

**We Must Not be Shaken
by the Hope of the Gospel.**
[Short Word Meditation (22)]

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**If we receive it with a grateful heart,
we have nothing to throw away.**

Everything that God has created is good
and nothing is to be thrown away if received with a grateful heart.
But lying hypocrites with paralyzed consciences do not allow us to eat certain foods.
However, food is given by God for believers
and those who know the truth to eat with thankful hearts
(1 Timothy 4:2-4).

**We Christians who are thankful
even in situations where we cannot be thankful.**

The Bible says that giving thanks in all things is God's will for us in Christ Jesus.
How can we be thankful even when our loved ones are dying?
Although we can never be thankful when we think humanly,
when we think with faith in our Lord Jesus Christ,
we Christians are the ones who can be thankful even if a loved one dies.
Even though I cried so hard when my first baby died in my arms,
when I returned the baby's bone ash to the water,
the Holy Spirit made me praise the tremendous and amazing saving love of my Lord!
(Ref.: Psalms 63:3; 1 Thessalonians 5:18)

I pray that we may be holy and blameless.

May the Lord make our hearts firm and blameless in holiness
before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his holy ones
(1 Thessalonians 3:13).

A large donation?

We must be careful and cautious in handling large donations
so as not to be criticized by anyone
(2 Corinthians 8:20).

We must be careful and be careful of false pastors!

False pastors corrupt the hearts of the saints
by preaching about a different Jesus, a different spirit, or a different gospel,
leading them away from the truth and purity in Christ.
These false pastors are deceitful and disguise themselves as servants of Christ.
This is not surprising, as even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.
Therefore, it is not surprising if his servants also disguise themselves as servants of righteousness.
In the end, they will be judged according to their actions
(2 Corinthians 11:3-4, 13-15).

We must be wary of the danger of false believers.

We pastors must be wary of the danger of false believers
(2 Corinthians 11:26).

The Lord's church growing healthily?

The church, the healthy, growing body of the Lord,
is a community where the entire body is perfectly harmonized
with each other and each member helps other members
according to their function through the guidance of Christ,
the head and Lord of the church, and the body is built up with love
(Ephesians 4:16).

Leaders who appear to be influential in the future (Korean) church based on their appearance

It has nothing to do with the leaders of the future (Korean) church
who, judging by their appearance, appear to be influential, no matter who they are.
This is because God does not look at the outward appearance of a person
(Galatians 2:6).

False brothers who emphasize outward appearances.

False brothers who slipped in to spy on the freedom we have in Christ Jesus and to make us slaves again to the law emphasize outward appearances. We must not yield to them, so that the truth of the gospel remains with us always (Galatians 2:4-5).

It makes us endure.

God's comfort enables us to endure the sufferings of Christ (2 Corinthians 1:4-6).

In the end, we will help each other.

If we have a willing heart, help those in need even though we have plenty to live on. Our aim should not be to make life easy for others by taking their burdens upon ourselves, but rather to share with them. If we help them, they will help us, when we are in need (2 Corinthians 8:13-14).

Married young women ...

Married young women should love their husbands and children, be self-controlled, pure, busy at home, kind, and submissive to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God because of them (Titus 2:4-5).

We must receive God's response through godly obedience.

It is only God who can save us from death.

We must cry out loud to God and offer prayers and wishes with tears.

And we must receive God's response in godly submission

(Ref.: Hebrews 5:7).

Even suffering is grace.

Suffering for Christ is also the grace of God

(Philippians 1:29, Modern Bible).

Suffering is ...

Suffering is a precious opportunity to accept the Word of God

with the joy of the Holy Spirit, imitate the Lord,

and become an example to the saints

(1 Thessalonians 1:6-7).

The purpose of suffering

The purpose of suffering is to learn obedience and become perfect

(Hebrews 5:8-9).

1 Corinthians 13 (Love Chapter)

Speaking without love is nothing more than a sounding cymbal.

Faith without love is nothing.

Giving without love is of no benefit to me

(1 Corinthians 13:1-3).

God is love (1 John 4:8, 16).

For God so loved the world (John 3:16).

Love is patient (1 Corinthians 13:4).

Jesus Christ showed us perfect patience (1 Timothy 1:16).

Therefore, we should show each other perfect patience and endurance with Christ's love.

Jesus is gentle and humble in heart (Matthew 11:29).

Love is gentle (1 Corinthians 13:4).

One of the fruits of the Spirit is gentleness (Galatians 5:23).

As people of God, we should pursue gentleness (1 Timothy 6:11).

As saints called by God, we should always be humble and gentle (Ephesians 4:1-2).

We should always show gentleness to everyone (Titus 3:2).

We should live wisely with a gentle heart, showing good conduct (James 3:13).

The meek shall inherit the land and delight in abundant peace (Psalms 37:11).

Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth (Matthew 5:5).

Love does not envy (1 Corinthians 13:4).

Those who live according to the flesh envy (3:3).

Envy rots the bones (Proverbs 14:30).

If we harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in our hearts, do not boast about it (James 3:14).

Where we have envy and selfish ambition, there we find disorder and every evil practice (v. 16).

Envy kills the fool (Job 5:2).

So we must get rid ourselves of all malice and all deceit,

hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind (1 Peter 2:1).

Love does not boast (1 Corinthians 13:4).

Let not the wise boast of their wisdom or the strong boast of their strength

or the rich boast of their riches (Jeremiah 9:23).

We must not boast about our actions (Ephesians 2:9).

We must not boast in the desires of our hearts (Psalms 10:3).

We should not make empty boasts. All such boasting is evil (James 4:16).

We should not boast about tomorrow (Proverbs 27:1).

He who boasts must boast in the Lord (1 Corinthians 1:31; 2 Corinthians 10:17).

We must boast in God all day long (Psalm 34:2; 44:8).

We must boast about the works of God in Christ Jesus (Romans 15:17).

And we should boast about our weaknesses (2 Corinthians 11:30).

Love is not proud (1 Corinthians 13:4).

Pride only leads to strife (Proverbs 13:10).

If a person is proud, he will be put to shame (11:2).

God hates pride (8:13; Romans 1:30) and will not tolerate the proud (Psalms 101:5).

He also severely punishes those who act arrogantly (31:23).

God humbles those who act arrogantly (Daniel 4:37).

The pride of a person's heart goes before destruction (Proverbs 18:12).

Therefore, we must not have a proud heart (1 Corinthians 4:6).

Love does not act rudely (1 Corinthians 13:5).

However, wicked people without love rudely criticize the righteous with arrogant and stubborn words (Psalms 31:18).

Love does not seek its own benefit (1 Corinthians 13:5).

Those who love do not seek their own benefit, but seek the benefit of others and the benefit of many (10:24, 33).

Carefully pursuing good works that benefit others is a good thing in the sight of God (Titus 3:8).

Love is not angry (1 Corinthians 13:5).

Provoking the other person's anger with harsh words is not love (Proverbs 15:1).

It is foolish to get angry easily (12:16).

Angry people cause strife, and angry people commit many sins (29:22).

It is better to live alone in the wilderness

than to live with a quarrelsome and angry wife (21:19).

Human anger does not achieve God's righteousness (James 1:20).

We must be slow to anger (1:19).

Love keeps no record of evil (1 Corinthians 13:5).

Love does not keep a record in your mind of what the other person did to you.

And love does not repeat what the other person has done wrong to you,
but rather covers up the other person's faults (Proverbs 17:9).

Love does not rejoice over unrighteousness,
but rejoices with the truth (1 Corinthians 13:6).

Love hates injustice and believes the truth (Ref.: 2 Thessalonians 2:12).

Love follows truth and does not follow unrighteousness (Ref.: Romans 2:8).

Love does not do injustice (Zephaniah 3:5), it does not deceive (1 Corinthians 6:8),
and it speaks the truth (Psalms 119:3).

Love prevents injustice with truth (Ref.: Romans 1:18).

The love of truth overcomes all deception of unrighteousness (Ref.: 2 Thessalonians 2:10).

Love endures all things (1 Corinthians 13:7).

Love endures and endures. Love is patient (James 5:8).

Love is patient (1 Corinthians 13:4) and waits (1 Peter 3:20).

Love endures even when persecuted (1 Corinthians 4:12).

Love waits patiently before God (Psalms 37:7).

Love endures and serves (Acts 20:19).

Love endures for the glory of God (Isaiah 48:9).

Love believes all things (1 Corinthians 13:7).

Love believes in the Lord (Acts 18:8).

Love believes that the Lord is the Christ
who will come to the world, the Son of God (John 11:27).

Love believes that Jesus died and came back to life.

Love believes that God will bring with Him
even those who died while believing in Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4:14).

Love believes that salvation is achieved through the grace of the Lord Jesus (Acts 15:11).

Love believes in God (27:25).

Love believes in all the words of God written in the Bible (24:14).
Love believes that what God has told me will come true (27:25).
Love believes that God has delivered us from the great danger of death
and will continue to deliver us in the future (2 Corinthians 1:10).

Love desires all things (1 Corinthians 13:7).
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Love places its hope in God (Psalms 42:5, 11; 43:5).
Love hopes for the Lord's salvation (Psalms 119:166).
Love does not depart from the hope of the gospel (Colossians 1:23).
Love looks forward to the blessed hope,
the glory of God and our Savior Jesus Christ (Titus 2:13).

Love endures all things (1 Corinthians 13:7).
Love stands the test of time (James 1:12).
Love endures suffering (2 Corinthians 1:6).
Love endures even when people enslave us, exploit us,
use us, show arrogance toward us, or slap us in the face (2 Corinthians 11:20).
Love holds the Word of God deep in its heart and endures suffering or persecution
because of the Word (Ref.: Matthew 13:21).
Love strengthens us with all the power that comes through the glorious power of God,
so that we can endure all things with joy (Colossians 1:11).
Love never fails (1 Corinthians 13:8). Love is forever.
God's love is eternal (Psalms 136).
The eternal God loves us with everlasting love (Jeremiah 31:3).
Although I know in part now, when the fullness comes,
I will see the Lord Jesus Christ face to face, and I will know fully,
even as the Lord knows me (1 Corinthians 13:9, 10, 12).

Husbands in families experiencing conflict between mother-in-law and daughter-in-law need God's wisdom.

Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the church
and gave himself up for her, loving her as his own body.

Likewise, as children, they should obey and honor their mothers in the Lord
(Ephesians 5:25, 28, 33; 6:1-2).

However, if a husband finds himself in a situation
where he must simultaneously love his wife and honor his mother,
and there is conflict between his wife and his mother, what should the husband do?

Should he disobey his mother's words to love his wife?

Or should he obey his mother's words and honor her,
potentially making it harder for his wife?

In such a situation, what is needed is the wisdom of God,
as Solomon did in judging the dispute between the two women
(1 Kings 3:16-28).

The believing husband of a family experiencing conflict between mother-in-law and daughter-in-law ...

The believing husband of a family experiencing conflict
between mother-in-law and daughter-in-law believes
that even his mother's words of faith need not be obeyed
if they conflict with the needs of his beloved wife
(Ref.: Ephesians 6:1).

God's sufficient grace given in the midst of suffering?

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is that the Lord's power is made perfect in my weakness
(2 Corinthians 12:8-9).

Pride over pain?

Rather than asking the Lord to take pain away from me,
I should ask Him to keep me from being proud
(2 Corinthians 12:7-8).

To the extent of causing pain

God's love is afraid that I will become too proud,
so he gives me a thorn-like disease in my body and causes me to suffer
(2 Corinthians 12:7).

God hates pride so much that he causes pain to those he loves
(Proverbs 8:13).

When I realize my weakness through pain

When I realize my weakness through pain,
I do not need to be ashamed of my weakness.
Rather, I should boast about my weaknesses.
The reason is so that the power of Christ can remain in me
(2 Corinthians 12:8-9).

God is just ...

God, who is just, will reward those who persecute us
and allow those who suffer to rest in peace with us
(2 Thessalonians 1:6-7).

A person to be listed as a widow

A person to be listed as a widow must be over 60 years old,
the wife of one husband, and a person well known for her good deeds.
She raised her children well, treated strangers well, served the saints,
helped those in need, and engaged in all kinds of good works.
She must be someone who has worked hard
(1 Timothy 5:9-10).

Do I really love one soul this much?

'I am willing to give not only what I have, but even my body, for your souls
(2 Corinthians 12:15). Do I really love one soul this much?

An elder who cannot be tolerant and likes to fight

An elder who does not know how to be tolerant in Korean ministry
and who like to fight make things difficult for the English minister,
which eventually causes the minister to leave the church
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 3:3).

He is arrogant, knowing nothing, and he enjoys disputes and arguments.

Those who teach different doctrines
and do not adhere to the sound teaching of our Lord Jesus Christ
and to godly instruction are arrogant, knowing nothing.
They enjoy disputes and arguments.
From such people come envy, strife, abusive language,
evil suspicions, and constant friction between people with corrupted minds,
who have lost the truth and consider godliness as a means of gain
(1 Timothy 6:3-5).

Pray hard and give thanks to God for the pastors and elders of your church.

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The reason is so that you can live a godly and holy life
while the church is stable and peaceful.

This kind of life is beautiful and pleasing to God our Savior

(Ref.: 1 Timothy 2:1-3).

Church teacher?

How many people are there in the church right now

who desire to become teachers, raising meaningless debates

and engaging in pointless discussions,

while teaching doctrines other than the gospel of Jesus Christ and sound teaching?

They do not even realize what they are saying or the claims they are making

(1 Timothy 1:3-7; Titus 2:1).

Church growth is not about increasing the number of church members...

Church growth is not about increasing the number of church members,

but about becoming one in believing and knowing Jesus Christ,

becoming a mature person, and reaching the complete fullness of Christ

(Ephesians 4:12-13).

Lying hypocrites with paralyzed conscience in the church

The teachings coming from lying hypocrites
in the church who have paralyzed consciences
are designed to lead people away from the faith,
and are the deceptive teachings of a deceitful spirit
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 4:1-2).

We must prevent such people from arising within the church.

In the church, we must make sure that there are no bitter people,
as well as immoral people or unbelieving people
(Hebrews 12:15-16).

If a pastor and an elder who are well-regarded by believers within the church ...

If a pastor and an elder who are well-regarded by believers within the church
is not only receiving a bad review from non-believers outside the church,
but is also receiving a bad review at home ...
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 3:7)

If someone causes trouble in the church ...

If someone has caused trouble within the church,
it has not only saddened me as the pastor
but in some ways has saddened all of you, the saints.
The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient.
Now you should forgive and comfort him,
so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow.
Therefore, I urge you to reaffirm your love for him
(Ref.: 2 Corinthians 2:5-8).

There should be no arguing in church!

In the church, we should not argue about worthless things
that are of no benefit and rather ruin those who hear
(2 Timothy 2:14).

Don't try to be an official in the church ...

Do not try to become an official within the church,
but try not to be the target of criticism outside the church
(at home, at work, in society, etc.)
(Ref.: 2 Corinthians 6:3; Romans 14:16).

What remains of the suffering He suffered for the church.

We must suffer in our own body what is left of the suffering that Christ endured for His body, the church.

In order to do so, we must rather rejoice in the suffering we undergo for our beloved brothers and sisters (Colossians 1:24).

Concerned about church?

Concerned about the church inevitably weigh on a pastor's heart (2 Corinthians 11:28).

We must avoid putting a burden on the church.

If a believing woman has a widowed relative, she should help her directly and not burden the church.

Only then can the church truly help widows who have no one to rely on (1 Timothy 5:16).

Be quiet in church ...

Rather than edifying ourselves by speaking in tongues,
it is better to edify the church by being quiet in church
and speaking only to ourselves and God
(1 Corinthians 14:4, 28).

We must do our best to edify the church.

We must do our best to edify the church
with the gifts God has given each of us
(1 Corinthians 14:12).

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Rather than edifying ourselves, we must edify the church.
(1 Corinthians 14:4).

Salvation is a gift from God!

We were never saved through our own efforts.

We were never saved by our good deeds.

We are saved by God's grace by believing in Jesus Christ.

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(Ephesians 2:8-9).

God's grace that gives salvation

God's saving grace teaches us to abandon ungodliness

and worldly passions and live temperately, righteously, and godly in this world.

And we await the blessed hope

and the appearing of the glory of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ

(Titus 2:11-13).

An employee who brings to light the teachings of God the Savior

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obeys his master in all things, pleases the Lord, does not talk back,

does not steal from the Lord, but displays all true faithfulness

(Titus 2:9-10).

We also need to give up our rights

In setting an example for others to imitate us,
we also need to give up our rights
(2 Thessalonians 3:9).

**On that day and that moment, we will take on heavenly bodies
and live forever in our eternal home in heaven!**

Although we are now groaning and suffering as if we were burdened
while we are in this physical home,
on the day the Lord returns to this world, at that moment,
we will wear heavenly bodies
and live forever in heaven's eternal home
(Romans 8:22; 2 Corinthians 5:1-4).

That person is the Man Christ Jesus.

There is only one God.
There is only one mediator between God and man.
That person is the man Christ Jesus.
Christ Jesus gave himself as a ransom to save all people.
This is evidence that God has fulfilled his promise in due time.
The reason is because God wants everyone to be saved and know the truth
(1 Timothy 2:3-6).

The man of lawlessness appears with the power of Satan ...

The man of lawlessness will appear with the power of Satan,
showing all kinds of false miracles and wondrous works,
and using all kinds of tricks on those who do not love the truth
and will not be saved and will eventually perish
(2 Thessalonians 2:9-10).

That is breaking the law.

If we emphasize keeping the law to others out of love,
but we ourselves are not keeping Jesus' commandment
to "love your neighbor as yourself,"
we are breaking the law
(Ref.: Galatians 5:14).

They got sick and almost died ...

They were sick and almost dead,
but God took pity on them and me
and would not cause me any more sorrow
(Ref.: Philippians 2:27).

Every time I think of you and pray ...

The reason I always thank my God every time I think about you and pray is because I hear you believe in the Lord Jesus and love all the saints (Philemon 1:4-5).

They are people of depraved mind and have failed in faith.

Church members who go to church and learn God's word all the time, but do not understand the truth, carry heavy sins, live dragged by various desires, and are tempted, resist the truth. They are people of depraved mind and have failed in faith (2 Timothy 3:6-8).

We must rebuke them mercilessly so that they can have the right faith.

Church members who claim to know God but deny it in their actions because their hearts and consciences are impure are abominable, disobedient, and unfit to do good deeds. Therefore, we must rebuke them mercilessly so that they may have the right faith (Titus 1:13-16).

In Christ, we have become new people.

God laid our sins on Christ, who knew no sin,
so that we might be recognized as righteous by God in Christ,
and reconciled us to Himself through Christ,
so that in Christ we become new people
(2 Corinthians 5:17-21).

Yes in Christ and Amen through Christ

The reason we say 'Amen' to God's promises through Christ and give glory to God
is because all of God's promises become 'Yes' in Christ
(2 Corinthians 1:20).

If we do not forgive our spouse before Christ ...

If we do not forgive our spouse before Christ
for the sake of our beloved children,
we will fall for Satan's tricks and be used by him
(Ref.: 2 Corinthians 2:10-11).

Only Christians who embrace the humble heart of Christ Jesus ...

Only Christians who have the humble heart of Christ Jesus
can consider others better than themselves
(Philippians 2:3, 5).

A Christian who embraces the humble heart of Christ Jesus ...

Christians who embrace the humble heart of Christ Jesus do
not humble themselves and consider equality with others
as something to be exploited, but rather give up all their privileges
and serve their neighbors as servants
(Philippians 2:3-8).

We became a servant of Christ Jesus.

God is our Savior. Christ Jesus is our hope.
We have become servants of Christ Jesus
by following the commands of God and Christ Jesus
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 1:1).

We must become good soldiers of Christ Jesus.

We must become good soldiers of Christ Jesus
and participate in His sufferings
(2 Timothy 2:3; Ref.: Philippians 3:10).

God made Christ the head of the church over all things.

God raised Christ from the dead
and made him sit at his right hand in the kingdom of heaven,
far above all rulers, powers, powers, dominions,
and every name in this world or in the world to come.
He made him head over all things in the church
(Ephesians 1:20-22).

We must imitate Christ and live with love.

As children who receive God's love, we must imitate Jesus Christ and live with love.
Just as Christ loved us and sacrificed himself for us,
becoming a fragrant gift and sacrifice to God,
we too must live a sacrificial life by offering ourselves for those we love
and become a fragrant gift and sacrifice to God
(Ephesians 5:1-2).

Those who are baptized into union with Christ are not united with unbelievers.

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How can a believer and a non-believer have the same thing?

How can light and darkness get along?

(2 Corinthians 6:14-15; Galatians 3:27)

Living worthy of the gospel of Christ

Working together for the faith of the gospel with one heart and one mind

means living a life worthy of the gospel of Christ

(Philippians 1:27).

Because the love of Christ controls us ...

Because the love of Christ, who died on the cross for us, dominates us,

we no longer live for ourselves, but for Jesus Christ,

who died and rose again on our behalf

(2 Corinthians 5:14-15).

Christians who love the cross of Christ

The citizenship of us Christians who love the cross of Christ is in heaven.
Now we await the return of our Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, from heaven.
When He comes, He will transform our lowly bodies to be like His glorious bodies
(Philippians 3:20-21).

Many people live as enemies of the cross of Christ

The end of many people who live as enemies of the cross of Christ is destruction.
They make the desires of the flesh their gods, count shame as glory,
and think only of worldly things
(Philippians 3:18-19).

Christians must have a clear sense of belonging.

We Christians must have a clear sense of belonging.
We are all children of light and children of day.
We do not belong to the night or darkness.
Therefore, we should not drink, get drunk, and sleep at night,
thinking that this is a peaceful and safe world, like those in darkness,
but should wake up, come to our senses, and be fully armed
with faith, love, and the hope of salvation
(1 Thessalonians 5:3-8).

We must believe and speak with the same spirit of faith.

As the Bible says, "I believed, so I spoke,"
we must believe and speak with the same spirit of faith
(2 Corinthians 4:13).

We must help the Lord's servants through prayer.

As we help the Lord's servants in prayer,
we will thank God for His grace upon them in answer to our prayers
(2 Corinthians 1:11).

He will have no choice but to be thankful every time we pray.

If the pastor hears that the believers believe in the Lord Jesus and loves all the saints,
he will have no choice but to think of them and always give thanks to God every time he prays
(Ephesians 1:15-1).

Those who spread good news pray with joyful hearts.

Every time I think of our co-workers in spreading the good news (gospel) with us, we give thanks to our God, and every time we pray, we ask with a joyful heart (Ref.: Philippians 1:3-5).

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Helpers of the joy

We must be helpers of the joy of our brothers and sisters who stand firm in the faith (2 Corinthians 1:24).

Let us pray whenever God reminds us.

We can only continue to pray for our loved ones as the Holy Spirit continues to remind us (Ref.: Ephesians 1:16; 1 Thessalonians 1:2; 5:17).

We must continue to do the Lord's work steadily.

The Lord's servants must carefully examine
their lives and teachings to continue the Lord's work.
Then we will save ourselves and all who hear us
(1 Timothy 4:16).

I hope and pray that my children ... (1)

I hope and pray that my children will live a fruitful, gospel-centered life
from the day they hear the gospel of Jesus Christ
and realize the grace of God revealed in the truth
(Ref.: Colossians 1:6).

I hope and pray that my children ... (2)

I hope and pray that my children will grow in the knowledge of God
and live fruitful Christian lives in every good work that pleases the Lord
(Ref.: Colossians 1:10).

I hope and pray that my children ... (3)

I hope and pray that my children will be strong
with all the power that comes through the glorious power of God,
and that they will endure all things with joy
(Ref.: Colossians 1:11).

Even when I am old and as good as dead...

Even when I am old and practically like a dead person,
I know and believe that the Lord, who promised with His trustworthy word, will remain faithful.
Therefore, He will enable me to meditate day and night on the living word of the Lord,
which becomes the bread of life, so that I can share God's word with countless people
like the stars in the sky and the sands on the seashore
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:11-12; John 6:1-15, 48).

Before I die in faith ...

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I would like to bless my three children, Dillon, Yeri, and Karis,
who were given as a gift of God's grace for their future
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:20-21).

Without faith I ...

Just as it is impossible to please God without faith
I can't support my wife without faith
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:6).

I don't know which one to choose between life and death.

I am torn between the two. I do not know which I prefer.
I am hard-pressed between the two.
My desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better.
Yet, to remain in the flesh is more necessary for your sake.
Convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with you all,
for your progress and joy in the faith,
so that in me you may have ample cause to glory in Christ Jesus,
because of my coming to you again
(Philippians 1:21-26).

I am living like a stranger in this strange land.

Like Abraham, I hope for a strong heavenly city designed and built by God,
so I am living like a stranger by faith in this strange land
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:9-10).

I am only a temporary traveler in this world.

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There is a different hometown that I am looking for.

If I had been thinking about my old hometown, which I had already left,

I could have gone back. But I long for a better heavenly home

(Ref.: Hebrews 11:13-15).

I will die, but ...

I will die, but after death

I still want to speak by faith

(Ref.: Hebrews 11:4).

I want to make one thing clear.

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I want to forget what is behind and reach for what is ahead,

running towards the goal to win the prize f

or which God has called me above in Christ Jesus

(Ref.: Philippians 3:13-14).

Like Noah ...

Like Noah, I want to receive warnings from God about things not yet seen through faith and prepare without delay for the salvation of my family in the fear of God
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:7).

Like Abraham

Like Abraham, when I receive God's call by faith,
I want to obey and leave for the promised land without even knowing where I should go
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:8).

Like Abraham, I believe that God can even bring the dead back to life.

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Although the first child, Charis, died, God gave Dillon, Yeri, and Karis as gifts of grace
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:19).

Like Enoch ...

Like Enoch, I want to be recognized as a person
who pleases God until God takes me away
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:5).

When no one helps me ...

When no one could help me,
the Lord stood by my side and gave me strength
(2 Timothy 4:16-17).

I pray that you will see me and glorify God through me.

I hope that God will change me
so that people will see me and glorify God through me
(Galatians 1:23-24).

God who chose me and called me with grace.

God was pleased to choose me before I was even born
and to call me by grace to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God
(Galatians 1:15).

My letter of Christ?

God has made me, a sinner unworthy of even becoming a pastor, His servant.
By His grace, I have been able to carry out ministry up until now.
I truly wonder whose letter of Christ has been revealed through the results of my ministry.
Can I truly say to someone, 'You are a letter of Christ, delivered by me'?
I pray that through the living Spirit of God, engraved in people's hearts,
they will come to have assurance toward God through Christ one day
(2 Corinthians 3:2-4).

Are my writing and my actions the same?

Do my words of meditation have weight and power?
If the brothers and sisters who read the meditation on the Word met me in person,
would they say that I am unappealing and my words are not pleasant?
Are the meditations I wrote and my actual actions the same?
(2 Corinthians 10:10-11)

Do not be discouraged. It will be to your glory.

Do not be discouraged
because of the sufferings I am enduring for you,
which are your glory
(Ref.: Ephesians 3:13).

Do not be discouraged; let us take courage.

Consider him who endured such opposition from sinners,
so that we will not grow weary and lose heart
(Ref.: Hebrews 12:3).

We should not be discouraged, but ...

We should not be discouraged, but the reason we are discouraged is
because we are not fighting against sin even to the point of shedding blood
(Hebrews 12:3-5).

God comforts the discouraged.

God, who comforts those who are discouraged,
not only comforts us through a brother in the Lord,
but also allows us to receive great comfort
by hearing that other members of the body comforted that brother
(2 Corinthians 7:6-7).

Older female church members who criticize others

Older female church members who criticize others in the church
will not be able to teach younger female church members
(Titus 2:3-5).

A person who steals someone else's wife/husband

The Lord will severely punish
those who steal someone else's wife/husband
(1 Thessalonians 4:6).

He sneaks into someone else's house and seduces a foolish female church member.

A male church member
who appears to have religious beliefs on the outside,
but deny his ability, sneaks into another church member's homes
and seduce a foolish female church member.

This foolish female church member is burdened with heavy sins,
driven by various desires, and always unaware of her spouse or the truth
(2 Timothy 3:5-7).

How many of these male and female church members
are there in the church right now?

Even pastors, elders, deacons, women like these exist, don't they?

It's the end times (v. 1).

The older women must teach them to obey their husbands.

The older women in the church must teach the younger women
to love their husbands and children, be self-controlled, be chaste,
diligently do housework, be kind, and be submissive to their husbands.

This is so that the Word of God will not be criticized
(Titus 2:3-5).

A husband's priority is his wife, not his mother.

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A husband has the responsibility to protect his wife
who is experiencing conflict with her mother-in-law
(Ephesians 5:29).

Who would you like to have by your side and help you?

Who is the person with the same heart as mine
whom I want to have by my side
and help me in the gospel ministry right now?
(Philemon 1:12-13)

My joy will overflow.

When we meet a brother in the Lord
who has sincere faith without lies, our joy will overflow
(2 Timothy 1:4-5).

My wife became pregnant by faith.

My wife became pregnant by faith with our second child, Dillon,
after the death of our first child, Charis.

She knew that the God who had promised was faithful

(Ref.: Hebrews 11:11).

Every time I pray for my children ...

The reason why I always give thanks to Heavenly Father
when I pray for my children is because they believe in Christ Jesus,
love each other, and live with hope in heaven

(Ref.: Colossians 1:3-5).

When I was tempted by hypocrisy and did something wrong ...

When I have succumbed to the temptation of hypocrisy and done wrong,
is there someone who rebukes me even in front of others?

When my fellow worker falls into the temptation of hypocrisy and does wrong,
do I even rebuke them in front of others?

(Ref.: Galatians 2:11-14)

Because I live in Christ ...

For me to live is Christ, and to die is also gain,
so my earnest expectation and hope is
that Christ will be honored in my body whether I live or die
(Philippians 1:20-21).

We're going to die tomorrow, so let's eat and drink?

If the dead do not come back to life, then say,
'Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we will die.'
'Do not be deceived'
(1 Cor. 15:32-33).

Teaching to love your husband

For a mother to instruct her daughter,
'You shall love your husband' when she does not love her husband,
is to dishonor the word of God
(Reference: Titus 2:3-5).

We must not allow ourselves to become attached to other teachings.

Servants of Christ Jesus must prevent believers from clinging to other teachings that do nothing to help them know God's plan for salvation through faith and only give rise to worthless arguments (1 Timothy 1:3-4).

Because of a person with a different thought

One person in the church who is persuaded by false teachers and has a different thought can affect the entire church (Galatians 4:17; 5:7-10).

To those of us waiting for Jesus to come again

Christ became a sacrifice once for all to take away our sins. And when He comes again, He will appear a second time, not for sin, but to give salvation to those of us who wait for Jesus (Hebrews 9:28).

What is the purpose of giving various positions?

The purpose of the Lord giving us various positions
is to perfect the saints to do the work of service
and to grow the church as the body of Christ
(Ephesians 4:11-12).

Various officials must get along well and serve each other.

When we serve the church, the body of Christ, in various positions given by the Lord,
we must serve in harmony by being united by the Holy Spirit
(Ephesians 4:3, 11-12).

What will you do as a husband?

What would you do as a husband
if, in obeying God's words, "Honor your father and mother,"
rather than loving your wife,
you make her heart tired and hurt, even shedding tears?
(Ephesians 5:25-29, 33; 6:2)

We must ensure that our office is no longer subject to criticism.

In order to ensure that our office is no longer subject to criticism,
we must try not to be a stumbling block to anyone
(2 Corinthians 6:3).

When we can no longer bear it, we must try to find out their faith.

We must try to find out the faith of our beloved brothers and sisters who are in tribulation and suffering, fearing that they may fall prey to Satan's temptation (Ref.: 1 Thessalonians 3:5).

It's more important.

Just as the person who built the house is more important than the house, the Lord, who gave the gift of eternal life, is more important than the gift of eternal life (Hebrews 3:3; Romans 6:23; 1 John 1:2).

God is the God who gives more abundantly.

Our God is a God who gives us more than we ask or even think, through the power that works within us (Ephesians 3:20).

We must work harder to live a life that pleases God.

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I can't even imagine ...

When I think of my brothers and sisters who are going through unimaginable pain,
I pray that God's amazing peace, which is unimaginable,
will protect their hearts and minds
(Philippians 4:7).

God's amazing peace that we can't even imagine

In order that God's wonderful, inconceivable peace
may guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus,
we should not be anxious about anything,
but in everything through prayer and supplication,
with thankful hearts, we ask God for all our needs
(Philippians 4:6-7).

Pastors and elders who love money?

How can pastors and elders who say "Lord" with their lips
but love money in their hearts take care of God's church?
(Ref.: Matthew 7:21; 1 Timothy 3:3, 5).

Anyone who loves money and strives to become rich ...

Those who love money and strive to become rich fall into temptations and traps,
fall into many foolish and harmful desires that destroy people,
and eventually wander away from the faith,
suffering much and being heartbroken
(1 Timothy 6:9-10).

We must put our desire to help into action when we have the opportunity.

Saints who have learned how to be satisfied with themselves in the Lord
who gives us strength have the idea of helping the Lord's servants
who are struggling with material things and then help them when they have the opportunity.
This is a very good thing
(Philippians 4:10-14).

A crisis in which the East, West, South and North are trapped?

The crisis in which we are trapped in the east, west, south, and north
may actually lead to progress in spreading the gospel
(Philippians 1:12).

There is no way to repent again.

The fall of a person who has once received the light of God's revelation,
tasted the heavenly gift, experienced the Holy Spirit,
tasted the good word of God and the power of the afterlife
is an act of publicly humiliating Jesus Christ, the Son of God, by crucifying him again.
There is no way to repent again
(Hebrews 6:4-6).

We must put into practice the words of truth we have heard.

We must put into practice the words of truth that we heard from the Lord's servant
through faith and love in Christ Jesus and keep the good work entrusted to us
with the help of the Holy Spirit within us
(2 Timothy 1:13-14).

There must be someone like Timothy.

We need people like Timothy who preach the gospel of Christ
to strengthen our faith, encourage us, and keep us steadfast in tribulation
(1 Thessalonians 3:2-3).

We are in a spiritual war with the devil ...

We, who are waging a spiritual war against the devil,
must sharpen the sword of the Holy Spirit, the Word of God, every day,
while at the same time staying alert and always praying
and praying earnestly in the Holy Spirit
(Ephesians 6:17-18).

We must be fully armed with the weapons of God so that we can withstand the devil's tricks.

In the Lord and through His mighty power,
we must continually be strengthened to be fully equipped with God's armor
so that we can stand against the schemes of the devil.

For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers,
against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world,
and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

Therefore, put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes,
we may be able to stand our ground, and after we have done everything, to stand
(Ephesians 6:10-13).

We must have a shield of faith that can block the fiery arrows of the devil.

Lately, I've been feeling the need to grasp more deeply the idea that we must be fully equipped with God's armor, including the shield of faith which can extinguish the fiery arrows of the devil (Ephesians 6:11, 16).

The reason for this is that the devil has been prompting thoughts like, 'What if I test positive on the PCR test and can't go to Korea for internet ministry...!' This 'What if...!' question has been unsettling.

However, the Holy Spirit has been continually reminding and urging me, through last Sunday's sermon centered on Colossians 1:4, to hold onto and pray with unwavering faith, preparing for and moving forward with internet ministry.

Additionally, the devil has been making me think about the suffering of my loved ones who are currently ill, even prompting thoughts of their deaths, which has been weighing heavily on my heart.

However, during yesterday's Wednesday prayer meeting, through the sermon by our senior pastor on "The Seven Words from the Cross (6)" based on John 19:28-30, I gained strength and comfort for my troubled heart as he preached that Jesus Christ, through His death, defeated the power of death held by the devil and liberated all who were held in bondage by the fear of death throughout their lives (Hebrews 2:14-15).

Through His help and support (v. 16), my despondent heart was kindled and empowered.

I desire to live victoriously in this spiritual battle through faith alone.

Corruption of heart, failure of faith!

If our hearts are corrupted,
we are bound to fail in faith!
(Ref.: 2 Timothy 3:8).

We must keep it deep in our hearts!

We must keep the words of the Lord deeply in our hearts
so that we do not deviate from them
(Hebrews 2:1).

People who refresh our mind

Between those who need help and those who help,
those who make up for what the helpers cannot do
refresh the hearts of those who need help and those who help
(1 Corinthians 16:17-18).

When the last trumpet sounds

When the last trumpet sounds, in the twinkling of an eye,
the dead saints will be resurrected as incorruptible people,
and all saints alive until then will be transformed.

When this happens, the Bible's words,
'Victory has swallowed up death' will be fulfilled
(1 Corinthians 15:52, 54).

We gain new strength through meeting.

Not only do we gain new strength through meeting our brother in the Lord,
but we also rejoice with him when we see him rejoice
(2 Corinthians 7:13).

If you consider me a friend ...

If you consider me a friend,
I hope that you will welcome that brother as warmly as you would treat me,
because a person who is so precious to me will be even more precious to you
(Philemon 1:16-17).

This is an answer to many people's prayers.

The grace of God that we receive and enjoy
is an answer to the prayers of many people
(2 Corinthians 1:11).

In the last days, when people are suffering, they will not be able to control themselves, will be fierce, will hate good things, will betray ...

During times of suffering in the last days,
they will be unable to control themselves, will be fierce,
will hate what is good, will be treacherous, will be impatient,
will be arrogant, and will love pleasure more than God
(2 Timothy 3:1, 3-4).

I became a minister of the word.

I was appointed as an evangelist and pastor to preach Christ Jesus,
the only mediator between God and people,
and became a minister of the word in faith and truth
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 2:7).

Words are not helpful to us.

When we hear the word of God,
if we who hear it do not combine it with faith,
the word is not beneficial to us
(Hebrews 4:2).

Church leaders who preach and teach

Church leaders who preach and teach the word of God
must be strengthened by the grace of Christ Jesus
and become faithful people in front of many witnesses.
And we must know how to delegate this work of the Lord to other faithful people.
So we too must be able to teach others
(2 Timothy 2:1-2).

Does this make sense?

Does it make sense to say
you love the Lord but not love your wife?
(Ephesians 5:25)

It makes no sense.

It makes no sense to say
that you are obeying the Lord
when you are disobeying your husband
(Ref.: Ephesians 5:22).

How many people will there be?

How many well-governed elders in the church do we really want to respect,
and especially how many of them work hard in preaching and teaching
that we want to respect even more?
(1 Timothy 5:17)

When everyone works hard at their own work but has no interest in the work of Christ Jesus ...

When everyone is working hard at their own work
but not interested in the work of Christ Jesus,
it is good to have around you someone like Timothy
who has a great character and truly cares about your situation
(Philippians 2:20-22).

Because they all come from one God

Jesus is not at all ashamed to call us “brothers”
because both the Lord who sanctifies
and we who are sanctified come from one God
(Hebrews 2:11).

Enduring all thing is ...

We endure all things for those whom God has chosen,
so that they too may receive the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory
(2 Timothy 2:10).

It is a trustworthy statement that everyone can accept.

That Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners
is a trustworthy statement that everyone can accept
(1 Timothy 1:15).

I pray to the Lord that they may love everyone.

Just as my wife and I love our three children, Dillon, Yeri, and Karis,
I pray to the Lord that they too will love each other and all people
with an even more abundant love
(Ref.: 1 Thessalonians 3:12).

We must always seek the good for all people.

We must not repay anyone for evil with evil,
but rather overcome evil with good,
so we must always pursue good for everyone
(Romans 12:21; 1 Thessalonians 5:15).

We must be able to do every good work.

We must be perfected by the Bible, written under the inspiration of God,
and have the ability to do every good work
(2 Timothy 3:16-17).

God of all comfort

The Father of mercy and God of all comfort
comforts us through all kinds of suffering.

So, God allows us to comfort those who are suffering
with the comfort we receive from God
(2 Corinthians 1:3-4).

Those who have been comforted by God the Father
can comfort those who are suffering.

We hope that God will use us as an instrument of comfort.

Everything must be done with love.

We must come to our senses, stand firm in the faith,
be manly and strong, and do all things with love
(1 Corinthians 16:13-14).

Pastors and elders ... (1)

Pastors and elders must be husbands of the same wife,
and they must not beat or fight, but they must rule their families well
and have their children obey them with all respect.

How can a person who does not know how to manage his own family
take care of God's church? (Ref. 1 Timothy 3:2-5).

Pastors and elders ... (2)

Pastors and elders should not love money.

And pastors and elders must treat others well and desire good deeds.

Pastors and elders must receive good reviews from non-believers outside the church.

That way, you will not be criticized by others

and will not fall into the devil's trap

(Ref.: 1 Timothy 3:1-3, 7).

Pastors must rightly discern the words of truth.

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And we must teach that word correctly without being ashamed.

We should do our best to be workers approved by God

(2 Timothy 2:15).

What pastors should and should not preach.

We pastors should not preach ourselves,

but that Jesus Christ is Lord

and that we are servants of the saints for Jesus

(2 Corinthians 4:5).

I feel ashamed of my position as a pastor.

I feel ashamed of my position as a pastor
because I am criticized for being a stumbling block
that many pastors face
(Ref.: 2 Corinthians 6:3).

Pastors must be careful not to inconvenience or become a burden to their congregation.

When the apostle Paul was with the saints in the church of Corinth,
he faced difficulties in his daily life but did not burden anyone.
This was because other churches provided for his needs and supported his expenses.
Therefore, to avoid being a burden to the saints in the church of Corinth,
the apostle Paul was careful and cautious in everything he did
(2 Corinthians 11:8-9).
Pastors receive the lesson that they should be careful and cautious
so as not to burden or trouble the saints in their care.

Pastor's joy

As pastors, even if we are weak,
we should rejoice when our believers become strong
(2 Corinthians 13:9).

Pastor's privilege

The privilege of a pastor
is to build up believers, not to tear them down
(2 Corinthians 13:10).

People who live disorderly ...

People who live disorderly are lazy, don't want to work,
eat empty meals, are a nuisance to others, and move around causing problems.
You should stay away from people like this
(2 Thessalonians 3:6-11).

A foolish wife

A foolish wife not only disobeys her husband
even though she says she obeys the Lord,
but she also makes her husband disobey her mother-in-law
(Ref.: Ephesians 5:22; 6:1).

**People who have only recently become believers
should not be appointed as church officials.**

People who have only recently become believers should not be appointed as church officials.
Doing so will not only cause him to become arrogant and commit sins,
but will also destroy the peace of the church
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 3:6).

We must have faith and a good conscience.

We must fight the good fight with the Word of God
and have faith and a good conscience
(1 Timothy 1:18-19).

We must stand firm in our faith and live a life filled with gratitude.

We must be deeply rooted in Christ Jesus and build our lives on Him.
And as we have been taught by the Lord,
we must stand firm in our faith and live a life filled with gratitude
(Colossians 2:7).

We must stand firm in our faith and work hard to keep it.

We must stand firm in our faith
and strive to keep what the Lord's servants have taught us by word or sermon
(Ref.: 2 Thessalonians 2:15).

By faith the harlot Rahab ...

Just as Rahab the harlot was saved by faith
and did not perish with the disobedient people
by peacefully welcoming the spies,
we too must be saved and not perish
by accepting Jesus Christ by faith
(Hebrews 11:31; John 3:16).

By faith we teach our children ...

By faith, we must not allow the killing angel to touch our children
by preaching to them the gospel of the blood of Jesus Christ, the Passover lamb
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:28; Leviticus 17:11; 2 Chronicles 35:1; John 1:29).

I want to dedicate my children to God in faith.

Like Abraham, I want to offer my children to God in faith
when I am tested regarding them.
Even though it seems to me
that God's test is in conflict with God's promise that I have received,
I want to offer my beloved child to God in faith and in prayer
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:17).

Faith must be expressed through love

Faith in Christ Jesus must be expressed through love
(Ref.: Galatians 5:6).

Parents of faith and children of faith

Just as Moses' parents by faith did not fear the commands of the king of Egypt,
so also Moses by faith did not fear the king's wrath
(Hebrews 11:23, 27).

Like the Hall of Faith

I also want to live and die following my faith
like my ancestors in faith (Hall of Faith)
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:13).

People who are mature in faith

Those who are mature in their faith press toward their goal
to win the prize for which God has called them above in Christ Jesus
(Philippians 3:14-15).

Although it may seem like faith, in reality ...

Lying hypocrites with paralyzed consciences in the church tell their depressed brothers
that they should not take medication for depression and just pray with faith.
Although their false words may seem like they have faith,
they actually deny the common grace given by God
(Ref.: 1 Timothy 4:1-3).

When dealing with non-believers ...

We must act wisely when dealing with non-believers,
and when God opens the door for evangelism,
we must take advantage of every opportunity
to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ
(Colossians 4:3, 5).

In this age where people do not listen to sound teachings and instead listen to useless stories ...

Even though people do not listen to sound doctrine,
ignore the truth, listen to useless stories, follow their own desires,
and flock to teachers to tickle their ears,
pastors always work under any circumstances.
We must spread the word of God and impart correct teachings.
We must teach with patience until the end,
and rebuke people with love and encourage them to live righteously
(2 Timothy 4:2-4).

The right pastors...

Proper pastors teach things that are consistent with correct teachings.
(Titus 2:1).

We must stop the mouths of Pharisee-like pastors.

Within the church, Pharisee-like pastors are destroying the families of believers by teaching things that should not be taught for the sake of dirty income. We must silence the pastors who deceive others by saying such absurd things (Titus 1:10-11).

To the extent that those who oppose us feel embarrassed knowing that we are not at fault ...

We must set an example in all things by being prudent and doing good deeds so that those who oppose us will feel embarrassed knowing that we have done nothing wrong. When we teach, we must be pure, sincere, and speak blameless (Titus 2:6-8).

There will come a time when you will reap!

Whenever we have the opportunity, we should do good to all people, but especially to believers. And we should not become discouraged in doing good things. The reason is that if you do not give up, the time will come when you will reap (Galatians 6:9-10).

I am confident that you will complete it.

I am confident that the good work that the good God has begun
in carrying out His good will will be completed by all things
working together until the day Christ Jesus comes again
(Romans 8:28; 12:2; Philippians 1:6).

There is definitely a resurrection of the dead.

If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised either.
And if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is useless and your faith is useless.
And we apostles would all be lying about God—
for we have said that God raised Christ from the grave.
But that can't be true if there is no resurrection of the dead.
If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised.
And if Christ has not been raised, then your faith is useless and you are still guilty of your sins.
In that case, all who have died believing in Christ are lost!
And if our hope in Christ is only for this life,
we are more to be pitied than anyone in the world.

**We must put into practice
what we have learned, received, heard, and seen.**

In order for the God of peace to be with us,
we must put into practice what we have learned,
received, heard, and seen in the Bible
(Philippians 4:9).

We look to the invisible and eternal!

We do not focus on the temporary outward struggles of our failing physical bodies
and the light afflictions we endure for a moment in this world.
Instead, we fix our gaze on what is unseen:
our inner selves being renewed day by day
and the incomparable and glorious eternal future in the coming world.
'For what is seen is temporary, but what is unseen is eternal'
(2 Corinthians 4:16-18).

We must firmly establish our faith on the gospel.

We must receive the gospel of Jesus Christ,
establish our faith on it, and firmly keep the words of the gospel
(1 Corinthians 15:1-2).

Spreading the gospel and caring for the poor

We must go and spread the gospel of Jesus Christ
and make every effort to care for the poor
(Galatians 2:9-10).

We must not be shaken by the hope of the gospel.

We must stand firm in our faith
and not waver in the hope of the gospel we have heard
(Colossians 1:23).

Church leaders who do not act correctly according to the truth of the gospel?

Church leaders who are seduced by hypocrisy
and do not act righteously according to the truth of the gospel
are living like non-Christians and are trying to force non-Christians to live like Christians ...
(Ref.: Galatians 2:14)

Not doing housework diligently

When older church deacons do not diligently do housework
because they are busy serving the church,
but teach younger female deacons to do the same,
the Word of God is being dishonored
(Ref.: Titus 2:3-5).

We will certainly be deceived and will not know the ways of God.

If our hearts are hard, we will not hear God's voice;
if we do not listen to God's words and are stubborn,
our hearts will be deceived and will not know God's ways
(Hebrews 3:7-10).

Boasting beyond our measure?

We should not boast beyond our measure,
but only within the scope that God has given us
(2 Corinthians 10:13).

A foolish person who boasts beyond his measure ...

A foolish person who boasts beyond his measure
boasts about other people's hard work as if it were his own
(2 Corinthians 10:12, 13, 15).

A divisive person

A divisive person has already corrupted and continue to sin
even though he knows himself to be evil
(Titus 3:10-11).

Being angry

Being angry gives the devil space
(Ephesians 4:26-27).

Resentment

We must let go of resentment and anger
(Colossians 3:8).

They will be respected even by non-believers.

Christians who learn from God and love each other
will be respected even by non-believers
because they lead quiet lives, do not interfere in other people's affairs,
and work with their own hands
(1 Thessalonians 4:11-12).

He will not be respected even by non-believers.

A person who lives a noisy life, meddles in other people's affairs,
hates to work rather than work with his own hands,
and thus becomes a burden to others by taking his meals from others,
will not be respected even by unbelievers
(1 Thessalonians 4:11-12, 2 Thessalonians 3:8, 10).

We must take pity on him.

Just as God had pity on us for what we did without knowing
when we did not believe in Jesus,
we must also pity on others for what they did
without knowing when they did not believe in Jesus
(1 Timothy 1:13).

Comparison consciousness?

A healthy sense of comparison before God
causes us to be thankful with a humble heart in a sense of grace,
but a sick sense of comparison among people leads to haughty jealousy
with a proud heart in a sense of merit
(Ref.: 1 Samuel 18:7).

Even if I don't receive what was promised in this world ...

Even if I do not receive what was promised in this world,
I will look on it from afar and rejoice in faith
(Ref.: Hebrews 11:13).

Although we will mourn for a while when our physical house falls ...

Although we will mourn for a while when the physical house of our bodies falls, we will rejoice and rejoice, knowing that the death of that body will mean that we will possess an eternal home in heaven built by the invisible God (Ref.: 2 Corinthians 4 :16-18; 5:1).

Although we live in the flesh ...

Although we live in the flesh, we do not wage war according to the flesh. For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses. We are destroying speculations and every lofty thing raised up against the knowledge of God, and we are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ (2 Corinthians 10:3-5).

Although I am physically away from you ...

Although I am physically away from you, I am with you in heart and am glad to hear that you are leading an orderly life and standing firm in your faith in Christ (Colossians 2:5).

Although we live in this world now ...

Although we live in this world now,
we are those who look forward with faith to the world to come
(Ref.: Hebrews 2:5).

We must please the Lord by living a life of light.

A life of light pleases the Lord,
but a life of darkness pleases Satan
(Ephesians 5:3-10).

We must live a life of light.

Children of light who believe in the Lord
and are light in the Lord must live a life of light.
A life of light is living a good, righteous, and truthful life
(Ephesians 5:8-9).

God the Father who roots us

Our glorious Heavenly Father,
who is rich in grace to root us deeply in Christ,
also roots us in the love of Christ
(Colossians 2:7; Ephesians 3:16-17).