



Face2Face News

The Determination to Love the Lord

By Serena Jing, January 2021

With the arrival of the new year, perhaps you are saddened by your past decisions and actions that disappointed the Lord. Perhaps you were not faithful to the Lord, or perhaps you did something that broke His teachings, or perhaps your lifestyle may have contradicted The Lord's commands. Do not be overcome by fear when our actions failed The Lord Jesus. Come back to Him, confess and repent. He will not condemn you but embrace and guide you with His love and grace.

An example in the Bible was when Peter fled with the other disciples from the garden of Gethsemane, leaving the Lord. Yet, when The Lord came back He did not judge or condemn Peter, He expressed His love to Peter by asking him "Do you love me?" Therefore When The Lord asks us "Do you love me?" The response is up to us. If we say yes Lord, we must examine ourselves and willingly take action. Just as John 14:15 states "If you love me, keep my commands."

Last year, I needed to pass an costly English test to submit my immigration application. I had taken it five times but all failed. In addition to the emotional collapse, I was also under financial pressure. So at that time I doubted about the Lord Jesus. I didn't tell anyone about it. I wondered why he didn't answer my daily prayers. But I didn't give up going to the F2F online group every Tuesday. During the Bible study, the word of the Lord came into my heart little by little and more and more I can feel the strength of the Lord. I put my trust into HIM, not fix my eyes on the test. The English exam will continue this year, I asked the Lord help me focus on my study. I determined to love the Lord. No matter what happen to my exam, I will choose to love my Lord forever.

Praise & Prayer

- 1. Pray for Serena as she is preparing the English test. Ask the Lord give her good memory and clear mind so she can remember what she learned. Also pray that she will get the work permit as soon as possible.*
- 2. Praise the Lord that Tylar and Angel are able to lead their parents to study Bible in China. Ask for wisdom, grace and patience as many questions are addressed. Also, pray for the study visa for both of them as they are preparing come back to Canada in spring.*
- 3. Praise the Lord we almost finish to watch The Chosen. Pray the insights and the truth will be rooted in our hearts and will encourage us while we are walking along side with the international students.*

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