

# VOICE OF THE VISION

## KNOWING AND GROWING Through God's Word



### Deuteronomy 29:29 (KJV)

The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.

### Psalms 119:105 (KJV)

Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.

Christians should know the Bible for many reasons, but the primary one is because God is its author.

All Bible students know that God is the:

#### • Creator

#### Genesis 1:1 (KJV)

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

#### • Redeemer

#### Isaiah 60:16 (KJV)

Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and thou shalt know that I the Lord am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

#### • Judge

#### Genesis 18:25 (KJV)

That be far from Thee to do after this manner, to slay the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from Thee: Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

But do we think of Him as author of the Bible?

The Bible's practical benefits for us may well be summarized under two headings: knowing and growing.

The Bible proclaims the good news

of the Gospel that we might know God. It explains the will of God that all of us may grow spiritually before Him.

### Three (3) Things How God's Word Came to Us

#### 1. Revelation

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Revelation may be defined as the process by which God imparted to man the "truth," which he otherwise could not know.

The detail of the Creation in Genesis 1 and 2 is one example of revelation. As man was not created until the sixth day, we could not have possibly known the events occurring prior to this until God gave the facts to Moses.

We know that God spoke to the human authors of the Bible.

But just how did He speak? Was it in Hebrew? Was it in Greek? Or was it in angelic language?

- God spoke to them in their own language.

One of God's methods in communicating the Scripture is to reveal His message through dreams and visions.

### To the wise men

#### Matthew 2:12 (NKJV)

Then, being divinely warned in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed for their own country another way.

### Peter was given an instruction in a vision to minister to Cornelius.

#### Acts 10:10-16 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup>Then he became very hungry and wanted to eat; but while they made ready, he fell into a trance <sup>11</sup>and saw heaven opened and an object like a great sheet bound at the four corners, descending to him and let down to the earth. <sup>12</sup>In it were all kinds of four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, creeping things, and birds of the air. <sup>13</sup>And a voice came to him, "Rise, Peter; kill and eat." <sup>14</sup>But Peter said, "Not so, Lord! For I have never eaten anything common or unclean." <sup>15</sup>And a voice spoke to him again the second time, "What God has cleansed you must not call common." <sup>16</sup>This was done three times. And the object was taken up into heaven again.

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**Rev. Dr. William G. Sy**  
Head Pastor





**J**oy overflows as UCA and UCF gather for its Family Night at UCF Mt. Tabor Church Re-Creation Center last November 19, Tuesday. Attended by students, their families, and church members, the night was indeed filled with thanksgiving.

The workers prepared a delicious dinner for everyone, where all the participants had the chance to know each family. Meanwhile, the kids enjoyed the night swimming with Mt. Tabor's cool breeze. Rev. Dr. William Sy also encouraged them for family counseling after sharing his gratitude to everyone who accepted the invitation. They were also led to sing and to offer praises and adoration to the Lord.

To preach the gospel of Jesus Christ, various programs are created that draw students and their families, creating an opportunity for them to know the Lord in their lives. Praise God for His great move throughout the event!



## Special Dinner

Everyone spent a wonderful evening, enjoying good food and great company with teachers, parents, and students. This brought everyone together to share the goodness of the Lord.



Each one dines with other families, teachers, and church workers over sumptuous meals prepared for them.

**Romans 8:16-17**  
(NKJV)

<sup>16</sup>The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup>and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.



# Songs of Thanksgiving

After having a special dinner together as one family, all the participants sang praises of thanksgiving to the Lord. Led by the UCA faculty and staff, the chapel was filled with declaration that God is truly good all the time.



All the participants are blessed by the Lord and are reminded of God's goodness and faithfulness. Even the kids clap, dance, and sing praises to the Lord for all that He has done.



## Night Swimming

The kids enjoyed swimming with their schoolmates and newfound friends. They were not bothered by the cold weather, but they had fun dipping in the cool and refreshing water.



## Group Games

Fun games also ensured that each family will bond and get to know each other. The activities challenged their teamwork to win and take home shared prizes.



And now, little children, abide in Him, that when He appears, we may have confidence and not be ashamed before Him at His coming.

1 John 2:28  
(NKJV)



MT. TABOR CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

## PAGMAMAHAL mula sa Diyos

**M**ahalaga na ang mga anak ng Diyos ay nagtitipon-tipon upang manatiliang pagpapalakasan ng bawat isa bilang mga mananampalataya. Kaya naman sa pangunguna ni Rev. Dr. William Sy, siya ay nagbahagi ng Salita ng Diyos na makakatulong sa kapatiran sa kanilang paglakad sa Panginoon. Nagkaroon din ng masayang salo-salo ang bawat isang dumalo, dama ang pag-ibig ng Diyos at ng kapatiran.



Bukod sa Salita ng Panginoon na binabahagi ni Rev. Dr. Sy, ang kapatiran ay masayang nagpapatotoo ng kabutihan ng Diyos sa kanilang mga buhay.

WATER BAPTISM

## PAGTANGGAP AT PAGESUNOD sa Panginoon

Ilan sa ating kapatiran ang nagdesisyon nang sumunod sa ating Panginoong Hesus at sumailalim sa bawtismo sa tubig noong Nobyembre 23, Sabado sa Mt. Tabor Church.

Isang mapagpalang araw ang nasaksihan ng panambahan para sa mga kapatid sa Panginoong nagnais na talikuran ang kanilang lumang buhay at maging tagasunod ng ating Panginoong Hesus. Kaya naman patuloy tayong magsumikap na ipangaral ang kaligtasan ng Panginoong Hesus upang ang mga nasumpungan ng ating Panginoon ay tuluyang makalapit sa Kaniya.

### WELCOME TO THE FAMILY OF GOD!

1. Rhona A. De Sagun
2. Nely C. Gamueta
3. Mary Jane D. Petate
4. Michael C. Petate
5. Luzviminda A. Quilao

Buong galak na sumunod ang mga anak ng Diyos sa Panginoon at buong pusong idineklara ang kanilang pananampalataya sa Panginoong Hesus.



Bago ang bawtismo sa tubig, ang kapatiran ay pinaalalahanan ng sinasabi ng Bibliya sa pagbabawtismo sa tubig at sila rin ay ipinanalangin ng pastor.

Romans 15:13  
(NKJV)

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.



IN-DEPTH STUDY

# PAGLAGO SA SALITA NG *Diyos*

**S**a patuloy na pag-aaral ng Salita ng Diyos, ang mga nagsipagdalo, ay patuloy rin sa pagtuklas ng mga turo ng Panginoon na kanilang maisasabuhay sa kanilang lakad sa Panginoon sa pagpapatuloy ng *In-depth Study* noong Nobyembre 22.

Sa pangunguna ni Rev. Dr. William Sy tinalakay Niya ang kahalagahan ng pagsunod sa purong Salita ng Diyos sa ating mga puso. Ito ay mahalaga sapagkat bilang mga nakakilala na sa Panginoon, tayo ay dadaan pa rin sa mga pagsubok at ang ating dapat na maging gabay ay ang Salita ng Panginoon. At bilang pagpapasalamat sa ating Diyos, naghandog rin ng awit ng pasasalamat at pagsamba ang buong panambahan.

Umuwi muling busog sa Salita at mensahe ng Panginoon ang bawat isa, at puno ng pag-asang nagmumula sa ating Diyos na tapat.

*Ang presensya ng Panginoon ay naranasan ng kapatiran sa kanilang pagdakila at pagpupuri sa Kaniya.*



*Ang pagbabad sa Salita ng Panginoon ang Siyang naranasan ng mga nagsipagdalo. Baon ng bawat isa ang mga bagong rebelasyon ng Panginoon sa kanilang mga puso.*



**"Hindi nangako ang Diyos na wala kang magiging problema, pagsubok o kaaway, pero nangako Siya na hindi ka Niya iiwan."**

*Rev. Dr. William Sy*

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

**2 Corinthians 3:18  
(NKJV)**



## Knowing and...

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### Ananias was sent to meet Paul.

#### Acts 9:10-18 (NKJV)

<sup>10</sup>Now there was a certain disciple at Damascus named Ananias; and to him the Lord said in a vision, "Ananias." And he said, "Here I am, Lord." <sup>11</sup>So the Lord said to him, "Arise and go to the street called Straight, and inquire at the house of Judas for one called Saul of Tarsus, for behold, he is praying. <sup>12</sup>And in a vision he has seen a man named Ananias coming in and putting his hand on him, so that he might receive his sight." <sup>13</sup>Then Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much harm he has done to Your saints in Jerusalem. <sup>14</sup>And here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who call on Your name." <sup>15</sup>But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. <sup>16</sup>For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake." <sup>17</sup>And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit. <sup>18</sup>Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized.

### 2. Inspiration

#### Isaiah 59:21 (NKJV)

"As for Me," says the Lord, "this is My covenant with them: My

Spirit who is upon you, and My words which I have put in your mouth, shall not depart from your mouth, nor from the mouth of your descendants, nor from the mouth of your descendants' descendants," says the Lord, "from this time and forevermore."

#### 2 Timothy 3:16 (KJV)

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

Divine inspiration logically follows divine revelation.

- In revelation, God speaks to man's ear.

- In inspiration, He guides the pen to ensure that the imparted message is correctly written down.

#### Note

The Bible authors understood that their writings were being guided by the Spirit of God even as they were writing them.

#### 2 Peter 1:20-21 (KJV)

<sup>20</sup>Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

### 3. Illumination

#### Proverbs 6:23 (KJV)

For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:

The vital step is illumination, the divine process whereby God

causes the written revelation to be understood by the human heart.

Illumination is needed because unsaved man is blinded both by his fallen nature and fleshly nature.

#### 1 Corinthians 2:14 (NKJV)

But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

#### By himself

#### 2 Corinthians 4:3-4 (NKJV)

<sup>3</sup>But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, <sup>4</sup>whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

The person behind this illumination is the Holy Spirit. Just prior His crucifixion, Christ promised to send the Holy Spirit, who would illuminate both the unsaved and the Christians.

#### John 16:8-11 (NKJV)

<sup>8</sup>And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: <sup>9</sup>of sin, because they do not believe in Me; <sup>10</sup>of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; <sup>11</sup>of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

#### John 14:26 (NKJV)

But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.

#### John 16:13-14 (NKJV)

<sup>13</sup>However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come. <sup>14</sup>He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and declare it to you.

Three thousand were saved after hearing Simon Peter preached Christ and the Cross, an example of the Holy Spirit using God's Word to illuminate sinners.

#### Acts 2:36-41 (NKJV)

<sup>36</sup>"Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." <sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" <sup>38</sup>Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call." <sup>40</sup>And with many other words he testified and exhorted them, saying, "Be saved from this perverse generation." <sup>41</sup>Then those who gladly received his word were baptized; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them.

### Conclusion

#### Psalms 119:11 (NKJV)

Your word I have hidden in my heart, That I might not sin against You.

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