

“For thirty years I was mired in the imperial examination system. Since confessing my sins as a Christian convert, I have been a revolutionary, but have received no citations. I have also been a government official, but served without distinction. I studied abroad but received no diploma. My talent and ability have always been inferior to others’. My sole contribution has been to give my best to Lingnan until my dying day.

I have become accustomed to travelling between the two hemispheres, taking satisfaction in the accomplishment of each of my missions. Without gaining a personal fortune, I have enough for my daily needs. I have raised no children, but have had many students. I have not sought fame, but have composed my memoirs. My true self lies in my soul and I have undergone many trials.
All glory belongs to Christ everlasting!”

A set of self-composed couplets by Dr Chung Wing Kwong