

## Lecturing from the President Byeong in the light of

## Ministry, Philosophy, and Leadership of Dr. Melvin



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## The Bigger the Goal is the Better

Dear students,

Some people are more interested in bigger projects, bigger missions. I think there are two ministries in the world: big and small. Both are equally important. For example, in my case, [Institute and University]. The Institute began in 1999. The University began in 2021. Through the past 15 years of Institute ministry, I have met many people and have grown enough personally. However, when I founded the university, I met people at a different level, and I grew up to a different level from the Institute.

Those who were less interested in the Institute's ministry and operation were more interested in making and running the university. Why? Maybe they think the university ministry is higher than the Institute ministry. Of course, it is true, and they were proud while working at the Institute. What needs to be considered is why big tasks are more challenging than small ones. That is because it is definitely for ourselves. Once we have a goal bigger than our current capabilities, we are challenged more, so the bigger goal is much better for our personal growth.

There are some of the most difficult jobs in the world: the first is to make a country; the second is to establish a university; the third is to establish a hospital. In other words, I took on the second difficult task. Even now, it is not completely finished yet. Because it has only been two year since it opened, there are still difficulties in the stage of laying the foundation.

There is a saying that our perspective should be global, but the real work should be done locally to suit the region. I think it's the same expression to have a big dream. Rev. Melvin, the founder of the LPMI USA, also said SIB/KIS, which means "See It Big," and "Keep It Simple," in the same concept.

Why should we set a big goal anyway? There may be many reasons, but I think it should be done for our personal growth. Everyone wants to grow and develop. When does this happen! It's time to do something hard and difficult.

I think it's different to live a difficult life and to try a difficult ministry. I'm talking about the latter. I think it is necessary to experience going up to the critical point. I think God also helps us when we reach a critical point. Forty years of Israeli life in the wilderness also means to go up to the critical point. Only then they can properly recognize God and taste human limitations.

## Weekly Axiom

A hero is someone who has given his or her life to something bigger than oneself.

(Joseph Campbell)