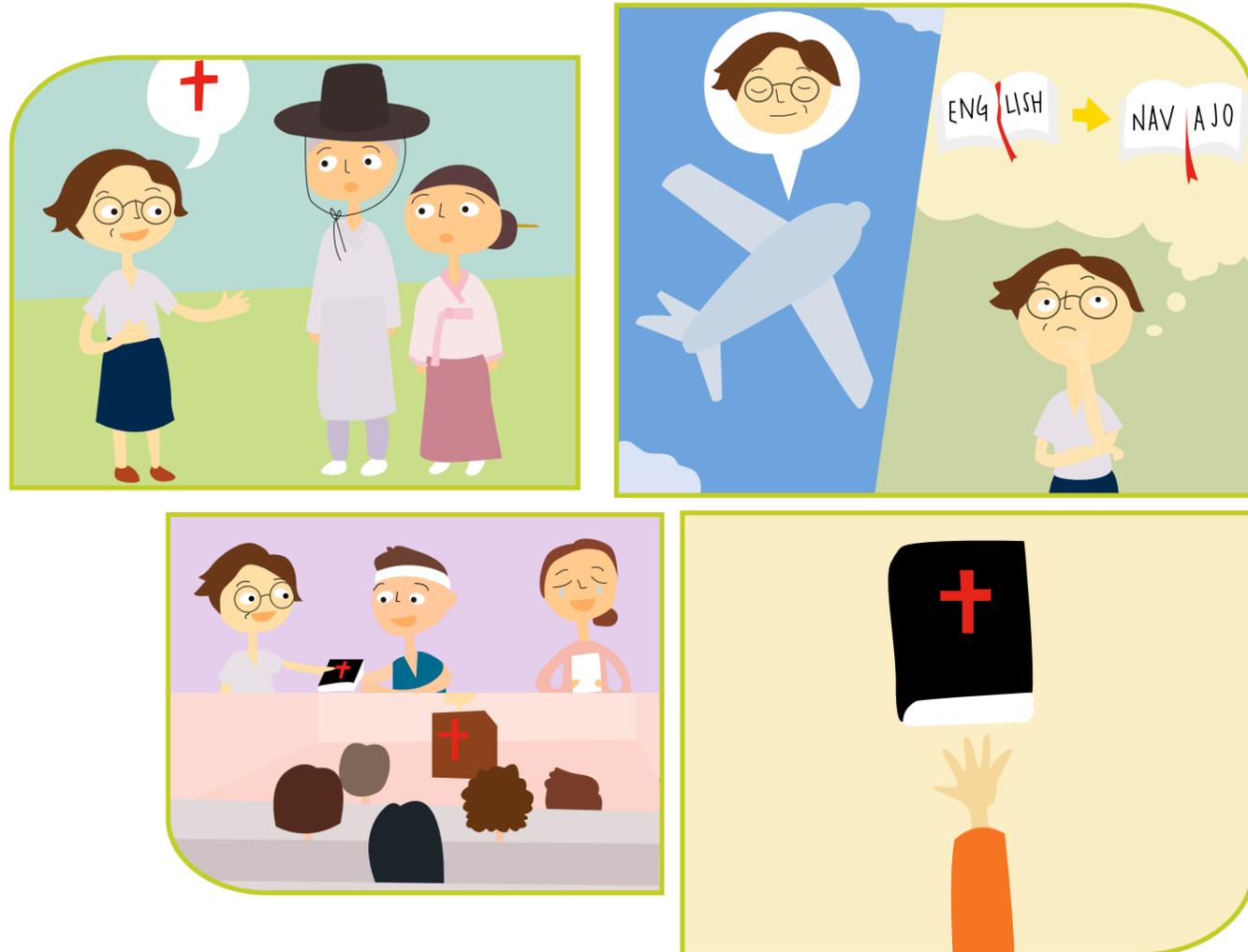


# Yay~ The Delightful Word of God!



## Let's read the Bible

2 Chr 24:15-22  
29:1-16  
34:14-21

## We consider together

David sang a song how sweet God's Word is (Psalm 19:10).  
To what can we compare God's Word is?



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Has there ever been a book you just could not put down?

The Bible is a letter to us from the living God.

The more you read the Bible, the more you know about God

The more you read the Bible, the more you become like God

The more you read the Bible, the more you love God.

In every corner of the Bible, there are many stories of people who overcame their hardships by reading the Word of God.

If you look in the Old Testament, Israel went through hard times, with the south and north divided, the people of Israel captured as prisoners by the giant country of Babylon. Even during the most difficult times of losing their country, there was someone who remembered the Word of God. There was someone who read the Bible over and over again. This someone was named Daniel. God let many wondrous secrets be known to Daniel through his dreams. The King of Babylon knew God was with David and made him his chief officer. Even when the country changed to Persia, Daniel stayed in the highest position. Through this, he let all people know that his God was the one ruler over all the earth.

As a matter of fact, Daniel had been reading the Bible even before he was captured as a prisoner. The Judean king at the time, King Josiah, found the long lost Word of God. In order to fix the temple, he collected offerings, and he turned the box upside down to take all of the offerings out. To his surprise, Books of God's commandments fell from the bottom of the offering box. The Word of God told of why Israel had come to face such hardship. King Josiah listened to what was written in the Bible and was filled with a great shame. He ripped his clothes in heartbreak. He then sent out prophets far and wide to teach Israelites of the Word of God. All of Israel repented and returned to God. It is because there was someone like King Josiah who loved God and His Word, that Daniel was able to learn about the Bible. (2 Chronicles: 34~35)

How often do you read the Bible with a heart of love for God? In a Canadian research study, only five percent of the world is reading the Bible every day. (<http://www.Bibleengagementstudy.ca>) Compared to that, how different are the mission field people when they first receive the Word of God? People who receive the Bible for the first time in their life have tears in their eyes. They stroke the Bible, touch it with their cheeks, hug it to their chests, kiss it, and place their foreheads on it, too. This shows just how much they love the Bible and adore the Word of God. (<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yhvrnRtlkK>)

Faye Edgerton was a missionary working in Korea in the early twentieth century, but because of her health, she had to return to the United States in 1922. She could not return to Korea, so she started a Bible translation ministry for the Navajo Indians in the United States. Edgerton had seen Koreans who had read the Korean Bible live a new life. She also knew that the Navajo people, after reading the Bible in their own language, would also change in the same way. The Word of God is truly alive! The Navajos wanted to read the Bible, so they learned how to read. One person did not sleep to read the Bible, while another did not eat or drink for days while they read the Word of God. (God Speaks Navajo by Ethel Emily Wallis, p. 30~32, 112~116)

Jesus also taught us that the Word of God is our strength. When Jesus did not eat or drink for forty days, Satan came to tempt him. Satan came to him and said, "If you are the Son of God, tell these stones to become loaves of bread." Jesus told him, "People do not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God" (NLT, Matthew 4:2-4). This is exactly right! The Word of God becomes our strength, and food to conquer starvation!

Read the Bible not as you normally do every day, but with a hunger in your heart. Think about each verse as you read it. Like how King Josiah and Daniel had come to understand God's will by reading the Bible, let us also read the Bible over and over again and meet with God.