

## God gave human beings responsibilities; they had to grow and become mature

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Dear members, Blessed families of the Heavenly nation of Gyeongwon, distinguished guests, peace ambassadors, ladies and gentlemen!

This year marks the 100th anniversary of the March 1st Movement effectively ending the last 100 years of Korea's history and beginning the next 100 years. In light of this, I would like to talk about the pending tasks that Korea must complete within the next 100 years.



Christian leaders and students triggered the March 1st Movement by crying out for the Republic of Korea to become a nation that would fulfill the providential responsibilities for which they were protected by God. Although this country has become independent, the leaders of the north and south who fought for the independence of this country have divided into democrats and communists over an ideological question. How can it be that a country in the Christian realm, which was protected by God, has accepted an ideology such as communism, which claims that God does not exist? As a result of such a confrontation, the Soviet Union tried to occupy the Korean peninsula, dreaming of the full globalization of communism.

How did 16 of the countries within the United Nations take part in the war in this little-known land? God had been preparing these people since before Christ. Yet these people were ignorant of that reality.

It is written that God created the heavens and the earth and all things in His image, from positive and

negative charge in the mineral kingdom, stamen and pistil in the plant kingdom, male and female in the animal kingdom, and lastly, He created one male and one female to be humanity's ancestors.

God also gave human beings responsibilities to fulfill. They had to grow and develop themselves to an acceptable level of maturity for God to Bless them [in marriage]. This was infinite divine grace! However, they became self-absorbed and self-centered, which gave rise to this fallen world.



God is almighty, omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent. He is the same from beginning to end. [He is the Alpha and the Omega.] Fortunately, the eternal God cannot override His fundamental principles of creation; He could not let humanity crumble, and so He began the history of salvation, the providence of restoration through indemnity.

He did this by appointing the chosen people, the Israelites, preparing them from the individual level up until they were able to form a national foundation. But how difficult must the history of the providence of restoration through indemnity have been for it to take 4,000 years? After those 4,000 years, God sent Jesus Christ, the promised Messiah, to the Israelites. And what happened? Neither Mary, who conceived Jesus, nor Judaic leaders nor the Israelites understood Jesus' nature. Jesus waited 30 years, yet they could not establish the proper foundation for Jesus to fulfill the providence. After three years of public life, Jesus had no other way to go but the way of the cross. Before his crucifixion, Jesus said he would come again.



Today's Christians believe their salvation comes from Jesus' blood shed on the cross. How distant is this from God's [real] situation? We need to have a repentant heart over this. Stuck within their own limitations -- within the restraints they created -- and not seeking to understand God first, Christianity's understanding of God was poor. We cannot understand God properly within our self-created constraints.

As a result, Christians throughout history made many mistakes. How could communism emerge out of a Christian foundation? Today's Christians must reflect on this.

Jesus said he would return.... How sad and pitiful is it to God for Jesus to say he needed to return? God could not trust human beings, yet because He had to fulfill His ideal of creation without fail, God carried out the history of salvation and the providence of restoration through indemnity for fallen humankind. On that basis, Jesus said he would return to celebrate the Marriage Supper of the Lamb.



Christianity's leaders should have been attentive to when, how, and where Jesus' bride, God's Only Begotten Daughter, would emerge. Since God cannot see the fulfillment of the providence of salvation with people whom He cannot rely on, He chose a new people. These are the people of the [Korean] Han Dynasty, which dates as far back as 400 years before Christ. Thus, God brought forth the Only Begotten Daughter in 1943 through a Christian foundation amidst these Korean people.

After Korea's liberation [in 1945 with Japan's defeat], an unexpected fratricidal war broke out. The northern side was fully preparing itself alongside the Soviet Union. Democracy in southern Korea had not yet formed a solid regime with no way to defend themselves against the north. Nevertheless, in 1943, God's Only Begotten Daughter was born, and, in accordance with the principle of creation, God had to give her time to grow. Thus, God had to protect her until she could mature, understand the providence, and then, of her own free will, assume responsibility.

How did the 16 countries of the United Nations Forces manage to reach this country so quickly? This is impossible by human efforts alone.

God sent the Only Begotten Daughter to this nation and, through her, True Parents -- the two human beings who victoriously became the two humans God longed for -- could emerge. Key figures within the Christian foundation did not welcome that day -- that day which God had anxiously waited for 6,000 years.

We lived through the Korean War and the country had not yet reorganized, but the Divine providence could not be delayed any longer. In 1960, my husband and I rose to the position of True Parents.

As fallen human beings we cannot enter God's presence. Without establishing the condition of having been reborn through True Parents, one cannot become God's child. Just how infinite is this grace and blessing from God?

The path followed by True Parents, that of the Blessing so you may become sons or daughters of God, has been very arduous. To this day, the 7.6 billion people on Earth and all their ancestors have been trying to find a way to achieve a peaceful world free of war and conflict. However, there is only one way to do this; we must get rid of the bonds of the Human Fall and become true sons and daughters who attend God. For this reason, True Parents are carrying out the True Family Movement globally through the Family Federation.

In this nation of Gyeongwon there are many wonderful results due to the sacrifices of courageous United Nations soldiers who fought in the war, and we must not forget them. As the ambassador mentioned today, many sad stories also remain in this area of Gyeongwon.

Today, I appeal to the Blessed families of the nation of Gyeongwon: I ask you to make efforts so that Ethiopia accepts the Only Begotten Daughter, our True Parents, to then receive blessings and become a Heavenly Ethiopia that attends God. If the 7.6 billion people of the world receive the Blessing through the True Family Movement and fulfill God's dream and humankind's desire to become one large human family, there will be no more wars or conflicts.



There is only one path to solving this country's problem of reunification. If the leaders and citizens of this country carry out the True Family Movement and attend God, there will no longer be enemies confronting this country.

We have learned many lessons from World War I and World War II. If we were to take the astronomical amount of money that is demanded by war to instead use it to recover this deteriorating planet and to bring developed and underdeveloped countries into balanced equality to live as sister nations that attend God, when that comes, we will see the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

If Gyeongwon were to Bless the countries that helped us during the Korean War, and if it were to make True Parents' love and God's blessings known to them and the surrounding countries, when that day comes, then we will see a world without wars, a world that humanity has truly yearned for; a peaceful world attending God as one great human family. I ask you to raise your voices today to make yourselves heard throughout the world.

I am creating foundations all over the world for global unity. The International Peace Highway is an example of this. To all our brother countries who have protected us by shedding their blood and sweat, we must repay the grace and remember to be grateful to them. Only on the path True Parents have taught us, through expressing true love by living for the sake of others, have we ushered in the era of Asia-Pacific Civilization. Now, is the time for our young people to go out into the world.

Therefore, from this moment onward, this nation of Gyeongwon, which is ushering in a new era, will spread the flame of peace lit on Mount Barwang to Japan, Europe, Southeast Asia, Oceania, Latin America and to various African countries.

This December in New York, some 30,000 ministers and faithful Christians will gather, and centered on the Only Begotten Daughter, True Mother, they will resolve to bring about the restoration of the world and the fulfillment of God's dream.

This is not something that can be achieved with human strength alone. God is with us. We have to understand how much He has longed to embrace and love humankind as His children for the past 6,000 years. I pray that the Blessed families of Gyeongwon will alleviate God's bitter pain and that the 7.6 billion people of the world will soon accept God's Only Begotten Daughter and True Parents, who is manifesting in the world and to keep moving toward the day we will return immense glory to God.

Thank you.