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## **Reflections on True Mother's address for the 55th Parents Day Please!**

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Dear Family,

I think many of you will have watched True Mother's short address for the 55th Parents Day this morning in church, or before or after the service. If not, then please do so right after you finish reading this email. The link is: [www.unification.org/video/2014-03-31/TMs\\_speech\\_on\\_TPsday.wmv](http://www.unification.org/video/2014-03-31/TMs_speech_on_TPsday.wmv) it works best if you download it first.

Now, True Mother is inviting short reflections on True Parents Day, and on her message. Please send to my email and if possible do so TODAY. I think True Mother is leaving soon and we'd like to send her off in a good way. Please be candid, and brief ... 100 -200 words at most. Put your name and state on the reflection too, please.

I've had all kinds of comments about the content of the video. Most everyone has been inspired by the clear sense of providence and direction that Mother conveys. It is very clear that she is confident that God is really going to bring a breakthrough, on the foundation of True Parents' victory and, of course, our own effort. There are also some strong words, making it clear that with great blessing comes great responsibility: America has been richly blessed, and I know we all feel that there is something urgent we should do for the world in these years leading up to 2020.

The three things that inspired me the most were:

1. Where True Mother said, towards the end, that she wanted more than anything to bring a good report and a good testimony about us in front of God, our Heavenly Parent. On the one hand, we know that we often fall short of what is expected; but to be affirmed and comforted in this way makes us all more determined to bring to her a report, and results, that she can be proud of in front of Heaven.
2. Another strong point was where she spoke of the Korean saying that "Happiness increases when you share it with others ... and the greatest happiness is when we share the good news of the coming of True Parents and the Heavenly Blessing. We must share what we know, and we must do it more than before. As she also said, if we keep doing the same old thing, day after day, we will not make progress.
3. One more thing: I liked the image of America flaming brightly with the spirit of revival. That is really important and it can only happen when all members get involved, including those who left the church or "went to sleep" many years ago. We all need to unite together to bring victory by True Parents' Diamond Anniversary in 2020.

In my weekly video message, published on Friday, I also shared the wonderful experience that I, Dr. Jenkins and the McDevitt brothers had with True Mother the following morning when she so graciously invited us to breakfast and to share our testimonies. We felt very loved and embraced and so encouraged to be able to share with her without any hesitation about the real situations of our families, and True Mother's warm love as she explained to us that God always has a plan, for us and for our families.

God bless True Mother for sharing so much time with us in the United States, and God Bless all American families.

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