Why Are People Born?

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True Families Gateway to Heaven, Chapter 2: The Human Course Centered on Love

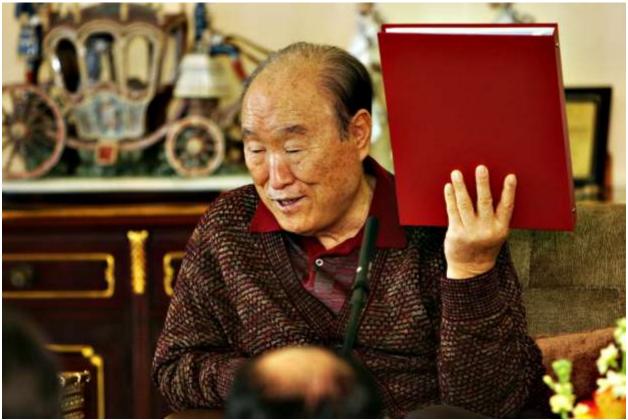


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If we ask the question "Which came first, life or love?" the answer can be argued either way. But which do you think really came first? Love came first. The fundamental core of the universe must disseminate love prior to originating existence. Otherwise, the value of existence cannot come into being.

When we examine the origin of life, we must ask whether life or love came first. Until now we have not been able to discern this clearly. It was not life that came first. It was love. Because what came second must fall in line behind what came first, it is natural that we offer our lives for the sake of love. This is how we should understand it.

This then lets us understand how to live our lives in a way that is true. We conclude that since love gave birth to life, we must walk the way of love. The purpose of human life is to establish a love that can be welcomed by the macrocosm, not the microcosm. It is to be born, to love and to die in the midst of the great universal love that is acknowledged by God, creation, our parents, and the angelic world.

Human beings do not choose to be born. Then, are we born by our parents' desire? No. we are born by God's desire. We are born through the love of our parents, which represents God's love. Each of us was created as a new life by means of the love of our parents, representing God's love.

Love has the power to create the whole. Each of us was born as a central being of the entire universe, receiving all the love in the universe. The highest purpose of life is to be born through love, be raised in love, live by love, and to leave a legacy of love when we die. Nothing can be of greater value for a person than to live out his natural life within his own family as a life of love that is the center of the universe.

It is important to understand why people are born. We are not born for the sake of knowledge or power. We are born because of love and from love. Then what makes love so great? It is because love is the fountainhead of life.

You were born in the midst of your parents' love. You are not born from your parents' desire for monetary profit or pursuit of knowledge. Because you were born in love this way, you should bear fruit in love. This is why you need to have children.

A husband and wife become complete when they become as one with each other and come to have sons and daughters as their partners. Human beings cannot exist apart from love. Thus, we can say that each of us lives on the foundation of love. Everything in creation has the origin of its existence in God's love.

Since the existence of all things has love as its foundation, so it is undeniable that human beings, as the center of the created universe, must also have begun in love. Since human beings begin in love and mature though love, we are beings that cannot live apart from the standard of love.