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The Content and Commission of the Gospel

There were two major aspects presented concerning the gospel by Brother Lin Horng; one was the content of the gospel and the other was the commission of the gospel. The content of the gospel is God's eternal economy, that is, God becoming man in order to make man God in life and nature but not in the Godhead. Brother Lin shared that the way we can be constituted with the high-peak content of the gospel is by pray-reading, studying, reciting, and prophesying (PSRP).

The second aspect of the gospel is its commission. The Lord's commission to the believers is illustrated in John 15:16 "...I set you that you should go forth and bear fruit and that your fruit should remain, that whatever you ask the Father in My name, He may give you." The Lord Jesus is the vine, and the regenerated believers are the branches. It is normal for the branches to bear fruits in order to glorify the Father. Since 2010, Brother Lin has taken the lead to go out and preach the gospel with the saints in Taipei for two hours every week. Since then, there has been a 30% increase in the church year after year. He encourages the responsible ones in every church in Taiwan to take the lead to practice gospel preaching, the first step of God's ordained way.

Brother Lin Horng had two main burdens for this mini-conference. His first burden was to make the speaking of the Lord's servant in one place become the common speaking in all the churches. His second burden was to make the leading of the Lord's servant (referring to the practice of church life) in one place become the common leading universally. This should also be our burden. Not only do we need to endeavor to enter into the present speaking of the ministry through PSRP, we also need to practice God's ordained way, starting with gospel preaching. Our goal this year is for each one to bring one remaining fruit to the Lord. May the Lord answer our prayer for His increase in the metro Chicago area.

Nick Yang

The Gospel of God

Throughout the Bible, the gospel is presented in many ways and with various aspects, such as the gospel of the kingdom (Matt. 24:14), the gospel of the grace of God (Acts 20:24), the gospel of God (Rom. 1:1), the gospel of peace (Eph. 6:15), and the gospel of the glory of Christ (2 Cor. 4:4). In this mini-conference, I was particularly impressed with the gospel of God as revealed in the book of Romans. Romans 1:17 says, "For the righteousness of God is revealed in it out of faith to faith, as it is written, 'But the righteous shall have life and live by faith'." The last phrase, "the righteous shall have life and live by faith", reveals the structure of the gospel of God. The three key words here – righteous, life, and

faith – show the experience of Christians.

When a Christian first believes in the Lord, he is made righteous through the death of Christ. This satisfies the righteousness of God from a judicial standpoint. Hallelujah, God is bound by Christ's righteous act to forgive us, and we can forever stand on this unshakable foundation of our salvation!

While we are eternally saved by the death of Christ, this is not the end goal of a Christian's walk with the Lord. Thank the Lord that we have the second key word, life! The experience of a Christian would be very shallow if he were merely redeemed and justified. Once we have been justified, we need to enjoy this salvation organically, with the full enjoyment of God in Christ as our life. This life conforms us to the image of our Christ, who is the Firstborn Son of God among many brothers as shown in Romans 8:29. We allow this life to grow by touching the Spirit within our spirit, enjoying Christ corporately with other believers, and enjoying Christ individually through prayer and the Word.

When we enjoy the life of Christ, we have faith, the third key word in Romans 1:17. The faith of the believers is actually not their own faith, but Christ entering into them to be their faith. Romans 10:17 says, "So faith comes out of hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ." This verse shows two applications of faith. On the one hand, we each need to come to the living Word (Christ) in the written word (the Bible), so He becomes the applied word (the Spirit) of faith to us. On the other hand, we need to speak the word, that is, preach the gospel, to others so that they can hear and have

Christ infused into them as faith. Faith is the subjective God applied to our being; thus, just as nothing is impossible to God, nothing is impossible to faith. This unlimited power of faith motivates believers to spread the gospel of God's eternal economy to mankind everywhere. Praise the Lord we can exercise faith to experience Christ subjectively and practically speak our experience of Christ to others!

Thank you Lord for unveiling Romans 1:17 to us which shows us that we are made righteous judicially, that we can enjoy life organically, and that we have this faith practically. Spreading the gospel of God to others propagates this wonderful process into others so they can likewise enjoy righteousness, life, and faith.

Ben Hwang

Becoming Life-Dispensers

Many of us were touched by the brother's fellowship on closely following the ministry that will build up the church, prepare the Bride, and bring the Lord back! There are so many riches in these outlines--riches of the truths in the Bible concerning God's eternal economy that I'd like to share with others to "dispense God into people for their enjoyment!" We went to a conference years ago on how to PSRP (pray-read, study, recite and prophesy) but somehow I never dove into it so it could become my practice and constitute

me with the rich food for my constant nourishment and a supply for others. I'm hoping we can come together in small groups to practice and become the "faithful men who are competent to teach (and feed) others also".

Shelley Sims

The Full Gospel

The gospel includes all the truths in the Bible. The full gospel includes not only the gospel of the grace of God, but also the gospel of the kingdom of God, which is shown in Paul's Epistles. In incomplete versions of the gospel, central matters in God's thought concerning salvation—such as the Triune God going through a process to become the life-giving Spirit to be the zoe life and everything to us for our enjoyment so that that He and we may be one to express Him for eternity—are either out of focus or neglected entirely. In the great wheel of God's move among men, the complete gospel requires all the aspects of the truth, which tie together the hub and rim, the center and the circumference. It is this gospel that Paul preached in the first century, a full gospel that he referred to as "my gospel" (Rom. 16:25), which gospel is "the power of God unto salvation" (Rom. 1:16).

What of our gospel today? What are the contents of the gospel we preach? Do we emphasize going to heaven and being saved from hell, or do we have the clear revelation concerning God's eternal, unchanging purpose? Are we promising material, earthly riches to

those who would receive the "gift of God", or do we know that God the Father desires to give the Spirit abundantly? When was the last time we preached the gospel? How many human beings have we brought to receive, to participate in the complete gospel? Let us encourage one another to take the way of the gospel, both as our commission and as the reality in our daily life, so that we preach, learn, and live out the full gospel of God.

Robert Tseng