#### Woo Myung's World Beyond World



The Mind

Man is born into the world as the child, the offspring, of incomplete humans and as such, is not a "clean state" but has human mind from birth. Such inherited human minds are called "original sin" in Christianity. What is referred to as "actual sin" is the world that one has made himself by taking pictures of the world and storing them in his mind. It is also the preconceptions and habits, which are emotions from the picture world that have become one's mind.

Everyone believes that only he is right. This belief comes from the many things he has in his mind. However these things are not actuality but pictures; they are all false. Everyone living in this world is living in a picture world, and consequently man does not know that he is living in a fake world. He mistakenly thinks he is alive and that he is living in the world because his individual mind world overlaps the real world. However, because he lives in his own mind, he is dead. Only he who is born in the true world knows that all people living in the human world are false. The true world is a world that is beyond one's mind world, where his self and mind world have been completely eliminated. It is the living eternal world, without death. The origin of Truth remains once everything that exists in the world is gone. In other words, if one discards all forms in the Universe and one's self is also dead and gone, the place that remains is the place of the Creator, the place of the original body and mind. This existence is not material so people think it does not exist but it undoubtedly exists and it is a living existence that does not disappear. Only this existence is Truth. Unless man is born as this existence, the word eternal is not applicable to man, and it is not possible to live forever. Everything in this world is a representation of this existence. The principle of the world is that all creations come from and return to this existence that is Truth. The only way for man and the world to be saved is to be born again in the land of this existence. Because this existence is Truth, there is no other way to live eternally. If one is living in his mind world, he lives in a fake world that is hell. If he is reborn in the true world which is the world of God and the world of Truth, and lives there, it is heaven, eternal life and resurrection. He, who is born and lives in this land without death while living, has been resurrected and born into the true heaven. Only he who has gone to heaven while he is alive, lives in heaven. Heaven is not some place that exists in a certain place. It is within the mind of one whose mind has become Truth; one who is reborn as the material of Truth. For a person who is resurrected within himself, and lives following the will of Truth or God, it is his resurrected self that lives. And for a person who lives following his own human will, his false self lives and God within him dies. It is the same with glory. If one gives all the glory to Truth, one's self that has become Truth lives, and if one keeps all the glory for his individual self, it is the illusionary ghost that lives.

The greatness of our meditation comes from the fact that it has the method to discard all of one's false mind. Through this method one can become the true mind, be reborn as the substance of Truth, and live eternally. During the time of incompletion Truth was only talked about and no one was able to become Truth. No matter how precious Truth and if one cannot become Truth, if he cannot become complete, it is utterly useless. Each religion tells us to cleanse our minds - that the poor in spirit are blessed for they will inherit the kingdom of heaven. In this meditation, one can actually achieve this.

It is no longer the age of incompletion; it is the age of completion when man can become complete. Even though a method to become complete and to go to heaven exists, a person who ignores Truth and does not follow the method due to his faulty way of thinking will end up dying forever. Only when one becomes Truth and lives within Truth, does he have freedom and liberation. He is an existence we have only heard about until now - a true saint.

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#### right <Sunset in Santorini> by Sung-ho Ahn. Santorini, Greece, 2013.

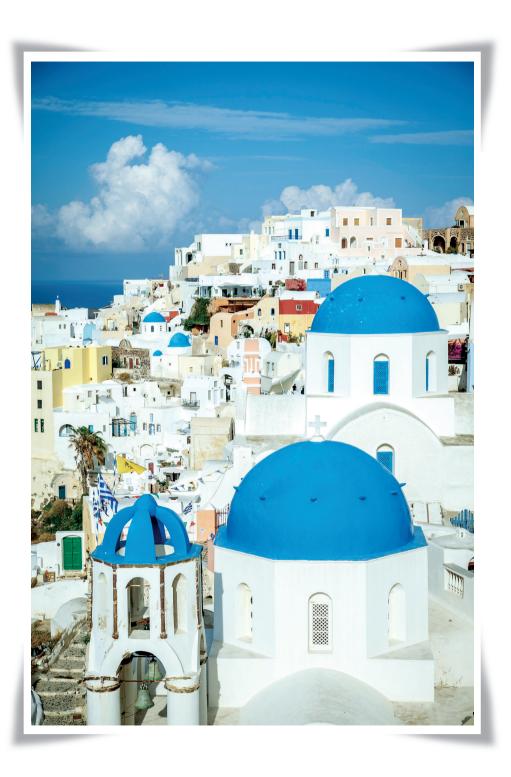
Santorini is reputed to have the most beautiful sunsets on Earth. Its crystal white and blue beautifully contrasts with its red sky during the sunset.





Because we are together, we can see a bigger world **Travel essays by four travelers** 

Written and photographed by **Sang-goo Kim** photographer, director of "Photo essays by one hundred travelers"



left < The Best Postcard> by Sung-ho Ahn. Santorini, Greece, 2013. Santorini is often referred to as the island of heaven, where the Mediterranean cobalt blue is lapping at every corner.

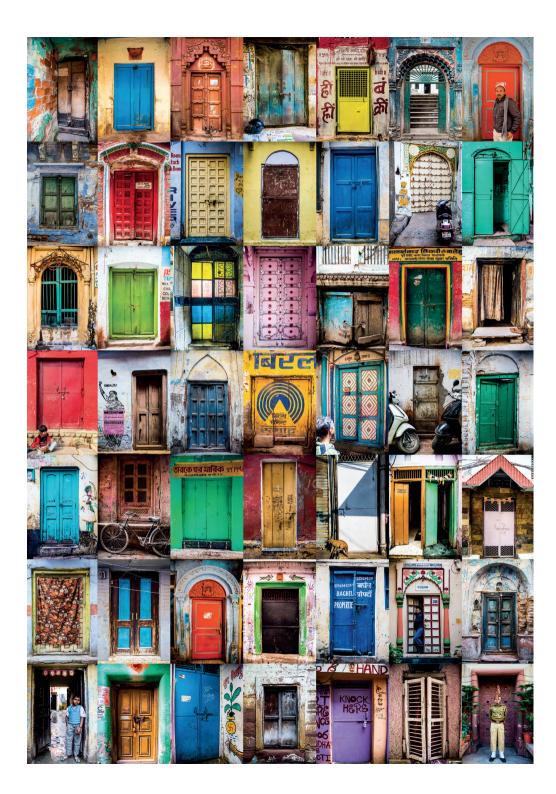
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However on March 8th 2014, I cut the rope opening with four people - Sung-ho Ahn, a traveler, Chun Yoo, a mid 40s salaryman, Ji-hyun Jung, a public servant of 10 years, and Sang-goo Kim, a photographer by opening a photo exhibition. This was possible because of their solicitude for each other.

In November 2012, I opened an online travel community called "Travel World". Thousands of people signed up for the community quickly and I was able to meet a range of diverse people through off-line meetings. And through meeting the fathers who worked hard at work but also pursued their passion in photography at the same time, I was motivated to dream a new dream – a project called "Photo Essays by one hundred people", which conveys the happiness of members of the families supporting these fathers who have eventually become the professional photographers.

And in 2012, my dream has put into action after meeting Chun Yoo, a mid 40s salaryman.

It wasn't easy, but these challenges made me feel that this was my task. And people were genuinely interested in the project. One of the unforgettable memories was when the mother and the cousins of Chun Yoo made a surprise visit, and Chun also told me that he would never forget this memory for the rest of his life.





### **left** <Welcome> by Ji-hyun Jung. India, 2014.

Knock Knock. The moment when I open the door of my heart, I am embraced by the rainbow colored lights of the world. It is the moment I feel the love, while knocking on the door of my heart.

## **right** <Spectacle> by Chun Yoo. Rome, Italy, 2013.

It was an honor just to be standing at a historical site which also became the backdrop setting for many famous movies such as "Gladiator".



**top** <A Special Trip> by Ji-hyun Jung. Udaipur, India, 2014. Udaipur is the beauty of India featuring many different attractions.

# **bottom** < Panorama of Paris> by Chun Yoo. Paris, France, 2013.

A view looking down on Eiffel Tower and avenue des Champs-Élysées from Arc de Triomphe, Paris. I also took courage and invited my own mother to the exhibition, and my mother and I have never been to an exhibition together until then. After gazing at her son's photos carefully for a long time, she said: "They are very nice." Those words touched my heart. That was a moment of the exhibition that I had been picturing so much. It was an exhibition that started out to inspire a dream for somebody, and to touch someone's soul, yet it was me who received so much from the audience and was able to grow.

Photo Essays by one hundred people, at the beginning no one thought it was possible. But I was able to take my first step towards my dream with these four photographers. I will never stop until the day when I could finally open the exhibition of my dream. The next person could be you.

**Sang-goo Kim**, a photographer, has traveled across the countries including Canada, Africa, Laos, and India and has captured dreamlike images with his unique sense of colors in his HDR camera. Starting with the exhibition opened last year March, "Photo Essays of one hundred countries," he is planning a photo essay exhibition by one hundred people. A teacher placed an empty vase on the table, and filled the inside with stones. "Is this vase full?"

When the teacher asked, the students replied "yes".

The teacher smiled, and poured a bowl of sands into the vase. He then shook the vase so that sands could evenly spread between the stones.

"Now, is it full?" "....."

What does he mean? None of the students replied to his question.

This time, the teacher poured water inside the vase.

"Now, the vase is finally full. What do the things that I have just shown you mean?"

One of the students raised his hand and replied,

"It means that regardless of how tight your schedule is, you can do much more things if you use your spare time efficiently". The teacher shook his head and said,

"No. What you need to learn from today's experiment is that if we do not put the largest stone first into the vase, we will never be able to put it inside later."

The largest stone implies the most important thing we must do now.

The most important things in life often get pushed back because we are so immersed into the trivial things.

What is the most important thing for me right now? Ask my mind, that knows the correct answer to this, and put it into action.

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