

Korea in the World

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World Rally for Korean Freedom

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June 7, 1975 is the day of a new historical declaration both for me and for God. Already, at this very plaza, people have sent up a great roar that has shaken heaven and earth, blaming Kim Il Sung who is trying to invade the South, thus taking advantage of the Indochina situation. There have already been many rallies for the total unity of national security. However, this World Rally for Korean Freedom is a most unique historical convention in two senses.

First, today's rally is the only convention which blames Kim Il Sung not only in the name of the people and of mankind, but also in the name of God. Secondly, this rally is a worldwide convention where not only our Korean people gather, but also some one thousand representatives from 60 countries of different languages and cultures gather together to resolve the protection of free Korea and the whole world.

The purposes of this rally are to encourage our people to be totally united domestically in the face of our nation's crisis brought about by the communization of Vietnam and Cambodia, and to show the direction and standpoint which the

people of the world should follow. As a result this rally is significant in order to warn Kim Il Sung against conducting any rash action, miscalculating or provoking a war like the last Korean War.

What is Communism? We know very well that Communism began with the Bolshevik Revolution in 1917, engulfing more than half of the world within the last half-century and inflicting its ruthless and savage actions upon mankind.

Communism is a dreadful, satanic philosophy, whose actions are horribly criminal and destructive.

We Korean people who have experienced the savage action of Communism know better than any other people in the world the criminal behavior of the Communists.

We are the people who have made a greater sacrifice than any other people in the world because of Communism. And at this very moment in North Korea our 14,000,000 brethren are still the victims of Communism. However, the criminal action of Communism does not stop here.

Today we can find the reason why we must oppose Communism and annihilate its criminal actions from the face of the earth. Communism is not only the enemy of mankind, but more significantly it is the enemy of God. Communism is not only an ideological system of politics and economics, but it is also a form of religion based on atheism. Communism completely controls human thinking, action and way of life, which is the unique force that only a religion can have. Communism is a religion insisting that there is no God. Moreover the ideology itself takes the place of God in human thinking, action and way of life, making human beings into slaves and machines. Therefore Communism is an unforgiveable enemy.

For Communism to win victory on the earth is for God to be defeated completely on the earth. It is God's defeat before it is the defeat of democracy and the free world. Therefore, Communism is God's enemy, even before it is the enemy of mankind.



However, omniscient and omnipotent God cannot be defeated. God will not merely watch Communism win victory over the whole world. In today's rally we must realize that the Unification Church and other virtuous religions who believe in God will surely win victory over Communism, the satanic religion denying God. I sincerely declare that the Unification Church which calls God our Father, and all the other religious people with their obedience and faith should defeat God's enemy, Communism, which is trying to kill God. Therefore we must realize that all religious people, especially Unification Church members, are God's warriors to be called to the front line for victory over Communism and are vanguards and flag bearers in the battle between God and Satan. We can never defeat Communism depending only upon weapons. This is because we cannot destroy firm human belief with only weapons or an atomic bomb. It is through belief and ideology that we can defeat the false. The force that will win victory over Communism, the false ideology, is another spiritual belief and ideology of a higher dimension.

Today we must increase our national power. We must equip our armed forces. We must fortify our defense line. However, what is more important is to be armed with truth, that is to say, our spirit should be armed with faith and ideology. We should be armed with the ideology that there is a God and our spirit should be armed with the faith and resolution that we will fight at the cost of our lives to fulfill God's will. We can win victory over the Communists' false faith and ideology only through the true faith and ideology. This is the ultimate task for the Unification Church members and all religious people to carry out. This is the way to root out and win the victory over Communism.

Today two ideologies are facing each other; one thinks there is a God and the other thinks there is no God. One world is centering on material and the other world is centering on spirit. The world that thinks there is a God is on God's side, and the world that thinks there is no God is on Satan's side. When these two worlds encounter each other the result will determine God's existence.

Therefore the fight to defeat Communism is the fight for God. These two world powers are facing against each other here in Korea. Korea is the final battlefield of these two worldwide ideologies which are against each other. The protection of Korean freedom is not only for the sake of Korea, but for the sake of the whole free world, for the defense of eternal freedom, and for bringing God a final victory. This is the reason why all freedom-loving people of the world should rise up in order to defend Korean freedom.

Therefore, in the June 25th Korean War God sent soldiers from 16 different countries to protect the freedom of Korea, shedding their precious blood. If North Korea invades the South again, enthusiastic youths from 60 different countries are going to defend this country to the last, at the cost of their lives.

The world members of the Unification Church are totally united in the name of God and all people of the world to carry out such a will. The Unification Church has been fulfilling the role of flag bearer and bridgehead in the battle against Communism, standing in the front line of the free world with the belief that Communism is the final enemy of God.

The religion that manifests God clearly will let us perceive the truth, faith and ideology that can overcome Communism. The aim of all the religious people in Korea should be the city of Pyongyang. The North Korean people who became the slaves of Communism are waiting for their liberation by God. Kim Il Sung and his followers dug underground tunnels for the purpose of invading the South. We religious people should dig our own tunnel for free unification to the bottom of the city of Pyongyang with our higher dimensions and should have the courage to liberate our brethren with love and heart.

We must not only pray, but also fight in order to explode God's bomb of truth and love in the center of the city of Pyongyang. Fourteen million North Korean brethren are waiting for God's hands.

In the Old Testament, nine foot Goliath stood stately with a spear in his hand. Before him was the boy David with a stone in his hand. Today we should hear David's cry. He neither cried, "You, foe, receive my stone," nor "Though I am very small, I am very strong. Come and fight with me." David cried, "I am facing you in the name of Jehovah." David defeated the giant Goliath with God's power.

We should defeat Kim Il Sung, smash Mao Tse Tung, and crush the Soviet Union in the name of God. We can gain victory only through faith. Let us fortify our defense line, completely and bravely. And let us fight to the last at the cost of our lives in the holy battle for God. The final victory will be ours at last. God is on our side.

We must know the strategy of Communism. I know Communism better than any other person. After liberation from Japan when I was in North Korea doing missionary work, I myself came through many death situations. The Communists captured me as their opponent and imprisoned me in Hung Nam Prison in 1948. This compulsory labor prison was an execution place where political and religious prisoners were dying slowly. I spent three years in this prison and was liberated by U.N. forces sent by God in 1950. I am a person who has tasted deeply the reality of Communism. I know too well its strategy and plot.

In 1931, one of the staff members of the Central Committee set up a powerful new leader, the present president of Korea, and the new order in our society when this country was confused and facing the crisis of Communist invasion from the North in 1961. God is helping us gain the final victory at the last battlefield between God and Satan, making North Korea, Red China, the Soviet Union, the Republic of Korea, Japan, and the United States involved in this battle, just like in both the first and the second world wars. We should be courageous and rise up totally with God's special favor and protection.

God loves Korea so much that He is going to establish a unified civilization of the whole world in this country. According to God's providence, human civilization has traveled around the world with its higher dimension, and now it is going to bear fruit.

Our ancient civilization was brought about on the continent. Human civilization was conceived beside the Nile River, changed into the peninsula civilization of Greece, and formed the Mediterranean civilization on the Italian peninsula. This peninsula civilization moved into the island civilization, centered on Great Britain. At last the island civilization of Great Britain crossed the Atlantic Ocean and landed on the American continent and formed the Pacific civilization, and the miracle of modern civilization. But the flow of human history does not stop here. This civilization crossed the Pacific Ocean and formed a new island civilization of Japan in full bloom corresponding to that of Great Britain, and it is going to form a unified civilization here in Korea corresponding to that of the Roman Empire. The Republic of Korea is the beloved one in the new era, and the Korean people are the ones chosen by God. Korea is the cradle of the new civilization that God wants. Therefore Korea is the country where God will make an end of His work of providence in a unification of world civilization.

This should be the pride of the Korean people whom God loves. A mother must unavoidably go through pains in order to bear a great son. Korea is now suffering from those pains. God is testing our potential ability, bravery, and qualifications through this trial, and after these pains He is going to bring us the glory of a great son.

Therefore each of the biggest powers on Satan's side is going to invade this country respectively. We should overcome this trial with God's love and with faith and hope. Our gaining the victory over Communism in spite of all difficulties means that Korea will take a leading role in establishing the unified world, which is God's will. In other words, Korea is the flag bearer of the whole world.

It is absolutely impossible to do this without the true thought and ideology -- the Divine Principle which Korea gave birth to in order to unify all religions. Victory Over Communism and Unification Thought is the ideology.

All the religions which take God as their Father should unite and face the Communists who deny God, but we should defeat them with truth and love. Let them recognize their errors. And finally we should embrace them as our brothers and sisters. The ideology for victory over Communism based on this

principle analyses all philosophies and isms, and enables us to unite into one centering on God. This principle, ideology, and thought was brought about in Korea. This is God's ism.

We will govern the country consulting with God and centering on God and there will be neither a party in power nor a party out of power. The time has come when all the religions and conscientious people should unite with our government and defeat Communism with God's ism and unify our territory and people. The time is now. Bliss comes after pain, and the new way comes out of difficulties. When the time comes, let us display the full potential of these Korean people who believe in God.

The famous Indian poet Tagore sang about Korea as follows: "Korea in early days, one of the bright lights in the golden days of Asia, when the light again becomes bright, you will be the brilliant light in the Orient. The place where there is no fear in mind, the head is high. The place where knowledge is free and not divided into pieces by small walls. The place where words spring up out of the depth of truth. The place where the two arms stretch out for the completion of endless effort. The place where the clear flow of intelligence is not astray on the sands of convention. The place where my mind is guided by the thought and action stretching out endlessly. To such a heavenly kingdom of freedom, may awake my fatherland."

Korea will be a bright light in the Orient illuminating the whole world in the near future. The day will surely come when all the people around the world will take Korea which is governed by God as their fatherland just like the poet Tagore. The time is already coming.