Wisdom True Love

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The invisible love is the greatest among all kinds of love. It would be no fun at all if love were visible. Since love is invisible, it can be the highest, widest, and deepest. Some say love is like the Rocky Mountains or like the Niagara Falls. Those are correct similes. The invisible God is precious because invisible love is precious. It is true that we have to enter the state of the complete absence of ego in order to find God. God lives deeply and quietly in the invisible world rather than in the visible world where we live.

I became aware of what true love and happiness are through nature. It was from the natural world that I could learn the most basic things, more than from education in school. When the seasons changed and I saw a beautiful bird flying, I followed the bird and watched to see how it built its nest and lived. There were times when I walked around for more than ten days to see a bird lay eggs and hatch them. I became deeply convinced of God's mystery and love by looking at the cute and beautiful birds... Birds are made to be hatched through the warmth of their parent's body and their parental love. I once picked up a baby bird and decided to raise it sincerely. Although I took the baby bird secretly, the mother bird cried whenever she saw me. I understood that it was crying, pleading to have her baby back. Mother's love in the bird's world is also very strong. When someone comes and tries to take away the baby bird, the parents try to protect it, even risking their own lives.

When we reach adolescence, our mind and body start searching for love. We walk around without even listening to the words of our parents. The eyes of the mind and the eyes of the body unite into one and move around. If we have a nose of love, we may come to like the smell which we usually dislike. We want to listen to love stories all night long. Once you touch your object of love, you don't want to stop. Therefore, if you are invaded by the feeling of love during your adolescence, your eyes turn strange and everything seems wonderful to you. When your mind and body unite and you fire a love gun, the bullet would be shot right into your partner's heart. Those of you who wish to have this kind of man's love or woman's love, please raise your hand. There is nothing love cannot digest. Love can eat and digest everything. If you have true love, no matter how ugly a man is, he will look handsome to you. Love is incredible. Therefore, whether good or bad, men and women can never forget the first love they experienced during their adolescence.

Intense first love, done in a rightful and honorable way, comes together and creates a beautiful and powerful spark. The love of God will spark with that love and it becomes the best, most extraordinary spark in Heaven. The impact of that spark is so strong that it flattens you to the ground. Yet still you feel joyful, even knocked to the ground, because of the impact of love.

The first spark of true love is so important and it should not be misused. Once that intense first spark of true love is misused, it is very difficult to completely unwind that mistake. Each person has the duty to preserve his pure first love until the time when it can spark for the sake of the universe and for God. Therefore, you should not behave in a casual way toward your love. True love is noble and sacred; it is not vulgar or dirty, although the sacredness of love can be defiled if it is misused.

When is a person in full bloom? It is during young adulthood. This age is the seven-year period from the age of eighteen to twenty-five. This period of

seven years is the time when the flower of love blossoms the most. How precious is this once-ina-lifetime period when one is fully blooming! You all know the peony (magnolia), don't you? The bud of this flower has a different-colored yellow flower inside. How many layers of petals does it have? The petals are all tightly wound together on the flower. Can you push them open? They are tightly coiled so that it cannot be easily opened up. Men and women are similar to this. When is your bud of love going to blossom? That time is when beauty is manifested to the greatest degree.



You should not ruin your purity during your adolescence, which is the precious time when you cleanse and indemnify the purity lost by Adam and Eve during their youth. You should preserve your purity, precious and clean, and you should have the mind and the determination that "even if I have to live a thousand or ten thousand years alone, my love will absolutely never be misused."

Even to the most beautiful girl, adolescence only comes once. During that time, she is the most beautiful flower of all, and it is the most precious time for her in her entire lifetime. So would a girl think, "I want to live alone"? Such a person is not a woman. Does such an animal exist? Also, among men who look very good at the age around sixteen, would any of them say he wants to live alone? At this time they all start to look for a reciprocal partner. Whom do they resemble that makes them this way? They are this way because they resemble God. If God is not like this, how can His children be like this? It is because God is like that. During adolescence, which is the most precious time in one's life, the desire to seek a partner is the same in man and woman. Is it so, or not? If you think it's not, go ahead and age and die alone. Try saying to a beautiful woman, "Beautiful woman are said to be unfortunate. A beautiful person like you should age and die alone." Even a quiet beautiful woman would really get mad. Nothing worse can be said to a person. This beautiful woman will have value only when there is a man who appreciates her completely and connects her to heavenly love.

In giving of the love of God to other people, you are sharing your love with them. Then your love, rather than being diminished, will be multiplied. You will be proud of what you have given. Only by giving can we receive. So we want to give of our whole being. We want to give of our family, our clan, our nation, and our whole world to God. In return He will fill our hearts with such love that we can embrace the whole world and the whole cosmos.

Respect all things as holy things. Respect all men as holy men. Respect yourself as a holy person. Respect your mind as holy. Respect your body as holy. Pay deep respect to all people, no matter what kind of person they may be.

When we think that the people who have divorced or are willing to divorce are all people who once were in a love relationship of life and death, we must say that something has gone wrong. There may be many reasons to get divorced, but in general it means that something changed, that something became different between the two. This is because they could not keep and grow their love. Love itself does not change; it is the person's mind that changes.



We first get married thinking that the man is handsome. But one week later, if an accident happens and the husband's body is paralyzed, it is not true love to call for a divorce. That is false love.

True love is absolute, unchanging, and eternal.

You will be in trouble if you try to rush the experience of love. The feeling of being intoxicated by love and becoming happy is like a preview of what is to come when the time is right for the gate of love to open... The gate should proudly open when you have become the master of love.

Achieving the highest ideal of human love is possible only when one takes responsibility for love. We can think of this responsibility in three ways. The first responsibility is for one to become the master of true love, truly free and thanking God for the freedom of love and knowing how to cultivate and control oneself. This responsibility for a love relationship should not be taken merely because of law or social convention. Instead, a person should establish responsibility through his own self-control within the life-committing vertical relationship with God.

Second is one's responsibility toward the object of love. By nature, people do not want their spouse's love to be shared with others. Horizontal conjugal love, which differs from the vertical love between parents and children, loses its potential for perfection the moment it is divided. This is because the principle of creation requires husband and wife to become one in absolute love. Each spouse has the responsibility given by love to live absolutely for the sake of the other.

The third responsibility of love is toward children. The love of parents is the basis for children's pride and happiness. They would wish to be born through the total and harmonious unity of their parents in true love, and they would wish to be raised in that kind of love. The most precious responsibility of parents is not only to rear their children externally, but also to offer them life elements of true love that can perfect their spirituality. That is why the family is so valuable.

Recently, we see people here and there making love as if they were making instant food. This is a problem. This is like trying to deepen love by taking a perfume bath. I would say that love is deepened, purified, and lasts longer when a couple living in the countryside take a cold bath and sleep together.

When we look at recent generations, we can say that calculating, artificial and deceitful love is so widespread that it confuses our concept of what human happiness is. We can say that this kind of love is the main criminal leading this world to destruction.

Marriage can be said to be a ceremony which allows you to open the door of a palace of happiness and enter into it. Therefore, marriage is the biggest event for humankind. Love transcends time and space and it is the greatest thing for humankind. Marriage is a ceremony that reveals and confirms this greatest love.

If there were no marriage, then what is called love would not have started in the human world. Who is the master of that love? We must know that the master is not man or woman, but God. When God's love is manifested in us, it becomes God's joy and pride, and we are able to feel this as God's love. Love cannot be realized alone; it is only realized through a reciprocal relationship. Therefore, when man tries to realize love, he cannot do it by himself alone. The same can be said about woman. When Adam and Eve unite through love, they are able to receive God's love for the first time. From this viewpoint, we can understand that we human beings are born from God.

When two people who love each other give and take in a reciprocal relationship, consoling each other when they are sad, sharing joy together when they are happy, helping each other when they have difficulties and going forward together before God, this indeed is married life on the foundation of God's love.

The reason God made man and woman not in heaven but on earth was to realize God's love horizontally. When you form a subject and object relationship and unite horizontally, the love com-bines the two with the subject, God, in a vertical relationship of love. This fact is extremely important.

During our childhood, we desire only to grow up healthy. But when we reach adolescence, changes occur physically and mentally; our interest in the opposite sex grows and we're attracted to good looks. Externally, we try to dress up fashionably and concentrate on making our faces look more beautiful. We can tell if a girl has reached adolescence or not by the look of her lips.

Girls will begin menstruating and their physical body will start to look different. Their hips grow bigger, breasts develop, lips grow red and their eyes begin to have a mysterious glow. For what and whom do you think these physical changes occur?

These physical changes occur to make a straight road go around in circles, to start a circular movement. Going straight cannot bring any harmony. When we go back and forth on a straight road, it will not bring any harmony, but only will destroy the environment. Everything must go around in order to preserve and bring harmony to the environment. Everything must go around for this reason. But we cannot go around ourselves. We need to go around centering on our reciprocal partner (spouse).

Coming together with our partner will start a circular movement automatically. This is the principle of heaven and earth. Therefore, physical changes occur in girls to enable them to meet their partner and to go around. When two people are attracted to each other, there develops a power to make them go around. Therefore, the reason women dress up and wear make-up is not for their own sake, but for their partners.

Achieving the highest ideal of human love is possible.

Then how can the woman's purpose be realized? It cannot be realized by the woman alone. This is impossible. It must be realized together with a man. Wouldn't the joy of man and woman lie here? It is not something that can be argued.

What is the most precious thing for woman? It is man. What kind of man does a woman need? Whether the man is great or disabled is not a problem. The problem is whether or not you can find a valuable love from him.

The perfection of man and woman's love is the perfection of the universe. When this love is broken, the order of the universe and the vertical world are destroyed.

Woman should make the fragrance of love spread out to the far distance like the morning glory flower.

Man symbolizes heaven and woman symbolizes earth. Man and woman must come together and realize harmony.

Man and woman are different from each other. Man's muscles are hard, but woman's are smooth. Men have beards, but women do not. Their voices are different, also. When man and woman are matched in a reciprocal position, harmony is made... Man and woman must be harmonized, becoming a parallel line. Why do people like Disneyland, with all the different kinds of vehicles going up and down? It is because the universe is like that.

Which strikes one as feeling better: the harmony of only man or the harmony of man and woman? This is because the universe is like that. Because the universe forms a harmony of yin and yang, others must follow as well.

If a man and woman are a God-centered couple, we can conclude that the wife can go wherever the husband goes and the husband can go wherever the wife goes, and the couple can go wherever God dwells.

For whom is man supposed to live? Adam's value of existence could not be perfected until Eve was created. Therefore, for Adam to exist eternally, he needs Eve as his spouse. In this sense, woman can be said to be a man's subject. It is the power of love which allows both man to dominate woman and woman to dominate man. No power other than love can make man and woman dominate each other. Only with love can they dominate each other.

Wherever you go, you shouldn't think people are just strangers. Instead, you should consider them as your parents and should be able to cry together with them if they are in a sad situation. You should always have such a heart.

Originally, making love is not something of which to be ashamed. It is supposed to be the noblest, holiest and most beautiful thing. Because the human ancestors committed a sin of love, the history of love has flowed in a shameful direction.

Love is eternal. It is not two, but one. Once a man and a woman are bound in love, they are to live one hundred years on earth and eternally in the spirit world. When the two separate physical bodies become one, centering upon God, and establish the four position foundation of love, the ideal world will be formed. False love cannot invade there, and only true love will dwell there.

Due to the fall, human beings lost God's love. Without God's love, we have been making human relationships. That's why, even though the original mind is yearning for true love, there is no true love. The false love generated without God's intervention is temporary, covering only the physical life.

The couple happily married on earth may separate when they enter the spirit world. They will surely be separated if their love did not originate in God. The couples who started their love relationship and their family life centering upon God's love will never be separated.

Love can never be felt alone. Peace is also not what we talk about regarding just one country. It is formed from a reciprocal relationship between two or more countries.

Happiness is also the same. Can we feel happy alone? We can feel true happiness only when we have an equal reciprocal relationship with a partner and when we love each other.

Freedom is also the same. True freedom cannot be realized alone. True freedom is what can be gained within love, together with love. Only within love can eternal freedom blossom. Within true love, even if you try to dictate using force, it would not be felt to be a restriction, but as deep happiness and joy.

Do parents have to go to school in order to learn how to love their children? People know love without learning it. Man and woman didn't learn how to make a baby. People don't study how the meeting of two strangers turns into the creation of a husband and a wife, much less how to create a family out of such a bond. Love is not taught nor is it to be learned from school. It is not a subject for the experimental method in order to prove how it works. There have been no schools to teach love and there will be no schools to teach it in the future.

The free love rampant in today's world is a trap which Satan made to cause men to fall and to make them unable to come closer to God. Once we are trapped, you can only die or be dominated by Satan. Western people of today, especially in the United States, are unable to form a true family because of the prevalence of free love. The number of people who have failed in their family life is increasing, and the people who are unable to have a family are becoming dominant. I can definitely say with confidence that American society has become a hellish society where love has dried up and where distrust, anxiety and fear are dominant. You must know that you who are living in this age have the responsibility and duty to clean up this society and build one flowing with the love for which God hopes.

Only love transcends all barriers. When you are united with God in true love, you have dominion over all of God's creation, both physical and spiritual. When you live completely for others, you are reaching the very essence of God's own being. God's vibrations become your vibrations. God's feelings are naturally transmit-ted to you. Living this way, you become a resonant body of God's heart and love. As much as two tuning forks resonate together, you and God always resonate together.

This is the ultimate, original state of the human being. When you achieve that state, the love of God becomes your love, the life of God becomes your life, and the blood lineage of God becomes your blood lineage. The world which God created becomes your world. We are to share the love of God with all things in heaven and earth. We are to be citizens of the Kingdom of God with the heart of parents.

Altruism -- investing all of oneself for others, for the nation and for the world, living a life of sacrifice and service to others -- may be considered by today's society to be a most foolish philosophy of life. As I came to understand the deepest truths, however, it became obvious that altruism is the path most beneficial to human society. It is the secret for living in eternal happiness.

Today in this fallen world, love has become the most dangerous thing. Because of the fall, if we do not take care of love, the universe breaks apart and turns upside down. Man has not known why love became false and filthy. Man has tried to protect love because of his original mind that desires true love to appear.

The perfection of an individual is not realized through knowledge, power, or money. It is realized through love -- not earthly love, but the original love. Through this love, everything can be perfected.

A person maturing centering on love is like a bud growing into fruit. God dwells in such a perfected individual. If love cannot be matured, the form to bear fruit cannot be made... Everything on earth is created to perfect itself through a relationship of love. Therefore, we can say that every existence can become perfect only through love.

Man can make his mind and body unite when he becomes one with the core of God's love. Also, when man unites his mind and body and returns back to the realm of God's love, then man, as an unfallen original human being, can grow toward individual perfection.

You are like a thief if you try to become a bride of Jesus without being a virtuous woman. What if a woman living in a cave of robbers claimed that her husband is a world-famous president, like President Kennedy? Everyone would think she was crazy.

You should know the holiness and value of the love of an original man and woman.

A person who hears whispering words from his or her lover can be said to be a happy person. Whispered words of love in your ears can make you feel so happy that you feel you are in a dream. The time when happiness is the most flowering and most meaningful is during young adulthood, when the power of love is over-flowing. This is the time when you can grab love with all your might and become unified through love.

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