

## Discoveries Within Religious Study in the Church

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Serious religious study within churches has led to many significant discoveries and revelations throughout history. Some theologians, mystics, and devout seekers have uncovered deeper truths about God's providence, biblical prophecies, and the unfolding of God's work. However, when it comes to recognizing the Second Coming of Christ, history has shown that even the most devout church communities often struggle to receive and accept new dispensational truth when it arrives.

### **The Church's Struggle to Recognize the Second Coming**

While many Christians have devoted their lives to studying scripture, history shows that no major church or denomination has independently come to the realization that the Second Coming of Christ has already occurred. Instead, churches have often remained attached to conventional interpretations, waiting for a dramatic, visible return of Christ on the clouds.

However, within certain spiritual movements, some individuals or groups were more receptive to the reality of the Second Coming. Some believers, guided by divine inspiration, sensed that they were living in a special time and even prepared for the coming of the Lord - but when the fulfillment arrived, they struggled to recognize it.

### **A Group That Prepared for the Lord's Coming**

One such spiritual group, existing before the recognition of the Lord of the Second Advent, believed that Christ would come in their lifetime. Their faith was so strong that they prepared clothing for the Lord every year in anticipation of His arrival. This was a clear sign that, through prayer and devotion, they had some spiritual awareness that a great event in God's providence was near.

Yet, when the moment of fulfillment came, even their leader failed to recognize the Lord. While in prison, this leader received a message from the Lord of the Second Advent - but she did not accept or understand it. This moment illustrates how even those closest to the truth can fail to recognize God's providence when it does not align with their expectations.

### **The Role of the Only Begotten Daughter, Holy Mother Han**

From among the members of that group, one individual stood out - Hak Ja Han, the Only Begotten Daughter of God. Unlike others, she was spiritually prepared to fulfill an essential role in God's providence. In 1960, she was blessed in marriage with the Lord of the Second Advent, Rev. Sun Myung Moon, thus fulfilling the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

This event was not just a private wedding; it was the culmination of God's providential work throughout history, fulfilling the prophecy in Revelation 19:7-9, where the Bridegroom (Christ) is united with His Bride. The Holy Marriage Blessing in 1960 was a turning point in human history, establishing the foundation for the restoration of all humankind.

### **Why Do Churches Fail to Recognize New Truth?**

Despite centuries of religious study, churches have consistently failed to recognize major dispensational shifts. This pattern occurred at Jesus' first coming and again at the time of the Second Coming. Why does this happen?

#### 1. Rigid Doctrines and Traditions

Many churches hold tightly to established doctrines, making them resistant to new revelations, even when directly connected to biblical prophecy.

#### 2. Expectations vs. Reality

Christians expect the Second Coming to happen in a specific way - often as a supernatural event with Christ descending on literal clouds. However, history shows that God often fulfills His promises in ways that challenge human expectations.

#### 3. Fear of Heresy and Persecution

Many religious leaders fear being labeled as heretical or losing their authority if they embrace a new revelation that contradicts traditional interpretations.

#### 4. Lack of Spiritual Sensitivity

Some deeply religious individuals receive spiritual signs and revelations about God's new providence but fail to act upon them due to doubt, fear, or misunderstanding.

### **The Importance of Recognizing the Lord When He Comes**

The failure to recognize the Second Coming is one of the greatest tragedies in religious history. It demonstrates the need for humility, open-mindedness, and spiritual discernment. The fact that some individuals and groups sensed the coming of the Lord but failed to recognize Him when He arrived serves as a lesson for all believers.

Those who follow True Parents, Rev. Sun Myung Moon and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon, understand that they have ushered in a new era of God's providence. The Blessing of Marriage initiated by them is not just for individuals but for the entire world, aiming to restore humanity to its original, God-centered state.

### **Conclusion**

While no church independently discovered the Second Coming, certain spiritual groups were prepared to receive it - but even they struggled to recognize its fulfillment. The significance of Hak Ja Han Moon's role as the Only Begotten Daughter and her union with the Lord of the Second Advent in 1960 marks the beginning of a new world of true love, true life, and true lineage.

The lesson for believers today is to remain spiritually awake and open to God's unfolding providence. Those who recognize the truth in this era have the opportunity to participate in God's Kingdom on earth and in heaven, as originally intended.