



# JOYCE YOUSE

## “PATHOLOGY AND FAITH”

(Saturday Session 4)

Joyce Youse was born, raised and educated in Hong Kong. Her Chinese name is 李诗韵 Lee Sze Wun. Her husband later gave her the nickname “lazyone” which is part of her current e-mail address. She came from an interesting family; her grandfather was an actor in Shanghai, and later directed in Hong Kong; her grandmother was a famous actress in Shanghai. They both were married four times in their lives -not the typical traditional Chinese! Her mother is half Chinese and half Caucasian, which explains why Joyce does not look Chinese.

As a child of eleven, she suffered from an autoimmune disease known as “Alopecia Totalis” that left her bald. It was a time of social awkwardness for her during those pre-teen years. However, it was during this difficult period in her life that she learned to pray and communicate with God. When she recovered at age fourteen, she started searching for a religion. When she first met the missionaries of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and heard about the story of Joseph Smith, she could relate to his story and felt the confirmation of the Holy Ghost that she should investigate further. She was baptized at fifteen on Christmas Day 1983.

She met her cool husband, William Craig Youse, in the ticket line at City Hall in Central, Hong Kong and has been married to him for 24 years. She is a mother of 4 sons; 2 living and 2 angels. Besides her birthplace, she has lived in Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Utah and Shenzhen. She has many years of experience working in several law firms as a legal secretary and a paralegal. She has also worked as a Department Administrator and a Regulatory Specialist for Nu Skin International for a number of years. In her spare time, she enjoys playing the piano and learning new challenging pieces. She completed all 8 grades of Piano exams offered through the Assoc. Board of the Royal School of Music in Hong Kong. She believes that music is a key to her sanity, which is why she loved teaching her piano students, hoping that they would also find joy in music and gain self-confidence. She loves to walk, run, hike, read and play volleyball. Her latest hobby is square foot gardening even though she has only planted basil. She is currently the Relief Society President in Shenzhen First Branch and loves her calling and the sisters she serves. (and they love her!)