November 20, 2026 – Friday ICSC Healing Service Message

Title: My Covenant Story and Healing **Scripture:** Genesis 13:18

> "So Abram moved his tent and came and settled by the oaks of Mamre, which are at Hebron, and there he built an altar to the LORD."

Opening Remarks

Because we share healing-related messages every Friday, I believe God will heal us. God has given us His Word, so now it is up to us—and that means prayer. If we continue to pray for healing and answers, He will grant them all. If we pray for salvation, He will save us. Without these answers, what would become of us? Nothing would work out.

There is common grace. No matter how wickedly people act, God never takes this away prematurely. God acts according to His promise. What He has spoken never turns back, and there is an appointed time for that promise. He has already written what He will do when that time comes, and He will do it exactly as written.

Until that time arrives, no matter how much people curse or rebel against Him, He does not withdraw His grace. The reason is to let them know that He is a God who keeps His promises. You will see this when the end times come. He said that at the very end, He will take back everything He freely gave. After that point, no matter how desperately people beg for grace, there will be no grace at all.

The parable of the ten virgins illustrates this. Five virgins went off to buy oil. Whether they managed to get it or not, when they returned and asked for the door to be opened, He refused to open it. At that moment, God did not say, "You are late"; He said, "I do not know who you are." Therefore, those whom God knows are the ones who receive salvation. Those who lack faith during the appointed time are people God does not know. Realizing this quickly is what is called wisdom. Those who only realize it on that final day will weep and wail in desperation. At that time, God will seem utterly relentless—no matter how much they cry, He will never grant grace. Instead, before that time expires, He Himself came and died nailed to the cross. Think about what it means to be nailed there until death. Before the time is up, He gives us this grace, but even one second past it, there is no grace at all. I hope you are grateful that He has called you by such grace. Dedicate your entire life to Him, and there will be lifelong blessings. May this blessing be upon you today.

My Covenant Story and Healing

I will deliver this message based on the Business Missions message.

Introduction

1. My Life Story

1. **"With so many pastors, why are churches closing?"** We have often heard in messages what Pastor Ryu thought about at his seminary graduation. This became his life story—in other words, the covenant of his life. It was deeply imprinted in his heart. Along with that, he spoke of something else.
2. **He spoke of the 7 Watchtowers, Journeys, and Guideposts.** This is his life story. It was a tremendous covenant and a turning point. From that point on, God began to work in him, and God's desire entered deeply into his heart. He can tell anyone, "It started from that moment." From the moment this covenant entered him, he expressed it as his "life story." This phrase has been around for a long time. Within this story, he told us to do three things.
3. **The Three Prayers:** Within the turning point of your life, you must receive the Word and continually follow it. When you do, it is fulfilled, and you become a witness to this covenant. Evangelism must always be present. He is sharing how he has lived his life. As we hear this, there is something we must once again take to heart.
4. **When problems come, focus absolutely on God.** That is, lay the problem before God and concentrate on Him completely. He said that when you do, the answer is guaranteed to come—God's power, which has nothing to do with our own ability, comes upon us. He was sharing his journey from the very beginning up to now.

Even though he had a long history before that, he says his true starting point was after God gave him the covenant of world evangelization. We need to have this too. That is why he told us to ask ourselves: *"What is my life story?"* Try asking yourself that, and organize it. It is completely different from just living a flat, ordinary life. This must become a guidepost—a guidepost connected to God's desire. As we pass through life, we must head toward world evangelization. In the Core Message, he said the standard of the absolute journey is the **237 nations and 5,000 tribes**. The **Three Eras** also appear there as the standard: the Three Courtyards, the Friday-Saturday-Sunday era, and the Meditation era. When I quietly think about it, this message of the Three Eras might last forever. Since we started by God's grace, we must be resolved. Especially ministers and elders, make up your minds. Haven't many of us received God's grace? We must stake our lives on this and walk the absolute journey of the Three Eras.

When it becomes the absolute journey of my life, it leads to the conquest of that absolute journey—an absolute journey where answers like the absolute conquests in the Bible come. What is the number one standard? The 237 nations. Anything that does not align with globalization—even a business—is unnecessary. He mentioned things that happened along the way, highlighting the major moments. He had done plenty of evangelism movements before—at least 10 to 15 years before graduating—but if he had to pinpoint the true turning point when God gave him the Word, it was that graduation ceremony.

Although many years have passed since then and he has done much for world evangelization, if he had to name the turning point, it is this: **777**. This is a crucial turning point, and it is impossible without receiving the Word. Because God gave the Word and he received it, prayer

naturally continued, doors of evangelism opened, and he became a witness. This is a very important message and inevitably an immensely significant turning point.

Even while doing this work, problems kept coming. He found that trying to explain things only brought more problems. There is no one to talk to, and discussing it with others doesn't work. There is only One: **God!** He staked his life and focused on Him. As a result, without a single exception, answers came. He said that while he was just doing this, every problem was resolved by God's power, which he himself did not even fully understand. That is a life story. He can go anywhere and share this, telling anyone that this alone is enough. Even if ours isn't as grand, don't we all have one? What I envy most is the pastor's turning point. From that point on, I have mine too, because I learned the Gospel from him. There must be this kind of timetable before the Gospel enters us; I think of his as the original timetable.

However, after that, don't we all have our own? Depending on the person, there are big ones and small ones. It is worth organizing your life once. If you meet someone, do you have something you can say you lived for? To what extent is it connected to the 237 nations? Is it concretely applied to the Three Eras? That is what this is about.

2. Today, before we pray, we must confirm three things:

1. **Liberation from curses.** This is certain. It can never be overturned.
2. **The gates of Hades cannot prevail against us.** This is amazing, and it is something we must always confirm.
3. **We have received the key.** This key is Christ. It opens every door in heaven and on earth. The cause is *me*. The cause was not the Philistines; it was Israel. If I restore God's desire and covenant, blessings come automatically. That is why the word we brought today is **healing**. I hope today becomes a day when you receive healing from God.

Main Body

There are many examples of this in the Bible, including today's passage.

1. Genesis 13:18 – Abraham In Genesis 12, Abraham already built an altar twice. The altar in chapter 13 wasn't his first, so why is it emphasized?

1. **He staked everything and built an altar to God with all his heart.** He wasn't straddling two sides; he truly knelt down and built the altar.
2. When you look closely, it might seem like nothing special, yet without this process...
3. **The timetable of world evangelization does not come.** This is what Pastor Ryu said, and we all agree. Even before talking about world evangelization, if I do not have this heart, my prayers have no effect.
4. **We must receive it with the faith of "Only."** It is an altar of that caliber. This was Abraham's true beginning.

2. Genesis 32:23–32 – Jacob's Greatest Problem

1. **The peak moment of his life:** He returned as a wealthy man. All he had to do was get past his brother, but his brother was blocking his way.
2. **He wrestled with God in prayer all night long.** You might think God could have just forgiven him and let it go, yet God refused all night. God wanted to bless Jacob, so He was telling him to change. Yet Jacob was still clinging on, trying to receive answers through humanism.
3. **In the end, he received a lifelong answer.** He became lame—his hip socket was struck and dislocated, and he limped for the rest of his life. From Jacob's perspective, this was a lifelong answer. Every morning when he woke up and walked, he would remember his humanism. Paul called his own affliction a "thorn of Satan." Although the meaning is slightly different, the role is the same. God told Paul, *"My grace is sufficient for you,"* telling him not to ask about it anymore. Paul caught on to what that meant. From then on, he stopped praying about it and instead boasted in his weaknesses. He realized God's will: it was his area of deficiency, and because of it, he relied on God even more, and God gave him even greater grace. Even though it is recorded in the Bible, Paul was a truly remarkable person—because there is hardly anyone like him among us. Even if someone told us our current suffering is "Paul's thorn," very few would accept it. Paul was a great man who possessed something worthy of receiving God's blessing.
4. **Ultimately, God blessed him and changed his name to Israel.** For the rest of his life, Jacob would tell others, *"This happened to me on that day, and God forgave me and even changed my name."* If anyone asked Jacob why he believed in God, he would testify, *"This is why I believe."* It is a story worth telling. That is why it is called a life story and a covenant story.

Abraham's journey began at that moment; God's Word must have been deeply embedded in him because he truly laid everything down, knelt before God, and prayed. For Jacob as well, it was an unforgettable covenant and experience for life.

3. Genesis 37:1–11 – Joseph (From the Beginning)

1. **He received a sure covenant.** As mentioned in the introduction, who did the 7 Remnants learn from? They learned directly from God. Both their prayer and their covenant were learned directly from God. That is why Joseph was a Spiritual Summit from a young age.
2. **He was a Spiritual Summit, and later, when he went into the field, he was a Spiritual Emperor.** Even the king could not move without him.
3. **He saved his family, his nation, and his era.** If you asked Joseph, who achieved all this, *"What did you receive from God?"*—what would he say?
4. **He would be a witness to the covenant story.** It is an amazing story of healing—the story of how God healed his family and his nation. Do you have a life story like this? Shouldn't we have one too? Pastor Ryu says, *"This is how I have lived, and that is why I am a witness."* He is telling us to use this as a reference, organize our own stories, and plant them in our hearts once again.

Conclusion – What Is My Life Story?

1. **What is my life story?** What is the turning point of my life? If someone asks me, do I have an answer to say, *"This is who God is to me"*? This can become the condition for our healing. Joseph was healed in this way, and he saved not only himself, but his family, his nation, and his era. Joseph probably could never forget that day for the rest of his life—he could never forget the experience and what he received that evening. It became a tremendous foundation for his life, just as it was for Abraham and Pastor Ryu.
2. **Healing:** We must think about the grace we have received and give thanks. When we organize it and give thanks, amazing healing takes place. Those who are not yet healed need healing because this has not happened in them yet. Satan keeps deceiving us. I pray that this is restored tonight. When gratitude enters a person with spiritual problems, they are healed immediately.
3. **Grace:** Within the covenant, there will be the answers of victory and conquest.