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# TAKE FLIGHT

The Lord did not promise that the sky would be blue, and he did not want to grow the flowers only in the greenhouse.

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"If you turn away your foot from (or be cautious) the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on My holy day, And call the Sabbath a delight, The holy day of the Lord honorable, And shall honor Him, not doing your own ways, Nor finding your own pleasure, Nor speaking your own words, Then you shall delight yourself in the Lord; And I will cause you to ride on the high hills of the earth, And feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father. The mouth of the Lord has spoken. (Isaiah 58:13-14)

The prophet Isaiah quoted God's words, especially emphasizing that "this was spoken by God himself"- it was the promise of God himself, and it

would never return to nothingness.

Feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father

The original meaning of the name Jacob was "to seize" (Genesis 25:26) , or substitute, because he seized the status and blessing of the eldest son and replaced his brother as the eldest son.

But God changed his name to Israel; later when God sent Moses to Egypt to meet Pharaoh, God declared that Israel was "my son and my eldest son" (Ex 4:22) . Therefore, Jacob's inheritance is to be called God's son, to be his eldest son, to be his heir , and to inherit God's promise.

When people take the Sabbath as joy and respect this day, and do not do their own private affairs, do not follow their own will, and do not speak their own private words (ESV: talking idly), they will be able to bear the promised land that flows with milk and honey. In a spiritual sense, if people want to inherit the promise of eternal life, they must obey and enjoy the Sabbath with a godly and joyful heart!

So, what does “ride on the high hills of the earth” mean?

### **Bore you on eagles’ wings**

The people of Israel left Egypt, and after three months, they came to the Wilderness of Sinai. Here, God asked Moses to tell the people:

‘You have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to Myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey My voice and keep My covenant, then you shall be a special treasure to Me above all people; for all the earth is Mine. And you shall be to Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.’ These are the words which you shall speak to the children of Israel. (Exodus 19:4-6)

Bore you on eagles’ wings?

Isn't it the danger and hardships along the way? The Egyptian pursuers followed closely, and there was the Red Sea in front of them. When they arrived at Mara, there was bitter water. One month later, there was no food and no water. Soon, the powerful Amalekites came to provoke them. Isn't it?

However, at every level of danger and dilemma, God took them on His back and guided them through one by one.

He used the pillar of cloud and fire to separate the Egyptian soldiers and throw them into the Red Sea; in Mara, He instructed Moses to throw a tree in the water and make the water sweet; rain manna in the wilderness and water came out from the rock ; Leading them, the mobs who had just turned from slaves, with no weapons and no military training, to defeat a powerful enemy!

Yes, God carried them on his wings like an eagle and brought them to Him. To this day, doesn't he also fly by behind us like this? Our life and ministry also have

problems, but doesn't God just carry us through?

### **The apple in the eye**

Moses wrote a song saying:

When the Most High divided their inheritance to the nations, when He separated the sons of Adam, He set the boundaries of the peoples according to the number of the children of Israel. For the Lord's portion is His people; Jacob is the place of His inheritance. “He found him in a desert land And in the wasteland, a howling wilderness; He encircled him, He instructed him, He kept him as the apple of His eye. As an eagle stirs up its nest, hovers over its young, spreading out its wings, taking them up, carrying them on its wings. (Deuteronomy 32:8-11)

The King James English Bible uses the phrase “these are the generations of...” to divide Genesis into ten units, from the origins of heaven and earth, to Adam, Noah, Shem, Terah, Isaac, Ishmael, Esau, all the way to Jacob. Peel away layer by layer from the outside, push inward, and enter the core—the people of Israel. This core is the inheritance of God, and the people outside this inheritance fade out from the Bible layer by layer, and no longer talk about them.

As Moses’ song said, God has drawn a line for all peoples, and they must not cross it, because inside are God’s people, which is the sheepfold that God has specially graciously taken care of - Today this sheepfold is the true church of the Lord Jesus.

The song says that God brought his people out of Egypt into the wilderness, and they became a lonely flock in the vast wilderness. It was a big and terrible wilderness, where there were fire snakes, scorpions, and dry land (Deuteronomy 8:15).

Moses said that God looked after them on two levels:

1. Such as protecting the apple in the eyes.
2. Like an eagle to protect and train a small eagle.

Protecting the apple in the eyes is meticulous care, as if carrying them on His wings.

But the flowers in the greenhouse cannot withstand the tempering of the environment. He wants to “like an eagle stir the nest, spread its wings above the young eagle, take the young eagle, and carry it on its

two wings." The eagle taking care of the young eagle is not just about feeding, nor just taking care of it in every possible way. It must allow the young eagle to observe and learn how to spread its wings, how to slap up its wings, and how to hover and fly high in the sky.

Isn't God treating his people like this? Ride on the hills of the earth!

### **Ride on the hills of the earth!**

The song went on saying:

The Lord alone led him, and no foreign god was with him. The Lord made him ride on the high places of the ground to eat the produce of the fields; he made him suck honey from the rock and suck oil from the rock. (Deuteronomy 32:13)

The height of the ride is the sweetness of honey where it is impossible and the nourishment of olive oil in an impossible and difficult environment, the Lord Jesus rewards unexpected peace and nurturing.

For those of us who respect the Sabbath, He wants to teach us the children to fly; it's not like a small sparrow flapping the wings in a hurry, but from the eaves to the electric poles; He wants to teach us to stretch our wings, a steady and powerful fan. Show up, rise to a very high altitude, look down at the clamor on the ground with an eagle eye, pass the troubles and fears of the world, become a man who is full of confidence because of his deep belief in the Lord, and matures spiritually because of the discipline of the environment. Such as the famous sentence in the book of Isaiah:

He who is tired gives strength; who is weak, he strengthens. Even the young will be tired and weary; the

strong will fall altogether. But those who wait for the Lord will renew their strength. They will spread their wings and soar up like eagles; they will run without being tired, and they will walk without being tired. (Isaiah 40:29-31)

The Lord did not promise that the sky would be blue, and he did not want to grow the flowers only in the greenhouse. He is willing to let us experience challenges in our lives and beliefs, and use difficulties to exercise our faith in Him and hope for eternal life, as the Psalm says:

My suffering is good for me, so that I may learn your decrees. The precepts (or the law) in your mouth are good for me, more than ten thousand gold and silver. Your hand made me and established me; please give me understanding so that I can learn your commands! (Psalm 119:71-73)





## ■ MONTREAL

During the ESSC, Dn. Tsai spoke on the topic of Jesus' asking Peter three times the question "Do you love me?"

What is love? In John 13:34 it reads: "A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another."

I used to focus on the first half of the verse, to love one another. Reflecting on the words of Dn. Tsai, I have the opportunity to remind myself that this commandment is to love one another as God would love us.

We all know that God loves us. Ask ourselves, can we answer God's love and the command to love and feed His sheep? Bible records that during the supper of Passover, Jesus showed His love towards the disciples by washing their feet. He did not refuse any of them, even Judas whom He treated equally and allowed to have part in Him.

Jesus' love is not simply taking care of bodily needs, it's also to build up one's spirit. He rebuked the Pharisees when he saw them acting with hypocrisy. In the Temple he "drove out those who bought and sold, and overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves".

Jesus' love is absolutely not limited to meekly accept and forgive the faults of those who transgress without intent, but also include rebuking and correcting those who do so intentionally.

Leviticus 11:48 instructs us to be Holy, for God is Holy.

This implies that not only should we avoid filth during our daily lives, but more importantly, we should seek holiness. We ought to strive to become holy vessels of holiness, ready and prepared for our Lord Jesus, so that we can stand firm and fearless the day God comes.

We are still limited by covid, and many of us still cannot participate in physical gatherings. Now it's ever more important to build up our independent spiritual way of life. We must establish our habit of prayers and bible reading, together with our family members. Just as written in second Timothy 2:22: "Pursue righteousness, faithfulness, love, and peace, in company with others who call on the Lord from a pure heart."

May we all strive to be those who pray from a pure heart, led by the Holy Spirit, with a pure goal, a pure action, and a pure pursuit!



## TESTIMONY & SHARING

In the name of Lord Jesus, I will share and testify with brothers and sisters today. It's not been a long time since my family got baptized. My child and sister Liqin's child were elementary school classmates. Sister Liqin is very warm-hearted and had taken the children to church for RE classes since 2017. The children enjoyed RE classes very much and I occasionally went to church for some of the children's activities. Such a situation went on for more than a year.

Then in 2018, I remember it was also a spiritual convocation. Sister Liqin invited me to attend an evening service. When I walked into the chapel, everyone was singing hymns. I opened the hymn book and sang along with them, unaware that I was in tears. I didn't know what was going on at the time, but in retrospect, it must be God who touched me. At first, to be honest, I was not quite comfortable with the way of praying. Although I had never been to church before, I had the impression that prayer was done either in silence or in an understandable language, so when I came to True Jesus Church and heard everyone praying so loudly, I couldn't really accept it. Maybe it was the strength from God that encouraged me to keep going to church.

In 2019, I brought my parents to church with me. Thank God. My parents, who professed to be atheistic, were deeply touched after coming to church several times, which greatly increased my faith. Afterwards, the preacher inspired me to go to the front to plead for the Holy Spirit. When I took this brave step, I eventually felt the presence of the Holy Spirit and sensed myself surrounded by white light, and my heart was overflowing with emotion and delight. Thank God. On September 15, 2019, My two children, my parents, and I were baptized into the True Jesus Church.

This time, Brother Tom asked me to share and testify, which served as an opportunity for me to look back on my journey of believing in God and all the grace my family have received from God since we became believers. The greatest grace for me is the peace in the midst of my lack of peace. I was a rather impatient person. Nervous disposition and stressful job made me get irritated easily. Sometimes when I encountered something aggravating, I would be very depressed and in a bad mood for many days. Even when I talked to my friends, I was always complaining, with little peace in my heart. I also had trouble handling family relationships. Insufficient communication led to frequent



conflicts, which distressed me a lot. I did not have much patience with my children. Especially when I was busy at work, I would turn absolutely crabby and was impatient with their even slightest requests.

Since I started to pray, received the Holy Spirit, and later got baptized, many things had been changing, reflecting God's might. My husband was the first to witness my transformation. Once he told me, "I feel you've become more gentle and don't always blame me anymore. It looks like believing in God really makes a difference." As such, he began to go to church with us, and gradually, we share more topics in common.

In addition, when I run into tricky problems at work, I am no longer as anxious as before. I entrust many burdens in my heart to the Lord Jesus, pray to Him, and everything can be solved. Now when I chat with my friends, I don't keep complaining anymore, but learn to comfort and encourage others. We all have a pleasant conversation and feel less stressed. Besides, I become more patient with my children. I've learned to listen to their needs and try to understand them, which in turn makes the children feel cared for and are willing to express their inner thoughts. Better communication with children contributes to substantive improvement in family relationships. Pray often, be filled with the Holy Spirit, and be thankful every day. I have a full schedule once in a while, but I feel grateful as God always blesses me completing all my work smoothly. There is countless grace in my life.

Let me give another example, which is about the tree root problem that had plagued my family for many years. There is a row of trees in our front yard that grow very high. Intertwined roots cracked and stuffed the underground pipes, blocking the drainage pipes that connect our house to the city hall. I consulted with many plumbers, but they said, "If you want to settle this matter once and for all, you have to cut all trees down. Otherwise, you have to get the pipes unblocked every year." We didn't want to cut down the trees, so we had to clear the pipes every year. It became a matter of concern, and we always worried whether the pipes would get blocked completely before they were unclogged. Thank God. Last year we overheard a news story about a family who used to have the same difficulty as we did. They contacted the city hall and received a reply saying that they could ask for help as long as their house belongs to municipal property. So I contacted Burnaby City Hall and they sent someone to examine our house shortly. The blocked spot in my house happened to be on municipal land, so they helped replace the pipes without cutting down any trees and left an outlet so that we could observe the inside situation clearly. We are so thankful that God led us step by step and helped resolve a huge problem.

My dad had to go back to China earlier this year because he needed to deal with some local affairs. He was only back for one and a half months and the situation was difficult. The back-and-forth quarantine period would take more than a month. My dad also encountered some difficulties in the process of handling things. So he could only depend on prayer and ask God for protection and guidance. Thank God for allowing him to finish everything within a short time and come back to reunite with us soon.

Next I like to talk about how my dad has changed since he became a Christian. He used to love drinking very much, and his friends were also wine-and-meant friends. After he

That's all for my sharing. Thank God and may God bless everyone.





## August 2, 2021 - Whonnock Lake Church Picnic Reflection

The newly purchased Burnaby Church is currently still being renovated, but the church's holy worker team has been assembled - they were able to organize this time's picnic. It has been over a year and a half since the outbreak of the global pandemic, and the chapels are sometimes closed and sometimes open. This was the first church activity in a while that did not need registration, had no time limit and had no limit on the number of attendees. It felt as if the body, mind, and weight were all released immediately. This opportunity that we took for granted and was previously easily obtained has become so rare and precious.

The venue for the event was at a park near a beautiful lake. There was water, big trees, a big lawn, and a big pavilion. The event itself hosted various activities. The blessed weather allowed for a very comfortable gathering with many people, filled with a lively and joyful atmosphere. About 40 people participated in this event. I believe that all the brothers and sisters enjoyed the joy of a free and open fellowship.

On the way back home, I reflected on this scenery and its feelings - wondering how can we obtain this once again? There does not seem to be an end in sight to the pandemic. The frequent occurrence of natural disasters, wars, and man-made disasters

surround us, and the situation is even more severe. The past while has been a deeply personal experience. Our lives have been affected; our faith has faced various tests; our life has been threatened, and there was nowhere to escape. In this difficult time, where should we live our lives?

In March of this year when Pr. Yeung spoke a sermon on "The Secret of Joy", we read Philippians 4:4: "Rejoice in the Lord always." He said we needed to be "In the Lord", which was indicated in the English version. From that moment on, the phrase "in the Lord" was implanted in my heart, allowing me to learn the essence of my spirituality.

Yes, the external environment is still difficult, but as long as we are "in the Lord", it is nothing terrifying. Even if we are "dead", we must be "in the Lord". Is this not what Christians pursue in their lives? Finally, we can look to Jude 21 as mutual encouragement. May the Lord strengthen us and allow us to follow the Lord firmly. "Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life." (By Sis. Vera Tsai)

## Hallelujah, Praise the Lord Jesus Christ!

Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, all in-person church services had to be halted so we could only attend services online. Thank God that in July, the church was finally able to resume in-person services. I was excited but also a bit worried because the situation with the pandemic is still quite serious. When I was hesitating whether or not I should go to church, this bible verse suddenly came to mind.

“not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” Heb 10:25

So I laid down my worries and went to church. Seeing how the deacons, council members, brothers and sisters serving as ushers at the reception area greeted us with such warm welcomes; carefully taking our temperature; guiding us to our assigned seats filled my heart with immeasurable joy. We were able to gather together to sing hymns and worship Him once again!

After service ended, I went home. A few caring brothers and sisters stayed back to clean and sanitize the chapel. Their selfless servitude is exemplary. It made me realize just how little I have done for the Lord and how I need to work on my shortcomings.

May our Lord remember the efforts of these holy workers, and protect all our brothers and sisters so that we can enjoy peace and good health throughout this pandemic. Hallelujah Amen! (By Sis Phiona He)

## Summer Barbecue Fellowship in Vancouver Church

With over 300 registered members in Vancouver church, it is not uncommon that you are unable to name a person you meet in church. During the pandemic we have been putting in person worship on hold for several months. We all miss seeing brothers and sisters in church while we could only attend sermons online. Therefore when the Beulah Fellowship was planning on holding this summer barbecue fellowship in the new Burnaby church location, everyone was very excited.

Thank God that the weather was very pleasant on Sunday, August 8 with cool breezes, some clouds and glimpse of blue sky. Portable tents were set up at the parking lot of Burnaby church at noon time with several barbecue grills working in a row. The neighborhood was full of delicious grilling aromas. Brothers and sisters gradually joined with family and friends. We did virtual hugs in the air and elbow bumps with much excitement to see brothers and sisters, many of those we have not seen for a whole year! Dn. Look led the prayers with thanks before we shared the food and drinks. Apparently we have cultivated many great chefs at home during the pandemic. The food and drinks were amazing. We gathered in small groups to share about our life and testimonies of God's grace and blessings. Young children had a blast in the playground of church with the previous preschool playing facilities.

We also had a tour inside the building where the renovation was on going inside the chapel. The scope of renovation has expanded when the old structure was removed. May God have mercy and guide us in the rest of the church renovation so brothers and sisters can worship solemnly in the chapel soon. Currently worship service in Burnaby church is held in classroom and fellowship hall which have been refreshed with new paints and flooring and comfortable seats. Kitchen and washrooms were delightfully renovated too. We can see the love and labour from the collaborative work from brothers and sister in every corner.

We truly thank God for such a wonderful fellowship in the midst of the pandemic. This group picture makes one of the most precious memories of the summer in 2021. (By Sis. Michelle Jian)



← Summer Barbecue Fellowship





## NYTS Reflection

In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ I share my reflection on the 2021 Online NYTS. My name is Claire Hung and I am from Vancouver Church. I recently graduated from high school and had the opportunity to attend my very first NYTS. Even though the event was online, I still thank God for giving me the opportunity to attend the event, which strengthened my faith before starting university. Prior to NYTS, my faith was definitely not in the best condition, as I was caught up with various graduation events and spent all my days out with friends. Even though I still made time for church, prayers, and Bible reading, I did not really put my heart into my daily spiritual cultivation. Furthermore, one week before NYTS started, my local church informed us that we would be expected to attend NYTS at church so that we would be able to focus better and also fellowship with brothers and sisters. However, this meant that I would have to wake up early everyday to drive to Church, as well as drive home at dinnertime after the afternoon prayers. I started to worry about the intense schedule of the event and whether or not I would be able to keep up with it, especially with the commute to and from church. At the time, I felt burdened about attending NYTS in person at church, but I knew that it would benefit me spiritually and help me get the most out of this event.

On the first day of NYTS, I had mixed emotions as I was worried about the tight schedule but also excited to finally be able to attend an event at church again. The first session that we had that morning was the morning prayer, which was also the most unforgettable session that I had. In

that prayer, I was reminded again of how powerful it felt to be praying with people around me and the feeling of being filled with the Holy Spirit. Before the prayer, I did not realize how much I was lacking in my personal life of prayer since the pandemic started. It had been so long since I last had a prayer at church with brothers and sisters that I had forgotten what a good and edifying prayer felt like. The power, joy and peace that I felt in that prayer motivated me to spend more time in prayer after NYTS ended and to focus on the fulfillment of the Holy Spirit, as well as the communication with God in my prayers instead of making requests to Him. Furthermore, in many of the classes that we had in NYTS, the preachers emphasized how our Lord Jesus Christ sacrificed Himself in order to become the bridge between us and God. When Jesus was nailed on the cross for our sins, the veil between us and God was torn in half so that we are now able to reach God and talk to Him directly.

Aside from the edifying classes and prayers at NYTS, I also had the opportunity to once again fellowship with brothers and sisters at church after almost two years of lockdown. Thanks to the grace of God, Vancouver church was open during the full two weeks of the event and we were able to attend NYTS at church. This helped me a lot with focusing in classes as well as in prayers. The two weeks of NYTS, which seemed long and overwhelming at first, flew by in the presence of brothers and sisters, as well as the power of the Holy Spirit that could be felt among us. The event soon came to an end and as the preachers emphasized throughout the event, I had to put what I learned into action and determine to



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be transformed after two weeks of learning God's words. Even though I am still not perfect and it is a long and difficult process to correct my weaknesses, I know that God will help me along the way. I have now learned to appreciate and enjoy my prayers and to set aside time each day to communicate with God. NYTS also helped me prepare my heart for university, which is a challenge to my faith that I know would be hard to face. However, I now understand and know God even deeper and am more confident that I will be able to hold fast to my faith. Reflecting on all the blessings that I have received from God in my life, I no longer doubt how much God loves me and even though I am not worthy of it, I will never let go of Him no matter what kind of challenges I face in life. (By Claire Hung)

## RETS

Praise and thank God that I had the opportunity to participate in RETS held in Vancouver, BC in August 2021. Originally, RETS would normally be held in the US organized by USGA however due to the pandemic, our resident Pastor, Pr. Timothy, realized the need to train and prepare the local brethren especially youths, to become RE Teachers. With Vancouver Church recently branching out to True Jesus Church Burnaby, this need for RE Teachers became more apparent therefore within a short space of time and with God's guidance and arrangement, this was made possible.

By God's grace, after 16 months of the Canadian borders closed for non-essential travel, on August 9, the borders reopened to fully vaccinated Americans therefore the USGA was able to arrange for Sis. Patricia Chen to come into Canada to assist with this Holy work along with the local pastor, Pr. Timothy Yeung, Pr. Tony Kuo and Sis. Apphia Lo.

The usual one-week seminar was condensed to 5 days and held in person at Vancouver Church. There were 12 local brethren who were invited to participate, with only a month's notice and a lot of prep and study needed, we were all feeling a little nervous.

There were many times that I felt doubtful on whether I should attend. I was worried and scared about all the tests, where I would find the time to study, I was scared about taking off a week of work where I would have no email or cell contact, I was scared to be picked on by the teachers to answer questions, but most of all, I felt inadequate. This fear only intensified when I received the email with the list of prep work and schedule. I was really worried how I would find the time to prepare and study and if I would even pass.

However, I truly thank God, He not only paved a way for me to attend the seminar, He also provided me with the reassurances that I needed.

Just like Gideon who when asked by God to serve, questioned God and had many doubts on whether he could do the job. God reassured Gideon by saying "The Lord is with you, you mighty man of valor" (Judges 6:12) and "Surely I will be with you (Judges 6:16). God encouraged Gideon many times, just as He always encourages us. God





knew that Gideon could do the work because He has sent him and when He calls someone to serve in the ministry, He will never leave that person alone and in the dark.

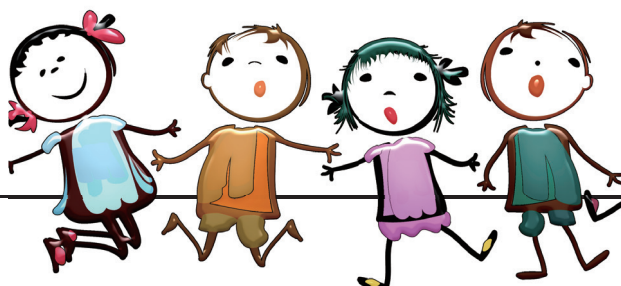
We quickly learnt that we cannot serve in this ministry relying on our own abilities. Religious Education is not the same as the education we receive from school which is mostly human centered. RE must be God centered. We must use the talents that God has given us to serve in this ministry and rely on the power and fullness of the Holy spirit.

As teachers, it is more than just to teach. We should have the mindset to understand that it is our duty to instruct future generations about the existence of God, to teach them to fear God and love man, to shepherd and guide them to connect with God and to teach the students as if we are teaching our own children. These are the roles of an RE Teacher.

“Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it” (Proverbs 22:6)

Thank God for his guidance and love throughout the RETS Seminar. The long days quickly flew by and the fear that I had at the beginning soon dissipated as we were immersed in God’s wonderful teachings.

Lastly, truly thank God for His arrangement of sending His workers to be with us. Although it was long days and many lessons planning and teaching, we are thankful for the love and care of all our instructors and all those who assisted in this holy work. May God remember their love and labor. (By Sis. Jenna)



## Fellowship

Thank the Lord that on July 11th, the Senior and Working Youths were able to have a fellowship outdoors, when the pandemic restrictions were lifted for a short while during the summer. They enjoyed a nature walk in the North Saskatchewan River valley parks area, catching up with one another and enjoying the wonderful creation of God!







Thank the grace of God, my daughter Charlotte Faith Liu was baptized on July 18th, 2021. It was a beautiful sunny day, and many brothers and sisters came to join us on this special day. I am filled with joy and thankfulness as I reflect upon how I was also baptized three decades ago as a little baby. Charlotte is now the fifth generation of True Jesus Church. I pray and hope that she can hold fast onto this precious faith and pass it onto the next generation.



This year's Fall ESSC was held from September 9-12, conducted by Pr. W. Yeh arranged by the USA GA to come assist us in this. The theme was "In Christ Be a New Creation".

During this ESSC, Pr. Yeh shared with us the following topics for mutual edification:

1. Build yourself up on your most holy faith
2. In Christ Be a New Creation
3. Wisdom in The Bible
4. Family in The Bible
5. Ponder The Lord's Prayer
6. Friendship In The Bible

Although we come to church for service every Sabbath as Christians, during the two ESSCs each year, we are able to receive renewed reminders and teaching, we can also reflect upon what God has in plan for us and what He has done for us in our lives.

During this Holy Communion, we had 78 members partake the cup, and we also had a child who received water baptism, to become a part of our family here in Calgary Church.

Thank the Lord Jesus for His guidance, for allowing us to enjoy His grace and blessings in spite of being in the midst of this pandemic.

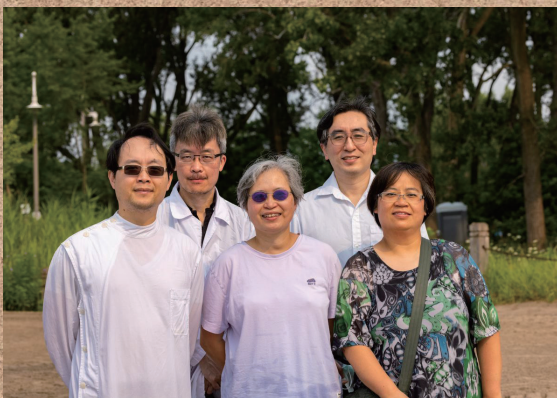




ESSC Sept 17-19, 2021.

- 1: Led by Pr Yeh Wen Chuan and resistance pastor Luke Hseih.
- 2: ESSC Theme: Build yourselves up on your most holy faith
- 3: Evangelical Theme: In Christ Be A New Creation.
- 4: 4 truth seekers attend this service.
- 5: One new baptism, is Elowyn Shah Ning Lau
- 6: Holy communion have 47 members partake cups.

Just before the Fall Evangelistic Service and Spiritual Convocation (ESSC), Alberta government had tighten up to the original Covid-19 regulation due to pandemic development. All families visitations was cancelled too. Thanks God that under his mercy, the Baptism, Foot washing, and ESSC were all successfully held.



TORONTO

With God's grace and guidance, The Toronto church performed a baptism on July 25th, 2021. The air on that day seems exceptionally fresh because it was cleansed by the rainfall from the prior day. At the baptism site, everyone had charming smiles on their faces. Thank God for the wonderful weather He had prepared for us. On that day, a baby (Aaron Ng) and two adults (Audreg Au and Yutai Zhao) were baptised, welcomed to God's fold, and became the children of God. After the baptism, the church performed Foot Washing and Holy Communion according to God's command. The province of Ontario had not completely lifted the lockdown at that time, so there was still restriction on the chapel capacity. Despite the mandatory face mask and social distancing, brothers' and sisters' hearts were filled with thanksgiving and joy. May all glory and praise be on to God.





## Reflection

In the name of Lord Jesus I share a reflection.

Thank God for His wonderful arrangement that the Toronto church is able to enjoy this spiritual feast together in the Lord. “Building yourselves up on your most holy faith” was an encouragement of Jude to those who are called and sanctified by God, and is the scope of focus during this ESSC(Jude 20-21). Therefore, the speakers throughout this time have reminded everyone of the basic beliefs of TJC; which is the content of our faith, and to have a deeper understanding on how these core beliefs can help us contend earnestly for our faith(Jude 3). Before I used to understand these verses simply as an application to keep ourselves in the church and to spiritually cultivate, so that we can eventually obtain eternal life. Yet I didn’t consider deeply on how this faith all came about? Or what kind of love is God’s love? Or how does praying in the Holy Spirit relate to all these actions described in (Jude 20-21). I believe God has opened all the hearts of those who desire to know more about this verse and His truth with a humble heart.

The 10 articles of faith of TJC are all revealed by the Holy Spirit which is what separates us from other denominations, additionally, all the articles are found and proved to be true inside the Bible. One of the points I learned about this faith is that it is to help and guide us into the way of peace as mentioned in (Luke 1:78-79). I thought it was really amazing how Jesus came to not only give us peace in this

world through His blessings, but also to guide us to make peace with God through the gospel. And after we have been Baptised and washed our feet by the Lord Jesus, we should prove our faith to be holy by no longer walking in sin. Another teaching that caught my attention when reading (Jude 20) was that our faith should be constantly ascending. One of the sermons about the Sabbath outlined how God promised the people who keep His holy Sabbath and delight in the Lord, to ride on the high hills of the earth(Is 58:13-14). The speaker talked about an effect of seeing things from a bird's eye view is that everything on the earth will seem so small, just like how our troubles on the earth may look so great, but when we observe from a spiritual perspective; it all becomes insignificant. This peace and confidence is what God rewards those who truly honor the Sabbath day. I think when our genuine faith gradually obtains to a certain height and we submit to the Holy Spirit, we would likewise experience God’s providence according to His good timing.

Praying in the Holy Spirit is also a cultivation reminded by Jude to the members. In this ESSC, I also learned that praying together in unity is the will of God for the church. In (Mt 18:19), Lord Jesus says if two of us agree on earth concerning anything we ask, it will be done by our heavenly Father. I’m usually pretty shy to share my prayer requests with other brothers and sisters and I often pray alone in my room, because I thought it was convenient for myself. However, Jesus has given us the church to support us in the journey of faith and our heavenly Father would





be pleased to see His children agreeing on what to ask. For when we pray in the name of Lord Jesus in one accord, He is in the midst of us, and how can we pray in unity without knowing each persons' well being? Therefore, in order for our prayers to be of the same content, it is important to share our prayer requests between one another. And when we all pray together, it is best to not only pray for our own personal needs, but also for the needs of the church from a heart of loving the church of God.

Thirdly, a fact that kept being brought up throughout the sermons and what I had learned the most was that we need to know more about the love of God. Love is a divine nature of God and it is also out of His love that He came to this world to die for the sins of man. However, God's love doesn't stop at the love towards our family or friends, God's love is far abundant and perfect in that He loves the soul of people. When Lord Jesus preached, healed the sick, washed the deciple's feet or when He asked Peter three times "Do you love Me?" Jesus was moved with compassion when He saw the spiritual condition of everyone. He has commanded us also to use the same divine love to love one another(Jn 13:34), whether in His church or the people in this world. Therefore, we must strive to bear fruits of God's love since we have been Baptized and called by Jesus to be partakers of His divine nature(2Pet 1:5-7). When we understand Jesus' love, it can also help us understand His actions when reading the Bible, and will motivate us to preach the gospel of peace with the mind of Lord Jesus. We must also be diligent to keep ourselves

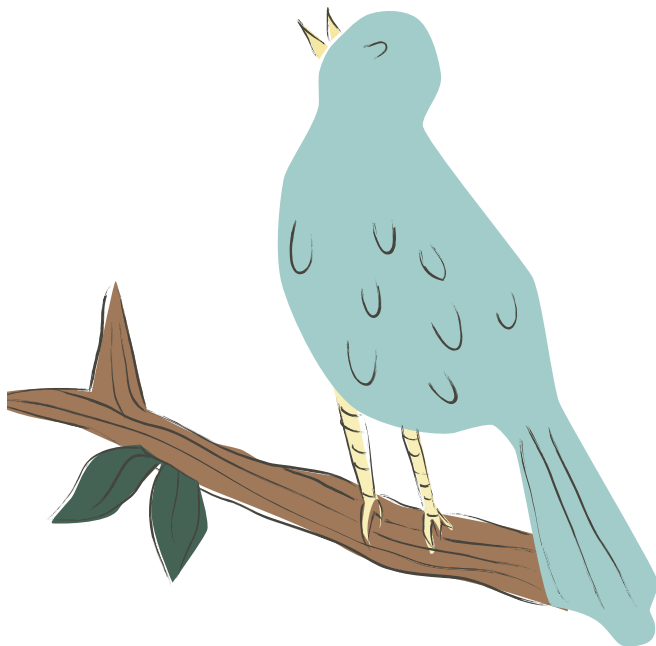
in the love of God until we have obtained eternal life(Jude 21), if by any reason we leave the church where Lord Jesus is, we cannot have access to the heavenly Father(Jn 14:6).

After hearing all the sermons relating to building up on our most holy faith, I have updated my view on the verse, and have reassured all the core beliefs of our church. In conclusion, I think it is important to pray and read the bible everyday(Jude 20 uses building and praying, present tense) and be connected to Jesus, who is the true vine, that way all the spiritual nutrients and water can flow to our branches, useful for bearing good fruit. Hopefully we also can follow what God has revealed to Peter, "But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins."" (1Pet 4:7-8) Finally, I would like to thank God once more for guiding the fall ESSC to go smoothly and for giving me the opportunity to give a reflection.

May all the glory be unto God. Amen.(By Ian Huang)

## God's Will or Man's Will?

By Pr. Luke Hsieh



There is often a controversy in the discussion of church ministry: Is a certain idea the will of God or of man? The same problem arises in personal life planning. Does this life plan follow the will of God or of man? We all know that we should obey God's will and be considerate of God's will instead of man's, but how do we distinguish between God's will and man's will?

### Peter's "Kindness"

The Lord Jesus clearly instructed the disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, suffer a lot from the elders, chief priests, and scribes, be killed, and be resurrected on the third day. This is the messianic mission of the Lord Jesus, and salvation must be accomplished in this way. But Peter did not want the Lord Jesus to suffer, so he took the Lord Jesus aside and "rebuked" (ESV) Him saying, "Far be it from You, Lord; this shall not happen to You!" Peter's love for the Lord was indeed eager; of course he did not want to let the Lord suffer. His "good intentions" however were not praised by the Lord. Instead, the Lord said to Peter: "Get behind Me, Satan! You are an offense to Me, for you are not mindful of things of God, but the things of men." (Matthew 16: 21-23)

Peter followed Jesus, gave up everything to become His disciple, came to know the Lord as the Christ, the Son of the living God (Matthew 16:15), the hope of all ages – the Messiah. Because of these things, Peter naturally had a certain hope and expectation in his heart – because Jesus is

the king of glory and the king who will save the Jews, the Lord Jesus cannot suffer or be killed, otherwise their hopes will all be shattered. Moreover, the Lord Jesus would perform miracles, be compassionate to everyone, and be able to tell the truth of the kingdom of God, so that people can have a rich life. Certainly, such a good person cannot leave. However, this kind of goodwill is "man's will", not God's. Peter only thought of human needs, values, emotions, and hopes, but did not think of God's will. Satan often uses these "good intentions" of man to destroy God's work.

We should place people's "good intentions" on the scales of the Bible, weigh them, and ask for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to illuminate our eyes, and use God's perspective and vision to think. These "good intentions" – are they of God's will or man's will?

### Job's "Friends"

Job was completely upright, fearing God, and stayed away from evil. God also praised Job's faith twice before Satan. Satan was still a bit skeptical, believing that there must be a reason why Job feared God. Satan's theory was: If everything he has is destroyed, Job will abandon God. God agreed to deliver Job into Satan's hands. On that same day, all the oxen, donkeys, sheep, camels, and ten children were robbed or died suddenly. Later, Job had sores all over his whole body from the soles of his feet to the top of his head, leaving only a breath of life to survive. He scraped his body with tiles. Job's wife couldn't bear



this kind of tribulation, so she asked Job to curse God and die!

Thinking from the perspective of human will, we would indeed doubt God's justice. Job did not sin, yet why did he encounter these tribulations? The ten children were Job's treasures, and he often sacrificed and prayed for them...yet, they all died on the same day. How much pain did Job experience in his heart? There is a saying in Chinese, "The white-haired ones sent off the black-haired ones" - this is the most bitter of the three sorrows of life. Where is the mercy of God?

But Job said: "Naked I came from my mother's womb, and naked shall I return there. The Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away; Blessed be the name of the Lord." (Job 1:21)

Three of Job's friends met up to go see Job together. They raised their eyes and looked at him from a distance. They couldn't recognize him, so they wept loudly and mourned for him. They sat on the ground with him for seven days and nights; no one spoke a word.

Later, the three friends took turns in accusing Job that he must have committed a crime and was being punished by God. This is the result of thinking from the perspective of human beings. Rewarding good and punishing evil is a matter of course. Job constantly defended his innocence. He just did not understand God's will - why did he need to face these tribulations? Job kept asking for clarity from God. In the end, God spoke to

Job Himself. Although Job did not understand, he still needed to believe in God's works. There would be no mistakes. Job truly understood from God's will that "I have heard of You by the hearing of the ear, but now my eye sees You." (Job 42:5). God also asked Job to pray for the three friends because their arguments were not right as Job's words were (Job 42: 8).

According to God's will, suffering turned out to be a good thing.

### **The "Path" of Salvation**

The apostolic church became more and more developed. The Jews believed in the Lord, and the Gentiles also believed in the Lord. A controversy then emerged within the church: should circumcision remain on the path of salvation? Thus the apostles, elders, and preachers gathered in Jerusalem for a meeting to discuss. The disciples of the Pharisees argued that Gentiles must be circumcised and the Law of Moses must be obeyed. This is yet again from the perspective of human thinking: The Law of Moses was promulgated by God and therefore must be kept forever, without distinction between Jews and Gentiles. Peter, Paul, and Barnabas all stood up to testify how God chose Gentiles and how miracles and wonders were manifested. Finally, under the guidance and movement of the Holy Spirit, they came to a consensus: Gentiles do not need to be circumcised and no longer have to be burdened by the law. This is to reflect on the will of God. The Lord Jesus is the

Messiah; He came to fulfill the law (Matthew 5:17) and establish a new covenant between God and man. The Old Testament law was the shadow; the New Testament entity of salvation (Heb 10:1-7).

Church ministry often has similar discussions. What is God's will? Is the decision we make at the meeting the will of God? Will charitable relief to the poor lead to biased beliefs? Will the various activities of community learning held in the church make the church segregated? Will the church's membership in a certain organization be used to meet a certain quota? How can we distinguish God's will within tradition and innovation? If it is God's will, we should be able to provide spiritual edification even as time passes. The truth of the True Church will not fade or be discounted. The Holy Spirit will work together to make the church unite and prosper the gospel.

We must humble ourselves and always ask God. Is this the will of God or of man? Let us all walk on the path of God, complete the work, and glorify the name of the Lord.





## Religious Education Year-End Service and Annual Teachers' Cultivation

On Saturday afternoon, August 28th, the Toronto Church held an online Religious Education (RE) year-end special service. This year, our RE theme is: "Teach Me to Pray", which is to establish good prayer habits. Preacher Tony Kuo taught us how important RE is in our lives by referencing the part of the Scripture where it recorded the journey of the Israelites in the Exodus. Therefore, we must diligently use the words of God to teach our children when they are still young, as the Bible records, "You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up." (Deuteronomy 6:7). After hearing the encouragement from the preacher, the graduation ceremony commenced. This year, there were 34 students in total who graduated from their respective classes (including 1 brother who attended our J2 class online). Then, there was an introduction of teachers and teaching assistants from each class for the coming new school year. After the service, each RE class arranged some activities to showcase about things they've learned and accomplished during the school year, and also for the purpose of improving the relationship of each other.

On Sunday, August 29th, the RE teachers gathered online to attend the RE Teachers' cultivation/meeting. In the morning, preacher Kuo referenced 2 verses in the Bible, "But as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the gospel, even so we speak, not as pleasing men, but God who tests our hearts." (1 Thessalonians 2:4), and "Therefore, since we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we do not lose heart." (2 Corinthians 4:1). Preacher used these 2 verses to encourage us to do our best and not be afraid when doing Holy work because it is God who gives us our strength. Deacon Tsai also used the topic "Pilot Light" to encourage us that RE is a pilot light that not only cultivates the faith of children, but also cultivates the faith of the workers or teachers. Consequently, we must continue to maintain the pilot light of faith so that it does not burn out, and allow the flame of our pilot light to be stirred up in our journey of servitude. In addition, we must set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity. After lunch and a brief break, we began our Hymnal and fellowship, and then we presented our RE theme and vision for this coming year. The theme for this year is "We are God's People" (from 1 Peter 2:9). Afterwards, it was time of the meeting for each class. Many teachers offered precious opinions and things that we hope to improve on in the coming school year. For example, to spend more time conversing with students, to understand their thoughts or lives more, and to hold more fellowships and visitations. Lastly, we concluded with a prayer to thank God for guiding us through a wonderful Teachers' cultivation, and may God bless all of the RE teachers and parents with wisdom and strength so that we can carry out the RE work.





## RE 2021 outing in Calgary, AB

Thank God for guiding us smoothly through this RE year, which concluded with RE presentation and reflection from each RE class on Aug 28, 2021 during afternoon service. We are thankful that the RE department also planned the RE outing next day for all teachers, students and parents to participate. It has been long time since last time we gathered together due to the Covid restrictions. It turns out to be a beautiful perfect sunny day and we all met up in a park. There were many activities and games prepared by the RE teachers and we all had a lot of laughter and fun. I believe many of us really missed playing with one another in person and we had a great time together enjoying each other's company. In the end we had a mini ceremony for the winning team and concluded with group photos. May God bless the workers who helped to make this RE outing possible, as there were a lot of planning needed, and may all students and teachers continue to grow and build up one another in the Lord.



## RE Year End Special Service

On August 28, 2021, Calgary Church held a RE Year End Special Service. To commence the service, we took the lyrics of the hymns "Quiet Understanding/Hymn 500" and "Less of Self, More of Thee/Hymn 101" to encourage the RE students.

The students have learned a year's worth of curriculum and in their journey of faith, they have enhanced their Bible knowledge and their understanding of the Bible's teachings. In their life of faith, they have understood the meaning and intentions of holy work, to offer time and effort in the work of servitude, acting as a preparation to evangelize and preach the gospel.

We really look forward to the RE students working hard to learn the ways of a Christian, to carry out the commission of holy work. We also thank the Lord Jesus for His guidance, for leading us in this journey and pursuit of faith, going forward, with the unceasing renewal and advancement of our spirituality.



## A Source Of Joy: Good Relationship

By Pr. Timothy Yeung

**Introduction:** The Bible says: “God saw everything that He made indeed was very good” (Gen 1:31). At the beginning of creation, God places people in paradise, everything is so harmonious and beautiful, to today’s humans, although the material life is very rich, but they often feel very empty in their heart, their heart is not happy; what is the reason? Psychologist found after long-term research and investigation, the basic reason why humans feel happy, not from material, but from “relationship”.

For example: Of course, a couple will be happy to live in a mansion, but if the two people often argue, or the marriage breaks down, then their happiness of living in a mansion will disappear. Children can have many toys, but if they don’t get the love of their parents, no friends or playmates in life, they won’t be happy. Therefore, disharmony in interpersonal relationships will definitely bring unhappiness. As a Christian, if you want to regain joy, you must seek to improve interpersonal relationships in Christ.

### **Why does interpersonal relationship break down?**

First of all, we need to understand that before the ancestors Adam and Eve sinned and turned away from God, their relationship is harmonious, relationship of husband and wife are harmony, loving each other, Adam described Eve as bone of his bones, flesh of his flesh (Gen 2:23). How close and loving is the relationship between the two; But after they sinned, Adam described Eve as “the woman who lives with me”. God also prophecy that Eve would “your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you” (Gen 3:16). It can be seen that the relationship between husband and wife will be completely changes due to sin. What a cruel Adam’s eldest son Cain killed his brother Abel himself! Since then, although human beings are all over the world, but there are full of all kinds of rape, and loses harmony. So, we have to recognize, disharmony in interpersonal relationships starts from the sinful nature of people, to regain joy, we must rely on the Lord Jesus to change our own character, repair your relationships

with God first before you can repair your relationship with the people around you.

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new” (2 Cor 5:17)

To be a new man in Christ, get rid of the non-Christian part of our personality, it must be able to slowly change interpersonal relationships and regain joy! So, how we rebuild good interpersonal relationships?

### **1. Get rid of the pride in the heart**

Pride and arrogance are the number one killer of the interpersonal relationships. What is pride? There are many expressions of pride, the most obvious one is self-righteous, think that you are always right, refuse to reflect on your own faults, even if you are wrong, you will not admit it! Such a person, how can his relationship with others be good?

Bible recorded, the snake lures the ancestors to eat the fruit on the tree of distinction between good and evil, what a lie: “For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” (Gen 3:5) Definition of pride, is to want to be like God. Sitting on an equal footing with God, knowing what God knows. In fact, people are petty and low, how can they know everything? How can a person never make mistake? If you always think that others are treating you badly, other owes you, or in interpersonal conflict, only seeing other people’s problems but don’t see their own shortcomings, are you



proud in your heart? Do you indirectly feel that you are “like God”, never make mistake, there is nothing to be change? So, no matter what kind of conflict in interpersonal relationship, don’t rush to blame others, or asks God to change the other person: We should first reflect on ourselves before God, get rid of the pride in our heart, to be able to see the problem clearly, as the Bible says, “Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for “God resists the proud, but gives grace to the humble.”” (1 Pet 5:5)

There used to be an old sister, not getting along well with her daughter-in-law, have a lot of complaints about her, because this sister who is an elder, she always feels that her daughter-in-law is not filial enough, always avoid her and don’t communicate with her, she feels very wronged, because her love for daughter-in-law is not rewarded, and the daughter-in-law doesn’t understand her hard work and dedication. Therefore, she often complained to God in prayer, ask God to change her daughter-in-law. Once prayed, she cried to God as usual, ask God to have mercy on her; but in deep prayer, she suddenly heard the voice of the Holy Spirit, told her twice: “Your love is not enough, your love is not enough!” She is very confused, thinking the Holy Spirit made a mistake! “How could it be that my love is not enough?” “It should be my daughter-in-law who doesn’t love me enough!” However, the voice of the Holy Spirit is clear, the move of the Holy Spirit is obvious; She began to spiritually reflect on all her words, deeds and actions. In deep reflection, she sees her own debt; she saw her “self-righteous” side, she use “the way I think is right” to “love” my daughter-in-law, she don’t know that the other person not only can’t feel her love, on the contrary, she felt extremely pressure, so avoid her! Thank God, she is willing to put her figure down, put down the pride, readjust her attitude towards her daughter-in-law, and changed the way handling of many related things, be considerate of her daughter-in-law in everything, instead of considering it from her own starting point! Such a change is the power given by the Holy Spirit, the daughter-in-law can also see the change of her mother-in-law, deeply moved, her attitude towards her mother-in-law is also different from before! Thank God, the relationship between their mother-in-law and daughter-in-law has improved, the family has

become harmonious.

## **2. Get rid of selfishness, let go of yourself, and abandon yourself**

Another killer of interpersonal relationships: is selfish. Since the ancestor sinned, sin enters the world, people become very selfish; Children quarrel and fight over toys since childhood, after growing up, also focus on own interests as a starting point, it causes brothers to disagree and fight for property. Even intimate couples, there are also breakdowns due to selfishness; For example, some husband, just take care of the video game after get off work, ignored the companionship with wife and children, there are also wives who only pursue their career achievements, neglected to take care of the family; such “selfish” examples, appearing from time to time, destroying the already fragile interpersonal relationship. As long as everyone is thinking about themselves, do not look at the problem from the perspective of others, then the interpersonal relationship is always difficult to recover. The Lord Jesus said: “If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me” (Mt 16:24).

To change interpersonal relationship, must learn from the Lord Jesus “denial of self”. To deny oneself is to abandon one’s own interests, let go of your prejudices, to imagine for others. Self-denial is very difficult. But the Lord has given us an example: “Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. (Phil 2:4-8)

Paul also teaches us how to build good relationships: Is willing to suffer for the Lord, do not dispute with others...

**“Now therefore, it is already an utter failure for you that you go to law against one another. Why do you not rather accept wrong? Why do you not rather let yourselves be cheated?” (1 Cor 6:7)**

Yes: suffer for the Lord, the Lord will compensate us; will also move others to reconcile with us, interpersonal relationship will improve.

There is a brother, faithful and honest, often caring about family and friends around, often help others with money. Once, his brother wanted to borrow money from others, ask him as a guarantor, he wanted to help his brother, so he agreed. Later, his brother had financial problems, can’t repay on time, because he is a debt guarantor, he has to pay the debt on behalf of his brother; He not only wants to auction his house, he also needs to live frugally, the family’s economy is very tight, it can be said that many year of savings are “returned to zero”, very hard.

(There are records in the Bible: “Do not be one of those who shakes hands in a pledge,



One of those who is surety for debts” (Prov 22: 26)). However, since it happened, can’t change past mistakes, he chooses to face it with a positive attitude. Not only did he not resent his brother, instead, he encouraged him not to be sad, keep working hard. He also told his family, money can be earned again when lost, but family affection cannot be lost. Thank God, this brother with a forgiving heart, treat people around him, maintained an almost broken interpersonal relationship, because he learned the self-denial of the Lord Jesus, and the truth of “forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors” (Mt 6:12). God blessed him again, let his career go smoothly, paying off debts for his brother in a few years, his own economy is built up again.

### **3. The Golden Rule of interpersonal relationship**

“Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets” (Mt 7:12).

The doctrine of the Lord Jesus is better than the philosophy of the world. The ancients said, “what you don’t want, don’t give up to others”, just don’t give others the treatment you don’t want, however, this “not” a negative attitude, if everyone just stays on the negative sided, the relationship is not good enough! The way of the Lord Jesus is the way of life, it is alive, will also change our lives. He said, “How do you want people to treat you, then you “first” treat people like you”.

“For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us” (Rom 5:6-8).

The Lord does not love us when we love Him! He is

when we don’t believe in Him; “Love” us while still being hostile to Him. Gave up for us! Because of his life-deserving love, He also got our love and obedience to Him. Therefore, the Lord’s way is true and can be practiced.

There is a sister who once complained that the brothers and sisters in the church did not care about her, there are not too many people greetings or talking to her, Therefore, she always feels that the church lacks love, so she doesn’t really want to come to church. However, during service time, she read (Mt 7:12). She decided to try! Instead of waiting for others to care about her, why doesn’t she take the initiative to care about others? She began to actively greet and chat with people around her after service, and started to stay after church service to join the Bible Study and fellowship, before she knew it, she gradually got acquainted with everyone, she also learns to care about the needs of others and try to help others, the result was unexpected, she found that other people’s attitudes towards her had also changed, very concerned about her. Thank God, she learned that is she wants to get something in interpersonal relationships, she has to give first! This kind of mental adjustment is exactly what each of us needs! “Start with yourself! Let go of the finger of the accuser”, can really change the interpersonal relationship. May we all learn from the Lord Jesus, improve interpersonal relationship, and get the source of joy.

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