three special activity of the Lord (Jn 2:13-22)**

The special thing of the Lord are not some but he all activity are unique. We are going to search for only three things revealed in the text.

### **1. He comes on suddenly. (13-16)**

Although the people always are in the sin, he does not know that he is a sinner, rather his excuse himself. It is the sleeping life. The people sleep so and spend their days. To the people slept in the night of sin, there is surely one time that the Lord comes to judge them. Therefore I Thess 5:3 said, “While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.” Therefore Rev 16:15 said, ““(Behold, I am coming like a thief! Blessed is the one who stays awake, keeping his garments on, that he may not go about naked and be seen exposed!”)”. Therefore it is precious that the believers are awakening by receiving rebuke with the truth. Eph 5:13-14 said, “But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.”

As King Herod and Jerusalem were confused by listening to the news of the birth of Jesus (Mt 2:1-3), the confusion also was awakening that the sleeping men listen to the news of the new righteous thing. The evidence that they are slept by sin and ungodliness deeply was revealed by seeing the fact that nobody searches for pleasing the birth of Jesus.

As Jesus was revealed at the temple of Jerusalem, the people to gather there cannot help but to be surprised. They made the quiet praying place into conflict market. The reason that they should keep on in quietness is for the place is the house of God and the believers communicate with God.

2. The passion to long for the sanctuary of the Lord swallowed him.  
(verse 17)

“Swallowed” means that he was swallowed by the passion. This is burning of righteous heart to claim the holiness of God. The saints to follow the Lord as an example of such passion. He should take the heart to defend the holiness of the Lord. Because he should love the holiness above of all. He loves holiness rather than happiness. Ps 119:136 said, “My eyes shed streams of tears, because people do not keep your law.”

3. He has the deep thought and word that the men cannot understand.

In 2:19 said, “Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.” Then the disciples also misunderstood this word. We among the word of God especially should take hobby to understand the difficult word more. Presently the difficult word to understand also is the word to bless us in the future. Not only that, for we are the children of the Lord, we should take the word and the deed to have the meaningful future. Our life also should not live in misery sate but should take the depth.

## **Sermon 7 The faith that Jesus admits (Jn 2:23-25)**

### **1. The faith that Jesus depends on himself (verse 24)**

God wants to come to the man and dwells in them. This is a wonderful thing. Although he dwells in the high place he wants to dwell in the heart of the very low men. Is 57:15 said, “For thus says the One who is high and lifted up, who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy: “I dwell in the high and holy place, and also with him who is of a contrite and lowly spirit, to revive the spirit of the lowly, and to revive the heart of the contrite.” Here, “contrite heart” and “humility” have the intimacy relationship each other. Here is revealed the fact that without true guilt feeling, true humility cannot be established. God is with the humble man.

The man that God can commit himself is the contrite man that is, the humble one. Although it is so surprising thing, it cannot establish the humility the miracle that we can see directly cannot make humility. Because the one to see only miracle lives in arrogance that he himself sees the strange things in the spiritual world and to know it (or, to be assure). It said that devil also believe in and trembles, (Jm 2:19), he assures the power of God and trembles. But for the devil does not feel the guilt it cannot be humble. The fact that the man can be humble comes out of only the guilt feeling.

As I meets a faithful brother and asked the state of his faith. I asked, “Do you receive much answer of prayer?” Then he replied, “As I attacked to myself especially I receive much answer of prayer.” Just lamentation is so precious.

### **2. The faith that has true center. (verse 25)**

Ps 51:6 said, “Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.” God accepts our heart more than our external side. Therefore he gives the wisdom to understand the sin in our heart. It is not easy that the man understands the sin. But the man has great sins in his deep heart. It is wisdom to understand this one. God cleans up us by giving such wisdom. The one to clean up his heart should be admitted by God.

Not only that, our faith to believe in Christ does not come out of his brain but the center. Because the faith in the heart is the faith with love. As we possess some, the concept to have affection is not true. Whatever not to be related to my love is not mine. As I love the Lord actually the Lord is my Lord. My true relationship with the Lord is established only in my center that is, my heart. The Scripture teaches us this truth and said, “Can a virgin forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire? Yet my people have forgotten me days without number. (Jer 2:32) The faith we believe in the Lord has the foundation of such love. Therefore I Jn 4:8 said, “Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love.”

## **Sermon 8 The Love of God (Jn 3:16-21)**



We are going to preach on especial verse 16. For this verse is famous, many people memorize it.

1. The grand deep love of God

Our text said, “For God so loved the world,” Here, the word, “love” points to the wide category. Rom 3:22 said, “The righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: “. Like the Christianity the religion to take the character of world until today. Because the son of God is the savior. God is not God of only one nation. The Son of God also is so. All nations that he created are located at the place to receive the grace. Confucianism is not left out of the prejudice of China, Buddhism was not thrown away out of the habit of India but the Christianity proclaims the truth of God to save all mankind. God gave the begotten son to us. Just like that his love is so deep. The fact that He sacrificed his begotten son for the wage of our sin is the unspeakable hot love.

2. The gracious love of God.

Verse 16 said, “Whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” If God said that we should be saved by our merit, no man is saved. But as we believe in him only we shall be saved means the joyful news that we should be saved by accepting only. To accept freely is not struggled thing. It is joy and rest. The men love to receive all things. Therefore faith never is the afflicted thing. The system of such salvation is not climax of love. However the men hate to believe in the Christ. If we believe in the faithful man, why do we believe in Christ? The ancient writing said as followings. A certain day, the carpenter and the plasterer showed up their skills once. Then the plasterer

digs out the soil and painted it on his ridge of his nose in 1 inch, the carpenter should remove the soil painted on ridge of the nose of the plasterer clearly and promised each other. Then two men executed it directly. That is, the carpenter did not harm the ridge of nose of the plasterer and remove the soil clearly. It is obvious that two specialists were trusted in each other. Just like that the man believes in the skills of the others. Then why shall not we believe in faithful Christ absolutely? As we believe in him we get the eternal life.

## **Sermon 9    The Love of God (Jn 3:13-21)**

1. To give his begotten son is love.

Why is it love? Because it solves the issue of sin. Why is the sin the great issue? Only the one to know the truth knows the fact that it is a great issue. For sin makes the distance between God and me, it is necessary to solve this issue. Is 59:1-2 said, “Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear.” It is most necessary that we solve the issue of our sin and reconcile with God. Although the men deny this issue and then they admit the fact at the most necessary time. The time before we die is the most necessary time, at that time if anybody tell the necessary word, then our word must be “God forgive my sin”. Therefore the fact that God gave his begotten son to forgive our sin is the great love. As he gave the begotten son to us, he did not give generally but gave as the sacrifice of atonement. Not only had that he given the eternal savior to us.

2. The method to receive the love also become with love.

The method to receive this love is not that we establish some merit, but we receive (faith) only his love. For faith is to depend on the Lord, it is only easy and joy. But only the anxiety is not to believe in it, until it God solves with his word. Rom 10:17 said, “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.” We believe in the skill of man too. Because we believe in the doctor, we give our body to him and do not we receive the great operation? But the word of God was proved for several thousand years. It is more

believed. We believe in it because the Holy Spirit makes us believed in with the word of God. The movement of true faith never is failed.

## **Sermon 10 Two kinds of man (Jn 3:19-21)**

Like the prophesy of Genesis 3:15, this world has the descendant of the woman (the chosen people) and the descendant of serpent (the descendant of devil that is, it does not mean to be produced by the devil but the one to receive the thought of devil.) Our text reveals two kinds of men.

### **1. The one to love darkness more than the light.**

Here the word, “light” is the metaphor of Jesus Christ that came out of the heaven. The world that does not accept Jesus actually is the dark world. How can the man live in the darkness? As the electricity shone into the room is turn off, how much do we take trouble? Despite it is so, the wicked hate the light (Jesus) but loves “the darkness”. The enormity and corruption hate the light so. The wicked viruses hate the light. The mycobacterium tuberculosis leprosy also is existed at the place not to have the light. The man cannot live truly in the dark world. (Job 12:25) A certain country man left his house and went so far way. The day that he returned to his house was so dark in cloudy night. For he went in the night time and he entered into wrong way he was much trouble. As he saw the time that the day was broken out, he realized that he was stood up on the dangerous cliff. The one to follow the sin is like that the man walks into the way of mountain in the night time. Again as we think about another metaphor, he is like the one that chose the dangerous way without known the dangerous fact. At the other day (1969, 12.11) our airplane were arrested by the North Korea, 40 members there did not know that the airplane is dangerous. The way that they went was dark psychologically. Except the way to follow Jesus the all ways in this world are dark and

dangerous. Then the one not to enter into the light of Christ loves the darkness (verse 19), how much dangerous seat is it?

2. The one to pursue on truth.

The word, “the one to pursue on truth” means the one to do the truth. The one to follow Christ is not the man to say only but by his work he reveals the truth that he believes in. Or, he solves the issue of his fault by repentance. Like just that, the Christian repentance reveals the great effective. In this point what we should think is the word of verse 21 b, “so that it may be clearly seen that his works have been carried out in God.” This says the boldness that the believer approaches to God. The boldness of the believer does not belong to him but comes out of the work as the present God gives. But what we should be careful of does not mean that it takes the boldness for the attitude that the believer boasts as his merit. When the man always thinks of himself and his merit, actually he cannot get the boldness. As he thinks of his own work, he should know it as the present of God, accordingly he feel that God’s love is communicated to himself. So he gets boldness. The Apostle John revealed such thought in I Jan 4:12, 17-18 too. Especially verses 17-18 said to the one to execute love by the present of God, “By this is love perfected with us, so that we may have confidence for the Day of Judgment, because as he is so also are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.” As James said, “For judgment is without mercy to one who has shown no mercy. Mercy triumphs over judgment.” The word also reveals the same meaning. Refer to Eph 3:12, Heb 4:16.

When we approach to God we should reveal what we should show the evidence to receive God's love before God. It is not to boast ourselves but the assurance to God's love. Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." (Phil 1:21) And also he said, "Which is why I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that he is able to guard until that day what has been entrusted to me." (II Tim 1:12)

## **Sermon 11 The warranty of the greatest faith (Jn 3:31-36)**

The one who warrants our faith extremely is just Christ. Our text said as following about who Christ is.

1. The one come out of the above. (verse 31)

The mankind is dropped into the destruction for sin. As soon as he is born in the world he cries and their end is the extreme sorrow, that is, the death. The middle part of their life is affliction. They search for salvation. The salvation of the one to be dropped down into the water comes out of the power of the earth and the salvation of the one who is dropped down into the bottomless pot comes out of the above one that is, the power of the son of God. The power to come out of the above is the supernatural power. Without having the help of such power, the man cannot be saved. By the power of this world the sinner cannot help but to be saved. To forgive the sin of the sinner and to be saved by the supernatural power should come out of the high dimension. A sailor pushed an atheist into the water and was dropped down in the sea. He entered into the bottom of the ship and drank the water and then almost is died, the men delivered him and took the artificial respiration and then were revived. As he was revived, the first word he said was to say thanksgiving to the Lord. As he was dying in the water for he could not awake, he listened to the voice of his mother and he saw that his sin was like High Mountain. Then he seeks to forgive to the Lord and then got the peace of his remission. So he gave thanksgiving to the Lord.

Christ is the one to come out of the above. He comes the one to seek himself. He came as the son of God, come in Holy Spirit always, and also finally he



comes as the Lord of judgment. He is “the one to come”. He is to come always just like that. The living river written in Ezekiel 47:1-12 flows out of the temple and is flowing continuously; the son of God comes to the one to cry out continuously. His coming never is stopped. Therefore our believers always gets the courage of prayer, the word, “pray without ceasing” (I Thess 5:17) is the promise that he comes to the praying person.

2. The one to proclaim what he saw and listened to (verse 32)

What Christ sees is true. Because what he sees and listens to is spiritual thing. He did not take the physical eyes before he came into the world but lived in the heaven. Then he saw the heavenly things with his spiritual eyes. We also try to see spiritually. To see so is true. Despite it is so, the man knows that the man sees with physical eyes. The physical eyes on the man really are lower than the eyes of the eagle. The eagle makes his nest on the cliff, and sees a dead rabbit in the mountain located at the outside of several km out of the high place. Just like that the eagle adjusts his eyes as a telescope and can see the object so far. Not only that, it can see the little object by adjusting its eyes like microscope obviously. Therefore we should try to see the heavenly thing with the eyes of our heart. Not by our physical eyes. What our physical eyes looked at cannot bring about our salvation. As Jesus lived in the earth, among the men to meet him directly, many men were not saved. Therefore what we see with our physical eyes should be related to the issue of salvation. We should not relate to the issue of salvation by seeing with our physical eyes. The fact that the eyes of our heart sees and the ears of our heart listens to should be proclaimed by Jesus. What he sees and listens to is just spiritual. What sees by Holy Spirit and listens to by Him is always true.

### 3. The one to say the word of God (verse 34)

To say the word of God is different to proclaim it. It means that all words of his private life and his public life are the word of God. Therefore here, the word, “he received infinitive Holy Spirit” is followed. (The latter half verse) Faith is the decision happened in front of God’s authority. The authority of Jesus is the authority of God. Before the authority of God who can be knelt down? We have the dependence and rest only before the word of God. Not only is that, as the above remarks, his word the revived Spirit. (Jn 6:63) Then our text says that the Spirit is infinite. (Verse 34 b) The grace of God always is established by the parallel of the word and the Holy Spirit. The power of God is not revealed without the Word of God (truth). Making them obeyed by him comes out of the power of truth. Although the human apology includes some truth to explain the issue, it is not complete, accordingly the power is not revealed together. Therefore it says that the apology is meaningless. (II Tim 2:14)

But what God does always has the truth and the power too. The power of truth does not belong to God. Then for it says that such parallel is infinite. As the result the grace of God revealed by the order of salvation is infinite.

According to the Scripture as we observe few areas of his power, the contents are marvelous. (1) As we say the grace of remission, the place to have much sin has much grace. (Rom 5:20) and although our sin is like the scarlet he makes it been white like the snow. (Is 1:18) (2) As we say the external grace he accomplishes all things as goodness. (Rom 8:28), the fact that all creatures become the grace. (Rom 8:32, I Cor 3:21-23) The fact that he destroys the work of Satan by the sword of the word finally (II Thess 2:8) etc. Like the above says, the authority that Christ bestows his grace is so great. Therefore

our text verse 35 says that this fact is revealed by the other word. It is the word that he received all things in his hand. The purpose to receive such infinitive spirit is to give the living word infinitively to the believer. As we listen to the abundant word of Christ we get the unlimited faith. (Rom 10:17) As we want to it we can receive the living water. (Rev 22:17) The fact that we receive as we want means the abundance of his grace. Because the man has not the heart to want especially, the grace does not come to them. What is the word, “to want”? It has the sincere character as its uniqueness. If the men say to want but has no the sincere heart, it is not true requisition.

## **Sermon 12 The way that the Samaritan woman arrives to the faith (Jn 4:1-26)**

The woman misunderstood “the living water” Jesus said as the material, (14-15) he tried to get the contents of the world by it. The woman is childish at the beginning time. But she began to understand it gradually.

### **1. The woman was pointed her sin. (16-18)**

She had much sin to break out the family. Because the woman did not know that she herself was not a sinner, she had not the way to receive the spiritual life. In the life the great issue is not to know the fact that he is a sinner. The mental patient charged at the mental hospital does not know his own mental disease but claims that they themselves are the healthy men.

Just like that the men do not know the fact that they should lament their sin.

(1) Among sin it is difficult to understand the spiritual sin. (2) It also is difficult to understand the fact to commit much little sin. Because the sinner does not treat it as the great problem and forget it. Then if the man commits sin and does not understand and does not repent how shall he get the spiritual life? Ps 66:18 said, “If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.” Is 59:1-2 said, “Behold, the LORD’s hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hidden his face from you so that he does not hear?” Then what is the secret to realize the sin? It is to be pointed to before the word of Jesus. The Samaritan woman was pointed out her sin.

2. The woman learnt the worship with the supernatural being now.  
(19-20)

Then the woman learnt the spiritual worship to God. Jesus said, “When the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth,” True worship is to put the focus on the invisible thing. But opposes the external center. Accordingly it is to accept true God by faith through the Holy Spirit and Christ (the Spirit and truth). The believer receives the greater blessing than the universe by receiving the power of Christ.

3. The woman understood the fact that Jesus is messiah and believed in it. ( verse 26)

For Jesus said that “The one to say to you is him.” it is the confronted word of the messiah. Such thing is one of the principles of God’s activity to visit to the chosen people of God. (1) As Abraham entertained the angels without some information, the one actually was Jehovah. It was the precious heavenly news, “I am he” that he met in his effort of good works. (Gen 18:1-5 Heb 13:2) (2) The heart of two disciples to go down into Emmaus were burnt ay listening to the word of the Scripture by Jesus, Then they knew the fact “I am he”. After their eyes were opened and knew Jesus, they said, “They said to each other, “Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the Scriptures?” (Lk24:32)

### **Sermon 13 Of the faith of the king's servant (Jn 4:46-54)**

Faith is important. As the people take the doubt one another, their relationship are blocked. If the family does not believe in each other, the family shall be filled of the tragedy. As we do not believe in God the life of God and his joy shall be communicated in us.

1. He searched for Jesus and came to him for his strong desire. (46-47)

Although the servant of the king was an official of high level, he visited to Jesus to take the desire to heal the disease of his loved son, although we cannot say that it was a great faith, also it was the activity to belong to the faith. In this requesting he did not say any condition to lift up himself. He only wanted the mercy of the Lord in recognition of deep crisis. The desire can happen the faith.

2. He believed in the miracle more than the personality of Jesus. (48-49)

The word of Jesus, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." was the one to rebuke for the motive to believe in the servant of the king was so low level. As we saw the word, it was revealed the fact that the servant of the king loved his miracle and liked it more than Jesus himself. The believers should love the personality of Jesus more and the believer walks on the way of faith rightly. I Cor 1:22-23 said, "For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles,"

3. He believed in Jesus for his one word.(verse 50)

Now the servant of the king has the criteria of right faith. He now felt the fact that the word of Christ was greater than the actual miracle. The word of Christ is the expression of Christ's personality. Therefore we should feel the weight of his personality whenever we treat to the word of Christ. His word is in us too. The authority of his word that is, the authority of his personality. Despite it is so, if who despises the word of the Lord and claims to believe in it by seeing the Lord, it is wrong that it does not admit the authority of Lord's word.

The faith of the servant of the king was revealed two things here. That is, it was, "The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way." (Verse 50 b) (1) It is the faith of obedience; (2) it is the faith of rest. For he walked until the next day slowly, (verse 52 b) it is obvious to take rest. Before it he was hasted man by asking "he official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." (Verse 49)

#### 4. He believed in more. (51-53)

He asked his servants of the time that his son was begun to heal. The word, "Go; your son will live." That his servants mentioned was expressed in impression with Jesus's word. (Verse 51) The word also made his faith been more deeply. And as he was healed was the same time that Jesus said, "the son was revived." The fact also strengthened his faith strongly. The activity that the sinner visits the sinner itself is faith. After he was blessed by Christ his faith became stronger.

## **Sermon 14 The man who cannot do (Jn 5:1-9)**

### **1. The man that Jesus searches for especially (5-6)**

The patient for 38 years lied down at Bethesda was the one that could not do mostly among all patients. The Lord visited into only him. Jesus wanted to give hope to save the patient and said, “Do you want to heal?”

God wanted to contact to the one of frustration. As the Apostle Paul also was dropped down into the frustrated state, the purpose to do so was to make him depended on God more. II Cor 1:8-9 said, “For we do not want you to be unaware, brothers, of the affliction we experienced in Asia. For we were so utterly burdened beyond our strength that we despaired of life itself. [9](#)Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death. But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead.”

God pleases the one to depend on him mostly. Although we makes the good thing that he gave us been an idolatry, he should break out it. As we meet difficult thing we should not take anxiety and complain it. Then we can test himself how much we have the heart to depend on God, in the same time we can strengthen our faith more. God loves our faith more than our property, and more than our knowledge, our health and our something.

Ps 146:3-5 said, “Put not your trust in princes, in a son of man, in whom there is no salvation. When his breath departs, he returns to the earth; on that very day his plans perish. Blessed is he whose help is the God of Jacob, whose hope is in the LORD his God,” Ps 118:8 said, “It is better to take refuge in the LORD than to trust in man.” Jer 17:5 said, “Thus says the LORD:



“Cursed is the man who trusts in man and makes flesh his strength, whose heart turns away from the LORD.” We should take the impossible situation rather as the good chance and should make the chance to train our faith to depend on God.

## 2. The method of Jesus’s salvation (8-9)

The command that Jesus said, “Get up, take up your bed, and walk.” to the 38 years patient included the power of the Lord that his disease shall be healed as he obeys it only. The power of Jesus must come to the one to obey. Therefore his command was at the same time the grace. Because God shall do so to the one to obey what he commands. All men of deep faith-experience know this mysterious fact well. Therefore Augustine also prayed, “Give what thou commandest, and command what thou will.”

## **Sermon 15 Do you wish to be cured? (Jn 5:6)**

This 38 years patient was dropped down at the seat to give up even his desire. It was what the patient himself confessed. (Verse 7) That is, “The sick man answered him, “Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up, and while I am going another steps down before me.” He was frustrated and had no even any desire.

1. The desire to be healed needs absolutely.

1) Without having the wish, no faith is. Faith exists at only the place that the wish exists. Small wish small faith. Because faith is the method to solve true desire. The true desire of the man is the life to live with God. The method to fill the desire is only faith. (2) Without having desire ( frustration) is arrogance. To take frustration for having any power means to despise God, the source of God and to disappoint for he has sin means to despise Christ to shed his blood for our sins (especially for my sin). The man should put hope to God in Christ. I Tim 6:17, 19 said, “As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy... thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life.” Ps 39:7 said, “And now, O Lord, for what do I wait? My hope is in you.”

But the men have no hope and wish sincerely. We can know that as we see the fact that the men said to put his hope on God but they have no sincerity. But the men has the strong wish of earthly things. Jacob worked for 7 years as a day to get Rachell, ( Gen 29:20) the men have strong wish for the earthly things. Then do we have the desire toward God? or, not? The question, “ Do you want your healing?” comes on us spiritually in quiet. Our desire towards God is so mild.

Or, although we have the desire toward God for the other desire are much and takes conflict character, the wish toward God should be demolished. The friendship to the world is hostile to God. ( Jm 4:4) As the desire toward God is not simple, it is not sincerity. Because David’s desire was simple, he put it on only God. Ps 27:4 said, “One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple. “.

2. The sincere desire toward God makes us received grace.

Rev 22:17 said, “The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. “. Although the man has the hope but he has no the reason that it shall not be accomplished justly. The reason that we hope and seek but it shall not be accomplished is for we use it for wrong purpose by stealing God’s

property. Jm 4:2-3 said, “You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.” But As we takes the hope towards God and also seek it rightly, then we should be receive the answer. Because God said, “The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires take the water of life without price. “. ( Rev 22:17)

## **Sermon 16 My word, My Voice (Jn 5:19-29)**

### **1. The meaning of my word and my voice.**

Our text verse 24 reveals the expression, “my word” (ὁ λόγον μου) and verse 25 reveals the word, “the voice of son of God” (τῆς φωνῆς τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ). What do these two things mean? This is the evangelism of gospel that Jesus Christ established. The gospel that the latter messengers proclaimed does not have the authority like Christ himself said and his voice. Why does it have so authority? Because as the contents of the above verses 19-23 revealed obviously, Christ accomplished the redemptive work in the world by he came on here. That is, he accomplished the movement he revived. (Verse 21) For the drinking water is prepared in the source of the water the water is provided into the city easily. For the word that the servants of Christ proclaim is same to the word that Christ proclaimed, it can reveal the same effective like true voice.

What is the true servant of Christ? He is the one God sent. Rom 10:14-15 said, “How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” What is the one God sent?

1) He is the one to receive only the word. As God sent the prophets, above of all he gave the word of God to them. The word of God is the foundation of their all things. The word is the sword (Heb 4:12), the food (Heb 5:12 I Pet 2:2), the Spirit and the life. ( Jn 6:63)

2) He should become the voice of Christ who can take the role of Christ's voice? He is the one to follow Christ's life. Paul said, "For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain." (Phil 1:21), "From now on let no one cause me trouble, for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus." (Gal 6:17), "And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit. " ( II Cor 3:18)

## 2. Christ's word and the man.

The text verse 24 said, "Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life." Here we can know how much closely relationship between "listening" and "faith" take. Rom 10:17 said, "So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ. ". Why does it become so? Because the operation to have faith in the man belongs to only the word of God itself. As we listened to God's word, we accept by believing in God that sent Christ. Gal 3:2 said, "Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith?" Because to listen to and to believe is to accept God, the result is the eternal life. The eternal life is not little different to possess God. True life that is, the eternal life cannot be planned by the man and cannot be made. The eternal life that the Christianity proclaims is God himself.

## **Sermon 17 Of the wonder that feeds the bread to above 5000 men (Jn 6:1-15)**

### **1. The dialogue to come for the preparation**

Philip said that they need 200 denarii to solve the issue of food for a great multitude. It was the expression of his counted heart. As the man met the difficult issue it is general that he has the unbelief to solve the issue by visible method. Philip was the man that requested to show God to Jesus. He said, “Philip said to him, “Lord, show us the Father, and it is enough for us.” “. (14:8) just like that he got the unbelief to execute by visible thing. The essence of faith is not counted. The man of faith has the invisible thing as his eating food and accepts it as his purpose and his nest. The activity of faith is terminated in the visible thing (Faith ends in sight) and it knows that to be impossible” is as the work of his native purpose and walks towards rapidly. Therefore the purpose of life that the man of faith, Samuel Chapman Armstrong had was “Achieve the impossible. Faith can be happened in the trouble environment. Like the men to have full abdomen does not think the food, the safe environment does not make us thought the food. A certain British pome said, “I’d rather walk by faith in the dark with God, than go alone in the light; I’d rather walk by faith with Him than go alone by sight.”

### **2. The principle to treat the little and the crumbs as precious.**

Jesus gave thanksgiving to God for five loaves of bread and two fish. It was small quantity to the great multitude of above 5000 persons. But Jesus thanked for having it. As we give thanksgiving for having small thing, God provides

more things to us. But as we do not give thanksgiving, he deprives his many things. There is a maxim, “He who is Christian in small things is not a small Christian.” God wants that we should be faithful to a little thing. At the Day of Judgment the man admired also is the man to be faithful to a little thing. (Mt 25:20-23)

Jesus gave his thanksgiving to God with a little thing; after he feeds the above 5000 persons he made them collect the crumbs. The mind that treated the remains like that made the great grace poured on them. We should be able to respect the remains. A Sweden great pastor, Herik Schartau vowed before God, “As God establishes me rightly; I will walk for work of the Lord passionately. Until I take rest at the tomb I will proclaim the gospel.” He did not proclaim the gospel to only the object of the high level or great multitude but he called for the servants of the other in quiet and taught the gospel. Because this movement the western seashore area of Sweden was called for the land of faith and the inhabitants on that district were influenced by the gospel, their character became faithful and their personality was sincerity.

As a certain pastor took the pastoral ministry there was not new believers but there was only a child, Robert Moffat. But the pastor treated him precious. Moffat became a great missionary of Africa. Today the pastors of Korean church should try to collect the men like crumbs. It is biblical. Mt 11:5, I Cor 1:27-28 Jm 2:5.



## Sermon 18 The eternal Bread (Jn 6:22-29)

### 1. The desire of crowd

“Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.” (Verse 26) The miracle to feed 5000 persons with bread was the sign that Jesus is messiah, but they did not know such spiritual meaning but only to eat the bread was the purpose they followed. Therefore Jesus corrected them and said, “Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” (Verse 27). In the world the food that we take supports only the disappeared life. Although the man installs lots of grain in the world, it cannot revive the souls. A silly rich man to seek the rotten grain wholeheartedly can revive the soul with his matter, he devoted himself to install wholeheartedly. The silly rich man said, “and I will say to my soul, “Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.”” (Lk 12:19) Of this word of the silly rich man God said,” But God said to him, ‘Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?’” (Lk 12:20) Because the silly rich man did not know the caring of his soul God treated his soul. The silly rich man did not know wrongly that the rotten grain can revive his soul. Soul is controlled by God but the matter cannot control the soul. The contemporary civilization is the civilization of material. The modern men think of wrongly as they take the contents by it. There are the men that as the mechanical civilization is developed extremely there are the men to think that does not need to have the religion. In the

cosmos day as the journey of cosmos is developed the man enjoy the ultimate contents and thinks that he does not need the other more something, the contemporary men think wrongly. But the man does not take the ultimate sufficiency but he takes the contents only by personality that is, only by God.

## 2. The commitment of Jesus

3. He said to the multitude to visit to him, seek the food to have for eternal life. He said that he himself is the food of the eternal life. Then the method to get the food is faith. That is, the work to get this bread is, “Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.”(Verse 29). The meaning of this word is the fact that the secret to get this bread is to believe in him. This is the word to oppose business concern and prosperitism. The man has the bad point that he does not keep on the faith by making quiet and simple environment but to inform his name by many businesses. In the church also, the believers do not try to devote themselves to keep on faith life inform himself in quietness, but want to inform himself to many people to get some statuses. That is, they try to get the eternal life by doing the work of high level. For the work for the bread to have the eternal life is faith, Jesus is the bread of the eternal life. Therefore to believe in Jesus sincerely is compared with to eat the food. (1) Like food we accept Jesus in us and make the union, which is the most necessary thing. Like we cannot live without eating the food, as we do not accept Jesus in us we cannot live. (2) To eat the food is delightful affair; to believe in Jesus also need to have the delightfulness. For it is to take the eternal food, why does not it please to us? This affair is the delightful thing in peace as well as in the tribulation. As we work delightfully we do not know that it is difficult.

## **Sermon 19 Three Faults of the Jews (Jn 6:22-31)**

In conversation between Jesus and the Jew it points their (the Jew) three faults.

### **1. Materialism**

Jesus rebuked the Jew and said, “Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, you are seeking me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.” (Verse 26) The Scripture pointed that the materialist is the enemy of cross, the one destroyed and their god is abdomen. (Phil 3:18-19)

As the man takes wrong attitude to the material, he gets the cause not to see the above of material. It shall be explained as following. That is, God created the man at the beginning and ordered that he should rule over the material (Gen 1:28). The one to rule over the material and to overcome it knows God and serves Him. Despite it is so, he become a servant to serve the material. The man to be controlled by the material becomes dark in his eyes. And the he cannot see the above of material. Although the pig eats the acorn under the tree, it cannot look up the tree.

### **2. Business attention**

After Jesus said, “Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give to you. For on him God the Father has set his seal.” (Verse 27), the Jews requested, “Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” (Verse 28) Here, the word, “the work of God” means the works of God. They knew that as they work much they get the eternal life. The man should work. But it is vanity

that he works only for his life without faith. Ps 127:2 said, “It is in vain that you rise up early and go late to rest, eating the bread of anxious toil; for he gives to his beloved sleep.” The Business attention without faith finally shall be dropped down into heroism. It is the sin that the man replaces God in his activity. Therefore the business attention is vanity.

At this point in the meaning of Jesus to correct their fault and gave the word as following. It is the word, “Jesus answered them, and “This is the work of God that you believe in him whom he has sent.” (Verse 29) The work that the man should do as this word is to believe in Christ, “Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, and that you believe in him whom he has sent.” Why is so good work to believe in Christ?

1) Christ is the center of God’s economy in the history of mankind.  
[1] God predestinated before the eternity that God many send Christ in this world. [2] He prophesied by the prophets I the Old Testament [3] He was died and was resurrected and was ascended, [4] In the New Testament he was proclaimed, [5] at the end of the world he comes back again and judges it. As we see it we can know that the work of God through the history of mankind is the center of Christ. As we believe in Christ God does not demand the other of the above. What we should work is only to believe in Christ. All our other activity should be in the center of this faith. As we do whatever, we should do in the center of faith. The work to believe should be executed not by our thought but by our activity and our business. The business to do with faith is faith. The seminary students in the Westminster Theological Seminary sold the Bible to the people in walking around each area for the summer vacation duration. They prepared their tuition by working so. Because they do not

depend on the others and tried to keep on their self-support life according to the Scripture, it itself also is faith.

(2) How much great is the effect of faith? Faith is righteousness (Gen 15:6), faith is victory. (I Jn 5:4). As we see the word of Jesus, “And he said to them, “Then he touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith be it done to you.” (Mt 9:29) we can know that faith is so great. Then it is more joyful to believe in Christ. First, For Christ is alive; our psychology to believe in him is delightful. Second, For Christ is the one God sent to us, God pleases our faith to himself. Therefore as we believe in him we have the heart of rejoice. Third, not only that, the Scripture to make us believed in Christ gives the joy to us. The world has much trouble and changes, only the Scripture does not change. Our heart to believe in the Scripture is like the situation that a shipwrecked man sat down on the top of rock.

### 3. Miracle attention

The Jew told Jesus that he should reveal the evidence they can believe in by executing some miracles. They said, “So they said to him, “Then what sign do you do, that we may see and believe you? What work do you perform?”

(Verse 30). I Cor 1:22 said that as the Jews seek the sign, really they reveal such claim at that time. Jesus at this point said “Jesus said to them, “I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.” (Verse 35) in the meaning to believe in his personality more than his miracles. Although the external miracle makes them surprised, but it does not make the soul of the man revived. But the personality of Christ makes the soul of the man revived. Because the personality of Christ was provided as the sacrifice like the bread to revive our soul as the starving

person eats the food, he can get activation and has power. Just like that like we eat Christ as we believe in Christ we get the spiritual power.

What we should keep on in mind is the fact that we should not wait for the other experience primarily in believing in Christ. As the hungry person eats the bread, he has good power and the experience to take peace in his whole body. So we should believe in Christ more than the experience of joyful faith. After that we can get all blessed experience. As the people think, “As I get stronger guilt feeling by more repentance, I shall believe I Christ.” But it means that the guilt feeling is same to Christ. It is fault that he accepts his guilt feeling as his savior.

Christ is the bread of the eternal life. Believers! Eat (It means to believe in) him without anxiety. As you do not believe in him, Believe in him rather, eat him fully! Don not know that for you believe in him too much it shall not do it, Often eat him! We should eat the food often. Do not take contents only the experience of our past. At the other time I got some anxiety, I cannot sleep. Then the method to solve it is to pray and take peace by believing in the omnipresent and omnipotence Lord.

## **Sermon 20 The meaning of eating the flesh of Jesus and drinking his blood (Jn 6:52-59)**

Jesus put his substituted death before him and preached the word, “my bread to has eternal life,” for long time. And he concluded as the word that the eternal bread means his flesh and his blood. (53-58) Then what does it mean eating his flesh and drinking his blood?

1. It means to understand his love like to eat his flesh and drink his blood as he believes in Jesus.

As we believe in Christ we should feel his love to tear his flesh and to shed his blood. The faith to believe in Jesus is not cold intellectual approval, but the activity to feel the love of Jesus and to understand it. Apostle Paul felt the love of Christ and said, “For the love of Christ controls us, because we have concluded this: that one has died for all, therefore all have died; and he died for all, that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for him who for their sake died and was raised.” (II Cor 5:14-15) Gal 2:20 said, “I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now lives in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”

We should be felt his love. As he loved me he loves us until his body was sacrificed. This is the love that he gave all things to me. It is seem to be difficult that such love came to me. (1) If he does not look at the sinner but look at only the sinner, it is difficult that such love come to me. (2) If it is only to the man or, the word of his flesh and his blood belong to the material, he shall make that such great love cannot be arrived to even me. But for he is

God and the love given by his flesh and his blood is spiritual, he pours out this love to even me. He made it been possible by the Holy Spirit. Therefore verse 44 said, “No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.” I Jn 2:20 said, “But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge.” Because what we receive the flesh of Christ and his blood is not established not by the material but by the spiritual, it is not difficult. The power of today material overcome the block of long distance and was made the space ship to be able to enter into the world of moon. Then we cannot say what the power of God and his spirit. Jesus said that the word of his flesh and his blood is “the Spirit and the life” 96:63) Zech 4:6 said, “Then he said to me, “This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of hosts”.

2. It means the deep faith in his heart like eating and drinking.

The one to eat the food does not take the hypocrisy. He absorbs deeply in his body and in his cell. Just like that, the one to believe in Christ should believe his atonement in his heart deeply. Faith is painted on our mouth as well as we should not be attached on our face. The Lord taught the meaning to rebuke the hypocrite much in the Scripture. For example Mt 15:8 said, ““this people honor me with their lips, but their heart is far from me;”. And in the meaning of importance of innate faith, Rom 10:10 said, “For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.” Here “heart” points to the center. To believe in it in our heart points to believe in the deepest part. Just like that it is the living faith. David said, “Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name!” (Ps 103:1)



## **Sermon 21 The leader not to believe the number (Jn 6:66-71)**

1. Although the truth is proclaimed many people are left but only the few can be remained.

The church has the time that many people are gathered and the time that few people are gathered. Although the small people are gathered in the church, the pastor should not lose his courage. As Jesus looked that his many disciples left him, he was not harmed a little in his heart. Because he knew that it shall become so already. Verse 64 said, “But there are some of you who do not believe.” (For Jesus knew from the beginning that those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.)”

The leader of church should not take covet to the number. The great pastor Baxter did not choose the church that many members are gathered, as he choose the his ministry field, As he was called for some areas, there was only one believer family at the district to have many population. Then as the result that he devoted himself to take evangelism, the many people of this region were repented and returned to the Lord. As he resigned his ministry and left out of it all people almost of this region were believed but only one family did not believe in. The pastor that does not depend on the count is powerful pastor.

2. Although it is delicate few men he should not take safety.

In verse 67-69, to the word of Jesus, Peter replied representatively, “So Jesus said to the twelve, “Do you want to go away as well?” Simon Peter answered him, “Lord, to whom we shall go? You have the words of eternal life, and we

have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God.” “He was proud of purified small persons. But Jesus broke out the pride of Jesus and said “Jesus answered them; “Did I not choose you, the twelve? And yet one of you is a devil.” (Verse 70). The pastor to execute the pastoral ministry rightly does not depend on the purified few also. As the purified few also are dropped down into the temptation, they can harm to the church anytime. It is horrible that the horse to run away well kicks with it’s behind feet.

When we believe in the man God makes us failed us we should not believe in the great assembly without purifying (the meeting without dedicating). We should believe in only God, we should all men and also we should proclaim the word to them.

## **Sermon 22 The life to belong the unbelief and the life of true faith (Jn 7:1-9)**

As the man does not execute whatever truly, he is failed. If the seller does not attach his heart to his started selling and shall do by his thought, can he get success? Of course he cannot arrive at success. The students also are so in his studying. Let's contrast to the belief and unbelief here.

1. The life to want to reveal and the life to want to conceal.

This contrast was said by the brothers of Jesus, they contrasted between the belief and unbelief each other in their unconsciousness. Verse 4 said, “ “. What we see here are the life to want to reveal it to the people and the other not to want to reveal it. The life to want revealing himself always is unbelief. For it moves by the heart that the people admits, it is not the life to believe in God, but the life to depend on the man and to seek the glory of the man. Such life always has anxiety. Because the people always are shaken, their relationship also always does not keep on the peace. The life that wants to be admitted by the people is in the center of honor and vanity. The men that said to believe in the Lord seek the glory of world cannot be escaped out of the aspect of actors that become the sight of world. They do not want to be exhibition in the showcase. But the life to want the living in the hidden place is the life of true faith. They do not want that they become the sight of world people. They do not want to become the exhibition in the showcase. They want that only God admits them. (1) They want the reduced thing than increased thing. That is, they want to be faithful at the little thing. (2) They want to be deep than to be wide. In other word, they want to take fellowship

to God and to be with God than informing them far and doing some businesses.  
(3) They want to be low than to be lifted up.

2. The life to move without having time and to move by exact time.

In verse 6, Jesus said, “Jesus said to them, “My time has not yet come, but your time is always here.” This word also contrasts of the unbelieving life and believing life. The life moving by ignoring life means not to know the will of God obviously but to move. The natural world keeps on the time. Jer 8:7 said, “Even the stork in the heavens knows her times, and the turtledove, swallow, and crane keep the time of their coming, but my people know not the rules of the LORD.” We make mistake easily by the fact that we sometimes do not know the will of God but do it by ourselves. It is the unbelief. But the life to follow the lead of God is precious it is the life of faith. The life of the man always to live so always rejects the external life. But wants to live in the deep than one hundred words. The prayer, become lowly to the degree that he put his mouth on the dust from the high place till heaven. (Lam 3:29) He meets God there. (2) He strengthened one practice. His life keeps on the walking in silence. In other word, He knows silence until knowing the will of God and then after he knows the will of God he walks toward. As we moves by the will of God, always we are prosperous and get the peace. In the sea that has high wave, the men to swim well enjoy by ascending and descending but the men not to swim do not follow the wave and then he is drowned into the water. The man to know the will of God deeply should become well without any shaking. There is Iceberg Mountain on the Atlantic Ocean sometimes; the size of the iceberg mountain lifted up on the surface of the water is highest 300-400 feet. Although it has no anchor and rubber it flows into the Southern

area by strong wind. Because  $\frac{7}{8}$  of the iceberg are entered into the water.  
The believer to know the will of God deeply is not shaken and become well.

## **Sermon 23 The living water to flows in the heart (Jn 7:37-39)**

### **1. The meaning of the living water to flow like the river.**

For it flows in the abdomen it does not relate to the external figure of the man. It said making the inside of the man sprinkled and the abundance of sufficiency and peace. (Ps 78:16) The contemporary believers are so busy to execute righteousness in the external part and also for it they criticize and hate each other. Accordingly so called for, many “righteous men” are revealed. The men not to get the righteousness to attach to the external figure are dropped down into some troubles. The Christians should possess contents and peace abundantly. It is the true living way. Let’s think of the well. The well does not come out of the well, as the rain comes only the raining water are gathered and stayed, there is grown warms and the bad smell comes out of the rotten water. We never are able to drink the water. It is not well in the true meaning. Let’s possess peace and sufficiency sprung out of it<sup>1</sup> it is established only by the grace of Holy Spirit.

### **2. The method to possess the river living water to flow in his heart.**

1) Feeling thirsty. As Jesus said this word, he said in front of the ceremony of the feast of tabernacle. For it Jesus remembered the old Israel that was thirsty happened on the wilderness. Then the thirsty of the wilderness was the crisis of death in Israel. Because the wilderness had no the water. Then God come out of the rock and made them revived. Jesus thought this fact and taught the men to be thirsty to the grace. They also longed for the grace sincerely; they should do with the feeling confronted to the crisis of death. Today we also should feel the affliction of death to the dry fact of grace. This

is the way to receive grace. Ps 42:1 said, “My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?” The grace of God comes on the one to long for. The Lord said, ““Do not give dogs what is holy, and do not throw your pearls before pigs, lest they trample them underfoot and turn to attack you.” ( Mt 7:6) God gives the living water to only the one to seek for grace in the thirst. (Lk 11:13)

2) Saying to come to me

What does to come mean? Surly it means the faith. The word, “Whoever believes in me” below it interprets it. The reason to express the faith as the word, “to come” is for the fact that faith is not the concept but the concrete activity. If we believes in Christ truly is not accomplished only by sitting down in thinking to believe in only Christ. We can kill the theory of unbelief with the activity of faith. The taste of faith is known by believing in Faith is not theory but the activity. To believe with theory may be executed by the devil also. Among the souls dropped down into the hell there is no atheist. They know that God exists surely. But the devil and the souls to enter into the hell do not love the Lord and do not obey him. The kingdom of God is not the place that the impossible theory can enter into. The saints to enter into the place have the pumping heart for the tension for God, their eyes have light and they praise the hymn continuously. The men that say only and have no work are the faithful servants of devil. The one to believe without concrete faith has no life and the walking skeleton. We should approach to Jesus and cast ourselves into him wholeheartedly. The word that he said, “Come and see” to two disciples that asked the address of Jesus pointed to the faith with work, (1:39) and the word, “Come and see” that Philip told Nathanael also takes such meaning. (1:46)

### 3) Saying to drink it.

It is so easy that the man drinks the water. It is a simple activity. The childish and ignorant man also can drink the water. It is precious that the leaders of faith study much as well as they experience much. But they all are needed to take the simple faith simply. The leaders should lead to make their lives been simple in believing in Christ by the general believers. Faith has the simplicity as its life. (Mt 22:37)

Three things of the above are called for three feature of faith. Therefore the word, “the one to believe in me” in the first part of verse 38 is told by the union of three things. We have what we think momentarily at this point. The word, “the believer” (ὁ πιστεύων) means the one to believe in continuously. The fact to believe in continuously is the faith to believe in well. Although many people believe in Jesus but they have the habit to stop their faith. As they are in peace, they enjoy the world, but at the tribulation they throw away the faithfulness of faith. The believer to receive the credit of Christ is rare. Truly. (2:23-25) But the believer keeps on the faith by enduring well he shall be admitted by the Lord.

Today there are many people that do not throw away faith under the horrible persecution of Communism China. According to the report to be relied on recently, although the believers prisoned in the prison of Communism China are arrived fully, they are not released. Just like that their faith is continued. The daughter of Sung pastor who was called for the Wesley of China proclaimed the gospel and received 20 years in prison, now also she was prisoned. And the pastor, Wang Min Do was prisoned on 1955, and is



prisoned until now; Watchman Nee also has been prisoned at the prison of Shanghai. There is a certain city in the seashore city in China that 30000 people live. Among them 3000 persons are Christian believers, which they escaped the communists and execute the movement of faith in underground, and a pastor lead them. They are gathered at secret house and worship to God. We know that obviously. The living river shall flow in the meeting of such believers.

## **Sermon 24 The unbelief of the people to Jesus (Jn 7:1-53)**

The Jew served before them the messiah that they waited for long time and took several questions. It is the conflicted character of the sin that the mankind to take total depravity revealed representatively. The mankind is so dark, they brought about the woe to treat the evil as the goodness, the goodness as evil, the darkness as the light, the light as the darkness, the bitterness as the sweetness, the sweetness as the bitterness. (Is 5:20)

1. The question of the brothers of why he reveal in the world. (1-13)  
His brothers exhorted that Jesus that at the feast of tabernacle he should go to Jerusalem, That is, “For no one works in secret if he seeks to be known openly. If you do these things, show yourself to the world.” (Verse 4) This is wrong in their thought that Jesus also shall be succeeding as he shall be admitted by the world. But the truth teaches that the man should not live by being pulled by the world but he should overcome the world. Because the world is wicked. The one to take intimacy to the world becomes the enemy with God. (Jm 4:4) That is, “You adulterous people! Do you not know that friendship with the world is enmity with God? Therefore whoever wishes to be a friend of the world makes himself an enemy of God.” Therefore Athanasius fought for truth and said, “Does all world contrast to me? I shall contrast to all worlds. “We should not be captive but we should overcome with the truth. Our Lord Jesus Christ did not seek the applaud of the world but only pointed on the sin of world obviously.

2. The question of the Jews of “The Jews therefore marveled, saying, “How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?” ( verse 15)

This is the representative word of the autonomous. The autonomous thinks that as the man does not learn by the man he cannot know the truth. They do not admit the authority of the above of the man. They do not understand the method that receives the truth that the man does not know. They oppose the faith in this meaning. But it is the conflicted thought. They think that the reason (heart) of the man is the highest authority of knowledge. But the Scripture said, “The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?” (Jer 17:9)

For Jesus learns by the man, he did not know the truth, he said that he know it by receiving from God. (Verse 16) For it his word is true. We should know that the revealed truth always is true than the truth that we know by ourselves Ps 12:6 said, “The words of the LORD are pure words, like silver refined in a furnace on the ground, purified seven times.” Although the century had been passed away and also is passed away, the Scripture exists still. Although the kingdom is happened but they are destroyed, the Scripture is still. The dominions are passed away the Scripture exists still, although the kings were established but are disappeared, the Scripture exists still. The atheists mocked the Scripture; the agnostic scoffed at the Scripture, the secular one despised it the truth is stands up strongly. Although the flame spread to them, it stands up still. Although the teeth of time bite it, it stands up still. Although the apostasy rebels on it and the new modern theology cut off it, it stands up still.

3. They said that Jesus is demon –possessed man. ( verse 20)

Jesus is the only benefactor among the men born by the mankind. (Although we think of only his human character) Socrates taught 40 years, Platon for 50

years and Aristotle taught for 40n years. They were the greatest philosophers in the world. But although Jesus taught for 3 years, he provided the great teaching and movement that he cannot be compared with them to the world. He built the day called for the day of New Testament. Although he did not draw even one picture, the greatest painters and sculptor and musicians were happened out of his impression. Artists, Raphael, Michael, Angelo Leonard da Vinci, Poet, Dante, Milton Musician Handel, Beethoven, Bach Mendelssohn etc. did so. In Ethical moral area, there is no the noble complete one like Jesus. Despite it is so, the Jews in the contemporary of Jesus claimed that he is devil-possessed one; it was the hysteria of their unbelief. Although who has the unbelief, it must be the insane symptom. (21-24)

#### 4. The Jews tries to arrest Jesus. (30-36)

The Jew did not catch up messiah in faith but he caught up him to harm him. This is not the activity to harm Jesus but the foolish behavior to break out them. When such evil activity is revealed, many believers of Jesus were happened. (Verse 31) Always the truth is not harmed rather is shone out, although at the opposed side of the extreme non-truth.

5. The temptation of multitude how Christ come out of Galilee. They seemed to know the Scripture; they did not want to know the identification of Christ sincerely. If they tried to know the history of Christ faithfully, they might have such questions. Because they said, “And there was much muttering about him among the people. While some said, “He is a good man,” others said, “No; he is leading the people astray.”(Verse 12). Although

they seemed to know the Scripture, but they did not check up the fact between the Scripture and real issues deeply. The unbelief comes out of the activity not to have the relationship between the Scripture and actual issues. Because the faith is not only theory. Truth is fact. Therefore the man of faith feel the relationship of the Scripture and accrual life, the Scripture and history, the Scripture and the day, the Scripture and all things in the truth and moves. Faith does not forget the present and does not despise it. The Jews did not think the horrible movement of the presence of messiah in the center of Jesus severely and did not understand it. The unbelief is revealed by ignoring the relationship between the Scripture and the present.

## **Sermon 25 The Life of Jesus to come as the light (Jn 8:12-59)**

The light executes several good things, among it especially the thing to shine out (the thing to make us seen) is important. Without leading of the Lord, the people are destroyed in the darkness. Therefore David said, “The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?” (Ps 27:1) The great scientists invented all good things by the grace Jesus shone out to them. It is informed that Morose who invented the system of telegram had prayed whenever he met troubles.

Jesus is the savior to save the man out of deep darkness. He is not the revealer to give brightness to only the world of science, but to break out the deep darkness in the spiritual world and the savior to reveal to them.

The thing he did until the end is to give such concrete salvation. He is not the one to help barely out of the low seat. He saves our souls dropped down into the deep darkness. Such salvation is established by making us seen God (spiritually) Refer to 1:18. We need to see God without saying any word. He opened the block between God and us and made us seen God. In a certain day in the mist George Muller rode in the ship and went prayed for it cannot be arrived at the exact time. Then the captain said in anxiety, “Do you see this mist? “, he replied, “I does not see the mist but see God.” Then the mist was disappeared the ship was arrived at the exact time. As Luther saw God the Roman church was trembled, Jonathan Edwards saw God the great revival was happened in America, As John Knox saw God Scotland was knelt down before him, As Wesley saw God, the world become his parish. As White field saw God repented the great multitude. Then who can receive the light?

1. As the man believes in Jesus he receives the light.

For anyone is dark spiritually he cannot see Good. Not only that, he cannot understand that Jesus is the light with his wisdom. Only the one to believe in and to obey receive the light of Jesus. Many men try to believe that Jesus is the light. Their reason is for they did not experience by receiving the light. But it is wrong. Because the blind man in born time did not see the light of the sun, shall not he believe the being of the light? He should admit the light of the Sun by faith. Faith is the absolute necessary step to follow Jesus. As the man pursues Jesus, he shall receive the light continuously. If the traveler does not follow the guide closely, how does he receive the direction of the leader? We should believe in Christ and follow him. A certain book said,” Believe in him, Trust Him when dark doubts assail thee. Trust Him when thy strengthen is small, Trust Him when to trust Him is the hardest thing of all. Trust Him He is ever faithful. Trust Him for his will; is best. Trust him, for the heart of Jesus is the only place of rest. Trust Him Then through cloud sand sunshine. All thy cares upon Him cast till the storms of life are over and his testing days are past. (Knight’s Master Book of Illustrations, Eerdmans pp. 701-702)

2. Jesus is the one to be able to believe in.

1) Because he is self-attested, he can do. Of the word that Jesus said himself, “the light”, and the phrases complained that they cannot believe in it for it is self-attested. (Verse 13) The word of the Pharisees is foolish. The light is self-attested. As it is shone out, it reveals its brightness to the other without receiving any support. As it is the fact that we should believe in it without evidence. Just like that for Jesus is the infinite God that the people cannot measure, he can be proved by only the testimony of himself. Although he himself did not write any books, his testimony is abundant like his books

cannot be put in the world. The Apostle John said, “Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Where every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.”(21:25)

2) For God father also testimonies Jesus, we can believe in it absolutely. (15-20) by what did the testimony of father reveal to Jesus? It is the Scripture as Jn 5:37-39 reveals. The testimony of the Scripture belongs to the absolute truth. The Scripture is the truth not to be polished eternally. The Scripture is the book to testimony Jesus. It's the same in the Old Testament and the New Testament.



## **Sermon 26 The dead men in their sin (Jn 8:21-30)**

The word of our text points how much the Jews loved sin and they are accorded. They became that the sinful world is their home town. Therefore Jesus said, ““You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.” (Verse 23) They did not hostile to the sin rather they were communicated through it. They are the men not to prepare coming world. They were the men that lived there and were died there. Some travel mine group entered into Klondyke, a golden area, at one place there was a skeleton with much gold and then nearby it there was a letter. The letter was recorded as following, “We found out the gold lode vein here and was succeed to mine the gold. “. The travel mine group started mine work to dig up the gold there, and then it was a winter. They daily dig out the gold mine deeply and entered into more and worked continuously. The day was colder gradually and finally even the way that they should go to buy the grain was blocked for snow slide, they were died by starving there after they gathered much gold. Just like the people of this world they do not know the flow of the days for the hobby of sinful life and they do not prepare the coming world and shall be died finally.

### **1. The sin kills the man**

At a glance the sin seems to be looked as goodness by the people for it does not kill them soon. But finally it shall kill the committed men. Ezekiel 3:19 said, “But if you warn the wicked, and he does not turn from his wickedness, or from his wicked way, he shall die for his iniquity, but you will have delivered your soul.” Ezekiel 18:4 said, “Behold, all souls are mine; the soul

of the father as well as the soul of the son is mine: the soul who sins shall die. “Then the reason that the people do not afraid of it is for it does not kill him quickly and shall kill him lately. At the reed field nearby the river of Southern Africa, there are many dukes, the children in this district caught up many dukes. The method to catch up them is to pick out the contents in pumpkin and sent it on the water. As the pumpkin came down on the water the dukes treated it strangely in first time and watched out from the far place, after some time, they sat down on the pumpkin. Then the children put their heads into the pumpkin (they picked out the contents and makes the hole to see outside) and their bodies were hidden in the water. Then as the dukes were sat down on the pumpkin, they caught up the dukes swiftly. Just like that the sin tempts the man gradually and finally it kills the man. It has so much craft. True saints are afraid of the sin mostly. As Chrysostom was arrested by Roman emperor, The emperor asked to his servant,” What shall I do him? Do I prison him? The servant replied, “If he was prisoned, he shall like that. Because he like to communicate with God at the quiet place. Then the emperor asked again, “Then do me ill him?” The servant replied, “Make him committed sin because he is afraid of the sin mostly.”

## 2. The way to be saved out of sin

Verse 24 said, “I told you that you would die in your sins, for unless you believe that I am he you will die in your sins.” It includes the meaning that as he believe in it he shall be saved. Because the man belongs to the earth, he cannot help but to be destroyed by the sin. But God established the policy to save us that is he sends Christ and makes the men believed in him. Our text said, “I am he”. Why does the faith that believed in Jesus as that one have

the power so? The word, “I am he” (ἐγώ εἰμι) means “I am the eternal self-existent one”, actually it mean that he himself is Jehovah. The holy name, Jehovah is the name of covenantal God, which is the one to accomplish the promise anytime and anyplace. Jesus is “the one” to accomplish the promise by existing at any time and any place. Therefore whoever believes in him he admits him and accepts him, keep on him and he saves him. Hendel, the musician was taken the disease not to move his whole body at one time, his property also was disappeared and the one to make him bore the debit tried to put him into the prison. He was arrived at the frustration. But as he overcomes this difficult time by faith God provided new power to him and he composed the great Corus, Halleluiah. Christ never has the thing not to know the one to believe in. We have much time of the unbelief to think that he does not know us. As it is compared, it is foolish that the snow in air takes anxiety as the doubt “mountain! If you are dropped down, can you accept me?” We should believe Jesus as “that one”. That is, He keeps on his promise anyplace and anytime. He should believe that he is Jehovah that knows the believers. Jesus is “the one”.

What is the activity of the Lord to believe in him? He always is the one to say. Jesus said, “So they said to him, “Who are you?” Jesus said to them, “Just what I have been telling you from the beginning.” (Jn 8:25) He is the one to work by the word. The person to have no credit cannot work with his word. Because the word he did never be accomplished. The word not to be accomplished is no valuable. But the word of truth should be repeated always. The one to work only with his word is only Jesus. Because his word has no even one mistake and one false. Jesus said the time of Noah, I Pet 3:19

said, “in which he went and proclaimed to the spirits in prison,” This means that he proclaimed evangelism, at the day of Peter, to the souls entered into the hades (lived in the day of Noah) through the Noah in the old time. He said at the day of prophets. I Pet 1:10-11 said, “Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of Christ in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of Christ and the subsequent glories.” He says in the New Testament especially. Heb 1:2 said, “But in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world.” He lives at the world of permanent word. As he writes down all things the books cannot be put in the world. Jn 21: 25 said, “Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Where every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.” For it how wide and how deep should our faith be? Because we should believe in all infinite words! When we believe in the man we should believe in his word. If we do not trust in his word it means that we do not believe in his word. The method to believe in his personality can be practiced by believing in his word. As the object is not revealed in our sight to believe in him is more interesting faith.

## **Sermon 27 The way of salvation for the man born out of the below (Jn 8:21-30)**

1. The misery state of the one born out of low place.

In verse 23 of our text what Jesus said, “Below” points to this world? The Scripture said that the place of God’s dwelling is high place. (Hab 3:19, Is 57 :) In the other hand, this world is called for by meaning that this world is left God’s dwelling place. It is called for the dark world. (Eph 6:12) The fish to live in the deep ocean think that it plays by thinking that the place is bright. But as we see it, that place is dark. Just like that the people think that this world is bright, as God see it, it is so dark. And also it is the place that the devil takes the ultimate violent place. (Rev 12:12) Therefore the word that the man to be born there was born here means that the man was dropped down at the bottom of sin. In other word they were indulged by the sin.

Therefore they cannot help but to be died in the sin. As the pig eats the salted shrimp, like the thing that it is died. The souls of man should be died for sin. (Ezk 18:4) The thing to kill the man is only the sin. Therefore I Cor 15:55-56 said, “O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?” The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law.” This word means that the death kills all men with sin. Then when the people on the earth commits sin, are they died for the sin for how much close relationship? They have the closely relationship in degree of accord of it. Jm 1:15 said, “Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.” This word reveals the intimate relationship of sin and the man. The sin is closely like it was born by the man. Because of it, they are not separated of the sin but they are died in the sin. Because they treat the sin as his body, he

does not know that it is harmful to him and they live in it and he receive the result of eternal death.

2. The way to save out of the destroyed pot.

1) His word comes out of hearing from the father the men listen to the word of the authority, believes in it and obey it. We gives credit to the word of the authority one that has been at the moon world that is the word of the astronaut and accept it, to know the state of the moon world well that. The faithfulness of God is most high, only it is the object of our faith. Then the one to know his sincerity mostly is only Jesus. The one to listen to his word in heaven is only Jesus. Therefore the authority of most “true” is only Jesus. Not only that, as Jesus proclaimed most true word of God to the world, the fact he proclaimed without changing directly also is stressed here. Our text, “as the Father taught me” reveals this fact. Because the men are the sinners they do not say the truth directly and conceals it by his emotion and mood, and also it may be changed. So there are many people that say “deer is horse.” But Jesus not to have any sin says what he listened to from the father.

2) After he was died and was resurrected, he makes the men understood the word. (verse 28) In other word, he shall establish what he said already at the latter day this is not accomplished by the power of man. The fact that the word is so sincere can be happened by the one to have the divine authority. Is 44:8 said, “Fear not, nor be afraid; have I not told you from of old and declared it? And you are my witnesses! Is there a God besides me? There is no Rock; I know not any.” The one that said at the old time and is established directly is only Jesus.

3) God is with Jesus always (verse 29) this also stresses that his word always is the word of Father-God itself. The source of his word is God as well as the activity to proclaim his word is the possession of God. The word that God be with him means it. Just like that his word has the divine authority. Then what is the reason that this faithful word gives the salvation? It shall be think as following. That is, our spirit eats the word of Christ is the same to eat Christ himself. Only Christ is the food of our soul. Christ offers himself to the believers through his word. He gives the faith to us by his word and also makes us been holy. It is our salvation.

## **Sermon 28 The theory of the man and the theory of God's son (Jn 9:1-5)**

As we see our text, there are the theory of the disciples and the theory of Jesus to the blind man from his birth. These are the contrast between the theory to discuss the law and the theory to be consistent to the grace.

### **1. The theory of the disciples**

The disciples put the blinded man from his birth before them and argued the reason. That is, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?”

1) This was not argued by the theory of law truly but was treated by external perspective extremely. That is, it was observed in only the physical aspect (in the point that his physical eyes were blinded) it was actually the game of the blind man. The result of sin was influenced into the invisible spiritual world more. How much sick the heart of the man is! As we see the Scripture, the heart of man is wicked, (Heb 3:12), more false than all things (Jer 17:9) , weak, ( Ezek 16:30) , double ( Ps 12:2), unrepentant ( Rom 2:5), rebellious ( Jer 5:23), hardened ( Ezek 3:7) like the stone ( Ezek 11:19), the rebelliousness ( Jer 5:23), despising heart ( Exk 25:25), arrogant heart ( Ps 10:12) lifted heart ( Prov 13:10) deceived heart ( Prov 12:8) and the foolish heart. ( Rom 1:21) Except this one, the Scripture said much to the fact that the human heart takes disease, but it is short time to find out them more. Just like that the heart is sick and it also cannot help but to say the result of sin.



They pointed the theory of the law by the cold attitude without the compensation and love. As they saw the misery blind man, should not they give mercy to him? The fact they put such issue of sin before the blind man was too no merciful attitude. It is the blind attitude not to see more important thing than to see the law. The Scripture said, “And “If the righteous is scarcely saved, what will become of the ungodly and the sinner?” (I Pet 4:8) But at that time the disciples of Jesus try to find out the sin of the blind man and the sin of his parent. This is the wicked habit of general mankind. Thomas Fuller said, “We should find out the good points and the virtue but find out of myself.”

2. The theory of Jesus that is, the theory of God.

The theory of Jesus that is the theory of God is different to the theory of man. He put the blind man from his birth before and said, “but that the works of God might be displayed in him.” It means not to point out the reason of the human unhappiness (blinded unhappiness) but he corrects the unhappiness and makes him become happily to reveal his love. It means the gracious theory to remove the past but to deliver the present. It is the theory of salvation to treat all misery as the work of God. We should take the example and accept the world to have many faults and the society to have much sin as our work and should enter into it and proclaim the gospel to them.

## **Sermon 29 The method that Jesus healed the blind man (Jn 9:1-7)**

### **1. Making them known who he is. (verse 5)**

Jesus told to the blind man that he is the light. The blind man demands the light. His misery came out of strong darkness. Jesus is the savior to fill the spiritual requirement of anybody. So we should accept Jesus primarily.

Fanny Crosby became a blind man from the infant time but she believed in Jesus and received the spiritual light and rejoiced and wrote several thousand pomes. As the man has the anxiety, although he has the complete eyes, he has anxiety. Therefore we should try to accept Jesus in our heart than healing the disease. In some meaning it is not easy. But it is the highest grace.

### **2. Requesting the obedience (verse 7)**

Jesus patched the mud on his eyes and went to the lake Siloam and cleaned up it. Then the blind man obeyed soon and he eyes was opened by practicing.

We can see the attitude of belief and obedience in the activity of the blind man. As we see our text, it is fact that the blind man obeyed the command of Jesus with sweet heart. He did not say any excuse and obeyed. Who shall obey forcedly to the thing to have hope? The blind man believed in Jesus as the one like the light. (Verse 5) The blind man to miss the light believed in that as he obeyed as to his word, his eyes shall be healed. Therefore he obeyed with sweet heart.

As we obey the Lord we should call for it as the belief and obedience.

Because it is the difficult thing to understand for the thing that the Lord command, that is, we should believe in the no delight thing and obey it. The

blind man shall be hard to understand the meaning that after he patched the mud on his eyes and he should go to the lake Siloam and should cleanup it. But he believes and obeyed it with sweet heart.

### **Sermon 30 The concept of the time in the Christian (Jn 9:4)**

At this point, we need to refer to Jn 11:9-10. It said, “Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? If anyone walks in the day, he does not stumble, because he sees the light of this world. But if anyone walks in the night, he stumbles, because the light is not in him.”

The fact that we execute God’s work at the day teaches that we should execute things in the center of God at the chance God gives. We should use all time in the center of God (or, Christ) and use in the will of God. It means that we use the time valuably. To use the time not in the center of Christ cooperate to the wicked age, it means to spend the time. It is to use the time valuably.

Therefore Eph 5:16 said, “Making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.” this is, the concept of time in the center of Christ.

The Greek counted the time in the center of Olympic contest; Roman counted the years in the center of establishing of their nation. Roman emperor Julius Caesar made another calendar of Christ again; it was used for about 1600 year. Except it the people of world used the calendar as this one and that one. They all express the life not in center of Christ. But the believers have counted the year in the basis of Christ’s birth; it expresses the fact to use all time in the center of Christ. In other word, the fact we use the year of Christ, (1) as we think the past, it suggests that there is no the important event like the event of Christ’s birth. The works that was accomplished before Christ’s coming also was happened for preparation of Christ’s coming. (2) The another meaning that using the year of the savior teaches us means that our all-time belongs to him. In other word, it suggests that we spend the time by our heart and cannot use time by it. (3) The will to use the year of savior means in the future

suggests believing that Christ controls all things. As we believe in him, although we meet any troubles, we do not need to be afraid of it. (4) The fact to use the year of Christ also it remembers his second coming. That is, it makes us taken the hope of his second coming to be nearby. Just like that we should think in awaken about the time like the day. Christ thought his living time as the day. (9:4) Just like that we should live like the life of the day spiritually in the center of Christ in this world. Rom 13:13-14 said, “Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.” Then what is the method to treat the time more concretely?

1. He needs to treat the past rightly.

The right treatment to the past is to forget what we should forget. The Apostle Paul thought to need the aspect of forgetting in the life of the center of Christ. Phil 3:13-14 said, “Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead,” What we should forget are like as following. That is, we should forget the fault of the other, forget what we got suffering in our past and we should forget the good things we ourselves did.

2. He needs to look towards the future and decision.

That is, we need to decision to live by the truth more. A certain saints decided as following. “ I will forget the behind think like Paul and will progress go ahead, like David looked at the Lord, like Abraham I will believe in God, like Enoch I will walk with God, like Jehosabat I will set up the heart and

will search for God, like Moses, I will like to receive the suffering with God's people more than enjoying the pleasure of temporary sin, like Daniel, always to walk with God, like Job, I endure any environment, like Joshua and Caleb I shall be frustrated before strong multitude, like Joseph I shall overcome the temptation, like Gideon, I will proceed with small number. Like Aaron and Hull I will help the spiritual leaders, like Isaiah, I will devote myself to the work of God, like Andrew, I will the brothers into Christ, like John I will approach to the breast of the Lord, like Stephen I will forgive the one to harm me. Although I cannot do all things with my power but I can do with the power of Christ. I believe in it. I can do all things in the one to give me power. (Phil 4:13) "- (Knight's Master Book of New Illustration, p 434)

Like the above said decision belongs to faith and the settlement the saints should do. If we say the decision simply it is belief and obedience, it is not conflict thing. We should write down the plan we do, that is, the program of the ministry. Of course we cannot despise the program of work also. But we should treat the life of faith than the work more importantly.

## **Sermon 31 Of healing of the man that was born as the blind man (Jn 9:6-7)**

The method that Jesus healed was to anoint the mud on his eyes and goes to Lake Siloam and clean it up. It is difficult to interpret this one. Although he was healed by one word, why did he anoint the mud on his eyes and also did he command the direction that was a difficult thing to the blind man? Here is the will of the Lord.

1. It means to test his faith.

Although the blind man could not understand the deed that he patched the mud on his eyes, it was a chance to have faith to wait by enduring in hope. Not only was that, to go to Lake Siloam and clean it up a work. What the Lord commands such work was the test to have faith or not. Naaman, the leprosy healed by Elisa did not obey the command to wash his body in the Jordan River for 7 times firstly. For he did not obey such small thing also, his servants said, ““My father, it is a great word the prophet has spoken to you; will you not do it? Has he actually said to you, ‘Wash, and be clean’?”” Because he was impressed by the word he went to there and washed, so he was cleaned up. It is not difficult thing that he was cleaned by washing up. It was a small thing and also the joyful thing, the thing he shall be happy. (II King 5:13) All work of the believer is like such thing.

2. It is the method that God works.

The work God gave was committed. But it does not mean that the man also shared one part of essential things. The man received the external part only as the believer obeys the thing the Lord commits; he got power, wisdom and grace. The one not to work shall be reduced gradually. We have the talent

whether it is small or big. As we install in the earth and do not use it and do not work we do not receive the grace of God. He gave some work that the blind man from his birth can walk the short distance with his actual power; Jesus gave some work to him.



## **Sermon 32 The faith of a healed blind man and his assurance (Jn 9:1-38)**

### **1. His faith was revealed by obedience. (6-7)**

The method to heal this blind man was the thing that he melted mud and patched his eyes with it and it was “goes to the lake Siloam and cleanup it”.

The blind man obeyed immediately. Our text said, “Go, and wash in the pool of Siloam”. The faith has the obedience as its feature. I Sam 15:22-23 said, “And Samuel said, “Has the LORD as great delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices, as in obeying the voice of the LORD? Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to listen than the fat of rams. For rebellion is as the sin of divination, and presumption is as iniquity and idolatry. Because you have rejected the word of the LORD, he has also rejected you from being king.” Faith is to obey what the man think as the difficult thing also (if it is the work of God). This man that became a blind man from his birth did not understand the action that Jesus patched the mud on his eyes but he obeyed. Moody said, “The believer sacrifices his small knowledge before God. “ That is, the believer goes the obedience ahead.

### **2. His faith approached into assurance.**

#### **1) The assurance to the power of Jesus**

He said two times repeatedly, “The man called Jesus made mud and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash.’ So I went and washed and received my sight.” (11, 15). This is the assurance to make sure the relationship between Jesus and the grace he received obviously. He assured that he received blessing for Jesus. He said more powerfully, “He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was

blind, now I see.” (Verse 25) This is to admit the certainty of blessing he received and the heart to have contents by it.

2) The combative fight

As his parent escaped by ignoring the thing, he was strengthened independently. (18-23). He contrasted to the question of the Pharisees and said, (verse 26); “They said to him, “What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?” (Verse 27) After that he was blamed by the Pharisees and was driven out by them. (28, 34, 35) He had no afraid of them because he had the bright eyes from the blinded state. Just like that this is like that in the night the baby is afraid of listening to some sound of small voice, but in the day although the big sound is listened he is not afraid of it. The darkness brings about horror.

3) The assurance to treat the unbelief as the strange thing.

Verse 30 said, “The man answered, “Why, this is an amazing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes.” For the Pharisees did not admit Jesus in the degree that he thought strange action he assured that Jesus came out of God. (31-33) this world- man considers the goodness as evil. (Is 5:20), It is strange not to believe in Jesus. What the healed blind man thought the strange thing is the attitude to feel that their faith to Christ was so conflict assuredly.

4) The assurance to believe in more. Refer to verses 35-36.

The faith is not dried but find out the object of faith freshly and is grown up. It is the attitude to believe in and also to believe in it more. The blind man opened his eyes moved with assurance with life just like that. He believed in it and tried to believe in him better. The woman is called for Lydia listened to the evangelism of Paul and opened the eyes of his heart and then she tried to

believe in better. He said, “And after she was baptized, and her household as well, she urged us, saying, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” And she prevailed upon us.”(Act 16:15)

### **Sermon 33    The confession of faith that the blinded man had (Jn 9:25)**

As chapter 9 is written, the one to become a blind man in his birth was so strong. He said boldly before the threat of the Pharisees that claimed that Jesus is the sinner, “He answered, “Whether he is a sinner I do not know. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see.”

1.        His faith concentrates on only one thing.

In our text, the word, “one thing” reveals the secret that his faith become strong. As we follow the Lord, if we are pulled to the conflict mind, we become weak. David not to be afraid of the attack of military also seeks only one. It was “One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple.” (Ps 27:4) Paul decided that he did not want to boast except only crucifixion of Jesus Christ on the cross. (I Cor 2:2) As the man concentrates on one thing, it is powerful. Actually the man does concentrate on only one. The one thing is hot moving to live. All activity of the man is moved by the desire. But the life that they want to live is not sincere. It is the life of this world. Our man should strengthen our desire for true life that is, the eternal life. Accordingly as we concentrate on one thing to believe in Christ wholeheartedly.

2.        It is established on the realism than theoreticalism

The Christianity is the religion of realism all contents recorded in the Scripture is the facts. Therefore the believers should take the experience surely. Of course the man cannot not to take the right theory. It is first in orderly. But the fact that takes only the theory but does not enter into experience is the

work without fruit. In the meaning to stress true experience I Pet 2:3 said that the word, to taste the love of the Lord, Ps 34:8 said, “Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in him!”

Our faith is followed by experience surely. The experience can be different by each person. The same experience of the other believers cannot be taken in me. But I can take the other. By the same Holy Spirit, a certain man has the word of wisdom, the another has the word of knowledge, the other has faith, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. Refer to I Cor 12:8-10. What is the experience of the word of wisdom among them? It belongs to the preachers. It is the grace to understand the Scripture by the impression of Holy Spirit. As the man experienced it he feels to taste the sweeter than honeycomb. Therefore Spurgeon had said that next to the heaven is in the meaning, the seat of preaching.

## **Sermon 34 The door of the sheep (Jn 10:7-9)**

At this part the Lord taught how the church shall be established. As all pastors are admitted as the worthy men and should be established by him they can work, he said. (10:1) The employer is only Christ the one. Now we can find out the relationship between Christ and the church. Jesus said that he is the door of sheep (the believers).

1. The door means the one to enter into salvation.

As we go through the entrance door to enter into the plat home in order to get the train, we should go through the trap to get the airplane and the one to enter into the other country should go through the entrance door. Then as we enter into the heaven how can we enter into the heaven without entering through the door?

He said that this door is just Jesus himself; the door is joyful and pleasant door. Rev 21:21 said, “And the twelve gates were twelve pearls, each of the gates made of a single pearl, and the street of the city was pure gold, like transparent glass.” The pearl is beautiful and good. It said “one pearl”. Here the letter, one is important. This reveals that we should believe in only Jesus with the character of simplicity. The door to lead to the salvation is only one. The other religions in the world do not lead the men into the salvation. (Act 4:12)

2. The door mean that be prosperous the activity of the believer.

Our text, verse 9 b said, “I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture.” Here, the word, “he will be saved and will go in and out” point to the activity of the believer. Faith is not only the word but the activity. Faith has the life it cannot help but to be revealed as the activity. Of course this activity is prosperous in a degree out of Christ. The believer gets the food of his soul like sheep through this activity. In other word, If the souls of the believer get the grace like the grass., his activity always that self-claim belong to the false teachers. Only Christ is the mediator like the door. We should receive only the lead of Christ. To be led by Christ we need the virtue of obedience. Without the virtue of obedience how shall we be led by Christ? The Scripture compared that the believer is the sheep in both the New Testament and the Old Testament together. The fact that the sheep obey the shepherd is the feature of the sheep. As the sheep call for the name of sheep, they eating in the field and come to him and sit down in the arms of the shepherd. If he says to believe in him without the heart of obedience, he cannot be said as the believer. Obedience is the precious virtue unspeakably. The military makes the soldiers obeyed the military laws and they execute the duty of defense of country. God makes us obeyed with sweet heart and accomplishes our salvation. Heb 5:8-9 said, “Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,” Although he is an able doctor, he cannot operate the patient not to have obedience and then he cannot cure him.

## **Sermon 35 The relationship between the believer and Jesus (Jn 10:7-10)**

### **1. The believers are like the sheep.**

The sheep is the metaphor of the chosen people of God. The man cannot make them but only God established them. Refer to 10:26-30. They should follow the word of God but they should not follow the voice of man. They know that they themselves are chosen by God. The fact that they know the word of Jesus and listen to it and follow it is the evidence of his election. That is, the believer had the love of the truth, and has the wisdom to discern the voice of shepherd. The one to have it knows to be the sheep of God that he himself is chosen and assures the salvation. Because Zwingli has such assurance, as he was pierced by the spear of the enemy and was shed the blood, and he said, "It's ok. Although they kill my body but cannot kill my soul.

### **2. Jesus is like the door of sheep**

The shepherd leads the sheep in the fold (10:16), and he brings them into the grass field. The door to enter into the salvation is only the supernatural Christ. The leasers of Liberalism have many doors of the autonomous in the view of naturalism mainly. But it is not to give true freedom but it is wrong thought that the sheep play with the thief and the robbery together. It is the teaching of wrong shepherd that put them into the prison of the world. If the line of supernatural life that passes through from this world to that world, the man is prisoned in only this world. But 1) As the sheep of God enter into the only door that is only Christ shall be saved, 2) they get the freedom to enter into and to come out also 3) they get the grass that is, the food of life. 10:9 said, "I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out



and find pasture.” The theology of Liberalism really is the theology of slave-centered. The liberal theologians despise the supernatural but enter into the fold that the autonomous makes, but it only harms the flock of sheep. The crisis theologians do not think that the door of coming world that the Scripture teaches is true but they think that it is the shadow of the door only. The sheep cannot enter into the door actually, but they only touch the door continuously, only they depend on under the shadow and stand up and wait for it. So the crisis theology also shut in the prison of this world as the eternal slave. We know that only the supernatural theology releases the man and lead them into Christ to become the door to enter into the world. The men to live in the spiritual world by the supernaturalism get the true salvation and the freedom and the food. The life to be shut in this world always cannot escape the lamentation of slave life. God is the true shepherd of the flock of sheep and made them believe Christ and they participated into salvation.

## **Sermon 36    Commandment and Authority (Jn 10:14-18)”**

Jesus received the commandment (command) to throw away the life and also he received to be resurrected. He bore the yoke that God give him. Then he said that such attitude is “power.” Why was it the power?

1.        The Lord admits the obedience as power.

Obedience is the only way to receive the love by the father. Because the relationship of father and son is essential fellowship, the son should succeed to the father and he should accord with him. The moral of succeed is soon the moral of obedience. The word of 5<sup>th</sup> commandment said, “Honor your father and mother” (this is the first commandment with a promise), “that it may go well with you and that you may live long in the land.” (Eph 6:2-3) The explanation is truth itself. For that the son honors his parent means to succeed the original system to be his root, it is to cultivate his life well for development. Therefore he himself is well and shall be developed. It means the word, “You may live long “. For the son obeys the father and succeeds him he receives all things of father. Just like that, Jesus also obeyed the father-God he receives the love that all things of the father are succeeded. Refer to Jn 10:17. Therefore the attitude of his obedience can say his authority that he received by his father directly. (Verse 18 b). For this obedience is so precious to him, he learnt it through the suffering, the Scripture said. That is, Heb 5:8-9 said, “Although he was a son, he learned obedience through what he suffered. And being made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation to all who obey him,”

Many people see that the obedience is the moral of the weak person. But for the obedience to God is to obey the truth and to obey the power, it is power. Luther said, "Obedience is better than miracle." As Jesus receives the love of father by obeying the commandment (the commandment to die and the commandment to resurrect) that Jesus received out of the father. (10:17) And the love of father to his son is established the union to united with his son. This union is the power in his son. Jn 3:35 said, "The Father loves the Son and has given all things into his hand."

2. The Lord admits the obedience as the glory.

Jesus was thought that the death of his atonement by the command of his God Father was the glory. As he said, "Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." (Jn 12:28), he pointed to his death. Refer to Jn 17:1. The Apostle also followed his mind and rejoiced that they were counted their death to be worthy to suffer dishonor for his name. (Act 5:41) Such love came out of his love. Love does not know sacrifice and service as efforts rather as the glory. A certain martyr kissed on the ax to cut off his neck. The reason he did so is for he knew that his death is the great glory. All believers cannot do that. But if they have the power they also can do so. "And that to you, O Lord, belongs steadfast love. For you will render to a man according to his work". (Ps 62:11). To think that we have no any power is worthy before God and the worthy heart to receive the grace.

3. The power (authority) of death and the power (authority) of resurrection

Essentially the man received the authority of all creatures. It is the power to become the heir of all things. But as the man committed sin he lost the authority. They was died by the death without the authority but did not revived again. They became the slave of death. (Heb 2:15) The death became the king on them. (Rom 5:14) He did kill them miserably but transferred themselves to the hand of his enemy. He did not call for the angels of 12 territories. He forgave the sin of the multitude that crucified him and was died in praying to father. It is the death of authority. Among the general believers there are many to be died by the authority by the grace of Christ. For example, it is like that Darlington; a saint was died in mocking with his friends surrounded in his last bed.

Not only but, he got the authority of resurrection. He overcame the death and was resurrected a. Accordingly he got the key of death and hades and the power to revive all dead men (the believers).

## **Sermon 37    The evidence of the Baptist John and his sincerity (Jn 10:40-42)**

Although the Baptist John did not execute any miracles, he proclaimed Jesus rightly, accordingly his proclaimed word is revealed as true thing. Therefore many men believed Jesus. What the evangelist needs is to proclaim Jesus rightly; the thing to execute the miracle is not the essential issue. It is important that his proclamation to Jesus is true.

1.        The testimony of the Baptist John is the word of God. For the word of God is the truth to judge the history, as it is proclaimed directly, it is better than to execute the miracle. Is 55:10-11 said, “For as the rain and the snow come down from heaven and do not return there but water the earth, making it bring forth and sprout, giving seed to the sower and bread to the eater, so shall my word be that goes out from my mouth; it shall not return to me empty, but it shall accomplish that which I purpose, and shall succeed in the thing for which I sent it.” As the Baptist John proclaimed Jesus he did not do by himself but by the word of God, finally the word revealed the effective directly. Lk 3:2 said, “During the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John the son of Zechariah in the wilderness.”

What is proclaimed by the word of God rightly never is dropped down on the earth. The result that Samuel also taught Israel with the word of God revealed that his words never be dropped down into the earth. (I Sam 3:19-21)

2.        The Baptist John proclaimed always only the Lord.

Lk 3:16-17 said, “John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.” And Jn 1:19-27 said that the Baptist John proclaimed only Jesus faithfully and he said obviously that he himself was not Christ. He said that he was not worthy to untie the strap of Christ’s sandal. (1:27) Not only that, Jn 3:30 said, “He must increase, but I must decrease.” As we see it, the Baptist John did not take even little thing of the glory of Jesus for himself. Just like that his proclamation to Jesus was revealed purely. The Lord works with such proclamation. Such proclamation should be bear fruit in anytime, anyplace.

## **Sermon 38    Let's hold the chance that the Lord gives (Jn 11:9-10)**

When Jesus was going to go to Judah to heal the disease of Lazarus, his disciples dissuaded for it is dangerous to go there. But Jesus said that the time was the chance of his work and then went to there.

1.        The chance God gives is the present time.

Jesus said, “Are there not twelve hours in the day? “And then he knew that the present to say is the chance God gave. We do not know our future. We do not know that the time is mine or not. We have the present as the gift of God.

The fact that I am alive at present is not accident. I Sam 2:6 said,

“The LORD kills and brings to life; he brings down to Sheol and rises up.”

Although this world is the valley of death the fact I am yet alive is the grace of God. He young person's despises the present. They said that after they study much and then said to live rightly and they spend the days in vanity. But they themselves are deceived. They also should hold the contemporary present as the chance of true life. My friends to play with me together in my past time were died almost, I think in sorry in the fact that still is left in life. Not only that I saw that many children were died. Then the fact I is alive comes out of the special present. As I crossed the 38th parallel long time ago, I experienced the providence of the special love of God. It was the event that as our family rode on the automobile with much burden and arrived at the board of the line of 38 degree; a cargo came before our car and bore our burden. There are many people gathered, as the cargo was stopped before our car to transfer our burden, I understood the economy of God and gave the thanksgiving to God

that send me into the South Korea. Again. I knew that the present is the chance God gives.

2. Let's live the chance God gives as the chance.

Light is the metaphor of grace that Christ gives. Among all creatures the light was created at the primary time. Just like that the light is so important, actually it makes all thing revived and protected. The light makes us seen and understood. At the night time as the light exists we can see. The light (the grace of Christ) makes us seen God. The light is completed by union of several colors. How much beautiful is the rainbow color? As it is united it is seen as white color. (Color of sun) Just like that God gave the each gift to each one. The saints to receive the gift are united well and become oneness, True church to proclaim Christ is established. Therefore the union of all saints is so precious unspeakably.



### **Sermon 39    The concept of time of the one executed in the light (Jn 11:9-10)**

Jesus said the principle of his activity in the text and also reveals the view of time that all believers should take.

1.        The believer should reflect the past.

1)        The past is horrible. The time that our personal safety walked through the dark valley of death urgently was the past. As we remind that horrible past we have on the heart to return to the horrible valley of the past again. For every man walked on the way of trouble, he has the time to be died almost one or more. We have the experience of our death in our ignorance. But we walked through all things. We should recognize that the thing to do so is not my power but the power of God again. Accordingly as we reminds the horrible past our faith should be strengthened.

2)        The past is delight. Why does the horrible past feel? It is the thing happened by thinking the great thing that Christ was died and was resurrected. The past is not the vain past that does not give the criteria of hope. The past is not invaluable and meaningless past. It is the past that was founded by the suffering of Jesus that can revive all people of God and is remained infinitively and that his blood that after cleaned up all universes and also was remained overcome. Ah he also was resurrected into the glorified body.

2.        The believers should hold the present.

1)        The present is afflicted. The present has many problems. The present is filled by dilemma that is, the difficult trouble to decide whether this way or that way. But we remember that the suffering is seed of delight". Above of all, we should remember the word, "Before I was afflicted I went astray, but now I keep your word." ( Ps 119:67) The suffering seems to be like our

enemy that threatens us and visits to kill us. But it is the friend that finally blesses him and leaves him to the one accepts it well.

2) The present is precious. We were repaid in our future by we do in the present. . Finally the present settles the eternity. As we see it, the present is moment, but it is precious like the eternity. The one to spend the present is the one to spend the eternity.

3. The believers should treat the future rightly.

1) The future is what we do not know. It was hidden in the tent of darkness. Many people do not know that as they ignore the future it is good rather they know that as they know it, they shall be happy. Actually as he does not know it, it is safe to believe in the Lord. As we do not know we believe in it. We do not control the block tent of the future. But God knows it and claims it. Therefore as we do not know it is not our problem, as we know God it is our sufficiency. And also we are sufficiency to believe in him.

2) The future is a part to take the hope. Because God blesses the chosen people he gives more to the future than the present. And he gives bigger thing to him. The future is called for the warehouse of the blessing that the chosen people shall receive. God makes this world men filled abundant present but gives the blessing of future that is the glory of coming world to the chosen saints

## **Sermon 40 Receive the warranty of the eternal life (Jn 11:24-26)**

We cannot believe in the life in this world. Today the rate of death in the world is one person per second. What is the issue that all nations concentrate on study? It is to study to kill many people. Although the men shall be died finally, the men study to kill the men one another. As to the word of the Scripture, As the end of world is closely there are many warfare, and then it is sure that the warfare should be the war of all world. As all world shall be happened, it is danger that majority of the mankind may be died. If we have the man to have the mind it is urgent issue to receive the warrant of eternal life.

1. Although the believer is died, his soul shall be rose by Christ. Mt 10:28 said, “And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. “. In our existence above of all the soul is precious. Zech 12:1 said, “The oracle of the word of the LORD concerning Israel: Thus declares the LORD, who stretched out the heavens and founded the earth and formed the spirit of man within him: “As we see this word, it suggests that making the soul like creating the heaven and the earth is difficult. The soul is precious than the entire world. (Mt 16:26) It is precious unspeakably that the soul is saved by Christ. David Brainard said in his last bed, “I enter into the eternality. Although I think of the eternity only it is sweet. But what shall I say to the punishment of the wicked? I am afraid of it, although I think of it only.” Really that’s right. The believer lives eternally and lives in Christ eternally, the joy is great unspeakably. As a certain martyr was killed, he told to the executer to kill him, “You exchange my life that is difficult to take care of, into the life I cannot

lose, although I lose it!” As a British poet, Tennyson leaves out of the world, a certain man asked him, “What do you want?” Then he replied, “Yes, a new vision of God”.

## 2. The believer shall be resurrected by Christ.

1) The Scripture says that the resurrection is like the thing that after the seed is planted and the bud comes out of it. ( I Cor 15:30-38, 42-44) As the farmer plants the seed, the piece is rotten. But the germ in it become into the bud and comes out of it. As we see it, the germ of grain has the power that the life comes out. It has the source that although it is installed for several thousand it was died and comes out of it in life. The British man, Wilkinson got a vase in a tomb of Egyptian king; there were few beans in it. Then they belong to the 3000 years ago. As he planted them in the land, the bud came out of the land within 30 days and was grown up. If the bean comes out of the land after 3000 years, Cannot the man be raised by Christ? The slugs lived in the land for 5 years and then the cicada comes out of the land. Is not the man worse than the slugs? If the man received the redemption by Christ, he shall be resurrected by Christ. As God created the man in his image. ( Gen 1:26) But the Scripture does not reveal that the angel as created in the image of God. The Scripture said that the saints shall judge the angels. ( I Cor 6:3) Not only that, the Scripture says that the saints wait for the completeness of salvation. ( Rom 8:19) We do not doubt the fact that all creatures wait for the people the sun moon, stars in the heaven exist for the man. God created sun moon stars and he “And God said, “Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for

seasons, and for days and years, and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth.” And it was so. And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.” ( Gen 1:14-19)

Especially God created our innate things importantly. The inner man in our believers become more renewed as the outside man is corrupted, and as it is attacked by the tribulation it get more power. But the outside man likes the world, longs for it, as it meets the suffering and tribulation he lose the power. Then the inner man gets the power to come out of God. (II Cor 4:16). This power is the power of Holy Spirit, that is, the power of resurrection, such power does not exist in the world of animals and the grass and tree. Such experience come in the only the believers. Therefore Paul said, “You foolish person! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. “(I Cor 15:36) As we are died we have the experience of life. The teacher Moody visited to British and met a patient, although he had lied down for 40 years for his backbone was harmed, his patient room became like the heaven for he accepted the Lord. The power of life as such thing finally he got the fruit of resurrection.

2) The resurrection is not the degree that the body shall be repaired to believe in this world. Because the reason that the men do not believe in the word of the Scripture, know that the resurrection in present world is like the dead body. The body of present world shall be rotten, will be harmed, will be

weak and belongs to the flesh. ( I Cor 15:42-44) What shall we do as we live with such body? But our bodies resurrected in the future shall not be rotten, and it is different to the present body. It is glorious strong and spiritual. (I Cor 15:42-44). Although the resurrected body in the future is different to the present body, it is my body. We can explain it easily for understanding by the word in the book of Job. Job 38:7 said, “When the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? “, the issue is how can the stars sing a song? But this word was interpreted well. The present science sees that the light and the sound are same in essence. New Radio Center in New York has the color organ that the division of sound reveals as the light. Then although the sound and light are different each other are same system, although the present body and the resurrected body are different each other they are same system. The resurrected body is so precious unspeakably. Like the above said so, it is gloried strong and spiritual. When we think of only the spiritual body, we can know how much good the body is. We know the feature of the spiritual thing well. We can experience it today. It is like the attitude of heart to receive the spiritual grace. How much great is the attitude of heart to receive the spiritual grace? It is joyful, full of hope, the heart of obvious consciousness to be united with the Lord. Just like that the life of body shall be established by only the Lord.

3) The resurrection of the saints is established by Christ.

In our text, Jesus said, ““I am the resurrection and the life” (verse 25) the word means that the resurrection of the believers is depended on Christ completely. I Cor 15:21 said, “For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. “. Here, the word, “by a man has come “helps our

faith. That is, the resurrection is not the abstract thing the man cannot rely on but it is established by the experience of Christ, the man completely.

## **Sermon 41 Of the faith (Jn 11:15, 26, 40)**

Jesus stressed the faith much in the relate to the faith. It reveals verses 15, 26, 40 etc.

### **1. The necessity of faith**

The word of Jesus to the resurrection is the deep truth that we can treat by only faith. There is much truth as such thing in the Scripture. They are the deep and high truth that they themselves cannot treat with his knowledge. Hermann Bavinck said as following. That is, “Faith comes out of proof, but the type the knowledge of assurance supported by the institute”, Aristoteles also said by separating between the proved truth and the truth not to prove, that is, the truth accepted by only faith. Augustine said that stressed this point and then he said that faith is the essence of all knowledge. If he does not believe in he cannot arrive at the any knowledge. The above explanation means that only faith treats the essential principle of all knowledge.

### **2. What is the method to believe in?**

The faith to believe Christ and the Scripture cannot come out of the heart of the man naturally. It comes out of the work of Holy Spirit. (Mt 16:17, Jn 6:44, Rom 10:17, I Cor 12:3, II Cor 10:5, Eph 2:8, I Thess 2:13, II Thess 3:2) Therefore in the meaning of all object of Christian faith (Christ), Criteria (the Scripture) Source (Holy Spirit) comes out of God they are religious. Bavinck affirmed this point. (Voorwerp, grond, en oorsprong liggen geheel en alleen in God – Geref. Dog. Vol. 1, p 539) The Christian faith is different to the faith so called for, of the pagan completely. The Christian faith is pure religious it is



powerful. That is, because it is established by God and is related to living God (personal God) it is strengthened.

But what we remember one thing is the fact that Christian faith is pure religious but as the man wishes and tries it he can get it. Mt 5:6 said, ““Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.”, Philip 2:12 said, “Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, “. We should enter into the deep seat of faith for him. But we should not forget the fact that the working field we try is the word of the Lord. Jesus said, “Everyone then who hears these words of mine and does them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock.” (Mt 7:24)

## **Sermon 42 Let's learn the time that the Lord rose Lazarus and the prayer of Jesus. (Jn 11:41-42)**

The fact that the Lord already prayed much for Lazarus is revealed here, that is, as we see the word, "Father, I thank you that you have heard me." we can know it. There is the spiritual theory that we can search for in this prayer.

1. He called for God as his father.

In this prayer, the word, "father" comes out of in the first part. Let's learn this prayer. All prayer should begin with faith to call God for the father. God is father ontologically to Jesus. But he has the relationship of Father by the atonement of Jesus to the believers. Rom 8:15 said, "For you did not receive the spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"", Jn 20:17 said, "Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, 'I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.'". It is the teaching that God, his father by accomplishing the work of his atonement become the father of the believers.

If we do not believe in the fact that God is our father, we cannot pray. As we believe what it is not truth it returns to vanity? , but as we believe in the truth we get effective in believing in it. For the truth of God is infinite truth, our faith also belongs to the infinite quantity naturally.

2. He put gratitude first.

In the prayer of Jesus the thanksgiving is located at the important seat. Here this prayer reveals the thanksgiving. (Verse 41) Let's learn this one too. As

we ask something but we do not give thanksgiving to that, it is a wicked activity for we make the giver removed giving heart. Although the one gives more, if he cannot give thanksgiving, who shall want to give more to him? What is the reason that the man cannot give thanksgiving? Because it is that he is an individualist. It is the fact that because he respect himself too, he does not know that he has no sorry heart in receiving the belongs of the other and also he does not know the lamentation “I become a helper to the other, but why I receive only the help of the other?” Every believer received the life and the salvation from God.

3. He believed in the answer of prayer.

Verse 42 said, “So they took away the stone. And Jesus lifted up his eyes and said, “Father, I thank you that you have heard me.” The prayer of Jesus was answered. Accordingly the prayer of the believer also is answered. The Scripture said that as his prayer come out without personal covet, it always should be answered surely. Jn 14:13-14 said, “Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. 14if you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.” The fact that we pray in the name of Jesus means that in the work of Jesus, we pray in the qualification of representative one. Accordingly it is the prayer to request in order to accomplish the will of Jesus, it does not belong to the flesh and the covet, but belong to pure holy will of God. As Moody took pastoral ministry at Chicago, two woman saints prayed always for Moody faithfully. The title of their petition is, “Provide the fullness of Holy Spirit to Moody.” After that the teacher Moody received great grace at some day, from that day although his

preaching is so general, the listeners received great grace. Why did God give so much grace to Moody? Because he had no the personal covet. Why did God accomplish the prayer of the two women? Because they prayer did not execute for personal covet but the representative prayer for the work of winning soul.

## **Sermon 43 The one who loves the Lord (Jn 12:1-8)**

### **1. The one to love the Lord is offered much thing to the Lord**

Mary should offer the most precious jewelry among her property to the Lord. Nard fragrance is the rare oil. What is the reason that we should offer such most precious thing to the Lord? Because we have no the other Lord except the Lord. Is 43:11 said, “I, I am the LORD, and besides me there is no savior“, Duet 6:4-5 said, “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all you might”. In case of offering the matter to the Lord, the believer should offer it sincerely. All saints blessed in the past time offered the matters to the Lord sincerely. As A. A Hyde who was one of the greatest rich men in the world was debited 1 million dollars greatly also, he offered the tithe offering to the Lord pleasantly. As a certain man asked, “Do not you pay the debit?” he replied, “I should pay the debit of God” William Colgate who become a great rich man by the manufacturing of soap became the great blessing by the Lord as the result of tithe offering. After that he offered the tithe as the 3/10, 4/10 until 5/10 offering. Can the believers offer the matter without having sincerity? We have the debit that we should offer the better thing of all things to the Lord, we should know that as we do not execute so, we commit sin. What are the things not to belong to the Lord among what we have? All natural things also were created by the Lord and we ourselves that commit sin and is destroyed were redeemed by Christ (Rom 8:32) all things that we have belong to the possession of the Lord. (I Cor 4:7) Therefore after we finish serving the Lord, we cannot help but to confess that we are

unprofitable servants before God. Lk 17:10 said, “So you also, when you have done all that you were commanded, say, ‘We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty.’”

Not only that, we have the time to be blocked in following Christ for our property. Therefore the Apostle Paul said, in Philip 3:8, “Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ“. Baron Von Welz who ends to ascertain nation offered his all privilege and his property to the Lord and said, “Except the regeneration in Christ what the better thing is, and also shall I take how precious treatment as the owner is. I am the one to live by the grace of God and his help, what does it mean to say that you are indebted to me? I throw away all vain things. Or, I put these all things under the feet of the Lord, and then I shall not be blocked in serving the Lord.” Therefore Jesus said that the one to follow him should throw away all things.”

Horace Bushnell said, “As the believer does not offer matters for the gospel of the Lord and the affair of the church, he has fault as following, That is, (1) the man is not destroyed by sin and he does not need the savior. (2) The gospel is not the power of God. (3) Like Cain he claims that “Am I my brother’s keeper?”(Gen 4:9) he think that he has no the responsibility of soul of the other. (4) He himself does not participate into the victory of Christ. (5) He thinks that of his charged talent and matter, he does not need the counting thing before God.”

2. Although the men admit it, he serves the Lord.

Mary poured out the precious ointment on the feet of Jesus, for this affair he received misunderstanding that she used it without effective, that is, to his serving the disciples criticized her. (Mt 26:8) But she executed it boldly. The serving that the Lord pleased is not admitted by the people sometimes. Such server shall receive the great reward at the heaven. A person in the Oxford university went to Africa for mission and was died after he worked for 1 year. He said at his last bed, "I am sufficient that my death executed the role of a stone in the water in establishing a great bridge of "the mission of Africa". If the Lord wanted to use me as an invisible stone that the Lord used me, I am sufficient by it." "And he said to them, "You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God." (Lk 16:15) Although it is criticized serving, if it is a good service we should accept it sweetly. Just such service is what God treats it as sweet thing actually. (II Cor 6:9 Heb 11:6)

## **Sermon 44 The Service for the Lord (Jn 12:1-8)**

Mary poured out the nard fragrance on the feet of Jesus. The woman offered such precious gift to Jesus. (The price is 300 Denali, generally which is applicable to the living expense of a family.) The one to serve the Lord should do the best one. What he does so was the practice of the word, “Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all you might.” (Duet 6:4-5)

1. His serving was precious for he understood the death of Christ

The Lord said to prepare his serving “the day of his funeral (in relating to his death)” (verse 7) The reason that the system of the sacrifice in old Testament reveals the effective of atonement also is for to reveal the type of atonement-death of Christ. Jesus Christ has sufficiency as we know the meaning of his death and accepts his merit. And we solve the issue of sin that we cannot solve eternally by the death of Jesus Christ. As I stayed in the United States of America, my trouble issue of my tuition was solved by Dr. Pierson who worked mission in Japan. Then after that he was departed the world as I did not repay to him. It was left as one of the affairs of my painful heart. But my shortness also received the cheerful solution by the death of Christ. We should offer our matters to the Lord without hesitation for the impression of the spiritual grace we received. As we offer the matter to the Lord we receive the heavenly award. I Tim 6:17-19 said, “As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy. They are



to do well, to be rich in good works, to be generous and ready to share, thus storing up treasure for themselves as a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of that which is truly life. “. Mt 6:20 said, “But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal.”

2. To build up the temple was so precious.

The temple is the place to proclaim the gospel of Jesus. We should offer our offering for this one sincerely. As we see the Scripture, how much respectable it is? David said before he found out the temple of God, ““I will not enter my house or get into my bed, I will not give sleep to my eyes or slumber to my eyelids,” (Ps 132:3-4) Ps 84:10 said, “For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness. “, And also he longed for the house of the Lord and said, “For zeal for your house has consumed me, and the reproaches of those who reproach you have fallen on me.” (Ps 69:9) The reason that the temple is so important is for the temple is the house of prayer, (Mk 11:17) and it is for the place that the church is gathered. God said that the Christian believer should be devoted themselves to gather. (Heb 10:25)

## **Sermon 45 The principle of sacrifice (Jn12:20-33)**

1. The principle of sacrifice is to be dropped down in to the earth and to be died. (verse 24)

We should know the principle of sacrifice just like that in the world that God created. The natural world reveals such much principles. Here, the lesson of a wheat grain that Jesus teaches reveals one of them. The sacrifice of Jesus like a wheat grain is an example of all sacrifices as the sacrifice of Jesus himself. The sacrifice was like the death dropped down into the earth, it never have his honor and his benefit.

We are the men to learn his death. Paul said, “That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death“. (Phil 3:10) Of course we cannot offer sacrifice in true meaning. We always should say that we cannot offer sacrifice with my power obviously. Therefore we should say, “I participate into the effective of Christ’s trial.” Next to, we can say that I also have the sacrifice heart.

2. The principle of sacrifice aims on getting much fruit. (verse 24)

Sacrifice is not foolish thing. Sacrifice is the way to accomplish the purpose of the life rightly and most beneficially. The man was created for public benefit. He is the one that should want to see that the others become well. He can make many people become well surely by his sacrifice. Because the principle of sacrifice is the truth of God and the principle that God uses. Paul lived the life sacrifice to bring about much fruit. II Cor 4:12 said, “So death is

at work in us, but life in you“. Let’s not to take the little life that one man become well but let’s to take great life that many people become well.

3. The principle of sacrifice is the one to hate his own life. ( verse 25)  
How can the man hate his life? It became as the time that the man affects God. I Pet 2:3 said, “If indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. “, the one that tastes God treats him as the grass. Refer to Ps 34:8. And the saints hate him by seeing his sin. Because Whitefield said that sometimes he himself is like beasts and the devil, and he thought why the people cast some stone to him to kill him, really he is a saint to hate himself.

4. The principle of sacrifice is to serve Christ. (verse 26)

What is to serve Christ? Does it mean to offer some good things to Christ in some degree as I stay at myself? The church has many men that use Christ as their servant rather under the name to serve Christ. They should know following fact and should repent it. That is, serving Christ is our privilege. The Baptist John that is among the men the women born the greatest also confessed that he cannot accept to lose the sandal laces. We should serve Christ in joy. Although we are the servants of devil in our old time but now we become the servant of God. For Christ overcome devil the devil was driven out. 12:31 said, “Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. “

## **Sermon 46 As the light is, believes in it (Jn12:35-36)**

### **1. Jesus, the light and the man**

The fact that Jesus is the light means that the man sees God by Jesus Christ. Verse 46 said, “I have come into the world as light, so that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness. “ The fact that he came as the light, that is, he himself is the kingdom of God itself and God himself. Because the Scripture said the heaven as the world of the light. (Col 1:12-13 I Pet 2:9 Rev 21:23) Indeed, Jesus is the ultimate accomplishment of God’s revelation and the revelation without the above. The one to receive Jesus that is receives the eternal life and kingdom of God in present. But the men at the outside of Jesus wander always in darkness.

### **2. The fruit of the one to receive in Jesus, the light**

If we do not open our physical eyes, how much trouble shall we have? But the darkness not to know God is more trouble. Because Fanny Crossby was a blind woman, she saw God with the eyes of her heart; she enjoyed the happiness that all men do not see. How much good is to see God? How much powerful is it? Our failure does not see God but to see the man. Only Jesus shows God to us. A certain man said, “As Luther saw God all Roman church were stumbled, as Jonathan Edwards saw God America was awakened greatly and was stood up. As John Knox saw God, all Scotland was knelt down before him, as John Wesley saw God, al world become his parish, as George Muller saw God, lots of orphanage were revived.” As a poet, Tennyson was died at his last bed, the men by him asked to him, “What do you want? Then

he replied, “I have the desire to see God newly.” Lydia listened to the wish of sermon and the eyes of her heart was opened and saw God and said to Paul, “If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay.” (Act 16:14-15) Because Christ who is the light to make us known God is so precious, we should long for this light. Northern pole, Norway does not have the light of the Sun for several months, but it rises on January 18. At that time all people are too joyful, they climb up the mountain to see the light and wait for it they rejoice from little bright time. Let’s rejoice Christ just like that.

## **Sermon 47 Do not be worry but believe in (Jn 14:1)**

1. The anxiety comes out of frustration.

1) Frustration is arrogance. Frustration is the heart is the heart not to depend on Christ in the adversity and the difficult situation. Because such arrogant sin is great among the adults to take trip on the wilderness, the frustrated men that is, the men above 20 years old (as they counted the day of Exodus) were died on the wilderness except Joshua and Caleb. (Num 32:9-45) James 4:6 said, “But he gives more grace. Therefore it says, “God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”

2) Frustration is sin not to trust in the love of God and the abundant gift of God. Jm 1:17 said, “Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change.”

3) Frustration is not to trust in God’s mercy. The Scripture said much of the mercy of God. They are , the relationship of father and children ( Ps 103:13), The relationship between mother and children ( Is 66:13) , the relationship of hen and chick, ( Mt 23:37), the relationship of the eagle and its kids (Duet 32:11-12), and the relationship of the shepherd and sheep ( Ezekiel 34:12) reveals what his mercy is.

2. The healing medicine of anxiety is faith.

I and my friend are separated each other by the death, and there is the day that the money is removed. For the honor can be dirty by a wicked word of a person, how can we believe in it? We have no object of our faith except God. Jesus never fails.

Although we believe in God, in the trouble time our faith is reduced, our faith is so little. As we believe in the friend, really it is to believe in him as he is hard. As we believe in God we should not believe in ourselves. As a certain man is dropped down into the Dead Sea he tried to float on the water by swimming passionately. But his body was sunk deeply in the water. After that as he keeps on in state of no activity for his tired situation. He was floated on the water. Because the sea has strong salts in the water. Just like that we believe in ourselves but do not believe in God. But as we give up our power we become to believe in him.

## **Sermon 48 Departure and comfort (Jn 14:1-4)**

According to the statistics of UN (1954) the man on the globe is died per one second, yearly 30 million people are died. Peter said, “For “All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers, and the flower falls, but the word of the Lord remains forever.” And this word is the good news that was preached to you.” (I Peter 1:24-25)

1. Although he is died, he has the hope.

The death of a believer is to leave the world filled with sin and suffering and to enter into the holy, blessed, free complete world of God. We go to the savior that loves us more than the other. It is the blessed thing. Philip 3:20 said, “But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,” Philip 1:23 said, “I am hard pressed between the two. My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.” Refer to II Cor 5:1, 6-8, Ps 116:15 II Tim 4:6-8.

2. The death is accomplished by the will of God.

Jesus Christ accomplished his mission for the short life of 33 years. God accepted 33 years of Christ’s whole life as his sufficiency. He revealed the truth that the value of the man is not put on the long life through his whole live. The death of general believers also is not by chance, but become by the only divine decree of God. Then as the man is died, he does not need the complaint and also and also extreme sorrow. Schmolke, who was a famous saint, lost his two sons for the fire famine and he himself was polarized. But he made the hymn, “My Jesus as Thou wilt”



## **Sermon 49 The identity of the one who received the answer of the prayer (Jn 14:11-5)**

Prayer is the most important affair. For it Jesus told us to pray always. The fact that should always do makes the affair so important. It means that without praying for a while the believer cannot live. We should execute this effectively. If we do not receive the answer of prayer, it means that we have any fault in us. What is the identity of the one to receive the answer of prayer?

### **1. The one to have the faith (verse 11)**

The author of the book of Hebrews said, “Faith is the assurance of things hoped”. (Heb 11:1) It is executed to the invisible object. The fact to see the invisible things is the affaire that true life should do. The man is different than the animal in this point. This is the life to oversee with one stage.

1) The visible thing executes the role to lead our concern into invisible thing. All visible things put on the root of all invisible things. As we see the tree we can see the leaves, branches, and fruit and tree branches. Although the root is not seen by our eyes for it is hidden in the ground. It is more important.

2) Not only that, all visible things finally should be reduced, demolished, changed, corrupted and passed away. They has no the permanent character, and it does not give hope to us, and finally it gives disappointment to us. The man has the heart to aspire the eternity. (Ecc 3:11) We should hold the eternity.

3) Therefore we should pursue on invisible God. Jesus said, “But when you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you.” ( Mt 6:6) This means to pursue on invisible God. Our true Father is invisible one. Pursuing

on the invisible God is faith. In other word, we should live to put our center of our faith on the invisible one. That is just faith. Refer to Heb 11:27, I Pet 1:8 Jn 20:29.

2. The one to have mission of greater things.

Our text said, “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.” (Verse 12) The word, “because I am going to the Father” reveals the innate contents to us. As he went to the father, after that his work becomes greater. But the affair shall be revealed by the work of the Apostles he appointed, he admits the fact that the work is executed by them. Our general believers are participated by uniting with the Apostles.

The one to be participated to such blessed thing (greater thing than this one) receives the answer the prayer. The one to be participated into the work of Christ cannot help but to be experienced the power of Christ. Because he does not follow his own private desire but to serve the greater affair. The one to live for the mission of greater affair can pray truly, and he receives the answer of prayer. Jm 4:2-3 said, “You desire and do not have, so you murder. You covet and cannot obtain, so you fight and quarrel. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, to spend it on your passions.” The one to do the great work is not the man of desire. He lives by leaving the small self.

3. The one to seek in the name of Christ.

To pray in the name of Christ does not mean to say only some word. Today the one to believe in Jesus said “I pray in the name of Jesus” at the end of his

prayer. Then the men to use the word should take the identity to accept his name preciously. Therefore the fact that prays in the name of Christ is to pray in the fact that the praying man obeys the will of Christ and glorifies God. RA Torray, the successor of DL Moody received much answers of prayer. He was a special man for the glory of God. One day as he sat down in a quiet room he received the impression suddenly, and shouted out greatly, “Glorify God, glorify God glorify God” he himself could not stop the sound. He took the prayer meeting with his co-workers for the revival of world churches on 1901. Really their prayer was answered the great revival brought about into the British welts district and the movement of revival in the other nations. The revival of Korean church on 1907 also came out of the fire stream of such revival.

## **Sermon 50 The peace that Christ gives ( Jn 14:27-31)**

If Christ gave the gold to us, within one century the thief steal all but now we have nothing. But what he gave to us is the treasure that the world cannot deprive out of us, that is, the peace in us. Jn 16:22 said, “So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you”. What the believers get such peace comes back after Jesus went to father. (Verse 28) In other word, as he was died and was resurrected and was ascended, instead of him, the Holy Spirit comes and warranted their peace. The warranted peace is as follows.

### **1. The peace in the love of Christ**

Our life is the way to enjoy the peace in love. Christ dwells for us to believe him wholeheartedly, and made all the others belonged to ours. (Rom 8:32, I Cor 3:21-23) The reality that he himself executed for us is too obvious. The life of 33 years of Christ is the mediator for us from before the eternity. And he made all things for us. I Cor 3:21-22 said, “So let no one boast in men. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all are yours”.

### **2. The peace to have remission.**

Always the thing that brings about the anxiety is just sin. John Bunyan also had two times experiences to arrive at the frustration because of sinful quilt. But he remembered the word, I Jn 1:9, “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” and

got the peace in his heart. He said, “The fact God remits the sinner does not mean that God does not pardon painted but real sinners.”

3. The peace through the fellowship with God.

God was dropped into no peace by leaving God. But as he takes the normal fellowship with God he got the peace. Because Christ replaced our sin and was died for us and was resurrected out of it, the normal fellowship was recovered. Accordingly the believers of Christ received the peace. Augustine prayed to God, “As you created us you created for you, before we take rest in you we have no peace.” Commentator, Matthew Henry said at his last bed, “the life to fellowship with God was most delightful moment.”

## **Sermon 51 Of becoming the fullness of Joy (Jn 15:9-12)**

### **1. The necessity of joy**

Joy is like the good medicine of human heart. Prov 17:22 said, “A joyful heart is good medicine, but a crushed spirit dries up the bones.” Just like that joy is benefit to the man. But the purpose God gives the joy to us is not for the benefit for the body but for benefit for devotion.

1) As we have joy in us our faith is grown up. As the heart of man has no joy there is blame and complains. Such heart takes the faith reduced gradually. The unbelief of the Israelite was revealed by blame and complains.

2) God told us to rejoice. Because as we have joy we can take thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is the fact that the man always should take before God. It is the method that the man receives more blessing of God.

### **2. How can we the fullness of joy get?**

The Christian joy comes out of keeping on the commandment and practicing love. The reason that the joy is happened by keeping on the commandment of the Lord come out of the fact as followings.

1) Keeping on the commandment is to do love. Because the one to execute love receives the perfect love (that is, the love of God and Christ), it drove out the afraid, the joy shall be filled with to him. I Jn 4:18 said, “There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.”

2) As keeping on his commandment God comes on him. (14:21) God is the source of joy. The Scripture said several things in the meaning that God is the source of joy. That is, “You have put more joy in my heart

than they have when their grain and wine abound.” (Ps 4:7), “I say to the LORD, “You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you.” (Ps 16:2), and also, “God my exceeding joy” (Ps 43:4), except them there are many similar words in it. Joy is the absolute necessity to the Christian believer and it comes as he keeps on the commandment of the Lord.

## **Sermon 52 The method to get the fullness of joy (Jn 15:9-12)**

As we have no joy, we cannot do anything powerfully. The one controlled by anxiety does the precious affair of the Lord, he has no the courage of heart and his body also is not moved. Therefore Eph 6:15 said, “And, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace.” The meaning of this word is that without peace by the gospel he cannot execute the activity (it means “put on the feet) passionately (it means the prepared thing.) After George Muller received requesting of the sermon first of all, after he receives joy in his heart by much prayer and climbed into it.

Then what is the method of full joy? To the method verse 9-10 reveal us. That is, “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love.” We can think the above word as two parts.

1. The love of Christ like Father’s love is the source of joy.

Our text verse 9 said, “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you.” The reason that Christ call for God as his father is different one but because it has the part that the love of God is similar to the love of father in the human world.

(1) The love of father is hot. The love is the one that he thinks the son as himself. Therefore it is the love to transfer his all possession. The love of God-father also is so. For he loves Christ and he gave all things to him. (Jn 3:15) And he reveals what he does to his son. (5:20), Christ loves us so hotly. (2) The love of Father is so sincere. The love of God-father also is so For the Scripture says “God is love” (I Jn 4:8, 16) his love is just his essence. Not



only that his love is unchangeable. The love Christ loves us also is same. (Heb 13:8) The love of physical father also is similar to it so. I lived at sea shore fisherman town at my childish day. As the father went to fish, I loved to follow him. Although I had no some special things, it is my joy to go with him together.

2. To understand the love of Christ and feels it he should keep on his commandment.

Our text verse 10 said, “Just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love.” This word is able to be said that Christ’s love is the method to contact to me. At this point, we should keep on in our mind the conditional part in this word. This is the covenant of God and contract. Christ contracts with our believers and works directly. It is his faithful character and the living evidence.

When whoever learns the mystery of obedience to the commandment, he feels the love of Christ. The commandment is not the heavy burden. (Jn 5:3) It is like two wings of an eagle. The eagle has its wings as a heavy burden actually it flies higher the purpose God gives the commandment to our believers is not to afflict us but to bless to us. However the believers think that the commandment is heavy burden. As they think of is so they do not feel the love of God. As in family the children to obey his parent well understand the love of parent, but the children do not so do not know the love of the parent. The attitude that does not accept the commandment of Christ sweetly and do not obey sincerely is not the right attitude to believe in Christ rightly. It is the attitude to deny Christ as the Lord. But the one to keep on the commandment of Christ take strong faith, his spiritual eyes are bright the he can interpret all

things rightly and keep on the life of joy. Such faith treats the tribulation as the hope, and sees all promises in the Scripture as the check of kingdom of God.

## **Sermon 53 The Commandment and Love (Jn 15:9-12)**

### **1. The commandment of God is his love.**

As we read the text, the commandment and love is accord. The fact that God gives us his commandment is the same of the contents that his love came to us. Especially verse 10 said, “If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love.” Keeping his commandment means to receive his love. We should not receive the horrible impression out of the commandment of God but receive the impression of hope and love the Lord bestows.

Why should the commandment be admitted as God’s love? Because as we keep on it we do well and we get the life. Prov 4:13 said, “Keep hold of instruction; do not let go; guard her, for she is your life.” The fact to keep on the commandment is important for to protect our life. One day, a great ship of America was taken trip to Southern Pacific Ocean. Then for a great whale hit on the ship several time, the ship was broken and made a hole and then the water entered into in it and almost is broken. Then the sailors came down small boats on the water and they began to escape out of it. Then suddenly two men swam up and returned to the ship. The other sailors did not know the reason. Then after that as they know it they brought the compass in the ship they took a great adventure for it because the compass is precious for voyage like life. The commandment of God is the direction to arrive the life. We should keep the commandment by devoting our life to the word. Just like that for the commandment gives the life to the believers to keep on the commandment, it never is like the heavy burden. (I Jn 5:3) The commandment to us is like the wing in a bird. The wings is attached to the

bird, the bird can fly in the air with the wings. As the man keeps on the commandment he is cheerful, delightful and receives the grace and gets the spiritual freedom. Therefore like Jesus also pleased that to obey the will of father is like to eat the food, he had sufficiency. (Jn 4:34) Therefore the life to keep on the commandment has full joy. So our text verse 11 said, “These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.” Mt 11:30 said, “For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.”

2. Keeping on the commandment is joyful thing to abide in the position of gospel.

In our text the word, “to abide in love” come three times. It is a special expression. It gives the impression to be attached there strongly not to lose the love. It points that the one to keep on the commandment keeps on the commandment joyfully. The believers always should keep on the commandment. But as the man treats the commandment without caution, it is thought easily that it is a horrible commandment. The men do not please to obey the word of the other. They like to live by themselves. But we should obey the word of the one that knows it whatever we meet. At the other time I visited into the mountain Kwanak to stay for few days in quiet. I tried to the secret place the people do not search for much; I could not know where it is. Then two girls lead I believe in their guide and followed them and then overpass the mountain and went on the small way and borrowed a quiet room. Moreover we should obey the authoritative one at the point at main spot of the issue of life and death. Jesus is such authoritative one. We should obey him with joy.

## **Sermon 54 Jesus to make his friend (Jn 15:13-15)**

### **1. He does not put the block to the men**

Because Jesus does not put the block between the people and himself, he made the sinners become his friends. As we also do not put the block between the unbelievers and us, we become their friends. Jesus hated the sin firstly. But he took fellowship with them and did not hesitate to enter into the house of the sinner. As we see Mt 11:19, the Pharisees criticized Jesus, and said, “The Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, ‘Look at him! A glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax collectors and sinners!’ Yet wisdom is justified by her deeds.” Jesus wanted to take the sinners not to be his friends as his friends and came down into the world out of the heaven and wanted to live with them together. He finally was died for them. The reason that the believer should not make the block with the unbeliever is taught by the word, Titus 2:2-7, that is, “Older men are to be sober-minded, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, and in steadfastness. Older women likewise are to be reverent in behavior, not slanderers or slaves to much wine. They are to teach what is good, and so train the young women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled, pure, working at home, kind, and submissive to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be reviled. Likewise, urge the younger men to be self-controlled. Show yourself in all respects to be a model of good works, and in your teaching show integrity, dignity, “.

We should not seek our friends but should make our friends. Because there is not the natural friend. The is the secret to make the friend? The secret that we make our neighbors become our friends is to accept Jesus by keeping on the commandment of Jesus. Mt 19:29 said, “And everyone who has left houses or

brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold and will inherit eternal life.”

2. He makes us known all things.

Verse 15 said, “No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.” which means that he made us known the gospel. Because Jesus made us known all secret of heave, it made us become his friend. As we know the gospel, it means that he commits the secret of Jesus to us. As we are failed, the blame returns to Jesus. Therefore as we treat the secret properly, we should believe in it. For he gave the secret of heaven to us, if I am not the tree and the stone, how shall not we believe in it directly? He admits me faithfully and commits his secret to me; shall not I commit my secret to him? Do I have the life to wait for and to endure and to hope in me without informing the best secret of the man and the greatest suffering issue that cannot say to the men but to inform them to only Jesus? If I have this one, it is faith. As the believer, Zinzendorf was a child; he wrote a letter to Jesus and cast it into the outside. The reason he did so, was for the fact that Jesus receives the letter and makes him read it. It was informed that after he grown up, he prayed in the style to converse with Jesus through depending on him in believing in Jesus.

## **Sermon 55 The delight of the Christian believer (Jn 16:20-24)**

The Christian believer should keep on the delight continuously. Because Christ was died for them and was resurrected and after that the Holy Spirit came into them. Then the issue is the possibility that they can take rejoice always. Really the seems to take moment of joy but much sorrow. But surely it is not so. Although he may not take the passionate joy that is, to laugh greatly and to enjoy, the joy in his heart can be kept on.

1. Our regenerated life has always joy. Because it comes out of God, he enjoys God and also enjoys the Holy Spirit.

2. We can enjoy all truth. I Cor 13:6 said, “It does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth.” Truth can give joy to us.

1) As we think of the holy promise, we enjoy the faithfulness of God. 2) By thinking of the sovereignty Lordship we feel the safety. (3) By thinking that we have no any righteousness and we got the righteousness of God like putting on the cloth, we have the feeling of eternal freedom out of eternal condemnation. (4) By thinking of the perseverance of saints, despite I am so short, by feeling the mercy of God to deliver us until the end we enjoy. (5) By thinking the second coming of Christ and the resurrection of the saints and the coming world of glory, we enjoy.

2) As we execute the word of God we can take joy. (1) Love the other. As we love the lover it also gives joy. As we love our enemy we got greater joy. (2) Be to endure. It brings about greater joy to us. If we endure we should endure until the end. James said, “And let steadfastness have its full effect, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.” (Jm 1:4) Spurgeon said, “The deep lamentation like whole bottomless there is the

hidden pearl. It does not exist in the mountain of pleasure.” (3) Although it is so, if you have no joy, then pray. The prayer of faith moves the mountain too.



## **Sermon 56 The eternal life (Jn 17:3)**

Our text says that “the eternal life” is, “they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.” The reason that to know the only one true God is the contents of the eternal life is explained as following. The essential character of the life is knowing. Without having knowing is the death. As who knows God, it is sure that he already has the life to know God. Therefore to know God is not to know God in his concept. To know God in his concept is not to know him truly. Knowing God means to have personal relationship with him. It is not the knowledge strengthened, but knows by taking fellowship and having the life and enjoying it and growing up. For it the word, to know here was used the present tense. Concluded speaking, to know God to be called for here means to take fellowship with God. As two American physicists were gathered and discussed, one of them asked, “What is the greatest evidence that God exists? Then the scholar replied “It is to take fellowship with him.” At one time Bishop Thoburn was attacked by the atheists to oppose the being of God. Then he replied, “Your theory is wonderful. But I have the experience to take fellowship with God, I cannot doubt his existence.” There was a great mine company specialist, who had a prayer room by his office. As he took the problem of his employing time in his company, he entered into the closet of prayer and prayed. At one time, American mine company specialists were gathered and discussed some issue but they could not solve it then he entered into the closet room and then it was solved. (A C Wieand, The Gospel of prayer, p 60) In the meaning that the one to take true fellowship with God together have the eternal life, Charles Hodge warned the seminary students by following word. That is, “The spirit

of prayer cannot help but to be destroyed. The one to take the hypocrite prayer is not saved of course. But the one to pray truly is to take fellowship with God together, it is just salvation.” He again said, “The spiritual grace is the highest grace. It is the evidence that he possesses the eternal life.”

## **Sermon 57 Jesus who sees his death as the glory (Jn 17:1-5)**

Jesus thought of his death encountered before him and executed this prayer. We, in this prayer, know that what the word that he entered into after his death is. As a short word it is “the glorification”. The death in him is the door to enter into the glory. Boettner said, “What is the reason that we are afraid of our death? As we is died, we shall meet the Lord that worked for us more and loved us more than!” This word of Boettner is the evidence to know the Scripture rightly. Philip 3:20 said, “But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ,” Ps 116:15 said, “Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of his saints.”, Ecc 12:7 said, “and the dust returns to the earth as it was, and the spirit returns to God who gave it.”. Therefore the true believers take the death optimistically. A certain man asked to John Wesley, “If you know to die at tomorrow twelve o’clock, how can you use the remained time?” He replied, “ I according to my plan preach Glouoester tonight, tomorrow morning I will do it at the next day also I rides a horse to Tewkesburry and then will preach at the afternoon, at the evening I will meet the men, next, I visit to my friend, Martin to wait for and will talk with him and ten in praying I will sleep at 10 o’clock and I will commit myself to him and then I sleep and I shall enter into the glorious world.”

## **Sermon 58 Let's receive the protection of God (Jn 17:11-14)**

The man is met the dangerous things in this world. Especially the wrong danger of their souls always is happened. The heart of man is like the water and then it is easy to be shaken, as the heart is shaken, his soul is dangerous. Therefore the man always should receive the protection of God.

### **1. What is the protection of God? ( verse 12)**

God protects the body of the believer too. Really the godly one is protected like such thing mysteriously Prov 14:27 says, “The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, that one may turn away from the snares of death. “, Ps 19:7 says, “The law of the LORD is perfect, reviving the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple;”. A certain soldier was shot by a gun at the battle and lost his mind. After he was restored, reviewed the spot where a bullet hit and he found that the bullet entered through and then it was stopped at the word, Ps 91:7. Just like that it cannot help but to say the special protection of God. But more important thing is the protection of God that Jesus kept on in his mind pointed to the protection in the name of God. The word, “the name of father” points his word. Such expression of Jesus makes us known the importance of the word. As the word of God is same to the name of God, it is related to God closely. The obedience to his word brings about the result to contact to his word. The soul of man was protected by only the word of God (the word of the father) Because of several reasons as following. First, because the word of God works to revive the souls, to revive the soul does not mean the other but the effective that is happened only by

obeying the word of God, Then he feels the pumping of the life as he sees God. And second, it is the role of the promise in the word of God the believer gets the power by believing in the promise and getting the power, he overcomes all sin. So the believer should be lived in holiness. As the soul is warranted the holy life, he shall be warranted the eternal protection.

2. The joy of the believer to receive the protection of God. (verse 13)

Verse 13 said, “But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.” True joy comes out of God. Only God is the joy of the believer. The fact that God protects reveals the joy greatly to the believer to be protected.

True joy cannot be stayed in the unbelief. The apostate, Voltaire does not take the joy and said, “I wish I had never been born. Not only that, true joy cannot be brought about by much money. Jay Gould, who is the great rich man in America said, “I suppose I am the most miserable devil on earth. Not only that, the secular hedonism also does not give true joy. Lord Byron lived as secular hedonist in his whole life and wrote at his last birthday the writing as following, that is, “My whole life is like the yellowed tree leaf and all flower and all fruit of my life are disappeared! Only worms, rotten things and grief belong to me.!” The life to have no true delight actually is died. True joy is only the life of God’s protection.

3. The environment required the protection of God. (verse 14)

This environment is just this world. The man of the world hates true believers. Because this world hates God. The men in this world do not know God and also hates God. Therefore it is dangerous that the believer lives in this world.

1) It is easy that as they live with worldly friends it is easy to leave for they try to fix to their hearts.

2) It is easy that although the believer does not compromise with them together but commits sin. It is easy that in the social life with them, they may be no mercy and impolite.

3) Sometime the believer meets the persecution in the world. Then he should take boldness and also they should endure for long time. He should not only the word of God but also he should not be afraid of only the man. Prov 29:25 said, "The fear of man lays a snare, but whoever trusts in the LORD is safe." The one that depends on the word of God, have the true faith and prays can take boldness and can overcome the world.

## **Sermon 59 The prayer of Jesus for the Christian (Jn 17:15-19)**

What Jesus prayed for his disciples were for the Christians in the latter time the contents were as followings.

1. He prayed that they shall not dropped down into the evil (verse 15)

Jesus did not pray for the health of their bodies and their long life but they do not commit sin. Chrysostom is not afraid of his captive in the prison, was not afraid of his death but he was afraid of only sin. How much horrible is the sin? Without speaking, as it enters into the man it swallows him and kills him. James said, "Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death." (Jm 1:15) A certain man found out to pick out the oysters and then he found out a big one. As he break out the piece, there was a fish in it but the oyster was not in it. As he know it, for the oyster put a small fish in its piece and closed it, the fish ate the oyster and lived in it, the oyster was died but the fish was grown up in it. Just like that as the man accepts the sin in his heart, finally it itself shall be died but the sin shall be grown up.

2. He prayed that they shall be holy. (verse17)

Because the body of the man is matter, it shall be cleaned up by the water, the soul cannot be cleaned by the water. Because the soul is not physical but the spiritual system it shall be contacted by only the truth and can be controlled by only the truth. Then what is the truth? Truth is to be the thing in the center of God. What is not in the center of God is as the relative being, it is

absoluteization, which is the controversy to oppose the selfhood. If  $2 \times 2 = 4$  also is established by itself except God by itself. It itself also is non-truth. Only the Scripture claims the center of God. As we see the fact, the fact is revealed that the Scripture is the only truth. Who can proclaim this truth effectively? He lives as the truth actually. God uses such man as the man God uses proclaims the truth, the truth that he proclaims pierces in the soul of the man to listen to it and breaks out it and purifies it. (Heb 4:12)



## **Sermon 60 Let's to be oneness (Jn 17:22-23)**

Jesus prayed that he requested the union of the church to his Father. This is the contents of our text. What is the union of church?

### **1. Spiritual union**

The church should be united not by the external aspect, but by the heart of all believers. In the meaning that Jesus stressed it, he said, “that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” (Verse 21) Oneness between God and Christ is spiritual; it is the standard of church union. The church should take the peace in the innate simplicity. Therefore the Scripture compared the church of the body of man. Although the parts attached to the body have the different figure one another, the relationship of understanding one another is same sense. As the hand get is afflicted, all parts are worry about that and try to help the hand and cooperate to them one another. The believers have different character and the habit of life. But they should help one another and cooperate them. The stumbling block to break out the spiritual union of the church is the center of vanity. (Gal 5:26, Phil 2:3). The world of church is not little to have the concept that thinks the status as the honor. This is the sin to belong to the center of vanity. The church is the group to give honor and position to the man. As the believers enter into the church and offer the worship and serve Him, it achieves the purpose.

### **2. The God-centric union**

Although the man is united well and is established the church, it they have no God it is not the church. Our text said, “That they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.” (Verse 21 b) And also it said, “I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me”. (Verse 23) It means that the true church has God. Therefore Paul pointed to church “the church of living God” (I Tim 3:15) and he said, “The pillar of truth and its foundation.” Then it means that as God keeps on the truth, and then God lives in the church strengthened like the pillar and the foundation to keep on the truth. It is obvious that the church not to keep on the truth has no God. The people also shall not accept the credit as they do not keep on the truth strongly. As they see the credibility of church, they accept Jesus Christ that the church proclaims. They firstly want to see the evidence that God stays in it. They want to see whatever closely. They want to shake the church they do not want to believe in easily by seeing it.

The church of God should strengthen to keep on truth and should not be shaken. 1) As we are united by comfort, exhortation and confession. 2) As we depends on God whole heartedly we get the owner and then we are not shaken. The fact that we do not depend on God is not hanged to God sometimes hysterically. The life to depend on God always should be continued, and at the same time we should take rest in the Lord peacefully. The church is growing up by taking rest spiritually in the Lord. Just like that it is like the fact that our body is renewed and is grown up and to get the power by taking rest in all night. As we says for the Lord and then by revealing hot-temper and stay in the tension, we cannot develop the church.

Although any troubles come to us we should keep on more caution and looks at the Lord and keep on the silence we can get the power and grows up spiritually.

As the above was remarked the church to be with God is true church.

## **Sermon 61 The cause that Peter denied Jesus (Jn 18:15-18, 25-27)**

Peter was a so hopeful man as the main disciple of Jesus. Jesus pointed him and said, “He brought him to Jesus. Jesus looked at him and said, “You are Simon the son of John. You shall be called Cephas” (which means Peter’).” (1:42) Then after Jesus was arrested Peter rebelled him temporarily and denied the teacher to follow for three years what was the reason that Peter did so?

1. The reasons happened before

1) Peter depends on himself. He had many things that he himself attacked with self-confidence at the early time. For example, as he looked at the figure that Jesus walked on the water, he himself walked on it, the event that he was failed. ( Mt 14:22-33), Before Jesus entered into the garden of Gethsemane, Peter said, “He answered, “He who has dipped his hand in the dish with me will betray me.”(Mt 26:23). In the life of faith he himself always brings the failure. Therefore Prov 28:26 said, “Whoever trusts in his own mind is a fool, but he who walks in wisdom will be delivered.” I Cor 10:12 said, “Therefore let anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest he fall.”

2) Peter did not pray Jesus told to Peter and his disciples at the garden of Gethsemane, “Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.” ( Mt 26:41) Then they do not pray and slept. (Mt 26:40-43)

2. As the event was happened he did not take caution.

1) He did not walk with improper persons. Peter warm up with the servant of high priest and his servants. Together. ( verse 18) During the time that he stays with them what benefits did he get? For he stays with them the

influence he gets was to have long distance with the Lord more. At such crisis time, one word gives great power to him rather, the light of face and even eye attitude can move his heart. How much power can one word to cast with wrong attitude have and makes the men become wrong? As Jonathan Edwards led the revival meeting at the Princeton University in America, his grandson was a student in the university. At the other evening as he was impressed by preaching of his grandfather greatly and decided to accept Jesus as his Lord and visited to a professor and discussed it with him. Then the professor said, “Now you do not need that and then wait for the finishing time of the meeting.” As he postponed deciding believing in, he did not decide to believe in Jesus until his death.

2) He does not serve two owners as one person.

Peter wanted to be faithful to Jesus, at that same time he tries not to set this world. He did not want to cut off the aids of world yet. Therefore he tried to reveal himself to the world well. Among the enemies a weakest one that is, the female servant to keep on the door came to him, and asked, “You also are not one of this man’s disciples, are you?” He said, “I am not.” (17, 25, 27)

## **Sermon 62 The King , Jesus (Jn 18:33-38)**

Jesus said that he himself is the king before Pilate. It was a beautiful testimony, I Tim 6:13 said. Therefore the kingship of Jesus to us is depended on the issue of salvation. Jesus, the king came on us with such important relationship.

### **1. His kingdom**

He said obviously that his kingdom does not belong to this world. (Verse 36)

For he told so, his kingdom is located at the other area to this world. Of course it is the spiritual world. He people take to tendency to know only this world but to despise the spiritual world. But we should know that the invisible spiritual world is more true and glorious place than this world. Refer to Heb 11: 3. The fish in the ocean do not understand the human society of the earth. But the man society is existed more excellently than the world of sea that the fish live.

The spiritual world is so much without comparing with this world. Owing to it Jesus did not fight against the for this world. Not only that, the things that become in this world receives the rule of God and his manage in the center of the spiritual world. (19:11) Therefore we should live for his kingdom and his righteousness. (Mt 6:33)

### **2. His kingship (verse 37)**

Our text said, “For this purpose I have come into the world”, his will is the fact that he himself has the qualification of true king. The kings in this world had no the qualification of true king, but they are supported by the people of world and received the right. Of course, the background has the providence of God. This is the principle to relate to the kings of this world. But, to call Christ for the king means the king that can solve the essential issue of the man. Because he was born as the king he can accomplish the work of the king by himself. His kingship is not established by receiving the cooperation of the man. He is the king not to depend on a certain creature. He does not need power, military and materials, but the self-sufficient one that he himself accomplishes his redemption by himself. At this point we can think of the first man Adam. The first man Adam also has the power of kingship to become the heir of the world.

### **Sermon 63 Serving to the mother (Jn 19:25-27)**

Jesus did not forget his mother on the cross. Let's learn the filial attitude out of Jesus. He committed his mother to his most beloved disciple John. Why did he commit his mother to John? Then because his brothers were non-believers, they could not give the spiritual peace her mother. His mother needs the spiritual peace.

Filial attitude is taught at the religions except the Christianity and its moral, some degree. But the Christianity stresses by the truth about it and taught it. But the Old Testament is recorded many things and its example of this one. "My son, keeps your father's commandment, and forsakes not your mother's teaching. Bind them on your heart always; tie them around your neck."(Prov 6:20-21), "The proverbs of Solomon. A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish son is a sorrow to his mother."(Prov 10:1), "A wise son makes a glad father, but a foolish man despises his mother." (Prov 15:20), "Let your father and mother be glad; let her who bore you rejoice." (Prov 23:25) Among the men of examples that took the filial attitude we can think Ruth especially. Although he lost her husband and remained alone, she did not leave her mother-in-law and served her until the end. Her mother-in-law Naomi said, "See, your sister-in-law has gone back to her people and to her gods; return after your sister-in-law." Then Ruth replied, "But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people and your God my God. Where you die I will die, and there will I be buried. May the LORD do so to me and more also if anything but death part me from you." (Ruth 1:15-17)



1. The filial attitude comes out of the consciousness of authority.

Speaking physically, Jesus came out of his mother. That the children respect his essence is the virtue to respect the authority finally. The word to respect the authority comes many things in the Scripture. Rom 13:7 said, “Pay to all what is owed to them: taxes to whom taxes are owed, revenue to whom revenue is owed, respect to whom respect is owed, honor to whom honor is owed.” And Jude verse 8 said that the heresy despises the authority. Then we should respect the authority of the parent, we should know that the authority of the parent should be respected, but we should know the authority comes out of God, we should do more. The one to despise the authority God establishes shall be perished.

2. The filial attitude comes out of the recognition of love.

The relationship with God to the man is love. The laws of God also with the authority of God finally can be summarized by one word love. Waterink said at his book, “Basic Concept in Christian Pedagogy” and the love and the authority cannot be separated each other.” The relationship between the parent and children also is established by the love, although it is short.

The Scripture compared the love of God with the love of mother. That is, Is 49:15-16 said, “Can a woman forget her nursing child, that she should have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you. Behold, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls are continually before me.” The love of mother to compare the love of God makes her children was rightly. The mother of John Wesley took care of 19 children and educated them regularly, The teacher, Moody said that he

become by his mother, the skill that an eloquent speaker, Daniel Webster used the English frequently came out of the teaching of his mother, the motive that Robert Moffat, who was the great Africa missionary became a missionary by the impression of his mother., John Wanamaker also learnt the prayer by kneeling down by his mother, Spurgeon learnt the Scripture out of his mother at every evening. The mother of John Newton that devoted himself to the sailors in his whole life, prayed for Newton lived as the wicked person without pausing, as the result finally Newton was repented and became effective evangelist. The famous Thomas Scott and William Cowper came out of his evangelism. We should know that the background of all great persons was the great impression of their mothers.

## **Sermon 64 The one who proclaim the death of Christ (Jn 19: 31-37)**

### **1. What kind of the fact is the Christ's death?**

The death of Christ is biblical fact. That it is the fact that was accomplished by the prophesy. As John saw the water and blood to come out of his side, he did not assure his death. He already knew the fact (verse 33) But he made sure again by seeing the water and the blood to come out of. Let's remember at this point. The Christian truth is not only the character of the fact that the man looked at, but also it is the biblical truth. Biblical truth is strong like rock although the heaven and the earth are perished, the truth cannot be perished. Because it is the word of God. That is, it is the fact that God accomplished by his prophesy. The fact accomplished by his prophesies gives assurance of four folds. 1) It makes us believed in God to give the prophesy. 2) It makes us believed in the book of written prophesy that is, the Scripture, 3) it makes us believed in the event accomplished by his prophesy. 4) It makes us believed in the future blessing that the accomplished event is included.

Now as we think of it, the death of Jesus is the important faith like his resurrection it also should be biblical truth. Really it is the biblical truth. Our text (36, 37) said that the fact he was pierced by the spear are prophesied at Ps 34:20, and Zech 12:10.

### **2. The responsibility of the one to see the death of Christ.**

Our text verse 35 said, "He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true, and he knows that he is telling the truth—that you also may believe." The one who knows that the death of Jesus is fact truly cannot stay in

quietness. How can the one to see the death of God keep on silence? His death is the death to kill our all death. As the one knows his death as the fact and believes in his death as the wage of my sin gets the eternal life. Just like that the faith to his death is important. Accordingly the one who believes in this one cannot endure and proclaimed this fact to the other and makes them believed in him. The men believe in Christ by the proclaiming of the men. The great evangelists were the men to repent by the testimony of the general men. Toray was repented by his mother, George Muller by the testimony of his friend, Whitefield by the testimony of book, and Zinzendorf by the picture was repented.

## **Sermon 65 The coffin of Jesus and the activity of the Jews (Jn 19:31-42)**

### **1. The harden heart of the Jews (31-37)**

Our text verse 31 says, “Since it was the day of Preparation, and so that the bodies would not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken and that they might be taken away. “ As we see this word, it means that they break out the legs of Jesus, which revealed the hardened heart of the Jews. As the man stands up before the corpse, he has soft thought and regrets the fault of his past, but the Jews in this time kept on the hypocrisy still. Lk 23:47-48 said that the centurion also was impressed by seeing Jesus on the cross and confessed Jesus “he was a righteous man”, and also the watchers “hit their breasts and returned”. Although the Jews killed the righteous man and then they had no quilt feeling. Although they treat the religious issue every day, they knew that they themselves become and then they had the safe heart. It was a false safe heart. Just like Jeremiah’s word, it is the false peace. Jer 6:14 said, “They have healed the wound of my people lightly, saying, ‘Peace, peace,’ when there is no peace.” The false safety makes the heart hardened with evil. The wicked hardened heart finally is broken out. True safety comes out of possessing love to come out of faith.

The one to have such love has no horror. I Jn 4:18 said, “There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear. For fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not been perfected in love.”

### **2. Their hypocrisy (verse 31)**

The reason that they wanted not to hang the corpse on the tree is to keep on the religious ceremony by the Scripture. (Duet 21:23, Josh 8:29, 10:27) Then they did not review the issue of their conscience, the religious life. Keeping on only ritual by throwing away the mind of religion is the center of hypocrisy. The religion of God is the armor to protect the man out of the man, but it is not garment to be boasted before the men. Using the Scripture for hypocrisy and using it as ritual is the arrogant sin to use the Scripture as human covet.

## **Sermon 66 The emotionalism and intellectualism (Jn 20:1-29)**

Chapter 20 contrasted two persons, that is, Mary and Thomas. Mary retreated the Lord emotionally, Thomas treated it intellectually. It is revealed that they had good points in them as well as the weak points

### **1. The emotionalism of Mary**

The fact that she visited to the tomb of Jesus at the early morning (verse 1) and she stood up before the tomb of Jesus and wept. (Verse 11) and also she took bold heart as a woman and searched for the corps of Jesus and asked, ““Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have laid him, and I will take him away.” And just like that it was activity to come out of all her emotion.

#### **1) The emotion is precious in the Christian faith.**

If the personality has no emotion, the subjective aspect of religious life shall be disappeared. Emotion executes the important role in the life of man. The children demand the love of parent and depend on God. It is the faith. Just like that the emotion does the important role in the life of man. Vollenhoven and Dooyeweerd in Dutch Calvinistic philosophers claim that the philosophical speculation also is happened by the other psychological element, not intellectual element. What they mean must be the fact that the philosophy also is happened by human stimulation of the truth. (Torch and Trumpet, Vol 4 No. 3, p31)

We think that although the philosophers and the psychologists said that the emotion is the important element in personality, by depending on the word of the Scripture so than we said that the emotion is important. The Scripture

treats the relationship of heart importantly in the life of faith. Rom 10:9 said, “Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.” Here, “the heart” is the source part of the emotion. But what we should be careful of is the fact that the emotion should not control whole thing in life of faith. The life of faith should be executed with the accord of our whole parts of our personality. Mt 22:37 said, “And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. “. Herman Bavinck said, “The religion is not settled by only one thing. It should be related to the whole personality. God should be the center in our lives and should be whole in it. We should love him with all heart, all soul and all power. For God is God it is nature that he demands our whole things. That is, it is nature that he occupies our soul, our body, our talent and all relationship.” (Gereformeerde Dogmatiek, I. p 241) But in the life of faith it is sure that the moving of emotion is important. Although the man has many good things his heart does not go to God because of it. But as he is suffered and flows much tear, he seeks God.

Therefore we can know how much important the relationship between emotion and faith is. M. R. DeHaan doctor said that if the mankind gathers the tear that they had flown after the world until today, it might be made a great river, that the ship could be floated. (Chemistry of Blood, p 159) It is only evidence that the mankind had little tear. If the tear of the mankind was much to cover all global, the destine of the modern mankind shall be happier than the other and they might be established the world to fear God.

2) As it is inclines to the emotion it is failed. After Mary knew the resurrected Lord, she tried to hold him. (16-17) it was a weak point that was



revealed as the faith was executed emotionally. It was the false activity that she gets the religious sufficiency by taking touching sensitively. It was the fault to forget the distance between God and man. EL Smelik also interpreted the activity of Mary as such meaning. That is, “Mary took the activity like the one to climb on the tree rapidly. It is the spiritual danger, often, the women commit it well. To such activity Jesus warned, “Do not cling to me, “. It means the warning to prohibit the spiritual fellowship of all kinds that despised putting the distance between God, the holiness of Christ and us. It is the word to correct the activity of the pantheism and mysticism. The majesty of God to be different to the man blocks the approaching of the man that tries to remove the board between God and man. “ ( Het Evangelie naar Johannes, p 263)

Why did Jesus say to Mary, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God. It was the word that he knew the mind of Mary. Mary thought accepting the Lord sufficiently by touching him. Jesus treated such thought wrongly. The way to accept the Lord was stressed by holding did not touch him but coming out of the Holy Spirit by his ascendance. As he was ascended, the believers become his brothers; God is their father and their God. (Refer to verse 17 b) In the relationship between God and them just it is most closely and permanent.

## 2. The intellectualism of Thomas

Thomas had the intellectualism obviously. As the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord. “, he replied, “So the other disciples told him, “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them, “Unless I see in his hands the mark

of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe.” (Verse 25)

The knowledge is precious. Prov 16:16 said, “How much better to get wisdom than gold! To get understanding is to be chosen rather than silver.” Hos 4:6 said, “My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge; because you have rejected knowledge, I reject you from being a priest to me. And since you have forgotten the law of your God, I also will forget your children.” Mal 2:7 said, “For the lips of a priest should guard knowledge, and people should seek instruction from his mouth, for he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.”

Then although it is good thing among the things of this world, as it is stressed extremely brings the harm poison.

1) In case of knowledge-benefit, our knowledge should be concentrated on knowing God and should treat the knowledge to know God as the foundation of knowledge. The man was created for the fear of Jehovah. Ecc 12:13 said, “The end of the matter; all has been heard. Fear God and keep his commandments, for this are the whole duty of man.” Here, “duty of the man” is koll haadam (כּוֹל הָאָדָם), which means “all things in the man”. Therefore Septuagint (LXX) said, “This is all thing of the man” (τοῦτο πᾶς ὁ ἄνθρωπος). That is, the human value is depended on only the fear of God. The man was created as the one to fear God mechanically. Ecc 3:11 said, “For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: “. The fact that the man does not fear God already is foolish thing. For such man forget the purpose he lives, he is foolish and crazy. (Calvin, Commentary on the Psalms IV. Eerdmans, 1949, p 318) Therefore if the man has no the godliness to fear God. He is nothing.

## 2) The dangerous area of the intellectualism.

As the above said, the knowledge has the benefit aspect. But the intellectualism of Thomas also had weak point. It is to review the faith excessively. He said, “Unless I see... I will never believe “, and the word he took vow was excessive thought that he commits the theory of his faith to his human judgment. Because of it, he was listened to a similar rebuke from Jesus, that is, the word, “Do not disbelieve, but believe.” (Verse 27), and the word, “Have you believed because you have seen me? “ (Verse 29).

The fact that Thomas used the intellectualism to know the Lord was precious, it was sure that he got the skepticism temporarily. The doubt comes out of several causes. It mainly comes out of not to self-control of knowledge and arrogance and or, weak volition. We should keep on humility that we have much ignorance as the man naturally. It is just the self-control of knowledge. The one to do so is the man to despise God. Not only that, the arrogant man also is such man. And also the one who does not decide the faith of truth also is to despise God. As he knows his weak point, why does not he depend on God?

Thomas took the tendency of skepticism; he had true passion to know the resurrection of the Lord. Therefore he also arrived at the faith by receiving the forgiveness of the Lord and his love.

## **Sermon 67 The evangelism of the angels (Jn 20:11-15)**

The proclamation of Jesus Christ was practiced by the angels firstly. We can review the contents of their evangelism.

### **1. The meaning of Angel- evangelism**

We are going to know the different point between the angel- evangelism and the man- evangelism.

1) The angels belong to the third position in the movement of kingdom of God in the purpose the salvation of mankind. I Pet 1:12 said, “It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look”, the word said that they have the indirect relationship in the work of atonement for the mankind. But the man has the direct relationship to the movement of kingdom of God. Therefore it is nature that the man than the angels should take passion to the evangelism.

2) Not only that for the angel is not weak like the man it is not proper that they have the qualification of the evangelist. Paul said, “But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us.” (II Cor 4:7), II Cor 12:9 said, “But he said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may rest upon me.” The white light is revealed its essential color on the black bottom.

3) And, not only that, as the angel treats to the man, they did not give some impression like the man did to the man. The gospel is proclaimed by making the man been horrible but by only making them impressed. The evangelist as a man plants in the heart of the other by tear and virtue of sacrifice, but the angels do not execute so. Because of it God became into the man and came into this world. Then what is the reason that the angel came to proclaim the evangelism? Although the evangelism of the angel is not effective we need the necessary time. [1] As the trained evangelists except the angels yet, [2] As it helps the movement of evangelism, the third position –angels cooperated. We should remember the word, “the angels also” In I Pet 1:12. Although the angels have much company, as they take evangelism, we get the power of faith. In the case, if the men lives in the world of star, the man to come on here out of the proclaims the gospel of Christ, for it the believers in the earth get the great power in faith. But we do not need to reveal powerful figure by supposing that the man comes out of the some world of stars. It is enough that the angels came out of the world of angel to proclaim the gospel. The creatures to have reason are only two groups, the Man and the angel. Because even the angels proclaimed Christ it is established that all the world of creature to have reason know Christ. Because it is meaningful fact it strengthens our faith one more. When we think of the angel, we should know the grand fact of the world. Herman Bavinck said, “The world of angel is richer than this world, the kinds of many creature in this world are accorded, the world of angels also is so.” (Geref. Dog. II, p 473)

Then the fact that such many angels know Christ makes our faith strengthened more.

## 2. The character of angel's evangelism gives faith to us.

What is the qualification of the angel as the proclaimer of Christ? We see them as the proclaimers of truth like the special being.

1) They are not body but the Spirit; they know the things in the spiritual world more obviously than the man. Do not we receive the testimony of the spirits more? The bulb is not intimacy like our eyes, to illuminate the objective things brightly is better than the eyes. The evangelism of the angel is not more intimate than the evangelism of the man but it is surer.

2) Not only that, they are admitted and used by God to serve the affair to reveal God. ( Gen 18:1-2, 19:1-2, 28:12-15, 32:1, II King 19:35, Dan 10:13, 21, Mt 4:11, 28:2-7, Lk 1:11-20, 26-38, 2:1022:43, Jn 1:51, Act 1:10, 7:53, Gal 3:19, Heb 2:2) Their qualification that serves the revelation is several things. That is, [1] they are diligent, faithful and have much passion. They do not spend the time in their trips and in taking the rest. After they appeared suddenly (or, soon) and then are not seen suddenly. ( Lk 2:11-13) Not only that, they wait for to work for the saints. ( Mt 18:10) And [3] they are called for holy one, (Mk 8:38) and was called for the angel of light. (II Cor 11:4) in obeying God, he is our example. Mt 6:10 said, the word, "Your kingdom come, your will be done," is the meaning. The angels in then heaven accomplish the will of God.

## 3. The contents of angel-evangelism

1) He said, don't be afraid of it" (Mt 28:5)

After the Lord was resurrected he makes us not taken horrible heart. Heb 2:15 said, “And deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.”

2) He said, “Why are you weeping?” (Jn 20:13)

This is joyful news. The reason of the joy is for the victory of Christ is our victory. 16:22 said, “So also you have sorrow now, but I will see you again, and your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take your joy from you”.

3) He said, “He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come; see the place where he lay.”(Mt 28:6) This is the testimony of the angel to the resurrection of Jesus; the testimony also takes the criteria of empty tomb. The resurrection of Jesus is not non-historical ideal fact, but soon directly it is the resurrection of the body accomplished in present time.

4) He said, “Then go quickly and tell his disciples that he has risen from the dead, and behold, he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him. See, I have told you.” (Mt 28:7) before the Lord was died he was revealed again and also the revealing at the point that he promised to meet his disciples (Mt 26: 32) also proved the ascertain of resurrection. The angel pointed the important thing as the center.

The contents of evangelism by the angels on the above are the present that the movement of the mature gospel revealed not so far provides. Such present shall be experienced by the disciples after some time (especially after the Holy Spirit came on) finally and shall be known surely. But the angels knew such blessing to come after the resurrection of Jesus more early than his disciples. Just like that they in the intellectual aspect do ahead than these men in the

world. As their knowledge is compared to the bulb, the eyes of present men are like the eyes. The bulb can shine what the eyes cannot see. But it does not take intimacy sense like our eyes. As the angel has brighter intellect is revealed we can believe in the testimony. But the testimony of the man to Christ is superior for it comes to us with intimacy sense like the testimony of the eyes. The man as the witness of Christ comes on the other (the man to receive the evangelism) with the beautiful power of tear, blood, sacrifice etc.



## **Sermon 68 The resurrected Jesus that Magdalena Mary saw (Jn 20:11-18)**

We can see the male (I Cor 16:13), and also we find good point in the female. Especially the good point is the simplicity and the hot love. Mary had the abundant love and longed for the grace. The fact that she vested to the tomb firstly and wept there reveal the fact. She executed so by remembering the grace she received. For Jesus healed her, who was seven devils –possessed, he could not always forget Jesus. Indeed, the one to receive the grace was not only Mary but the others also received the grace. But in remembering the grace and longing for it, I think that Mary got the hottest heart. The saints written in the Scripture longed for God sincerely. Ps 42:1 said, “As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God.” Job said, “For he will complete what he appoints for me, and many such things are in his mind.” (Job 23:12) Magdalena Mary longed for Jesus sincerely; finally she met the resurrected Lord primarily than the other. But there was some time until she knew Jesus. The reason is for the body of Lord’s resurrection receives the glory.

1. She did not know Jesus rightly.

Verse 14 said, “Having said this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing, but she did not know that it was Jesus.” Of the resurrected Lord nobody can know him. Seven disciples also did not know who Jesus is firstly, but lately they knew him (Jn 21:4, 7), two disciples to descend down to Emmaus walked with him and did not know him. (Lk 24:15-16) Although he was the same Jesus like before, from now it is hard that they know him well. Because his

body was changed. The elder brothers of Joseph did not know him well for he lived at the other nation and his figure was changed. Moreover the people could not discern Jesus changed into the spiritual body well. He is not “the physical body”, but “the spiritual body”, and it is not, “the image of the man of dust”, but “the image of the man of heaven.” (I Cor 15:44, 48-49) But it was not that his resurrected body had no the flesh and the bone. (Lk 24:39)

2. She found out Jesus as a teacher.

Verse 16 said, “Jesus said to her, “Mary.” She turned and said to him in Aramaic, “Rabboni!” (Which means Teacher)”? The fact that Mary knew Jesus as the teacher became so through Jesus made her known it. As he called for, “Mary” he opened the spiritual eye of Mary. Always we cannot know God with the wisdom of ourselves. Salvation is depended on only him totally. When we accept God as our God and accept him as our d and our father also come out of the fact that he did so. Because of it, he should be ascended to until the father. As he ascends into Him he can accomplish this great thing. therefore he told Mary , “Jesus said to her, “Do not cling to me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; but go to my brothers and say to them, ‘I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God.’” (Verse 17). The word, “Do not cling to me” means that she should not limit himself in the earth. If he did not ascended, the salvation that the mankind accepts God as the father cannot be accomplished.

## **Sermon 69    The peace of Christ (Jn 20:19-23)**

Whoever of the men wants to have peace. But although we want the peace but we should want true peace. Because this world has much false peace. The peace of this world is the rotten peace without the life. It does not give peace in the heart of man, but temporary peace into the external environment. So called for, the time of peace is able to say the duration that at the close future prepares the anxiety. Therefore the man of wisdom feels anxiety out of such peace rather. Such peace is like the rotten water still contained. Then what is the peace of Christ?

### **1.        The peace of the one to get the life.**

The resurrected Jesus told his disciples, “Peace is with you.” (Verse 19) It means that he came as the life and warranted the life and said, “Peace be with you “. The men always are afraid of the death. But for Christ was resurrected they released them out of such horror. Heb 2:15 said of Christ, “and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.” It said that the disciples saw the hands of Jesus and his side and pleased it. (Refer to verse 19) Their joy is the peace of life. They touched the Lord of life. They at that time took the touching to the true life. Until before the resurrection of Jesus, “life” was the riddle that the man could not know. As we dissect the living thing scientifically to know it, the life is disappeared. But as Jesus was died and is resurrected the life was revealed. The one that was died and was resurrected is just the life. (I Jn 1:1-2) As the one to possess Him has the eternal life surly.

## 2. The peace to get the remission

The thing to bring the anxiety to the men is the sin. Why shall it be so? Because 1) the sin afflicts the conscience of the man 2) God gives wrath to the sinner. Several years ago some robbery were arrested and confessed, “I cannot live for committing sin.” Then now this joyful thing is that resurrected Jesus gives the peace of remission to the mankind. Second, he said, “Peace be with you “; next, he gave the word of the remission as the foundation. That is, “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” (Verse 23)

In this text, the word, “If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” needs the careful interpretation. At a glance this word is not the word of remission but seems to say the word of condemnation. But this said only the word of remission. The word, “if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld.” means that remission is established by only the gospel proclaimed by the Apostles but is not established by the other method. Therefore the word of verse 23 means that the only way of true remission was opened.

The man to receive true remission has peace. Why? It shall be explained as following. That is, as the man receives true remission, God is with him. David pointed God and said, “Be to me a rock of refuge, to which I may continually come; you have given the command to save me, for you are my rock and my fortress.” (Ps 71:3). Many people leave out of God and live, the hypocrite men accept only Lord’s Day temporarily. It is the philosophy of childish life. Why do they leave God of true peace far?

## **Sermon 70    The peace of Christ (Jn 20:19-29)**

After Jesus was resurrected, he visited to his disciples and what he gave impressively was the word, “Peace is with you”. Such words came three times out of chapter 20. (19, 21, 26) This is not the degree of simple greeting, but it means the actual offering the real peace by the savior to accomplish the redemption. (Grosheide, Bouma) Now we are going to think of the fact that the men need the peace and the character of peace Christ gives.

### **1.        The man needs the peace.**

Then the disciples of Jesus were afraid of the Jews and then they closed the doors. (Verse 19) They were surrounded by anxiety very much. They stay in the situation that could not open the door in one room that is called for a narrow world. They tried to get peace by entering into the narrow world. But although they enter into the narrow world, the anxiety of the heart cannot be solved. What is the reason that the man is surrounded by anxiety with many plans and many methods? It may be said as following.

What the man said peace by him is the thing to flatter his heart but is not true peace. The thing that I myself and the people said peace, peace are deceived the men to become boldly through devil shall meet the horrible day by Christ surely. The man is surrounded by anxiety. The method that he is dropped in this attitude is the things that he closed the door, and is closed in the prison that he himself made by himself. There is continuous anxiety surly.

As we close the door and make our heart been narrow, we are dropped down in anxiety. Because our heart can live as it enters into even our enemy.

But because his heart is so strong, can he walk in the valley of death without any defense, and can he walk in the area of the enemy without hesitating? It cannot do it with the heart of the man itself, only the one to have the heart of Christ can do it. The heart not to have the heart of Christ is like the house to close the door, he blocks all people and defenses himself, and finally it makes himself become the slave of horror more. For the disciples of Jesus accepted Christ spiritually completely yet, and they were afraid of the Jews excessively, they closed the door. They did not know the fact yet that Jesus was resurrected and did not experience the remission yet. Therefore Prov 28:1 said, “The wicked flee when no one pursues, but the righteous are bold as a lion.” The man himself enters into the misery state by horrible heart and anxiety. We do not meet the majority of what you are afraid of actually. The one that releases the prisoner of horror is only Jesus. Because He himself overcome the death and resurrected, he gave true joy and freedom to us also.

2. The peace Christ gives.

1) Jesus came to the disciples that closed the door and said, “Peace be with you”. As the devil is afraid of us, Christ visited to us and makes us been boldly. The saints should lose the time. Now the resurrected Lord came to his disciples to close the door. He came and said, “Peace be with you”. And showed his “hands and side” (19-20) it was the sermon of his activity to reveal the relationship of his peace and his blood shed on the crucifixion. Because he loves us he did not come down out of cross. The blood he shed is clean up our sin and revives us eternally. Because he was risen again. After

he was resurrected he takes the effective his blood shed for us. Jesus resurrected bring about the peace of salvation by his shed precious blood. F. B Meyer said, “The condition we should accomplish the peace with God was accomplished by Christ. The holy righteousness of God also cannot happen any issue about that the believer enjoys this peace. Although the righteousness become sufficiency by destroying the billion worlds, it is sufficient by the death of God’s son. It made peace by the sacrifice of atonement of lawmaker himself. Although we forget this fact God always forget this fact Accordingly the blood Jesus shed works with same power of redemption in the one generation as well as passed through billion generation without reducing.” (peace, perfect Peace, pp 15-17) If the blood of Abel also has always the power to appeal to the heaven (Heb 11:4), what shall we say about the blood of God’s son? The peace by the blood that Jesus shed is the perfect peace (Is 26:3), the pace to flow abundantly like river (Is 48:18), Most great peace (Is 54:13), the peace not to take the tribulation as an issue (Jan 16:33), the peace to flow the intellect. ( Phil 4:7)

3. There are no any things to harm the believers to enjoy this peace.

Rom 8:28 said, “And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. “, Rom 8:35 said, “Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or danger, or sword?” Rom 8:37-39 said, “No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us

from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Here, the Greek word, (ὑπερνικῶμεν) here “more than conquerors “, means “to overcome and to be remained”. The love of Christ that we love began with a long time ago and shall arrive to the eternity. Just like that this is the love to flow in the understanding. The time that enjoys the peace by such love, the disciples of Jesus did not need to close the door. They opened the door of their heart widely should accept the resurrected Lord. They should know that Jesus is all of all things from now the attitude to close the door shall not be put no more before their sight. They had the truth, the power and the life and the wealth to occupy the entire world and to conquer the cosmos. They came out of the resurrection of Jesus now their peace is the peace to occupy the universe and the peace to have the infinity and eternity.

4. The thing of the believer to enjoy this peace is not conflict and also difficult. At this point I introduce the word of FB Meyer as following. That in possess the peace, we do not need to treat the degree to feel so importantly. And at this point the great and small of faith also does not take as a big issue. The small faith is faith. The word that the faith like mustard can move the mountain means that small faith also gives the great effective of atonement like the mountain through Jesus Christ. The reason that faith is power is not related to the quantity of faith itself but is depended on only Jesus Christ himself. But this, my word means that we do not need the wish to have great faith. This is that I think of only an aspect of faith. In the issue of Christ’s peace, we should not take the degree of our feeling excessive importantly, we should not relate to the issue of big and small of our faith. We faithfully look at the only the blood of Jesus Christ and only believe that God saves according



to the word of God. John Bunyan was distressed for the sin sometimes in his heart; he got the peace by remembering the word, that is, “and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.”(Col 1:20). As he compared his sin and the blood of Jesus, he saw that his sin is like a small stone to set on the wild field. Where is the sin that the blood of Jesus cannot forgive? Refer to Eph 2:16-17.

William Knibb who took mission at Jamaica confessed “I am not afraid of death. The blood of Jesus cleaned up my all sins. What I believe in is just the blood.”

## **Sermon 71    The blessing of the one who does not see but believe in (Jn 20:29)**

Sincere happiness of the man who is the creature and the sinner is decided by what he believes in. His happiness is happened as to what he believed in. His happiness is brought up by believing in him well and is increased. Jesus said in the meaning that our happiness come out of believing in him well as following. That is, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest “. (Mt 11:28) Just like that what is the faith to give happiness to us?

1.        The perspective of the word of God more than the perspective of the man.

The sight of the man can see the temporary thing; he cannot see the eternal thing. His object of sight belongs to this world, they are the things to pass through and what are remained to the man are only the sacrifice and sorrow, and swift things. (Ps 90:10). Accordingly the sight always feels the insufficiency and although he saw the evidence to believe in, again the insufficient time comes on. We should believe in the eternity, it is not visible thing. II Cor 4:18 said, “As we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.” Then what is the thing to believe in the visible thing? It is the word of God. (The Scripture)

2.        The object of salvation that is given by the promise.

The salvation given by the promise is blessing unspeakably. The Scripture says, “For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.” (Rom 8:24-25) We rejoice as only the promise of God is accomplished and only appreciate God and also we should believe in the promised word and should obey it and should glorify God. As the promise of God is accomplished it is easy to praise the Lord. But before the promise is not accomplished if we have no the life to glorify Him in for it in general time, the praise has no value. (Irish Evangelical, Vol. 29, No. 8 p 13)

Let’s think of it now. The prophesy of first coming of Jesus reveals 456 time in the Old testament, the prophesy of second coming of the Lord reveals 1518 times ( only New Testament reveals 300time) in the New Testament and Old Testament The first coming of Jesus prophesied for 456 times was accomplished, Shall not the second coming of Jesus prophesied 1518 times be accomplished? We shall answer “The promise shall be accomplished”. His promise is like the fact and truth itself. He promised before several thousand years, he shall accomplish as the time arrives. But the man does not promise absolutely safely even only few years. Because the man is false, changeable and shall be died. Rom 3:4 said, “By no means! Let God be true though everyone were a liar, as it is written, “That you may be justified in your words, and prevail when you are judged.”

3. The faith to believe in the person of God

The faith of personality is blessed. God is not material and body. He is the spirit. (4:24) in the relate to the invisible being, the visible being are sometimes are stumbling block. They are like dust attached on the telescope

to see the stars. In the personal fellowship with the Lord together, the above of his word has no better criteria. We should seek the other truth and the other love except his word. For he said his all word to us, it is the Scripture. The thing we should do is only faith and obedience.

## **Sermon 72 Of obeying the word of Christ ( Jn 21:1-14)**

At the time that seven disciples at the Tiber Sea caught up the fish but did not get anything and were tired of it, the resurrected Lord was appeared and commanded “cast the net in the right side”. As his disciples obeyed it and executed it directly, they caught much fish. As the result John knew that the commander was Jesus. As we see this event we have some understanding things.

1. As we obey the word of Christ we are prosperous.

The man has the tendency not to enjoy the other word. Every man likes to do by himself. It is the sick habit. But at turning point whether it is death or the life the men asked their way. For the living way is so important to the man, before the issue, should not we ask to the one of authority. He is Christ and his answer is the word of the Scripture. As we do by the word of Christ we should be prosperous. He said, “Come to me, all who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest “. (Mt 11:28)

Although seven disciples tried to catch fish in all night they did nothing. They were failed. But as they obeyed their word, the affair was changed. As the man obeys only the word of the Lord, is dark figure can be changed into. According to Dr. Tunks in the University of Akron, the day of civilization was appeared 21 times historically, the reason of their all destruction come out of the activity against God. (J. V. McGee, The fruit of the Sycamore Tree p 62)

2. The man knows the Lord as the result to obey Christ’s word.

Then as the disciples obeyed the word of the Lord, as the result, they caught much fish. And then “That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. “. (Verse 7) the fact that they caught much fish also is happy it is happier that they knew the Lord. Really it was the both benefits at one time. Therefore Peter was so joyful then he cast himself naked body with his garment into the water. (Verse 17).

As we see at a glance, we think easily that the historical events of mankind were produced without having meaning and relationship of the accident without purpose and the destine like the metal. (A. Maclaren) But the men to see the historical events so are the unhappiest men. They are the men not to know the love of the Lord flown in it. Then where is the secret to know the Lord in the historical events? As the text reveals, it is to taste the success by obeying the word of the Lord. The Lord bring about the success to the one to obey the word of God, by it he reveals himself. Although we commit sin and were failed, as we come back to and obey him we can know him by understanding his love through receiving his forgiveness and his grace. Hosea 6:1-3 said, ““Come, let us return to the LORD; for he has torn us, that he may heal us; he has struck us down, and he will bind us up. After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. Let us know; let us press on to know the LORD; his going out is sure as the dawn; he will come to us as the showers, as the spring rains that water the earth.”

3. The one to love Jesus firstly can know him.

Our text said, “That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, “It is the Lord!” When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer

garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea.” (Verse 7) What is the one the Lord loved? He is the one to keep on the commandment of Jesus. 14:23 said, “Jesus answered him, “If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. “. Refer to 14:21. Then the one to keep on the commandment of Jesus, that is, the one the Lord loves. Then what we remember at this point is that to keep on the commandment of the Lord means to reflect the faith to the Lord into relationship between God and the man. I shall be expressed like following. That is, keeping the commandment means to love the Lord, indeed it does not mean revealing his affection to the Lord, at the man’s side with autonomous effort. The fact that the man loves the Lord (1) it is to receive the love of remission by the Lord. Rom 11:35 said, “Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid?” I Jn 4:10 said, “In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.” (2) In the meaning that the one atoned by Christ bears the fruit he reveals the love inside and outside areas. That is, he reveals the love to God and the men. (I Jn 4:11) Refer to I Jn 4:20-21.

## **Sermon 73 Loving the Lord and the relationship with the pastoral ministry ( Jn 21:15-17)**

1. Who is the one to love the Lord?

1) He is the one to receive the love of the Lord the Lord wants to give and gave all things. As we see it, we know how much he pleases our work. Above of all, the thing we should work for the Lord is to receive what the Lord gives. It is faith. Jn 6:29 said, “Jesus answered them; “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” (2) The faith to receive much gives much thanksgiving. Jesus told to the woman to pour on his feet with ointment as following. That is, “Therefore I tell you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven—for she loved much. But he, who is forgiven little, loves little.” (Lk 7:47) All what we love the Lord is the activity of thanksgiving. Although we offer our lives to him, it is to establish only a part of the activity of our thanksgiving.

2. Feeding the sheep

Christ commanded to Peter that he feed the lamb for the qualification to love Him. We at serving of church should do it by the motive to love Christ. That is, we should do so to following special things.

1) In preaching, the pastor should love the listeners of sermon in the motive to love Christ. A great pastor, Richard Baxter was asked , “what is the greatest secret of preaching?, he replied, “ he should do it sacrificially like the one that he did not preach even one time., and he should do like the attitude that the dying person commits to dying person”



2) Like Christ hates the sin the pastor should devote himself to keep holiness in the church with the point of death. As Christ hated sin and died on the cross the church cannot accept the sin. Wesley said, "If I have 100 persons who longs for only God, and are afraid of the sin, I can move the entire world."

3) The pastor to love Christ tries sacrificially to make oneness of the church. Among the petitions that Jesus left the world he stressed two times that the church should be united. (17:11, 22-23) Of course, this union does not mean the external union like Catholic Church claims, but the spiritual union in Christ. This is the reconciliation that the Scripture stresses much.

4) The pastor in the center of Christ devotes himself to pray that the church does well by God's grace. I Cor 3:7 said, "So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth." The pastor can do true pastoral ministry well. By only prayer. The affair executed by prayer remains permanently. We know the great mission achievement that David Brainerd, the man of prayer. He left at 29 years old, his working time was short. But his permanent gospel achievement that the red tribe cannot forget is informed at the world. A great missionary Henry Martyn was departed at 31 years old. But the achievement of his mission by is prayer shines out permanently.

## **Sermon 74 Do you love me? (Jn 21:15-17)**

After Jesus was resurrected and as he met Peter, he did not rebuke him for his fault. He is sufficient as whoever repents his sin and stand up rightly only.

1. What does it mean to love the church?

1) To believe in him, faith, hope and love are always together. (I Cor 13:13) Without faith, no love. (1) Believing the thought of Jesus. As the men are different to the others one another, there never be executed by the cooperated affairs. Because the thought is stronger than the blood. Although the nation was consisted by one blood, as the thought is different, they take the warfare. The communication of both parts is blocked primarily completely. So how can they take to communicate with each other? As the man does not believe in Jesus there is happened the similar situation. The fact not to believe in Jesus Christ is same to hate him. Every one not to believe in Jesus has the character to hate Jesus. It is the character to contrast Jesus. It, always comes as he has some chance. (2) Believing atonement. The fact not to believe in Christ means not to believe the atoned sacrifice of his cross. Jesus loved the complete merit of he atonement more than his life. He throws away his life for the work. As we believe in it, it is similar to love his life. As we believe in it, to accomplish his purpose that threw away his life is the greatest love. Just like that it is the greatest love to accomplish his primary wish.

2) Accepting his living personality in his heart and enjoying it.

I Pet 1:8 said, "Though you have not seen him, you love him. Though you do not now see him, you believe in him and rejoice with joy that is inexpressible

and filled with glory” The man lives as he communicate with the other personality. The isolated life has no joy and happiness. Then all other personalities except God do not give eternal complete happiness to us. They cannot be trusted in. But the Lord provides infinitive life to believers. The one is all happiness to me.

## 2. What is the character of the fact to love the Lord?

It means that we have the love in the most important seat in our personality that is, our heart. It means to love him. The confession of Peter is stated by such love. That is, “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” Because of the love that the Lord knows, it stays in deep seat in heart of the believer. It is the love admitted by conscience and true love. The purpose that Jesus asked to Peter three times, “do you love me?” was to want to know his true love. Although the men said that they love Jesus, they said “I love Jesus” in many cases without meaning vaguely and self- deceived. Often, the believers also approaches to Jesus for his physical benefit and honor etc., and also they say to love Jesus. The love of the world people have much false. The fact that Peter replied “Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.” does not mean that Peter himself does not know having love or, not. The meaning of the word means that the Lord knows the fact that he loves the Lord surely. The reason we understand so is for before the word, the term, “Lord, you know everything;” (it means to love him) and the fact that we can be known by the word, “you know that I love you” for his love is sure in his conscience, although the men do not know it the Lord know it. And it revealed that the love is true to love only the Lord.

The word that the Lord asked three times made sure that he had such love,  
Peter's answer responded to such question. His love to the Lord was sincere.

## **Sermon 75 The principle of treatment of the Apostle Peter that received the holy mission (Jn 21:18-23)**

Peter met the resurrected Lord and took meaningful testing question and answer; he received the holy status to feed the lamb. In the testing of question and answer, the Lord asked three times sincerely at the same time, he revealed his grand generality like the heaven by he did not mention any rebuke to his fault. As the prophesy, “Truly, I tell you, this very night, before the rooster crows, you will deny me three times.” To the sin that Peter committed miserably, Is not the chance to ask it at that time? But he removed his fault eternally. Mt 12:18-20 said, “Behold, my servant whom I have chosen, my beloved with whom my soul is well pleased. I will put my Spirit upon him, and he will proclaim justice to the Gentiles. He will not quarrel or cry aloud, nor will anyone hear his voice in the streets; a bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not quench, until he brings justice to victory;”

### **1. The attitude-principle of the mature faith life of Peter (pastoral life)**

Jesus said in the meaning of exhortation that Peter to receive the holy status should take the life of mature faith now. That is, “Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.” (Verse 18) This verse means that as Peter was youth time attacked with his own character and got much failure in the contrast of it he cannot do so at the old time. (Especially in the time of spiritual mature time). When the man is young time

he had much work that he wanted to do and many affairs that he attacked and he was filed. But at the old time was different to his youth time and his activity areas are narrow, and comparatively he is kept on safety and his position is located. And then he should become so. The pastor is the men to be located at the spiritual mature time. (Although his physical age stays in the old time.) The feature of life of the pastor cannot be controlled by himself. For he was like the city established on the top of mountain and he is an example all people look up, he cannot execute the affairs not to glorify God. He has the urgent work to reveal the ripen fruit to the inside part and the outside part. He finally is being like an offering used by his death. Really it is a difficult thing. Accordingly he needs the special principle to take some attitude. Therefore Jesus told Peter as following, "Follow me". To follow Jesus is the principle of attitude of the one to stay in the seat. The command that Jesus said to follow me includes the promise to bear all burdens of his followers. The fact we follows the Lord (1) it is to follow true man and also true God. For he is a man it is easy to follow him and for he is God, he is the source of the unlimited power and the salvation and of the solution of problems. Therefore we offer all things and also we should follow with all things eternally. (2) To follow the Lord is to follow the lamb and the shepherd, Christ. Because he is the lamb, (offering) he bears all our burdens (especially sin burden), for he is the shepherd he provide us without any short things. (Ps 23 :)

George Muller who took the principle of his attitude to follow the Lord employed a great orphanage, and began with the evangelism of gospel at 70 years old and took trip around the all the world for 8 times until his 90 years

old. As he was a young person, for he had sick body, he was removed his military duty, and did not work almost good work. As he confessed, the reason he worked till his old age passionately and keeps on for long time was for he devoted himself to work in the work of the Lord, (1) he revealed the sin to rebuke his conscience obviously without hesitating. (2) For he loves the Scripture the power of the Scripture worked in all areas of his total being. (3) He enjoyed the Lord and the work of the Lord and loves them the anxiety and worry cannot invade into him.

## 2. The attitude-principle of the relationship with the men.

Jesus prophesied that the future of Peter shall be terminated by the martyrdom. (Verse 18 b) Peter asked the future of the other disciples continuously. (Verse 21) This question was not except the role of Peter. As a certain man interferes the issue that the other servant of the Lord takes in his future it is the sin to touch the Sovereignty Lordship of the Lord. Rom 14:4 said, “Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.” Because the Lord stressed that the mission of his servants should not be interfered by the other servants. it comes in verse 22 That is, “Jesus said to him, “If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!” Whoever takes the thought except his role like Peter, (1) it is easy that he can make badly the servant that the Lord makes well. Such heart reveals jersey and can make the area the servant of the Lord makes well despised. It is the opposed wicked activity to oppose the goodness. (2) As

whoever interferes the affair of the other he spend vain time so much and hesitates his step to follow the Lord, rather he was astray and may lose the Lord.

[The End of the Sermons of the gospel of John]

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