你們是我的見證 YOU ARE MY WITNESSES

在以賽亞書第四十三章耶和華說、 「你們是我的見證、我所揀選的僕人。 既是這樣、便可以知道、且信服我、又 明白我就是耶和華、在我以前沒有真 神、在我以後也必沒有。」

什麼是見證的意思呢?見證就是神要藉著人把祂自己彰顯出來、表明出來。主耶穌是第一個偉大的見證人的見證出來,把在萬有之上所見所聞的見。 證出來。現在主已經復活升天了,然臨在我們身上且住在我們裏面,而要一個祂的見 讀用擴大下去。神要得著每一個祂應在我們身上,成為祂的見證。 我們身上的見證呢?

一、作耶穌復活的見證

二、作基督生命的見證

老約翰在約翰壹書裏一開頭就說到 永遠的生命,「這生命已經顯現出來、 我們也看見過、現在又作見證、將原與 父同在、且顯現與我們那永遠的生命、 In the 43rd chapter of the book of Isaiah, it says: "You are My witnesses, declares the Lord, and my servant whom I have chosen, in order that you may know and believe Me, and understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, and there will be none after Me."

What does the word "witness" mean? Witness means that God wants to manifest Himself, or to express Himself through man. Lord Jesus was the first witness of God. He came from heavenly places and manifested what was heavenly. Now the Lord has risen and ascended into heaven, but this work of witnessing continues. Actually, this work has been expanded because the Holy Spirit has come upon us believers through whom God is manifested. Indeed, God wants to use everyone of us to be His witness. Then, the question is in what ways we should be His witnesses.

I. To be the Witness of Jesus' Resurrection

On the day of Pentecost, Peter and eleven other disciples rose up and proclaimed: "...This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses..." At that time, those who saw the resurrected Lord all became His witnesses. The power in that one accord witness brought salvation to three thousands to five thousands of people. Likewise, we all bear the same testimony today. Even though we do not see the Lord with our physical eyes, we know clearly that this living Lord lives in our heart. Just as a hymn says: "You ask me how I know He lives, He lives in my heart." The Lord indeed walks with us, talks with us along life

narrow way. Every moment and every day, we experience His presence and know He truly lives. Therefore, we should be the witnesses of the resurrected Lord.

II. To be the Witness of the Life of Christ

In the beginning of the book of First John, dear old John said: "...the life was manifested, and we have seen and bear witness and proclaim to you the eternal life, which was with the Father and was manifested to us." This life is the life of Jesus who

三、作身體愛的見證

主耶穌在為我們受死之前我賜給我 們們一條新的也是最重要的命令,「乃 是叫你們彼此相愛·我怎樣愛你們、你 們也要怎樣相愛。」(約 13:34) 我們 若有彼此相愛的心, 眾人就會認出我們 是主的門徒,這就是身體見證的顯出。 約翰在他的書信中提到這個命令,「不 愛他所看見的弟兄、就不能愛沒有看見 的神。 愛神的、也當愛弟兄、這是我 們從神所受的命令。」(約壹 4:20-21)彼得在書信中說到在末世萬物的結 局近了的時候,特別提醒我們,「最要 緊的是彼此切實相愛·因為愛能遮掩許 多的罪。」(彼前 4:8) 保羅是一生活 出基督愛的見證的人,他在羅馬書十三 章說, 「凡事都不可虧欠人、惟有彼 此相愛、要常以為虧欠·因為愛人的就 完全了律法。」這句話說出彼此相愛的 命令含蓋了整個律法的精義,惟有我們 彼此相愛才能滿足神的心。

was the Word became flesh. This life overcame all foes, and is the glorious life He received on the throne. We receive this life the moment we believe in Him. God works on and changes us throughout the days of our lives so that people can see Him on lowly people like us. The secret of living as the witness of His life is the actualization of the truth of "No longer I but Christ who lives." Therefore, on one hand, we should believe the truth of crucifixion with Christ; on the other hand, we should accept God's in-depth work of the cross on our self-lives.

III. To be the Witness of Love

Lord Jesus gave us one last commandment just before His crucifixion. He wanted us to love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another." (John 13:34) People will know that we are His disciples when we love one another. That is the witness of love. John indicated in his letter to church that "... for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, can not love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also."(I John 4:20-21) Peter also reminded us in his letter when talking about the ending of all things was near: above all, keep fervent in your love for one another. because love covers a multitude of sins."(I Peter 4:8) Paul constantly manifested as the witness of the love of Christ ever since he came to know the Lord. That is why he said in the book of Romans that "Owe nothing to anyone except to love one another; for he who loves his neighbor has fulfilled the law." This verse clearly tells us that only when we love one another, can we fulfill he meaning of the law and truly satisfy the Father's heart.