

The Faith Kept – by Brother Kwok Hin Wong – Message 2 of 2

Brothers and sisters let us continue to turn to 2 Timothy 4. We will begin by reading the verses that we have read previously. We will begin reading from verses 6.

⁶*For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.*

⁷*I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:*

⁸*Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.*

Also turn to Revelation 2 and first read verse 5

⁵*Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.*

Then Revelation 3:3.

³*Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.*

Also 3:20

²⁰*Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.*

We will turn to more passages. Colossians 3:15

¹⁵*And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also ye are called in one body; and be ye thankful.*

Review

We thank the Lord that we have come to the last evening of these Meetings. From the sharing of our brothers, we have heard from the Lord what we have been looking forward to hear. May the Lord raise us up to become channels for the recovery of His testimony. With this earnest desire, our first issue is how are we to walk in this path. What will we encounter as we travel on this road of recovery? We thank our Lord for, in the sharing of our brothers, they have shown us very distinctly that we will come across much hardship and opposition. We will also encounter much doubt. We may meet with many experiences that are grave in nature or we may even be trampled on. But we thank and praise our Lord. The very reason why this way is full of so much abnormal happenings is because the arrangement and desire of our Lord that He wishes to manifest in us is very, very glorious and rich, carrying with them much authority. Brothers and sisters will recall

that the grace of God's redemption is to bring man back to God so that the purpose of God in creating man could be fulfilled. It does not stop at the forgiveness of our sins or at the receiving of a new life. Not that these are unimportant but they are only the beginning of the whole process of His redemption in us. Having gone past that starting point, there is still a long journey ahead. According to God's own arrangement, He is to reconcile and save us to a point that satisfies Him. We are not only to be sons but glorious sons as when He originally created us. We thank and praise God. This matter is so great and glorious that it provokes much opposition from the Adversary of God. Coupled with various acts, the Adversary continues to attack and scheme to bring those who are in God away from Him. But we thank our Lord. To put it simply, He has defeated the enemy at the very foundation by His finished work so that all attacks from the enemy only resulted in enabling us to increase our enjoyment of the glorious purpose that God purposed and completed in us.

At the end of Paul's course, he told Timothy about his whole spiritual journey. He clearly indicated that he had fought the good fight, he had finished the course and he had kept the faith. Now that he had kept the faith, what lied ahead were no longer battles or courses but the glorious reward from God awaiting him – the crown of righteousness to be received from the hands of God Himself. We thank and praise the Lord. This is the description of how the entire testimony of Jesus Christ is to be accomplished in us. We also know very clearly that while God does take up His responsibility to accomplish His own work, it seems that we, on our part, have to go through some rather tough patches. But we thank God. The end described above that God enables us to see is not sorrow upon sorrow but the cessation of all sorrows. What follow would be the riches of His glory.

The next step we need to consider is something related to our whole spiritual experience. We thank and praised the Lord. As a result of what the Lord has accomplished, He is already in the position of absolute victory and has reaped the fruits of that victory. He has risen from the dead, has ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. These are matters that the Adversary can never change. It is upon these that God leads those who have inherited the blessings in their salvation to travel on the path they ought to travel. In the reality of such a situation, the entering into glory for such a group must necessarily be smooth sailing. There should not be any worry. This is how we imagine it should be. Yet, through the sharing of our brothers, we have seen, on the one hand, the serious condition of our fallen nature and how easy it is for us to allow ourselves to become self-centered. On the other hand, we also feel that although the glorious blessings God has given us are good, they are so far away from reach that there is no immediate necessity to apprehend them. But we thank and praise God. He knows where we have come short. Therefore, He permits us to encounter all these worrying incidents so that, through many such occasions, we may learn how to be delivered out of our foolishness and turn around to appropriate His blessings and to enjoy His victory. Perhaps this is the reason why the accomplishment of God's will seems to be so far away in the distance. Brothers and sisters, please take particular note. I only said it "seemed" to be far away. The fact is that we are experiencing this spiritual reality every day. If that spiritual reality is a fact today, then no matter how far in the future is the manifestation of God's victory,

it is still very real to us. If we understand this, then we have a solution to our problem. What is the problem? We say that we have to go through the good fight and that we must finish our course. Upon what basis do we say that the fight is a good fight? Upon what basis do we say that the course we have run is the correct one? Even if we do not know, we can still find many reasons to explain our way out. But, whether our explanation is acceptable is one thing. Whether those reasons will bring us to the conclusion we desire is another. But we thank our Lord for He has made known to us long ago that in the unfolding of the whole spiritual matter, every single element therein are based upon His revealed Word. God not only foreknew how things would develop. He also knew beforehand what the result would be at the end after all had come to pass. This has a bearing with what I have been committed to share at this time – the faith kept.

We thank our God. We know with certainty that the way we fight is right and the course we take is correct for they are confirmed by the Word of God. Not only does God's Word tells us what will take place but it also tells us what to expect during the journey. Even more precious is His declaration given long ago that the end will be victory. That is why when I shared with brothers and sisters last time, I said I was absolutely convicted of Paul's confidence. His confidence was that whatever happened to him, whether in victory or in weakness or even in danger, there were things he never lost sight of, namely, that the Son of God was his goal as well as his source of supply and that the Son would be his reward after he had gone through all those things. When we understand these, we will discover why the path before the children of God, whether as an individual or as members of that corporate body, the Church, does not appear visibly to be a smooth one. We will come across many difficulties. It will not be an overstatement even to use the term *desolation* to describe some of those situations. But we thank our Lord. When He tells us about such situations, He also gives us at the same time a full picture of what it will be like for the Church when she is faced with them. Yes. We have weaknesses, both as an individual and as a corporate body. But why are we weak? If God's Word tells us so plainly that He is and that His work has been perfectly accomplished, why is it that we still have times of weakness as we come to appropriate His victory and fullness? We thank the Lord. He points out our problems so that we know what they are. We will then be aware of them when we appropriate the victory of Christ and stop troubles caused by the enemy.

The Seven Letters to the Churches in the Book of Revelation

I believe many brothers and sisters are very familiar with the contents of the seven letters to the churches in the Book of Revelation. We know the Lord spoke very clearly to these churches. Superficially, the letters seem to reveal merely the general spiritual conditions of the churches, of their failures or their resolves to withstand. Yet we clearly know that, in those letters, the Lord also revealed plainly what was in His heart. Five of those churches were rebuked by the Lord. Two of them were very slightly praised by Him. Strictly speaking (forgive me for saying "strictly"), those letters give us the feeling that those churches were all in a state of weakness. The churches as a whole did not substantially fulfill what the Lord had committed them. Why do I say that? Brothers and sisters, we will understand what the situation was if we pay just a bit more attention. I particularly mentioned the two churches that were not rebuked. Was the Lord really

satisfied with them? Yes, in a way but we dare not say He was very satisfied. You can feel this for yourselves. Why? It was because the Lord was still expecting something more from these two churches. What was He waiting for? He was waiting for them to attain the uttermost victory. This shows that the Lord did not remove or lower the standard of His call for overcomers even in these two churches. We thus see that the whole Church needs the mercy of the Lord. Even those two churches could not remain in a static condition. Yes, they pleased the Lord but not to the extent that the Lord was completely pleased. This is something worthy of our attention before the Lord.

Lessons learned from the Seven Churches

As we read those seven letters, we sense that the Lord was also pointing out very seriously the reasons for the extent of failure of the five churches (but may be not all five failed completely) in the same way the Lord pointed out the reasons for praise of the other two, regardless of the degree of their fall. We will attempt to discover the reasons in both cases for we who wait before the Lord will then know what lessons we need to learn. We will know how we can come to a condition whereby the Lord can be even more satisfied. In the context of the theme of this Conference, the attempt is to find out how we can be led to a condition that will allow the will of the Lord to be fully recovered in the Church. In encountering this issue, brothers and sisters need only consider it from one point of view for, if you know what it is and flip over to the opposite view, you will comprehend what will lead you to the condition that will most please the Lord.

Did not Holdfast the Position of the Lord and not Honor the Position of Lord

Brothers and sisters, it is plain the weaknesses in all the seven churches can be summarized into two facts which I will now attempt to outline. The first is that they did not holdfast the position of the Lord in the churches. The second arises out of the first and concerns the practical issues of how the first was manifested. In what ways did they not honour the position of Lord? In what matters was this manifested? It was that they did not honour the Word of the Lord. Even though these are two separate issues, they are, strictly speaking, two sides of the same coin. Let us go into this a little more. In what ways did they not honour the position of the Lord? Brothers and sisters, you notice clearly that there is an issue here. In the falling short of the Church, it is not that they did not know or hear His Word. Even with God's people in the Old Testament times, whether the Israelites or the Judeans, did they not know before their captivity what would happen to them? Did they not understand what God had been speaking again and again to them? You cannot deny that they were aware of these for God had spoken to them continuously through many prophets. God's words were very clear and without a single jot of ambiguity. It was this: "You will be taken into captivity." Have they not heard both the Israelite and the Judeans?

They have heard it all. Yet to have heard is one thing and to heed His Word is another. Thus when God listed their shortcomings, their response was that they were very comfortable as things were. "It is sufficient for us as long as we feel comfortable now." This was the manifestation of the spiritual condition of Israel and Judah before their captivity. They could have complained before God had He not warned them beforehand. "God, You said You love us. Why did You not warn us of the captivity beforehand?"

Were they qualified to say this? No, they could not. They could not do that because God spoke to them, not once or twice, but many, many times. Yet, even though they heard, the message did not make any impression in them. Why? The issue was not whether they had heard. Their ears had indeed heard but the problem was that they had not given the Lord His rightful place in their hearts.

Brothers and sisters, if you read the book of Jeremiah, you see this clearly. When the scroll containing the recorded words of Jehovah to Jeremiah was sent to the king, the king was told plainly that those were words from God to him concerning Judah and the problems facing the people. When the king was faced with those words, did he submit to the words with a repentant heart? No. Not only that, he displayed an absolutely rebellious attitude. There was a fire burning in the hearth at that time probably because of the cold. The king cut up the scroll recording God's Word and threw it into the fire. Brothers and sisters, this was the condition of the people of Judah before God. Was it just the people of Judah behaving like this? When we read the seven letters to the churches, we discover the Church has also fallen into a similar weakness. Just like what our brother mentioned this afternoon. If men still honour the position of God, how can Satan continue to maintain a presence in the Church? How can the teachings of Jezebel be still able to control the Church? How can conditions exist such that the presence of the Lord is unable to abide with His children in the Church? On the contrary, those who call on his Name are being ushered out of Her door.

Brothers and sisters, when you see the existence of such phenomena, you can be sure that the people of God have heard His words and knows what God will do. Yet they still do not honour the position of God in their midst. He is not Lord to them. Their contention is that it makes no difference whether the Lord is there or not. Such persons feel that in the set up of the churches, they themselves are the lord and they themselves are the ones who are in charge. When such thoughts exist in men, the Lord will be pushed out of the door and Satan takes over the rightful position that belongs to the Lord. Brothers and sisters, this is a very serious matter. If the position of the Lord is not honoured, naturally His words will not be listened to. If we have fallen into such a condition, how can the spiritual battle be fought? How can the course be run? There is no course to run and there is no strength to fight. Our brother reminded us of the need to put on the full armor of God. Yet we are unable to put it on because although we know of its existence, we do not feel we have anything to do with it. Although we know the path we should be on, there is another thought in our hearts, namely, there might be another way besides this one for us to travel on. This is indeed a very serious matter. In the seven letters to the churches, we see clearly why the Church has fallen into such a desolate state, so much so that She has lost the testimony of the Christ. Why is it no longer Christ and the Cross that people come face to face within the Church but other things that have replaced them?

Hasten after another Thing than God

This leads me naturally to think of the sharing meeting we had last Sunday. A brother shared something from his heart. He has not believed in the Lord for very long but he had a longing for the Lord. His sharing concerned a news item which some brothers and sisters might have come across too. It was either a newspaper item or it was news shown

on the TV. I cannot remember which but I have read an article about it and believe it happened somewhere in the east coast. There was a statue of Jesus erected in the front of a church building. They called the statue "Touchdown Jesus" because the expression on its face showed joy and excitement while the hands were raised high up just like that of a player overjoyed after a touchdown. Many people coming to the area will go and see this statue because it is considered to be a piece of art. Then one day, there was lightening and the statue was struck. Nothing was left of the statue except for a broken iron frame, a picture of which was published in a newspaper. This cast a doubt in the mind of our brother, namely, why did God not protect His own image? If God did not protect this image of a touchdown, how could one attest that He is real? We thank the Lord. He was very quickly enlightened. He thought that if this statue was not struck down, what was the implication by it being placed there? When you go back to the Old Testament, God made it quite plain that no image should be made of Him. Here you have men making an image, even an image of a touchdown-like Jesus, attracting visitors from many places just to go and view this figure. Our brother's heart was illuminated and he thought: "Will God acknowledge that this is His image? Even for us, we will not acknowledge it but men would assume this is how God looked like." Of course it has to be destroyed. We thank our Lord. Can you imagine that members of that church have never read the Ten Commandments before? Even if they had not read them, they must have heard about them. Although we live in the New Testament times and the letters of the Old Testament do not directly affect us, yet we still have to pay attention to the spirit behind the Law. God does not make Him known to us through any images but He enables us to accept by faith that He is the highest God. He does not want us to recognize Him through any material thing and say this is our God. However, here are men who are bold enough to display the figure of a touchdown Jesus. We have nothing to say to this but we are able to see from this example what dishonoring the position of God means. How can we understand the Word of God if we do not honour His position? If we do not obey His Word and regard what He says as nothing serious, then the Church will certainly become desolate. The Church will certainly be unable to face the spiritual battle. Neither can the Church walk the path the Lord has trod. We thank our God. Often times, He awakens our spirit through various means.

God has placed us in a Glorious Position

Let us not occupy ourselves with so many discouraging things. Let us go back and consider the position God has placed us in when we were redeemed. I mentioned to brothers and sisters yesterday that God redeemed us in order to bring us back to His original purpose of creating man. That purpose is for man to become the manifestation of God's glory and to be the channel for the execution of His authority. Yet you and I are but dust of the earth. Not only that, we are not even earth but worse than earth because of our disobedience. If you do not believe you are like this, all you need is to do an experiment. This experiment is very common even though it is in rather bad taste. Yet it confirms that we are made of dust. What do you find each time when you scrub yourself during a bath? It is sufficient when you realize this. What can you boast? We are but dust of the earth.

We thank and praise our Lord. God brought us back through redemption to a position too high for our reckoning.

Restored to the Position of Sons

We also mentioned that we have been restored to the position of sons in glory in order to fulfill His purpose in creating man. Even if that purpose of creating man has already been completely fulfilled and, forgives me for saying this, even if we have been brought back to our original state, the scope of such manifestation is really confined only to this earth. Brothers and sisters, you may consider that surely this is enough for us. Now, the average size of the houses in California is small compared those in the east or mid west. Assume that you have a big house in California and you say you are quite happy with it. Still, it is nothing more than just a big house. But when you see the fulfillment of God's purpose in man, how vast is that accomplishment? It is the earth, the whole globe. You will say, "Should you not be satisfied with that?" Brothers and sisters, it is not for us to say whether we are satisfied. Our attention needs to be drawn to see what the devised plan of God is. We must then stand in the position of the Church to see God's work in us. Brothers and sisters, do we realize why God saved us? The more we look into the Lord's heart, the more we know that there is no reason whatsoever for us to be satisfied with a mere personal salvation. Of course, a personal salvation is very important for that is the way of restoration to God for each and every one of us. That is the starting point. If this starting point is incorrect, then everything else is incorrect. That is why this starting point is so very important. We thank and praise the Lord. When God leads us step by step into His glorious arrangement, our salvation is only a very small part of His entire work in us. Borrowing an example in the Chinese language, it is a mere dot in the writing of a complete Chinese word. If you write Chinese and you have just finished your first dot of the whole character, no one knows what the word is. It is meaningless. We thank and praise our Lord. When he began that first dot, He did not stop there. He continued to work according to His will. Step by step He continues to work until it is no longer a dot but a complete word.

Now that we know the meaning, we can come back to the arrangement God has. We who have been saved by grace have been baptized by the Holy Spirit into one Body. In this Body of Christ, we draw on and inherit the riches of God. Brothers and sisters, you may ask this. What is the difference between me having my own personal salvation as an individual and my enjoying the riches of God in the Body? If we do not understand the way God works, we will feel that there is no difference between my personal salvation as an individual and the coming to church to meet with many other members with similar spiritual experiences. Brothers and sisters, we must not think in this way. It is only when we truly comprehend the Body of Christ that we know how vast and profound is God's purpose in us. You recall that I said this. If the purpose of God has already been fulfilled in us when we were created, then the boundary of His creation is limited only to the confines of this earth. However, if God's love for us is such that it is His intention to include us into His design of the universe, then we see why God is so very gracious to us who were originally from dust. How has He been gracious to us then? If you read the epistle to the Ephesians, you will find something very amazing. Even if we use our clever brains and the exceedingly brilliant minds of the most famous scientists with their vanguard equipments, none of us would have been able to fathom the vastness of the universe. When we realize this, we will be able to comprehend a little of how great our

salvation is. Was it yesterday or today, we sang a hymn speaking of the glorious return of the Lord. One of the lines in that hymn was very meaningful. It says that, then and only then, do we realize how great our salvation is. Those words are indeed true but they still do not fully describe what condition we shall be in.

We must not wander off too far from our present subject but if we go back to Ephesians chapter one and see what it says about the eternal purpose of God, we see, firstly, how God accomplished His eternal purpose through His own Son. This will become even clearer when we take into account of what is said in the letter to the Colossians, namely, God wants His Son to become the Lord over all creation. The question is how vast is all creation? We do not have an answer. Neither do the scientists. Only God Himself holds the answer. However, we are capable of understanding a little bit. Why? For through the limited knowledge we have today, we know this universe is infinitely infinite. We thank and praise our God. In this midst of this infinite infinity, God made one proclamation. He declared that in the dispensation of the fullness of the times, He might gather together in one all things in Christ. Brothers and sisters, I have already mentioned this. In our present state, it is impossible for us to grasp this concept of infinity. But we thank God. He will one day gather together in one all things in Christ Jesus. We do not at present understand completely this concept of “all” but on that day which is to come, men will surely, with confidence, understand what “infinity” includes and implies. What we ought to be sure of now is that today, this glorious act has already been declared.

Let me side track a little at this point. Why does Satan take such drastic steps to oppose God and those who follow Him? Think about it. Satan wants to usurp the position from God. You know how great and important this position is. But we thank God for Satan is sure to fail. Let us go back to this situation we have been considering. How is God going to gather together in one all things in Christ when the time comes? As far as we are concerned, we are absolutely unqualified to do it because we do not even know how vast this “all” is. How can we control it and make it submit to one authority? Thanks be to God. As soon as we look at the Son of God, we see He manifested one fact very clearly. When He rose from the dead and ascended, our Lord made one statement. “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.” In other words, the whole universe is in His hands. Therefore, He is absolutely qualified to gather together in one all things in Him. Not only is He qualified, He is guaranteed to succeed.

How does He Gather Together in One all Things in Christ

The question is how will our Lord carry this out? You will not even have imagined that it will be like this. It will not be by any special arrangements but it will be through you and me who have been saved by grace. Brothers and sisters go home and read carefully chapter one of the letters to the Ephesians. Though it may have slipped through your attention before but now that this has been pointed out to you, it is easy to discover the secret. You may be surprised why you have missed this point even though you have read this passage so many times before. Thank the Lord; for when His time comes, your attention will be drawn whether or not you purposely seek to find out. You will discover that God reveals to us His desire to have gathered together in one all things in Christ. How will He do this? Ephesians tells us that this glorious act is accomplished and

becomes a reality through us *who first trusted in Christ*. It is from this that God goes on to say that He will gather together in one all things in Christ. As you read further, you will discover that this praise, this praise of His glory, begins with those who first trusted in Him. Now, who are these who first trusted in Christ? Of course, you are included in there and so am I. All who have been saved by grace are included in there. Corporately speaking, this is the Body of Christ. This is the Church.

Now you see from which point we have to begin the recovery of the glorious testimony of Christ. Of course it should begin with our individual spiritual pursuit. This is something that should have our attention. For if the individual is right, the corporate will also be right. The corporate body is right because each individual making up that body is right. We thank and praise our God. He shows us clearly those who first trusted in Christ is the first step to the fulfillment of God's glorious purpose.

The Order in completing God's Eternal Propose

If we are to consider this in the light of the stages of development of the eternal plan of God, the Kingdom is brought in when the Church is completed. We heard this afternoon about the Gospel of the Kingdom and that we were saved by grace for the Kingdom. This is so whether we know anything about the Kingdom or not. God has put us in that position at the moment when we were saved by grace. But how can the Kingdom are brought to appear? Israel cannot turn back their history. In order that the Kingdom may appear, God has replaced the Israelites with the Church to finish off what the Israelites have not been able to fulfill. We thank God. When the Church grows to maturity on earth, the Kingdom will be brought in. When the Church is able to fully manifest in the Kingdom the authority of God, then the new heaven and new earth will appear. When you see the New Jerusalem, you see the glorious Church. That is the Church in glory. When all these are accomplished, the gathering together in one all things in Christ will become a fact. We thank and praise the Lord. From our personal salvation, we see what a noble position we have been placed in. From the maturity of the Body of Christ, we see the stage of fulfillment of the eternal will of God.

God is Waiting for Us

Brothers and sisters. We cannot say too much on this for there is not much time left. On the one hand, the day of the Lord's return is getting nearer and nearer. On the other hand, the time allotted to me this evening is nearly gone even though much has been left unsaid. But, brothers and sisters, we should now be able to appreciate one thing. When we understand this glorious will of God and as we consider how we are to wait upon Him to guide us through our spiritual journey, we will know the way by which our spiritual experiences come about. As we look ahead to consider how the crown of righteousness is received, we will realize the glorious arrangement that God has originally made for each one of us. When we see this glorious arrangement, we can only confess that we are still indeed in a stage of desolation. Our God is still waiting for us to catch up with what is in His heart. Even though we are unable to do great things, we should at least be able, at least in our hearts, to be mindful of His will. Therefore we look unto the Lord that, while we are still on earth, we will choose this eternal will to determine how we are to go forward and follow Him.

We thank and praise God. We are all willing to wait until the day we see God face to face when we will hear the Lord saying to us: “You are good and faithful servants. Come in and enjoy all my joy and abundance.” Brothers and sisters. What is “good”? It refers to those who have totally submitted to the authority of God. In the eyes of God, they are good people because they live completely under the Lord’s authority, teachings and direction. You are also faithful servants. What is “faithful”? It is when we have not lost a single bit of what God has entrusted us which we cannot account to the Lord. We thank and praise the Lord. We are foolish people. We are but dust. Now that God has placed us in the midst of such a glorious will, we realize how He longs for us to manifest the testimony of Christ. The end result of this testimony is the complete fulfillment of God’s glorious will under conditions that totally satisfy God.

May the Lord enable us to realize how noble we are. Our brothers shared with us that we were fighting a noble fight. Of course it is noble. Not only is that “will” noble, we ourselves as individuals are noble. May the Lord make us aware not only the abundance of His grace but also that we can never find anything on earth comparable to this grace that we have inherited. May all the glory be to the Lord. And may the blessings from God undertake us to finish the course that we have to finish so that we, like Paul, can receive the crown of righteousness from the hands of the Lord. That promise of God is not only for Paul but also for you. Of course, that includes me as well. Let us all look unto the Lord.

Prayer

Lord, we bow our heads and worship You. For you have indeed done a wonderful thing. You have allowed us who are from the dust of the earth to receive from You such supreme grace and such a wonderful ending that will satisfy Your heart and fulfill Your will. Lord, we are nothing but you have been so gracious to us. As those who are learning to follow Your footsteps completely, may we be able to enjoy the fullness of Your grace. Deliver us from our self. Deliver us from the attractions of this world. Deliver us from all people, occasions and matters that have nothing to do with You. May our Lord be satisfied because of us and that we may also rejoice with You because you are pleased with us. We want to say with one accord that all praise, thanksgiving, glory and adoration be to the Lord. We pray all this in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.