

An introduction to the HyoJeong Youth Blessing Festival - Blessed Family Vision

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This an event that True Mother initiated. The first such festival, which Peacelink broadcast live online, took place on March 27, 2021, originating from the Cheongshim World Peace Center. More than thirty thousand young people in our second and third generations from 125 countries took part in it. This festival was an opportunity for these thousands of young people to pledge to Heavenly Parent and True Parents to preserve their sexual purity until they receive the Blessing.

We know that True Mother has a great love for the young people, who represent the future of Cheon-Il Guk and has great interest in everything related to youth. True Mother loves poems. Among the poems True Mother loves is one entitled "Youth" by Samuel Ullman. True Mother loves this verse in the poem in particular: "Youth is not a time of life; it is a state of mind."

Everyone experiences youth, however, just as this verse says, youth isn't simply our young days. As long as one's inner heart continues beating, anyone, regardless of age, can live youthfully, like an evergreen tree. In True Mother's autobiography, on page 253, you can find the following paragraph:

Especially in our younger years, we face countless temptations, endless concerns and unbounded desires. The only way to manage these is to have a strong will, and this means having clearly defined objectives. The years of our youth are the best time to dedicate ourselves to exciting goals that make our hearts beat faster. Since our youth is brief, it is important to do this without delay.

In order to overcome the many temptations, worries and desires of their youthful days, according to True Mother, young people must pursue a dream or vision that makes their heart beat faster and be willing to completely devote their youth to realizing that dream and vision. As we have learned through the Bible, Heavenly Parent's first son and daughter, Adam and Eve, ended up falling during their growth period because they could not overcome self-centered temptation and desires. In other words, they could not pursue a dream or a vision that made their heart beat and to which they could completely devote themselves without hesitation.

That was why True Father, Heavenly Parent's only son, met Jesus at the age of sixteen and then pursued the heart-beating dream to realize Jesus' unfinished mission, while True Mother, Heavenly Parent's only daughter, at the age of sixteen established her vision to complete Heavenly Parent's providence within her lifetime, and following the Marriage Supper of the Lamb, the two began treading the True Parents' path together.

Unlike Adam and Eve, True Parents both established a heart-beating vision and dream centered solely on Heavenly Parent. They both dedicated their lives for that dream and vision. Likewise, True Mother has been running until now for that dream and vision. True Mother is without a doubt still in her youth. Particularly after True Father's Holy Ascension, for the past eight years, regardless of her physical limitations and health, with which taking a step has been difficult,

True Mother restored seven nations and seven religious groups and proclaimed the firm establishment of

Cheon Il Guk in 2020, to realize the dream and vision True Parents had established in their youthful days.

The reason Mother has continued to move forward for the sake of our Heavenly Parent is precisely because of her having formulated, during her youth, a dream and a goal that excited her heart. If this is the case, what kind of goal must those who are now in their youth establish The following is from True Mother's memoir:

When we are young, we stand at a crossroads. We have to decide whether to take the road that satisfies selfish desires or the road toward a great dream. As we begin the stage of life following childhood, we should be beautiful young men and women ready to launch ourselves into the world with the courage that comes from having great dreams.

In order for young people to become filial sons or daughters, patriots that tread a path for posterity, working together with our Heavenly Parent, the first thing they need is determination to have hyojeong [filial devotion] -- to give all that they have to Heavenly Parent and True Parents. Unlike Adam and Eve of old, who fell during their growth period, centering on our Heavenly Parent and True Parents, we must make the sacred determination to protect our purity, pursue the path of individual perfection, receive the Blessing from True Parents, perfect a family and then perfect our dominion over the creation, which is the path to the completion of the three blessings.

In particular, in this first historic year after the sixtieth anniversary of the True Parents' Holy Wedding, Heavenly Parent's Day and True Parents' Day became one day. In this special year, True Mother has permitted today's festival and Commitment Ceremony. Through this Commitment Ceremony, she is blessing young people as true children of our Heavenly Parent and True Parents and bequeathing to you their heart-stirring vision, their determination and their filial piety toward Heaven, which True Parents established during their adolescence and youth. That is why this is a truly joyful festive day centered on the Blessing, for which we can feel grateful. The Blessing is the greatest gift from Heavenly Parent to you. It expresses the greatest love that True Parents can give you. Therefore, the Blessing is joy and happiness.

The following excerpt from True Mother's memoirs highlights additional points about the importance of the Blessing you receive from True Parents:

Every one of the nearly eight billion people in the world needs to meet the True Parents on earth. That is the purpose of the marriage Blessing. The fact that True Parents are with us is the fearsome yet joyful truth. Happiness is when human beings, who have lost their parents, find them again. There is nothing more joyful.

As the True Mother, the only begotten daughter and Mother of the universe, I have completed all the works of the providence and opened a new age. Now we need to engrave that truth in our hearts and act upon Heaven's will. Guided by the Mother of peace, the only begotten daughter, you will receive True Parents' seal and achieve harmony on the path of life.

This first Hyojeong Youth Blessing Festival was marked by a solemn commitment of the youth to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, which they expressed through the following resolution:

Declaration of Commitment

I offer my sacred determination in front of Heavenly Parent and True Parents.

I will keep my purity for my future spouse and work toward individual perfection.

I will receive the Marriage Blessing from the True Parents of Heaven, Earth, and Humankind and work toward family perfection.

I will participate in the ideal of one human family under Heavenly Parent and work toward the perfection of dominion over the creation.

On March 27, all participants in the Blessing Festival made this commitment.