

#10: Hear the word of faith every day, take heed that the heart would not be infected by unbelief and participate in the promised blessing by faith

OL1: The children of Israel, as the chosen people of God, are the greatest, collective type of the church. In this type we can see that the church is chosen and redeemed by God, enjoys Christ and the Spirit as the life supply, builds God's habitation, inherits Christ as its portion, degrades and is captured, is recovered, and awaits Christ's coming. [1Cor. 10:10](#) Neither murmur, just as some of them murmured and perished by the destroyer. [11](#) Now these things happened to them as an example, and they were written for our admonition...

OL2: Jehovah promised to turn the captivity of Israel and bring them back to their land. [Jer. 29:14](#) I will turn your captivity and gather you..., declares Jehovah, and bring you back to the place from where I sent you into exile.

[Heb. 2:1](#) Therefore we ought to give heed more abundantly to the things which have been heard lest perhaps we drift away.[3](#) How shall we escape if we have neglected so great a salvation, which, having had its beginning in being spoken by the Lord, has been confirmed to us by those who heard, [3:12](#) Beware, brothers, lest perhaps there be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief in falling away from the living God. [4:2](#) For indeed we have had the good news announced to us, even as they also; but the word heard did not profit them, not being mixed together with faith in those who heard.

New ones and young people should pay attention every day not to fall away from "so great salvation". Wear a mask, keep physical distances, and ventilate the air in your rooms to avoid the infection of corona virus and flu. Likewise, an evil heart of unbelief comes from the world outside and the lust of the flesh inside. Listen to the Word of faith every day and be careful not to let unbelief infect your heart.

The Word of God will bring the children of God back to the position of oneness in Jerusalem, and He has promised that "...And their soul will be like a watered garden, And they will not languish any more. And I will turn their mourning to gladness And comfort them and cause them to rejoice after their sorrow" (Jer.31:12~13). Your promises may be changed, but God is faithful to His promises. God's promises do not change. Unbelief is indeed an evil heart, because it makes your idea which is influenced by Satan righteous and makes God's promise unrighteous.

For example, one person was told by his boss that if he gave up his faith, he would be promoted, but if not, he would not be promoted (this is a true story). So does faith bless you? Or does lie bless you? You may not have the same experience, but I'm sure you have had the similar ones.

Brother's testimony: In October of 1984, just before I graduated the master course of graduate school, brother Lee suddenly declared that "all the young ones who graduated college should have 2 years of full time training". When I heard this, I felt in my heart "I should not miss this opportunity" and "I shouldn't say that Japanese cannot do this". So I gave up the doctor course and had a desire to serve full time. Immediately I fellowshipped with the responsible brothers in the church. The brother told me "that is all right. But be ready that you would be poor financially and you may not be able to get married". I responded immediately "It is all right with me".

But sometimes, when I remembered the word "poor financially and may not be able to get married", I became very anxious. In such times, I stepped forward by faith with all my courage as if jumping off from the second floor. After graduation, I started serving full time from April of 1985. At that time, it was impossible to get a job unless you were a recent graduate (few or none mid-career positions were available), so my father and family were very disappointed with me. Later I joined brother Lee's full time training in Taiwan from August, 1986 to June, 1988. And eventually I served full time until March of 1990. This training and the service were very profitable to me. I can testify that "Full time training has changed me from useless person to the useful person". One of the hymns that we sang many times in the training is 473.

1. No mortal tongue can e'er describe The freedom of the soul, When passed beyond all earthly bribe To God's complete control. All things are his, yes, life, and death, Things present or to come; In Christ he draws in peace each breath, In Christ he finds his home.
2. When such as we the king can choose, To share with Him His throne, 'Tis passing strange that we refuse To be our Lord's alone. O never speak of sacrifice! A privilege untold Is to be His at any price, In Calv'ry's hosts enrolled.
3. Arise! The holy bargain strike, The fragment for the whole; All men are all events alike Must serve the ransomed soul. All things are yours when you are His, And He and you are one; A boundless life in Him there is, Whence doubt and fear are gone.

By following and consecrating to the Lord, I was able to marry a sister who loves the Lord and learn English and Chinese. Eventually I become a Vice President of a large global company. I was afraid by looking only at the immediate future and was on the verge of unbelief, but when I received the Lord's mercy, I was able to step forward with all my courage. As a result, the Lord has provided far beyond my expectations. I thank the Lord!

Prayer: "Oh Lord Jesus, I learn from the history of Israel's degradation so that I may not fall from so great salvation. I trust in God's promise that turns sorrow into joy, to comfort and makes me rejoice instead of sorrow. Your word is faithful. Please save me from being influenced by Satan to fall into unbelief. Let me exercise our spirit to pray- read Your Word, mix it with faith, and testify the Lord with courage and boldness every moment. Amen!"

568. Experience of Christ - Trusting Him

1. 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to take Him at His word;
Just to rest upon His promise;
Just to know, Thus saith the Lord.
(Chorus) Jesus, Jesus, how I trust Him,
How I've proved Him o'er and o'er,
Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus!
O for grace to trust Him more.
2. O how sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just to trust His cleansing blood;
Just in simple faith to plunge me,
'Neath the healing, cleansing flood.
3. Yes, 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus,
Just from sin and self to cease;
Just from Jesus simply taking
Life, and rest, and joy, and peace.
4. I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee,
Precious Jesus, Savior, Friend;
And I know that Thou art with me,
Wilt be with me to the end.

516 試練の中での慰め — 主に信頼する

1. 主に信らいするは 何とあまいこと、
やくそくのうえに われ安そくする。
(復)イエス, イエス, 信頼する, その都度たしか;
イエス, イエス, とうといイエス, 主は生けるかみ。
2. イエスにしん頼して, とうとい血を信じる;
いやし, きよめる血, 単純にしんじる。
3. イエスにしん頼する, つみ, 自己を解く;
歡喜, 安そく, いのち, めぐみを受ける。
4. イエスにしん頼する, 何たるよろこび!
われは主とともに えい遠にいたる。

516 试炼中的安慰—信靠主

1. 信靠耶稣何其甘甜, 抓祂话语作把握,
安息在祂应许上面, 只知主曾如此说。
(副)耶稣、耶稣, 何等可靠, 我曾试祂多少次;
耶稣、耶稣, 我的至宝, 祂是活神不误事。
2. 信靠耶稣, 何其甘甜, 信祂宝血能洗净;
信心简单, 血有效验, 疾病医治, 罪洗清。
3. 信靠耶稣, 真是甘甜, 救我远离罪与己;
从祂接受无限恩典: 生命、喜乐和安息。
4. 何等喜乐, 我能信你, 至宝耶稣, 我救主!
信你与我是在一起, 一直一起到永古。