Prayer: Please Let Us Become True Filial Children and Fulfill Our Responsibility

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Father! We did not know that you are our father who for billions and billions of years could not stay apart from us even if we wanted to stay apart from you. What was your sorrow, Father? We did not know that it was your sorrow to have lost your children and to have lost history. But now following the ardent wish of your sorrowful command, we have bowed down before you in this place and are sincerely grateful to you.

We earnestly hope and desire, Father, that you will let us become true filial sons and daughters who know that as long as historical grief remains, your grief remains as well, and as long as historical sorrow remains, your sorrow remains. The time has come that your children must appear who can block this kind of flow of history, and who feel keenly that there remains the path of the world-level Golgotha where the building of an altar for you must be passed on to the people and the world.

Your children who have gathered here, for whom have they lived until today? And what are they looking to as they go forward? We have the mission of having to be responsible for the entire destiny of history left by heaven, and since we have walked forth having determined ourselves and having pledged to do that mission, please do not let us hesitate or give up along the way. We earnestly hope and desire, Father, that you will not let us become a group which fights with the evil enemy and in the end is defeated and brought to its knees.

We earnestly hope that you will remember the lonely group which is bowing down at your altar representing many peoples today. And even more, we earnestly hope and desire, Father, that you will remember your children who are shedding tears and looking up to this place today also, and who are struggling saying that they will take on the lamentations of the people and are concerned about heaven and humankind even while on their lonely paths of being driven out in every corner of the peninsula,

We have come to know that all these things were destined relationships in your sorrowful history. As long as the sorrowful relationships and sorrowful history which remain before us are not cleared up, please do not let us become ungrateful children who flee from this path or avoid this path. We earnestly hope and desire that you will let us become your true sons and daughters who are able to learn the duties of filial children and to learn the fidelity of loyal subjects. We have prayed all these things in the name of the Lord. Amen.