

## CARP Boston, USA: Higher Purpose Talks in Boston

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2024, the year of the blue dragon, kicked off in high gear with a series of Higher Purpose Talks to start the semester. In January, CARP Boston its first Higher Purpose Talk covering the topic "Universal Principles for the Conscientious". The event, with 12 people in person and online, started off with rock-paper-scissors in order to get to know each other better. The talk, given by Aki Kudo, emphasized various principles in our lives that we all can agree on, and how having a set of universal principles can make the world a better place. The discussion was very joyful and long, with everyone realizing something about themselves.

Following Aki's talk, in February the second Higher Purpose Talk of the semester was held on the topic "Why We Need Jesus TODAY". The event, with 17 people in person and online, started off with an exciting "zombie survival game", where groups of three, each given certain clues, had to make their case that they could survive the longest. The talk, given by Luc Jean, emphasized the importance of Jesus Christ as a model for growing closer

to God. Additionally, Luc discussed the roadblocks we face in today's age from the viewpoint of the book of Revelation, which details visions of the Last Days; namely, communism and free sex culture. The discussion was very fruitful and thought-provoking, with everyone coming away with both takeaways and more questions.



Four weeks later, the third Higher Purpose Talk, covering the topic "True Parents: The Starting Point Towards Peace," began with another fun game: Foxes and Rabbits. The event, with 12 people in person and online, had the foxes (2-3 people) "eating" the rabbits (everyone else) while not being able to see where the rabbits were going. The main talk, given by Samuel Miranda, began by showcasing True Parents: Reverend Sun Myung Moon and Hak Ja Han Moon, and their accomplishments. Through exploring their accomplishments, Samuel was able to also explore their identity: The 2nd Advent of Christ and the Only Begotten Daughter, standing together as True Parents. Afterward, the video "Chosen" was shown to highlight their life, particularly Reverend Moon's embrace of his enemy, Kim Il Sung. The discussion was very reflective, as each of our friends digested the talk in their own way.

You can see the livestream of each talk [HERE](#)

