

Institutions Live in History Because of Continuous Dedication

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Let me begin by returning glory and praise to Heavenly Parent and True Parents, and with a reading from *Cheon Seong Gyeong*, p. 1254 in the English translation:

Whatever your problem, if you try to solve it by working only with the spirit world or only with the physical world, you will not succeed. Likewise, just because you know God's will does not mean God is liberated. You have to unite with True Parents and lay a foundation upon which you can govern nations and the world's religious realms.

Greetings to Rev. Lee Gi-seong, chairman and Korean national president, Dr. Jin Sung-bae, president, Hyojeong Academy, Dr. Kim Jinchoon, a former president of our graduate university, Dr. Joo Dongmoon, president, HJ-IFUS, distinguished Cheon Il Guk leaders, honored guests, beloved faculty, staff and students, family and friends, and especially the 2018 graduates of Sun- Hak UP

Graduate University. Thank you for your presence here, and good morning to you all.

This is the thirteenth annual commencement ceremony of SunHak UP Graduate University. As you know, institutions live in history because of continuous dedication, and SunHak UP Graduate University is a dedicated community of continuous learning. And what is it that we are engaged in learning here? It is how to become true human beings, true representatives of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.

When True Parents founded this school, they gave us the mission of *chojeonggyo*, of transcending the limitations of religion, and the alienation among religions. True Father called upon us to "understand heaven, earth and humanity and realize that there is an owner of heaven." In this way, he told us to "help to establish [God's] new ideal world that transcends religions and nations." (CBG, p. 1036). True Mother has given us a new name and a new heavenly design and program to enable us to fulfill this mission.

Mun and mu

As I mentioned during the inauguration ceremony at the beginning of the fall semester, our goal at SunHak UP Graduate University is to unite academic culture and field-related training. In traditional Korean terms, reflective academic training (*mun* 文 as in *munhwa*) and vigorous field-related training (*mu* 武 as in *mudo*) are both essential for global leadership. Together, mun and mu unite to form *bin* (斌), a shining example and light to the world.

That also means that for each one of you graduates, as you go out to the field or to other responsible positions, you yourself need to cultivate the connection between shared culture and personal discipline. The balance that you have been striving for at Sun- Hak UP Graduate University is the key to your advancement in the next stage of your life and mission.

Conscience, compass

The key to maintaining that balance is the conscience (*yangshim*) that serves as your intimate guide. Your professors and training leaders have tried hard to stimulate the development of your conscience in various ways. We hope that it will serve properly, as the compass to orient your life, thought and action.

Heavenly engineering

As you are getting ready to go out to nations around the world, I would like to remind you of the heavenly engineering that you carry with you. Let's try an experiment, though it might seem silly at first. To begin,

let me ask you to please wiggle the toes of your left foot. Now, wiggle the toes on your right foot. This is an amazing process actually, based on the direction from your listening mind to your physical mind to your nerves and to your toes, and then back again, because you know that you are wiggling your toes, right? Now, please take a moment and think about your family or loved ones who are far away, while wiggling your left toes. Now come back and think about us gathered here, while wiggling your right toes. Now lastly, think of our True Parents, who are both far and near, while wiggling all your toes together.

This small exercise of heavenly engineering reminds us that we can always recall our connections with our True Parents and with one another, in whatever situation we find ourselves. Through this connection between the spiritual and the physical we'll advance and succeed.



Heavenly society

Just as your body and mind are connected through heavenly engineering, so is human society. The whole society is made up of sensitive connections, that you have the mission to transform in a heavenly way.

You are agents of Cheon Il Guk, the nation of heavenly oneness. Cheon Il Guk is working in and through you. This is the Three-Win society (win-win-win) of interdependence, shared prosperity and universal values, *gong seng*, *gong yong*, *gong ui*, that True Mother proclaimed anew at the African Summit in Senegal.

Hyo jeong

How will that heavenly society be advanced -- on what basis? We already know the answer, because True Mother has already given it to us: "by becoming light to the world through hyo jeong toward Heaven (*Hanul dehan hyo jeong*)."

Just as heavenly engineering is in the midst of the interaction of your own mind and body, so hyo jeong is in the midst of the society of *gong seng*, *gong yong*, *gong ui*. We could say that hyo jeong is the compass of spherical sovereignty. Those interconnections, within your mind and body, between the spiritual and the physical, and throughout the social networks that form society, are all properly understood and properly oriented by hyo jeong toward Heaven. Hyo jeong is the natural and original signal of your own conscience, and when you abide by it, you will naturally build heavenly connections wherever you go.

Conclusion

In the future, you will be challenged in many unexpected ways, and you will be called upon to serve and take care of many brothers and sisters, elder and younger, who may or may not appreciate you as they ought to do. Do not expect to be treated as a leader, but show your heart of leadership by the way that you serve and attend others.

On that foundation, in unity with True Parents, you will be able to participate in "governing nations and the world's religious realms." Thank you, and God bless you.