# Part 3 – Speeches

This section contains a selection of Dr. Kim's many public speeches given over a period spanning half a century. From the first texts, sermons given in the United Kingdom in the 1950s, to the keynote speech given on the occasion of the inauguration of the Unification Theological Seminary Founder's Society in 2005, Dr. Kim's words educate, encourage, and inspire his audience to have faith in God, True Parents, and the Divine Principle, and to work together harmoniously to build the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

The first texts continue to offer a precious glimpse into the early days of the Unification Movement, when Dr. Kim ventured into foreign lands as a missionary. These were the first occasions on which Reverend Moon's name and his revelations were introduced to the Western world. In Dr. Kim's Farewell Address to Pastor Joshua McCabe, who visited Korea to study Divine Principle in 1956, the excitement and hope of the early followers of Reverend Moon can be clearly felt and understood.

Since he served as the first president of UTS for twenty years, naturally many of Dr. Kim's speeches were made in the context of the Seminary and its conferences. Included here are several Congratulatory Addresses to UTS graduates, and a number of Welcoming Remarks to scholars at the various interfaith seminars sponsored by Dr. Kim and UTS during his time there. On every occasion, Dr. Kim never failed to encourage and exhort his audience to have faith and confidence in God and His providence, and to strive to follow the standards set by Reverend Moon both in his faith and his works.

After his retirement from UTS, Dr. Kim did not retire from public life or public speaking! Rather, he focused his energies and interests on marriage and family, continuing the research he had begun in his early years as a missionary when he enrolled as a student in various seminaries and universities. In these later speeches the fruits of those studies are brought to maturity.

On appropriate occasions, like his 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, Dr. Kim gave detailed guidance on how couples can work out their differences and strive to achieve the ideal in marriage and the family. Combining his research on Christian and secular counseling with his deep understanding of Divine Principle and Reverend Moon's teachings and model lifestyle, Dr. Kim's words are invaluable for young and old alike. Although his insights are deeply connected to his faith, Dr. Kim's presentations contain gems that will help and inspire all people seeking to build a harmonious and happy marriage and establish an ideal family, regardless of their religious beliefs.

# God's Forty-Day Reversive Providence in Human History. Sermon Delivered by Sang Chul Kim, Ammonford, South Wales, United Kingdom

(The following sermon was given by Mr. Sang Chul Kim, a United Nations Scholar from South Korea studying in South Wales, United Kingdom. The sermon was delivered on three occasions in 1954 in Ammanford, South Wales: at the Presbyterian Church on October 3, at the Baptist Church on October 17, and at the Apostolic Church on November 21.)

It is my great honor and pleasure to be here in my Father's Temple this evening, and to have an opportunity to speak to my sisters and brothers in the Penybank area, United Kingdom, on the subject "God's Forty-Day Reversive Providence in Human History."

Everybody in the world in the twentieth century is interested in the future fate of 2.4 billion human beings on earth. In other words, they are asking, "In what way will human history terminate or end?"

Prior to further explanation, I, an optimist, will give my conclusion. I date say that our history is returning to the predegradation period of Adam and Eve's time, which, except for that degradation and the subsequent murder of Abel by Cain, was supposed to be an ideal world—no pain, no sorrow, no sin, and no war—only living in goodness and praising our Almighty God.

The present world is being divided into two groups. One group consists of free nations who respect human rights and worship God. The other group is the Communist bloc and its satellites who deny God and infringe on the human rights given to us by our Heavenly Father.

Since the first murder case, where Cain (the first son of Adam) killed his brother Abel, the 6,000 years of human history have clearly shown a record of struggle and fighting between Good and Evil, between the agents for God and the agents for Satan. Apart from picking examples from the Bible, we may easily see examples in modern history—World War I, World War II, and the recent Korean War.

Through studying the 66 books of the Bible, we may realize the following common principles operating on God's side:

- 1. Goodness, righteousness, and agents for God were the final victors.
- 2. In cases of disobedience to God and when sins and iniquities happened, God gave the people, even children of God, adequate punishment, without exception.
- 3. Our God gave His secret Principles or Providential plans to His loving people in the Bible, or to specialized persons through His direct supervision.

Devout persons, who are able to communicate with our Heavenly Father, and even scientists are saying that we are entering the so-called "Latter Days" or "Last Days" or the "Time of the End." It is true that we are in the "Latter Days." Think of the dangerous development of the atomic bomb which in a few minutes can destroy 2.4 billion people on earth along with 6,000 years of history, science, and modern civilization. This is why we live in great horror and fear today.

Contrary to pessimistic opinions on human fate, I dare say that our God still protects His children and pursues His providence to lead us to an eternal ideal world. Let me quote our God's words:

> Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient time the things that are not yet done, saying, my counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure; calling a ravenous bird from **the east** (emphasis added), the man that executeth my counsel from **a far country** (emphasis added). (Isaiah 46:10-11)

> And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron; and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne. And there was war in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon ... And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world; he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. (Revelation 12:5-9)

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither be any more pain; for the former things are passed away ... And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely. (Revelation 21:2-6)

Our Almighty God has spent 6,000 years to guide us to the ideal world, which He planned from the beginning. Our ideal goal, however, was postponed to the present age by the commission of sin, disobedience, whoredom, and by following Satan as the children of the devil, away from the bosom of God, our creator.

In connection with the so-called "Latter Days," eventually the question of the Second Advent, the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, will arise. We Christians of this generation must be very careful, practical, and wise. We need to study and research the Bible, which contains deep truths and various meanings regarding God's systematic, scientific, and mathematical providence for human beings from Adam to the present age.

Because of the Bible's deep and broad truths, there naturally appeared various interpretations of its verses and different denominations among Christians, who still believe in the same Almighty God and in Jesus Christ, the Son of God, and our Savior and Redeemer. Some scholars point out that the Bible is just like a mirror—different times, different circumstances, and different inspirations give different images of Biblical truth.

When I arrived in London one and a half months ago, I obtained an article written by Reverend L.B. Ashby, M.A. entitled "The Inspirations of the Bible." In that article I found a very valuable paragraph, as follows:

The truth is that the Bible is like a gold mine where the pure gold is mixed with much earth and clay, and has to be washed out and separated. This is just what the intelligent (wise) reader does. He extracts the gold; and he finds that when he has done this, he has far more than enough precious metal to supply all his spiritual needs ten times over. He has more than enough truth to be 'a lantern unto his feet and a light unto his paths to guide his feet into the way of peace.'

Concerning the Second Advent of Jesus Christ, I can easily find more than ten verses in the 66 books of the Bible prophesying that the Second Advent will be born as a human being in a physical body, as well as more than six verses prophesying that the Second Advent will come down from Heaven with wonders and miracles, not born as a human being on earth. Therefore, we must be very wise in the Latter Days, as the Bible teaches us in Daniel 12:3-10:

> And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness, as the stars for ever and ever ... And he said, Go thy way, Daniel, for the worlds are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand.

Then, how should we be wise in the Latter Days? I recommend that one method is to search the Bible and learn our Heavenly Father's secret formula for His providence, a formula which has been applied for the past 6,000 years, and which, I am sure, will apply to the future as well. Jesus Christ told the Jews in the Gospel of John 5:19:

> Verily, verily, I say unto you. The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do; for what things soever he doeth these also doeth the son likewise.

All things in the universe which our Father created in the beginning are being operated on by some unchangeable principles and theories from the beginning until the present age. As a simple example, look at the sky, the sun, and the moon and the stars at night. They are being operated on by principles or theories in so-called scientific systems. Recognizing that our God is a God of Principle, a God of theory, and a God of the scientific system, the Bible, which is the word of God, must contain common principles and theories for His providence to human beings.

Before introducing "God's Forty-Day Reversive Providence" theory, I have the greatest honor to introduce the discoverer of this theory, Mr. Sun Myung Moon. Through his more than 17 years of biblical research and prayers he is one of the holy persons in Korea.

The number "4" or the number "40" is God's unit formula in his "Reversive Providence" principle in the history of Israel, His people and selected agents for God—such as Noah, Abraham, Jacob, Moses, and Jesus Christ, Son of God.

Briefly let us look at the Bible—the Old and New Testaments—in accordance with God's unit formula number "40":

1. God used the number 40 in Noah's age to destroy the evil world and Satan.

And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights. In the self same day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and three wives of his sons with them, into the ark. (Genesis 7:12-13)

- 2. After 400 years following Noah's age, God called and selected Abraham, son of an idol maker, as his agent. This 400 number is derived from  $40 \ge 400$ .
- 3. By Abraham's failure to divide the birds—a turtle dove and a young pigeon—in his three offerings, our God punished the seed of Abraham afflicting them for 400 years in a strange country. This 400 is derived from  $40 \ge 10 = 400$ .

And he took into him all these (the offerings to God: a heifer of three years old, a she goat of three years old, a ram of three years old, a turtledove and a young pigeon). And divided them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another; but the birds divided he not. And when the fowls came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away, and when the sun was going down, a deep sleep fell upon Abram; and lo, a horror of great darkness fell upon him. And he said unto Abram, Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a stranger in a land that is not theirs, and shall serve them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years. (Genesis 15:10-13) 4. When we come down to the age of Jacob, the number 40 occurs in the embalming of his dead body.

And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father; and the physicians embalmed Israel (Jacob). And forty days were fulfilled for him, for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed; and the Egyptians mourned for him three score and ten days. (Genesis 50:2-3)

5. In Moses' life, he stood before Pharaoh as the agent for God or in place of God. He spent 40 years at Pharaoh's palace:

And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians and was mighty in words and in deeds. And when he was full forty years old, it came into his heart to visit his brethren the children of Israel. (Acts 7:22-23)

Also we see that Moses and his people spent 40 days searching the land of Canaan:

And they returned from searching of the land after forty days. (Numbers 13:25)

In the wilderness, Moses and the Israelites were given forty years of punishment by God for their disobedience just before going into the Promised Land:

And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcasses be wasted in the wilderness. After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise. (Numbers 14:33-34)

Moses also fasted for 40 days and nights. Moses was given the Ten Commandments by God after fasting 40 days and nights on Mt. Sinai. Whenever an important interaction took place between the Israelites and our God, this unit formula number 40 was applied. And the LORD said unto Moses, write thou these words; for after the tenor of these words I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel. And he was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights; he did neither eat bread, nor drink water. And he wrote upon the tables the words of the covenant, the Ten Commandments. (Exodus 34:27-28)

- 6. In the 400 year period of the Judges following Moses' death, we find the same type of 400 year formula as in the period from Abraham to Moses.
- 7. Now let us look at Age of the Kings. King Saul reigned for 40 years:

...and God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of forty years. (Acts 13:21)

King David reigned for 40 years:

Thus David the son of Jesse ruled over all Israel. And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years. (I Chronicles 29:26-27)

King Solomon reigned for 40 years:

And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel forty years. (II Chronicles 9:30)

- 8. Following the reign of the kings, God gave us 4 major prophets (Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel, and Daniel) and 12 minor prophets before Jesus Christ was born.
- 9. Now we come to our Savior, Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As you know, our Lord fasted 40 days and 40 nights in the wilderness, receiving three kinds of temptations from Satan.

Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be temped of the devil. And when he had fasted forty days and forty nights, he was afterward ahungered. (Matthew 4:1-2) This formula is the same as Moses' 40 days and 40 nights fasting on Mt. Sinai to receive the Ten Commandments, which happened 1,600 years before Christ—1,600 is derived from 40 x 40 = 1,600. Jesus was entombed for 40 days before his resurrection:

To whom he showed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days and speaking of things pertaining to the kingdom of God. (Acts 1:3)

- 10. In the modern age after Jesus, we had a 400 year period of persecution of Christianity. This period of persecution was a result of the sin of Jesus' crucifixion by the Israelite people. This is the same type of formula as the 400 years of punishment to Abraham's seed for Abraham's failure in the three kinds of offerings to God.
- 11. From the Renaissance to the present age we are in another period of 400 years.

I have picked through the Bible and modern history and explained very briefly that the number 4 (and 40) is the basic unit formula of our God's "Reversive Providence" for the Earth and for human beings. The number 4 is the symbol of four directions— East, West, South, and North. This number 4 is the "Earth Consummation" number, which was lost to Satan by the degradation of Adam and Eve. So our Heavenly Father has spent 6,000 years in His providence to reverse the degradation and recover the Earth and His lost children.

Then someone might ask, "Which period of Israelite history is equivalent to the present age we are living in now?" The answer to this question will be my conclusion. Nearly ten years ago, a few holy persons living in different countries, through their prayers and communications to our Father, prophesied that we had entered the forty year wilderness age in 1919, when the First World War ended. This is equivalent to the 40 years the Israelites, led by Moses, were longing for Canaan, the Promised Land of milk and honey.

According to "God's Forty-Day Reversive Providence" theory, I agree that we are living in the 40 year wilderness period looking forward to our future ideal Christian world family, when we will be living with and attending the Second Advent of our Lord. 100

# Korean Revival and the Korean War. Remarks by Sang Chul Kim, U.N. Scholar, at the International Apostolic Convention, Penygroes, South Wales, United Kingdom, August 3, 1955

God's loving sisters and brothers from all over the world:

This is a historical moment for the Apostolic Church and memorable to me also as I stand on the platform of this International Convention to deliver a few remarks. I say historical because it is the first time in 50 years for the Apostolic Church to invite a Korean Christian to this Convention, and memorable because it is also my first time to attend the International Apostolic Convention, where our universal Heavenly Father moves and operates.

Throughout my childhood and my Christian life of faith, I have never experienced such a wonderful congregation surrounded by spiritual fire, love, enthusiasm for God, constant prayers, and dynamic hymn singing. Here, there is enough power to conquer and destroy the devil, not only in the British Isles, but also throughout the whole earth. It is like being "drunk" with proverbial new wine. Thanks be to God I am also completely drunk and intoxicated by this "new wine," and I shall not be sober until I return to Korea in September. Truly, truly we have no words to express our thanks to God for His wonderful providence 50 years ago to this little holy town, Penygroes, the Head of the Cross.

Before going into my short talk entitled "Korean Revival and the Korean War," referring to the specialized Christian groups in Korea, you will be interested to hear my impressions and special insights regarding this International Convention. As the first supporter of the Apostolic Church from Korea, I wish to return our glory to God. You are apt to forget, or neglect to consider, your real happiness and the true value and significance of your membership in the Apostolic Church and, especially, the importance of your Convention from Heavenly Father's point of view. I feel this Convention is important for the following reasons:

- 1. The Holy Spirit is directly supervising his children—men and women from all over the world—and He has reversed the degradation of His children, separating them from the sinful world even in a short period of time. In other words, I can see His direct supervision of His children.
- 2. In this gathering I could easily observe that we are spending every day for the sole purposes of praising God, giving glory to God, receiving the Holy Spirit, singing, praying, dedicating our bodies and souls to our Lord, and loving each other regardless of sex, age, race, and nationality. God originally planned the model for this at the creation of human beings in the beginning. Unfortunately, God lost His design, but here in this town God has recovered it—the ideal Christian family living with our Heavenly Father.
- 3. In this Convention only the Trinity operates within us— Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. We often recite our Lord's Prayer: "Thy Kingdom come. Thy Will be done in earth, as it is in Heaven." I dare say to God, "Thy Kingdom is here in this Convention and Thy will is done in Penygroes, the Head of the Cross." Praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Have you ever thought of your great privileges on this occasion, including the continuous fine weather given by our Father for this special Convention?

Let us now turn our attention to a little country, Korea, a Godloving land about 8,000 miles away from here. It is about the same size as the British Isles, having a population of 30 million and 4,200 years of history in Asia. It has not been well known to the world until the Korean War occurred in July, 1950. The scale of that war was so big and human casualties so enormous that it could be compared with other great wars in human history. That war was a fight between the free world and the Communist bloc; one representing God, freedom of religion, and human rights; the other disregarding God, religion, and human rights.

In other words, the Korean War was a fight between the agents for God and the agents for the Devil. This was the special significance of the Korean War to our Heavenly Father's side. Korea is God's beloved land and at the same time, the land of hatred from the Devil. That is why more than 14 nations had to fight in the battle to rescue Korea from the Devil's hands. And God showed the Devil His wonderful works in Korea through Christian countries and other free nations of the United Nations.

Your soldiers, their medical units, and Red Cross societies are protecting and helping devastated Korean territories economically as well as militarily. These representatives are from the U.S.A., Britain, Canada, Australia, Italy, New Zealand, Denmark, France, Greece, Switzerland, Egypt, Turkey, Sweden, and so on. Nearly 100,000 young, valuable lives from 14 countries were lost during the three years of war to protect Korea from Communism, and are buried in Korean cemeteries. Therefore, Korea is your country too and has become an international land since the war.

Have you ever thought of the following questions:

- 1. Why did God select Korea and its people of Christianity as a sacrifice for the world's tensions, tribulations, or sins?
- 2. Why must all nations pay the price equally in this war, and also help rebuild Korea in the future?
- 3. What is the meaning of Korea to Heavenly Father's side?

The answers are very simple:

God loves Korea, a beautiful land where His holy children live. After enduring suffering instead of committing sins, this little country will be given a special providence by Him.

The Christian population of Korea is nearly 3,000,000 strong. Though only 10% of the whole population, they influence the entire community. Especially before the Second World War and until the Communist occupation of North Korea in 1945, northern Korea was known to the world as the "Asian Holy District." Pyongyang was called by Christians the "Asian Jerusalem." There, on both Saturday and Sunday, all citizens went to church, closing their shops, and devoting the whole day to church and church activities.

Christians from northern Korea are very enthusiastic and ardent, more religious than southern Koreans. Most of the northern Christians took the opportunity to go as refugees to the south with the U.N. troops; otherwise they were martyred—often by being burned alive in church buildings with gasoline fires—by the brutal Communist troops during the war.

During three years of war a great evangelical and revival movement swept throughout South Korea. With nearly 500,000 Christian refugees from the north, great prayer gatherings and Bible research meetings were continuously held. Due to the suffering of war there was no way to find peace, protection, and security except to ask Heavenly Father, who supervises human history, the destiny of a nation, and the fate of the world.

Our continuous prayers which, together with your prayers, were heard and accepted by God, resulted in recapturing lost territory, the unity of free nations to protect Korea from the Devil's aggression, and the rebuilding of the devastated Korean country. Especially welcomed were enormous amounts of relief foods from Christian churches worldwide and from the free nations to feed Korean orphans and refugees without homes. In other areas, the U.N. decided to establish a U.N. rehabilitation agency to help rebuild the social and economic aspects of Korea.

God also has done other wonderful works among prisoners of war. Approximately 21,582 Korean Communist prisoners of war, who had been brainwashed by Communist doctrine, were converted to Christianity during the internment period. It means that originally these northern Koreans were brought up in Christian families and were more religious than other Asian people.

One thing I must report and announce to the world Christian brothers and sisters is that in 1951, during the severe and harsh Korean War, our Lord's Image in the Clouds appeared in the sky of North Korea in the smoke trails of jet fighters. This image inspired Christians and Christian countries throughout the world, which reported it at that time in many newspapers, magazines, and wireless reports abroad. Here I have a copy reproduced by American Magazine and Christian News Weekly. (Showed the photo to the Convention and circulated it among more than 60 pastors on the platform).



Image of Jesus in the clouds over Korea, 1951

It was a great spiritual sensation and it appeared with the following interpretations:

1. Some prophets and scholars interpreted it in relation to the Second Advent of Jesus Christ as the fulfillment of the Gospel of St. Matthew 24:36:

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

As well as the fulfillment of the Book of Revelation 1:7:

Behold, he cometh with clouds and every eye shall see him.

2. Others interpreted that Korea is surely God's beloved land and in the near future something divine will happen, some good reward for the world's sacrifice and the offerings of Korea, and they all agree, "The coming of Jesus is now."

- 3. Some interpreted it in relation to Armageddon and seven years of tribulation, which was described in the Book of Revelation.
- 4. Some researched and looked at the Book of Daniel 12:11-12 to find out the date of the Second Advent:

And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be 1,290 days. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the 1,335 days.

5. Some opened the Book of Isaiah and considered the prophecies in chapter 41 and chapter 46.

The second thing I must say especially to your Apostolic members from all over the world is that in Korea our God is selecting specialized groups from the existing churches for His secret mission of accomplishing something great and divine. A few days ago we heard from your pastor MacPherson, author of the *Burden of Lord*, that the success of your church is in specialization in particular fields. God is using this principle with intelligent young Korean groups, revealing some secret providence, pouring out the Spirit with visions and letting them prophesy about heavenly things and earthly things regarding particular nations and the future of the world.

They are entirely captured by the Holy Ghost in their daily living and behavior. They are in God's Direct Supervising Scope. They live apart from, or divided from, the sinful and satanic world, just like your holy gathering in this Convention—no worries, no hatred, and no sins—only praising God, living with the Lord God, praying for others, and loving each other.

Sometimes they talk to Moses, John the Baptist (who is in a small post in heaven as the guard of the twelfth gate of the Kingdom of the Garden or Paradise), Elijah, and Jesus Christ, to ask questions about puzzling versus of the Old Testament or contradictory verses in the Bible. In the Gospel of St. John 16:12, it says: I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now.

Referring to that passage, they ask; "Oh, Lord, what are you going to say if you come to Earth? Reveal it to us." They would ask desperately until they got answers. Or, likewise, in the Gospel of St. John 16:25:

These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs.

Referring to this passage, they would ask; "What were your secrets at that time? Tell us and reveal them to us."

They are especially searching for, seeking for, the answer to the problem of the Second Advent—how He comes, when He comes, and where He will come—through continuous prayer, fasting, and desperate inquiry to Heavenly Father, they are knocking at Heaven's door in order to hear the unknown parts of the Bible and secrets of His providence to the Heavenly side.

As far as I know, those groups surrounded by the Holy Spirit number nearly 300 Christians in three different towns in Korea. They are separated from the mainstream churches. Some are elders, deacons, and deaconesses; others are young boys and girls from universities and theological schools.

Unfortunately, they are persecuted by the mainstream churches because of their influence on existing church members, including their healing power, prophesying, visions, and speaking in unknown tongues. However, they are protected by the guidance of the Holy Spirit at every critical juncture of persecution.

Secretly their numbers are increasing month by month, even though they have no church buildings. Neither do they have money to publish their research of the truth, God's revelations to them and His messages, which they receive through visions and voices from Heaven. They are now labeled by Christians in Korea as heretics, madmen, or crazy people just because the Holy Spirit moves and visits upon them.

In other words, in Korea today we have a similar experience of God's direct intervention as your Apostolic church experienced 50 years ago. Contrary to your situation, however, these specialized groups are living in a different, handicapped, and disadvantageous condition and environment from yours. I believe God's providence is for your church to meet those selected groups in Korea and to make links to each other in the near future.

YOU ARE RESPONISBLE to meet them to hear their message from God to world Christians, His people. Why do you hesitate to send your missionary groups to protect them under the same faith and belief? I think God has prepared different vessels in different nations in East and West to let them marry and produce LOVE and a Lovely Child after they unite East and West.

Do not worry about other foreign missionaries in Korea, because they are finished with their duty to God's side. God calls you for His valuable business (which was prophesied a few days before I left Korea), a more specialized task given to you by God.

Here I am, in the presence of our God, strongly recommending that you recover your Asian missionary groups as soon as possible in China, Malaysia, and Japan, and establish a new missionary group in Korea, whose land an people our God LOVES very much as the youngest, littlest, and loveliest child in the world.

May God bless you and your holy gathering forevermore. Amen.

### Farewell Address to Pastor Joshua McCabe by Sang Chul Kim, Seoul, Korea, September 8, 1956

Dear Pastor Joshua McCabe, dear brothers and sisters:

This is a really great pleasure for me to deliver a farewell address to Pastor McCabe on behalf of our group.

To meet God's Providence in the Last Days, our loving Pastor McCabe, representing the Apostolic Churches in 21 nations and I think, more than that, representing Christians throughout the world, has been sent to Korea in order to investigate my statements and recommendations at the 1954 Apostolic International Convention held at Penygroes, in the United Kingdom, and the possibilities of opening new missions here in Korea. At the same time Pastor McCabe has been sent in order to study the Principles of the Bible, now the Divine Principle in book form, which were revealed to Mr. Moon nearly 21 years ago when he was 17 years of age. God already spoke to us through prophets that after translation into English this book should be handed first to your Apostolic members, through Pastor Joshua McCabe.

Looking back at your stay with us it is just 80 days since you arrived, and we all thank you for your spirit of endurance in our hot climate, unfamiliar housing and food and customs, and so on while you were here. We also admire your responsible attitude and strong feelings in your study of the Principles to fulfill your Heavenly mission at this time. You studied thoroughly our Principles and we know you have been a great help to our dear sister, Miss Young Oon Kim, our young and charming lady theological scholar, in completing this book. Also, you investigated fully the atmosphere of our services surrounded by the power of the Holy Spirit, our method of desperate fights against Satan and his cohorts, our enemies from the beginning till the present. You compared our group with the Established Churches sponsored by American Missionaries. Also, you explained to us your Apostolic tenets and faith in full detail, together with preaching to us several times, so that we were able to understand you and your faith.

On August 31, 1956 you and a few members in the presence of Mr. Moon discussed our future relationship. We agreed to exchange mutual help and cooperation beyond denominational conceptions and beyond slight differences in tenets on both sides, in order to accomplish God's newly bestowed works of evangelization of Korea, including our neighboring countries, centering on this little land of which your prophets prophesied just before you left for Korea. This means that your missionaries shall come to Korea sooner or later, as I strongly recommended three years ago and believe still to be the Will of God today.



Pastor McCabe in discussion with Reverend Moon and David S.C. Kim

Regarding the Principles, they are quite revolutionary, as you have coined the word, for every Christian in the world at the moment. However, we cannot help sending and spreading them to our brethren around the world because God is forcing us to do so through his divine revelations. In the long run, we believe, as Mr. Moon told you the other day, one may have definite answers from the Lord through the prophets and individual prayers as to whether the Principles are true or not, in other words, from God or the Devil. I think your apostles, prophets, and Biblical scholars in your church will endeavor to decide your attitude. That is the reason why our Lord told you that you had better be patient and study the Principles. That is why God selected you to come from Korea in order to find out the differences between both sides' revelations and beliefs for the sake of the future harmonious work of God.

If there were not something fresh, something new and revolutionary to the ordinary viewpoints of traditional Christian groups, God would never allow me to visit your country of the United Kingdom and, in turn, God would never have allowed you to visit Korea, sacrificing time, energy, expenses, and so on. Our two groups of East and West should do our best to glorify our Lord. I firmly believe that God does not work his Providence in secret from his elected children, without revealing to somebody on earth, as it says in the book of Amos the prophet.



David S.C. Kim and Pastor McCabe

I think when you go back you will explain all the things you have observed and investigated here for 80 days. Also, I say you have the additional divine mission, apart from pioneer and investigator, to enable us of the East and West groups elected by God to unite into one in the name of our Lord and in the consummation of God's Providence in the Latter Days.

We will not forget you even after you go back to your country because we are combined together already in the love of God. We will continuously pray for you and your churches and for our earliest meeting again to do more work far beyond the present initial stage.

Taking this opportunity we thank Dr. Hugh Dawson, the President of the Apostolic Headquarters in the United Kingdom and Pastor Ireson, General Secretary, for their positive support, assistance, and cooperation regarding your visit to Korea. Also, especially, we thank Pastor W.A.C. Rowe, your director in Australia, for his brilliant contributions in the council meetings and his detailed plans and other arrangements for your visit to Korea.

Already we and the Apostolic brethren have become one family now by your historical visit to our group. We are very proud that we could completely destroy Satan's attack and strategy to conquer and separate our groups during your 80 days stay with us in Korea.

Praise the Lord. Hallelujah.

May God bless each of our two groups ever more and grant us the earliest possible meeting again here in Korea, this little and beautiful God-loving land. On behalf of our members here in Korea, I extend our best wishes and sincere Christian love to your nearly 700,000 brothers and sisters in 21 different nations on the earth.

Thank you.

# Remarks by David S.C. Kim to Unification Theological Seminary professors and participants at Three-day Unification Principle Seminar held at Boat House, Barrytown, NY, December 13, 1978

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure that I have a chance to express my feelings and my expectations of all of you at the first Three-day Seminar on the Unification Principle.

Time flies very fast and it is already three years since we started our Seminary on September 20, 1975. Altogether we have produced 100 graduates—some are in advanced studies in 15 different graduate schools, others are state directors, and the rest of them are working in England. Without each of your efforts, hard work, and cooperation we would not have accomplished this much, and for this I am deeply grateful. Also, I appreciate you all for your continuous "standing with us" under persecution, accusation, and attacks you received from your denominations and your religious authorities simply because you are teaching here at this Seminary and have an academic association with us. I believe that the tides are rapidly subsiding as the whole truth comes out to the public.

At this time, let me remind you of Reverend Moon's remarks on your spiritual role as scholars in this country:

- 1. You will have free access to Unification young people and their beliefs, life style, practice of faith, and tradition, including inward and inside aspects of our movement.
- 2. Also, you have excellent chances to study and research on the Unification Principle. Therefore,
- 3. You can develop your academic talent and potential in your specialized areas of each discipline. Based on that,
- 4. You can contribute to the academic world and become famous scholars.
- 5. Also, our movement will help you in your advancement and contribution to the academic world.

However, unfortunately, before our professors are in full swing, outside scholars are flooding all kinds of academic works about the Unification Movement. Some are being used as political tools, twisting the facts, distorting the truth and others try to be objective, but with lack of correct and accurate information and insufficient data collection.

This has been upsetting me for a while. My frank feeling is that you are the ones who should study intensively, research, and plan a flood of something scholarly and authoritative on the subject of the Unification Movement.

Several possible reasons for this phenomenon can be considered as follows:

- 1. Professors are over loaded in their teaching and so have no time to study or research the Unification Principle and the Unification Movement.
- 2. The Unification Principle is too contradictory to each of your belief systems and specialized disciplines, and so it is better if you do not even study it.
- 3. Professors may hold an opinion that some of the Unification Principles are acceptable; others are not acceptable and contradict their own doctrines and so forth.
- 4. So called ecumenism and inter-faith work initiated by the Unification Movement is good, but no practical result will come—the task is too big to succeed.
- 5. Unification Principle contains many self-contradictions and some weaknesses. There is room for improvement and revisions are needed. Until this problem is solved, there is no room for exploration of the Unification Principle.

Summarizing the above reasons, I can put them into two categories:

- 1. Over loaded teaching-no time.
- 2. Contradiction of Unification Principle with your religion and doctrine or belief system: some aspects are agreeable or acceptable, others not agreeable or not acceptable; there is room for improvement and even revision is needed.

You and I with clear consciences may find that the first is not the real reason.

My serious question to each of you is: "How can you decide the acceptability or non-acceptability of the contents of the Unification Principle unless at least:

- 1. You try hard to understand Unification Principle correctly and accurately from the Unification position or viewpoint.
- 2. You compare it with your specialized discipline and find similarities and contradictions.
- 3. You look at it from the **point of view of other** disciplines?"

At least if you do the first, second, and third of these processes the whole picture will emerge in front of you. This may include itemized weaknesses and loopholes, as well as the strong points of the contents of the Unification Principle, for acceptance or rejection or improvement or revision.

We do not claim the Unification Principle textbook to be the final edition, and we humbly ask for many scholars' objective and constructive critiques. Unification Principle (*Divine Principle*) is a sort of "revolutionary and comprehensive" work covering a vast territory of all disciplines. If our 12 professors in our Seminary can be involved, directly or indirectly, in inter-disciplinary study or research on Unification Principle, which other institutions do not have, it could create a new dimension to religious circles. At least I want you to reach the first, second, and third levels of the process:

- 1. Correct and accurate understanding of Unification Principle—not necessarily bringing the issue of acceptability or non-acceptability.
- 2. Comparison with your area of specialization to find similarities and contradictions.
- 3. Looking at it from an inter-disciplinary perspective.

Then, your objective critiques and suggestions for improvements and corrections can be meaningful to us, and are very welcome.

Do not hesitate to express your frank opinion and clearly say "This is not my view, but simply I present the Unification position." All the tapes of your presentations will be distributed to each of you, so that you can study other presentations comparatively. This will lead you to broaden your knowledge of the Unification Principle.

Ideally, after a few seminars, all of you will be equipped with correct knowledge and understanding of the Unification Principle.

In the near future, who knows, it could happen that each of you would be invited to other institutions or universities and seminaries throughout the world to present "Unification Principle and Movement" because you can be one of the experts on Reverend Moon, the Unification Principle, and the Unification Movement.

I would like to change your status into research professors so that you can have more free time. New religious movements and new cults are getting more attention and becoming good business now. There is no other business like religion.

I would like to see this happen very soon. Along with my future dream for each of you, your lecture presentations of Unification Principle can be meaningful and significant dispensationally from God's point of view.

I look forward to listening to each of your presentations on the Unification Principle.

## Christmas Message to Seminarians by David S.C. Kim, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, December 16, 1978

### **Real Meaning of Christmas**

This holiday season comes and goes every year for Christians and non-Christians alike.

It came and went in the past, it will come and go in the future too, although the degree of real understanding of Christmas may be varied according to cultures, denominations, different belief systems, geography, and so forth.

However, the real meaning of Christmas or the real spirit of Christmas must have common indicators and cannot be different or varied.

Many in this season think of exchange of gifts among people. To some, it may be time for fellowship and renewal of old friendship. To others, it appears in the form of commercial and business purposes. To the young, it will be different from the old.

Religious people probably think of this season in terms of celebrating the birth of Jesus, as Christ or a great master.

Then, what is the real meaning of the birth of Jesus Christ?

The birth of Jesus, from the Unification Principle point of view is to implant Goodwill among men and eternal Peace on the earth, Joy to the world, and the realization of the Ideal World God originally purposed in the creation of man and the universe.

Because of the non-belief in Jesus Christ by the chosen people and the chosen nation 2,000 years ago, the real meaning of the birth of Jesus Christ and His fulfillment of the above items has not been realized up to the present time. This has left this world and modern man with no good will, no eternal peace, no joy, and no ideal world.

The above statements are proven in scripture. In Isaiah 9:6-7, our Lord Jesus Christ received several titles:

- 1. Wonderful
- 2. Counselor
- 3. The mighty God
- 4. Everlasting Father
- 5. Prince of peace
- 6. His government, throne of King David
- 7. King of Kings

Something drastically wrong did happen contrary to God's original plan centering on the birth of Jesus Christ, our Lord!!!

Unification Principle (*Divine Principle*) points out that, because of disbelief, Jesus Christ was unable to establish the Ideal Family as the first unit on the earth. In other words, using Unification terminology, the physical "Four Position Foundation" centering on God, Jesus Christ, his bride-the Holy Spirit (which is mother)-and children of God, was not realized 2,000 years ago.

Consequently, the Jesus-centered clan, tribe, society, nation, and world were not realized. In other words, the ideal world centering on Jesus Christ was not realized, except only spiritually.

The Unification Church movement tries to actualize "the unfinished part of God's Ideal Kingdom" based on the Ideal Family unit centering on Jesus Christ. We are doing this together with Christianity, and even together with major world religions such as Judaism, Islam whose teachings are based on the Bible, and even through the unity of all other conscientious religions throughout the world.

On this special occasion of celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ, you Unification people should be the prime movers to **stimulate** the established churches and to **bring the revival** of churches who are losing strength and power, and to **witness and evangelize** throughout the whole world to spread "New Tidings and New Gospel" to every corner of this planet, and to **build** a literal physical "Kingdom of God on Earth" based on the "Ideal Family" centering on our Christ and our Heavenly Father.

I wish you all "Merry Christmas and Happy New Year."

Thank you.

## Remarks by David S.C. Kim to the Steering Committee of "Towards a Global Congress of World Religions" Century Plaza Hotel, Los Angeles, November 23, 1979

As host of this third annual conference I am taking this opportunity to share my personal vision of the future of the Global Congress, its direction, its function, and the important role it has to play in the religious world.

The motto or slogan which I would like to propose is: "All religions of the world unite!!"

Goodwill must be nurtured among all the world's religions and their respective believers. Extra effort must be made to attain this goal. Rather than emphasizing the differences among religions, we must try to discover their common grounds, through mutual respect and proper understanding of different religions and belief systems. Furthermore, through mutual help and cooperation in various programs and projects, the purpose of each religion can be fulfilled here on earth.

The immediate goal of each religion must be to build a better and happier world than the one we have at present, eradicating our common enemy of worldly evils, and establishing a world of goodness. The long-range goal of each religion must be to bring total happiness to all mankind and eternal peace to this world, through the "spirit of unity and working together" which binds all religions and their believers throughout the world. In this way, mankind will fulfill the Creator's will on earth and in Heaven.

In order to reach this goal and to avoid repeating the mistakes committed by numerous religious bodies and movements in the past, I believe that the following guidelines may be helpful:

- 1. The "Global Congress" must not be involved in politics nor controlled by a small number of religious bureaucrats.
- 2. The "Global Congress" must initiate specialized scholarly research and seminars on religious issues and religious movements, including such topics as comparative theology, comparative religion, philosophy of religion, religious life-

styles and rituals, and other religious topics, all of which are aimed at the promotion of mutual understanding among the world's religions.

- 3. We encourage a semi-annual conference of the "Global Congress" to be held at different localities, the purpose of which is to establish closer ties among the different religions and their believers.
- 4. The "Global Congress" should be a legal entity with a definite structure, departments, and a solid financial base. It should have a decision-making body with advisory groups centering on a steering committee of seven or nine, composed of representatives from all different religious backgrounds and orientations.
- 5. I strongly recommend finding co-sponsorship for the "Global Congress" along with the Unification Theological Seminary. Mutual participation is encouraged from now on.

I was very impressed to learn that on November 19, 1979, President Sadat of Egypt proclaimed the erection on Mt. Sinai of three shrines representing the three different religions of Islam, Judaism, and Christianity, in order that these three faiths may worship the same God together in peace, in the very place where our Creator has been working out His Providence for thousands of years through these three major religions. Such a phenomenon teaches us that this is definitely the heavenly time for all religions to work together for goodness, for world peace, for eternal happiness for all mankind. This goal can be achieved only through the world's religions. "Good-will and unity" among all religions of the world must come, and "religious team-work" must be actualized at this time, replacing global hostility with global hospitality.

Somebody, sometime, somewhere must begin this kind of movement. If we do these things properly, our "Global Congress of World Religions," now being born, shall succeed. I hope that with Divine Guidance, we who are gathered here today can be the core movers of this long-awaited religious movement.

God bless you all, and God bless our "Global Congress of World Religions." Thank you very much.

## Welcoming Remarks by David S.C. Kim, "Second Summer Seminar on Unification Theology," Kauai Island, Hawaii, August 3, 1980

### Ladies and Gentleman,

On behalf of the faculty, staff, students, and graduates of the Unification Theological Seminary, Ι extend heartfelt my welcome to all of you to this most beautiful island of Hawaii. Kauai. If T remember well, this is the Seminar second on Unification Theology, the first one having been held in July 1979 in the Virgin Islands.



David S.C. Kim in Hawaii

Especially, our thanks go to three experts in organizing such an academic and scholarly gathering as this one. Those three are John Maniatis, head librarian at UTS; Darrol Bryant, theologian and professor of religion from Canada; and, last but not least, the super dynamic, ultra-evangelical Dr. Richard Quebedeaux of Berkeley, the melting pot of religionists from all over the world. They are working together as a team, as a "spiritual and academic trinity," hashing out their partial or total disagreements in matters small or large, wherever problems arise. They deal with the overall plans of these conferences, with organizational and administrative aspects, with policies for the future, and so forth. It is the most beautiful spiritual and academic model I have ever seen, especially when I consider their contributions and accomplishments in the past.



I have to honestly confess that without these three people, we would not have had this second Seminar in which nearly 200 people are participating and in which top-notch lecturers and UTS graduates are presenting the teachings of the Divine Principle in the language of the academic and scholarly world. UTS graduates are currently studying in 14 different universities and seminaries throughout the world. Since the participation at this seminar has reached such a high level, both in terms of quality and quantity, I am sure that all of you here can gain something of real benefit out of this gathering.

When I was thinking about what to say in my welcoming remarks and greetings to you all, I felt that I did not want to repeat the things I said at the first Seminar in 1979. All of you will have access to the 323-page book on the proceedings of that conference, edited by Darrol Bryant, and printed and published just a few days ago. I recommend that you obtain a copy, for I believe that it will help you tremendously in understanding our Unification Movement and its theology.

#### Welcoming Remarks

Very often I have been asked at gatherings like these certain common questions that weigh heavily on the minds of the renowned scholars who are participating. These are very serious questions in their own thinking, and I usually explain and clarify some of them, but not all. I simply cannot answer all of the questions.



**Partipants asking questions** 

However, this evening I would like to answer one of the most commonly raised questions, which may be bothering you as well: "Why does the Unification Movement continuously spend money so lavishly for so many seminars like this one, for conferences large and small, national or international, and for cultural activities of all kinds, when young Moonies are sent out to work so hard day and night on the streets or door-to-door, and also when the Third World nations are suffering from hunger, disease, and malnutrition?" Just recently at the Berkeley Conference on "The Social Impact of New Religious Movements" a renowned scholar raised such a question at the dinner table. His attitude was very serious, and he even said that he felt guilty and his conscience bothered him when he ate such extravagant food and stayed in such a luxurious modern hotel. I call this feeling the "Unification or Moon Syndrome" named after the antinuclear movie, "China Syndrome," starring the famous Jane Fonda.

A high standard of living, the highest level or organization, administration, and functioning, top level education, efficiency and proficiency in many areas—all these are Unification practices and goals in order to build God's Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, in accordance with the teachings of Reverend Moon. In this belief, therefore, we are driving ourselves in many areas, such as business, culture, academics, world evangelism, ecumenism, and you name it. We believe that if we fulfill our own five percent responsibility, which is the human portion of responsibility, then God will do His part, too. Since God is the origin of all resources and also of heavenly fortune and luck, He shall provide for those who are following His universal laws. Positive forces are generated when we actively sacrifice ourselves for the benefit of others and of all humankind.

Unification people derive a high degree of energy, dedication, enthusiasm, zeal, and other positive forces from two sources. The first source is from Reverend Sun Myung Moon himself, the person whom the world rejected and is still rejecting. The American government has been using its judicial, administrative, and legislative powers to oppose him, and he has been opposed in other countries as well. The second source of these positive forces is the teachings of the Divine Principle, some portions of which will be dealt with here in this "Seminar on Unification Theology."

In order to build God's Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, we believe that we must restore people as well as material substance to God's side. Restoration of material includes finance and economics. This is the reason why we emphasize both fundraising and intensive witnessing as part of the expression of our faith.

The problem that comes up next is, then, *how* to use the money and the finances which we have earned, and *where* to use them, in the most meaningful ways, not for ourselves, but for others. We must use them for the betterment and the welfare of people and of the world. Nothing is to be wasted or misused. We must spend the money we have earned for God's purpose to build the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. Witnessing, fundraising, and doing business are all part of our daily activities. Then we must use the manpower and the finances properly, but without hesitation, according to His will. Even though at times it may seem extraordinarily luxurious and extravagant to other people, we feel it is truly worthwhile to spend all the money for others and for Kingdom building on Earth. This concept applies to the whole Unification Movement throughout the world.

I can honestly say that Reverend Moon teaches and trains his followers not to misuse the money raised by members, because it is public money and it belongs to Heaven. At the same time, a very tight budget control is enforced in each department and each organization. I know this to be true, because I have access to Reverend Moon both spiritually and physically. However, Reverend Moon instructs his followers to use money without hesitation for programs, projects, conferences and seminars, be they small or large, national or international in scope, as long as they are connected to God's will and God's dispensation.

Since 1972, the year of Reverend Moon's arrival in America, not a single penny of our money has gone out of this country, while instead hundreds of millions of dollars have been continuously flowing into this country from overseas to help the work in America. Your government knows this too well. All of the money earned by members in America was spent domestically. It is no longer a secret that our special fundraising teams earn an average of \$1,200,000 every month. We raise the money, spend it all, and then God gives us more financial blessing, and we can earn more money, spend more money, and so on and so on.

This looks like a miracle to others, but to Moon people it is simply a principle which our beloved Reverend Moon has taught us, and which our American brothers and sisters are applying. They now know how to raise money to be self-supporting and selfsufficient, and not to be threatened by financial troubles in our missionary and evangelical work.

With this conceptual understanding of our faith and practice, you must feel comfortable—not guilty at all—when you sleep in your luxurious bedroom and eat extravagant meals in this hotel. Already you are part of God's dispensational scheme and under His guidance, whether you are conscious of it or not. We believe that regardless of your race, culture, or faith, you are all children of God, just as we are. Therefore, we must treat you as "royalty," if possible, and you have a spiritual right to claim the best treatment whenever

you can. The money raised by our members for God's purpose must be spent for God's children.

With these explanations, you had better feel comfortable and grateful. Be positive and be happy. Try to contribute something to your work, and spread positive thoughts everywhere, in your home, your office, and at the college or university where you teach.

Therefore I advise you to get rid of this so-called "Moon syndrome," if, by chance, you still have it. You have been much too pressured, even tortured, academically and intellectually, and spiritually and psychologically you all have been somewhat polluted. So I advise you to relax, have a joyful time while you are here, and really learn something from this seminar by interacting with each other and making the acquaintance of the more than 20 highly motivated, intellectual young Moonies who are now at your disposal and available to you. During this seminar I hope you will enjoy God's wonderful creation and the beauty of nature surrounding us here. Then, when you go back home, please motivate yourself to help in the process of Kingdom building for yourself, your family, for others around you, and for the whole world. Not so long ago, Unification people have begun building this Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. Let's join together, shoulder to shoulder, in this great task.

God bless you and your family. Thank you.

# Welcoming Remarks by David S.C. Kim, Third Summer Seminar on Unification Theology, Canary Islands, August 1, 1981

Distinguished participants, ladies and gentlemen:

As usual in the past, I extend to all of you a warm welcome to the Canary Islands of Spain, on behalf of the faculty, students, and alumni of the Unification Theological Seminary community. Not long ago, on June 27, incidentally, we held commencement exercises for 48 Unification ministers, including three-year Divinity and two-year Religious Education students. Although we did not win the battle for our Provisional Charter in the New York State Supreme Court, but were rejected again by a 4-3 vote, we feel that we are progressing. Progress will be made regardless of the existing prejudice and continuing persecution of our founder, Reverend Sun Myung Moon, of his aides, of the church, and even of the Seminary, a purely academic institution.

As religious history has proven, new religious movements and their work still advance in spite of hardships and sufferings. Thus, negative stimuli only make Unification people march forward with more determination and more zeal to accomplish whatever mission God asks them to do. We are ready to confront any difficulty, endure any hardships, or face any attack, anytime and in any place, diverting it all towards a positive direction. In that sense, we welcome negative forces, although we have no choice other than to fight.

However, we are encouraged to see all of you—scholars, academicians, and educators—helping our movement by sharing your openness, frankness, and constructive criticism. We appreciate your response to this Seminar and your friendly attitude toward our movement. We do not want you to be persecuted, harassed, or politically pressured by anyone simply because of your direct or indirect association with us. But we want you to tell others what you have observed, witnessed, and investigated, from a fair and neutral position. Based on your observations, we want you to draw conclusions and communicate to others about whether the goal of our movement—to bring a better world than the presently troubled one—is helpful or harmful to the nation of America and to all mankind. If eight days of observation and experience are not enough, please come regularly to our annual Seminars.

Many Unification academicians and intellectuals are at your disposal and the entire contents of our teachings are exposed to you, without reservations. You are at liberty to inquire about and investigate whatever you are interested in, having heard all kinds of accusations from our negative critics and opponents throughout the Fortunately, they have dropped such charges world. as "brainwashing," "mind-control," "heavenly deception," and "conversation by coercion," etc. In the last eight years they have found no evidence to back these allegations. Therefore, our opponents have recently started attacking us by using minor issues, such as "fundraising is done against the individual member's will" and that "we try to gain respectability by having scholars come to our conferences." The implication of these attacks is that the money Unification people earn is made by immoral and unethical means, and that all the scholars who attend such conferences are immoral and unethical in doing so.

The above accusations have been leveled against us in a number of instances. For example, statements to the press were recently released by two of the most powerful and influential Jewish organizations in the United States. This was done in order to stop an ecumenical conference of Jewish scholars sponsored by the Unification Movement which was to have been held in the nation of Israel. They succeeded in cancelling the conference. What a great loss to the academic world and to the nation of Israel because of the narrow-mindedness of a few people!

We fundraise for the movement as other organizations do. Each church center, department, and organization tries to be selfsupporting, using skills and techniques taught in the church. Whatever is earned is used for promoting the movement, and for its social outreach programs. All members of the church are trained in fundraising and business. We believe that fundraising has benefits to both the spiritual and physical lives of each member. With joy and a feeling of accomplishment, we fundraise voluntarily; not by coercion and not against the individual's will.

As far as the work in the United States is concerned, millions of church dollars flow into America regularly, but not a penny goes out of America. Thus, Reverent Moon and the Unification Movement are a "super-plus" and help bolster the economy of America. But some people want to deport Reverend and Mrs. Moon from the United States. What a shame for this nation, which was once the "melting pot" of all nationalities, races, creeds, and cultures from all over the world. For this purpose God has blessed America for the last 200 years. May God forgive those who, ignorant of His Will, are committing this grave mistake.

In our efforts to gain respectability it is entirely natural to recover and restore our destroyed image, as well as to straighten out the facts about our movement which have been twisted by our enemies for so many years. It is also our ultimate goal to promote ecumenism in the academic world. We coined the term "Academic Ecumenism" to describe something that is needed very much. No other church, educational institution, or government is trying to initiate such programs. Therefore, there is nothing wrong with our efforts to bring respectable scholars together in conferences like these, and to find ways for different disciplines to work together. Instead of accusation, we should, rather, be encouraged to do this and be praised for our initiative.

During these eight days, I want you to study and observe Unification Theology and the Unification Movement in light of the remarks I have just made, in order that you may be a neutral and fair witness to other people who still have misunderstandings, misconceptions, and misinformation about us.

One of the unique aspects of this conference is that papers on Divine Principle will be presented in summary by non-Unificationist scholars in the Advanced Seminar, and then commented upon and critiqued by Unification Church members and other participants as well. This sequence is a reversal of prior conference procedures. I believe ecumenism must be given equal footing in any dialogue, in spite of differences of opinion and disagreement. Thus, academic freedom and the free flow of ideas are maintained. What tremendous academic interaction! That is academic beauty.

The other interesting aspect of this Advanced Seminar is that it signifies that concerned and interested scholars are beginning to study Divine Principle seriously. At the same time, it proves that we are open-minded and really ecumenically-oriented. I hope this trend will continue. Through this process, we are sure to learn many things from non-Unificationist participants and their views.

Finally, to the new participants in the Introductory Seminar: I hope you will take a serious look at our teachings and study them in depth so that you can give us some advice for the improvement of Unification Theology in the future, from the point of view of your own specialized disciplines.

To the participants in the Advanced Seminar, I hope that instead of remaining at the same level, you progress to organizing on your own small seminars on religious affairs, new religious movements, or some related topics, joining and helping the regional work of the New ERA. New ERA enjoys complete academic freedom, without pressures or interference from the Unification Theological Seminary as long as it stays away from public opposition and accusation of the church. As a result of this practice, many scholars have become more friendly toward us. When the time comes, New ERA can be incorporated as an independent body, if the 21-member Board of Advisors so desire.

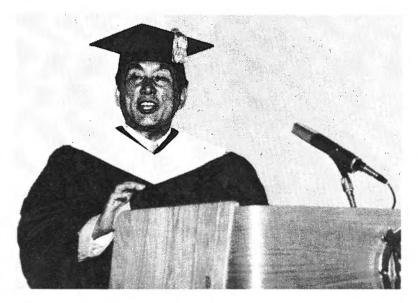
May God bless you and your families and I hope that your stay in the beautiful Canary Islands of Spain brings you happiness, joy, and academic benefits in your profession. In turn, please share what you have observed with young people throughout the world.

# Congratulatory Remarks and Benediction by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 30, 1984

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# **Congratulatory Remarks**

Just a few words of congratulations I owe you as my last talk to you as your President, since you have been listening to my so-called "Morning Briefs" every day for the last two or three years, whether you like it or not!



David S.C. Kim addressing graduates

In congratulating you all, I want you to inherit something very important and crucial for you as future Unification leaders, from our founder Reverend Moon's heavenly heart and Divine love, as well as everything you have learned at UTS.

I shared this information with 150 theologians and philosophers who were participants in the sixth annual seminar on Unification Theology, held in Athens, Greece on June 10-17.

Based on my observation, I referred to Reverend Moon's personal viewpoint concerning the court trial and his 18 month jail sentence, and I quoted his direct remarks:

If it is God's will to restore this nation of America, using me as a sacrifice and religious martyr, I am ready to go to jail without hesitation, That way is not a threat to me as I would carry Heavenly Father's heart and Divine love with me to prison. I have already forgiven this nation and the people of America for the mistreatment and injustice done to me, just as Jesus as the son of God forgave his enemies 2,000 years ago.

I hope you will inherit our Founder's same level of heavenly heart and Divine love, thus spreading the noble virtues and values of the Unification Movement.

All of us participants here today extend our heartfelt congratulations to you all. Thank you.

#### Benediction

Dearest Father in Heaven,

We thank Thee for this joyful occasion in celebrating our 38 new graduates who will be seeking to do Thy will and to fulfill Thy original purpose of creation for humankind and the universe.

Father, let our graduates seriously keep in mind our Founder's "Commencement Message" given this morning, and strive to be front-runners in the battlefield to honor Thy name and to fulfill Thy will, not only in the nation of America but in the whole world.

We pray that Thy protection will be upon our Founder, Reverend Moon, and our Mother and their True Children in East Garden, representing the True Family on earth in Thy sight.

Father, bless our Seminary—its students, teachers, and staff encouraging its future advancement, and bestow Thy continuous guidance upon our 38 new graduates today. We also pray that Thy abundant blessing be upon all the parents, relatives, friends, and supporting participants that are gathered here this morning.

In the Name of Our True Parents, Amen.

# Congratulatory Remarks by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 28, 1986

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At this joyous moment I would like to offer some "brief remarks of congratulation" to the 41 young ministers and religious educators who have satisfactorily and successfully completed either a two or three year program at UTS.

I said "brief remarks of congratulation" because by now all of you must be very tired of hearing me speak every morning on similar topics. However, I still feel I owe you some final remarks on this meaningful day.



David S.C. Kim addressing graduates

When I think of our beloved founder, Reverend Sun Myung Moon, I feel compelled to advise you of the importance to *imitate* his heavenly character, *copy* his determination to fulfill our Heavenly Father's Will by all means, and *duplicate* his exemplary life of faith. Use him as your "Role Model," as the individual whom you can look up to, and constantly check whether you are growing toward his standard of excellence in everything you do.

Today, on this special occasion, in addition to these points already mentioned, I also encourage you to *inherit* his great vision of the future for the nation, the world, and the cosmos, to bring the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. By your acting in the capacity of small Reverend Moons you will be helped and strengthened in your respective missions wherever you go, when you can inherit this broader, worldwide, cosmic vision which embraces all of humanity, the universe, and the third dimensional spirit world.

You all know what kind of vision Reverend Moon has, as he is teaching us constantly. The world you are about to go out and live in is not yet prepared for you, rather it is filled with conflict, contradiction, and paradox. Evil powers prevail and will hinder your assigned missions. That is the "real world" which you are to restore to God's side.

What is the definition of vision? According to The New World Dictionary of the American Language, "Vision is the ability to perceive something not actually visible, as through mental acuteness or keen foresight." The many world-level projects sponsored by the Unification Church Movement were inspired by the vision of one man, Reverend Sun Myung Moon.

When you carry our Founder's vision with you to your mission, you will leap forward, go over all difficulty (not under) and confront the real world from a higher and broader perspective. Thus, you will see results in the long run, reconciling, harmonizing, and bringing peace in your respective missions and areas. Please carry our Founder's vision in your heart as your own, and in your mission all the way. In the Old Testament we read in Proverbs 29:18 "Where there is no vision, the people will perish." (King James Version).

As new Unification ministers and religious educators you are to serve humanity, inspire the people, and influence the world not in a destructive way but in a constructive way. You have to influence the world, not in a satanic way, but in a heavenly way. As Reverend Moon always instructs us, "Wherever you go, create controversial issues for the sake of goodness." Please keep this instruction in your mind as you go out to your future missions.

My heartfelt congratulations to all of you. I, the faculty, and staff of UTS will definitely miss you very much. Thank you.

# A Few Remarks of Appreciation and Encouragement by David S.C. Kim, Grand Ballroom, World Mission Center, New York, NY, October 10, 1986

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From early this morning I felt great joy, happiness, and appreciation. So many positive things seem to be happening in the world, of course. But why do I feel especially joyful and happy today? There are several reasons. Under the excellent leadership of Hyo Jin Nim, the 3<sup>rd</sup> CARP Convention has come to New York City to fulfill the goals of bringing Spiritual Renewal, New Moral Commitment, and Positive Solutions to Global Injustice. Thus, unity between True Parents, True Children, and their dedicated followers is being realized. Second, the age of the second generation is emerging. Third, this 3rd CARP Convention is being held in New York City, the microcosm of the whole United States where our True Parents have invested and dedicated themselves unconditionally for the last 14 years. Finally, this CARP Convention, being the third one is significant in inheriting Father's victory at Washington Monument exactly one decade ago.

Understanding these internal factors, I know you also share my joy and happiness on this great and momentous occasion. Will you please join with me in offering a special tribute to our True Parents, our beloved CARP President Hyo Jin Nim, and all the CARP leaders and members all over the world. Thank you very much. When Dr. Seuk asked me to deliver a few remarks this evening, he said to be very brief and deliver them in ten minutes or less. I will endeavor to meet that time frame.

Today, world leaders are faced with global problems. Now in Reykjavik, Iceland, two leaders of the world's greatest powers, representing Democracy and Communism, are meeting to try to solve world problems. However, we know that the final destiny of the world will be determined not by the outcome of the Summit Meeting in Reykjavik, but by Father's course and the actions of his followers. As we know, the outcome and destiny of human history is determined by vertical and horizontal factors centering on our

True Parents. I call these vertical and horizontal aspects, "Celestial and Terrestrial Factors." Human history has contributed only to the Terrestrial factor, ignoring the Celestial factor. We must restore the Celestial factor to human history, bringing vertical as well as horizontal solutions to the problems of the world.

Right now on the campuses where you work, you are experiencing rejection and persecution not only by Marxists, but by the established churches as well. Dispensationally, however, this persecution will be overcome. Just as Joshua and the second generation of the Israelites were victorious in the wilderness, you CARP leaders and members, representing the heavenly second generation of God, True Parents, and our Movement, will subjugate the Satanic second generation. With the coming of Hyo Jin Nim, the second generation is appearing at this very moment. For this reason, we really appreciate the appearance of Hyo Jin Nim as a world leader to save all nations and the world.

What then should our attitude and commitment be as international CARP leaders? First, you must be proud of being the second generation and heirs of the older generation's experience and lessons which they learned. You must be proud to stand in the front line as champions in place of the older generation which is passing on.

Second, respect the chain of command. Hyo Jin Nim is the mind and the grassroots members are the cells of one harmoniously interacting body. His will must be transmitted down to each person and their petitions will be transmitted back up to him. There should be no breakdowns in these lines of communication.

Third, CARP is working on university and college campuses where the young generation is being influenced by the imperfect morality of the older generation. No matter what obstacles you encounter, do not back down or waver. Your mission is to multiply True Love and Heavenly Heart (*Shimjung*) and to bring back souls to God and True Parents. Ideological and philosophical arguments alone will not bring the solutions.

Finally, you must establish harmony, respect, and love between generations. The second generation must inherit the victorious foundation of the older generation in a peaceful, harmonious, and cooperative fashion. There must be no generation gap.

# Six 'Let Us' Speech by David S.C. Kim to Board of Trustees, Unification Theological Seminary, May 3, 1986

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On May 3rd of 1986 the Board of Trustees of the Unification Theological Seminary presented President David S.C. Kim with a trophy in honor of his pioneer missionary work in America, especially as first president of UTS. The inscription reads:

President of Unification Theological Seminary, Pioneer and outstanding leader of the Unification Church of America, Inspiration to all members of the Unification Church world-wide; in gratitude and respect we honor you.

The following speech was given by President Kim on that date. It was recorded and shared with the membership of the Unification Church via a monthly news video. *The Cornerstone* published this speech in celebration of the provisional charter.

I did not expect this kind of surprise. I am not worthy to receive this award because my job is not yet complete. However, three days ago we celebrated the 32<sup>nd</sup> anniversary of the Unification Church in Korea. So, I would like to take this occasion to say a few words to the dedicated members of our Church.

As I recall, actually it was on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, today's date, that we put up the *Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity* sign on the small "three door" house in Korea. The doors were so small that it was hard for a tall person to get in. For example, Mr. Aum the architect, our Father's colleague, could not get in without stooping down very low. My testimony regarding the inauguration

of our Church was published in the Unification News and Today's World so I will not repeat it here.

Our Church is now 32 years old, but when you think of our work in America it is much younger. It was in 1972 that Father came and took over. Before that time there were four missionaries: Professor Young Oon Kim came in January of 1959; I came on September 18<sup>th</sup> of the same year, 1959; Col. Pak (Dr. Pak) came in 1961, and later Mr. Choi came.

Also, on the UTS Board of Trustees, out of nine members, we have three Unification Church presidents: two former presidents, Farley Jones and Neil Salonen; and our present president, Dr. Durst. This Board of trustees symbolizes the unity of our American work. Therefore, I would like to see them have honorary, permanent positions on the Board in the future. Also I hope Father's feeling will be the same.

So, it has been 27 years since the four missionaries came. At that time the missionaries were in a constructive competition. Today Father uses that same kind of competitive method with the Regional Leaders to bring the necessary results. This is an accepted approach in psychology, the science of the mind.

We are still growing, even after 27 years. Therefore, we have growing pains and we struggle. According to Father's standard, we four missionaries failed, so we cannot say that Father's work started earlier than 1972. Since Father came it has been 14 years, so actually we are only 14 years old. Fourteen years old is just a teenager, starting puberty. We have to face this reality.

Look what Father has done in 14 years; he has accomplished so much since 1972, even paying world-wide indemnity during his 13 months incarceration. He went in to Danbury as a church leader, but when he came out he was welcomed as a world leader. He went beyond the religious world, the political world, the academic world, and the news media world. That is quite an accomplishment. Before then we could not compete with *Time* magazine and *Newsweek*, but now we have the daily *Washington Times*, the weekly *Insight*, and the monthly *World and I* magazine. I am so amazed.

Six "Let Us"

Sometimes I am frustrated because things do not work out with the students the way I want; psychology does not work; and my prayer does not work. I thought about this and realized that this is the teenage time. Why do we push in the parent/teacher position? Let us love them, care for them, forgive them, and see what happens. When they grow up and have children they will develop the heart of the teacher, leader, and parent.

I have dedicated 32 years of my life to the Unification Church. As one of the five original Charter members I actually know what happened when Father started the Church in 1954 in Korea. In comparison to our Father's work and accomplishment, when we look at ourselves we see we are still struggling at the individual level with lots of problems left over from our past. Also, we are struggling at the family level: "I have a mission I have a child, what shall I do about this?" We also have to work at the city level, as a city leader we have to raise funds and save souls; and the state level; and the national level. We have to accept this reality.

Some feel very frustrated, some feel disillusioned and hopeless. Then there is the other side; I see others who keep on trying, looking forward to the promised land of Canaan as taught in our Divine Principle. Some feel good about our accomplishment in America centered on Dr. Durst and the foundation laid by the past presidents. Some feel very hopeful about our Movement, having optimism (I call it Unification Optimism. I coined that terminology along with the New ERA professors.) regardless of our difficulty, persecution, and the continued hardship, prejudice, bias, bigotry, and discrimination in this country.

God's dispensation and providential work, in this age, should be carried out by somebody, sometime, somewhere. God's dispensation will be done with or without the Unification people. We need to go back to our initial determination and strive hard in order to keep our pledge and vows. So, I would like to talk about Six 'Let Us.'

# Six 'Let Us'

- 1. Let us revive our original faith and our first love for our Movement, and for our True Parents. We loved them, but what are we feeling now, under the present circumstances?
- 2. Let us rededicate ourselves for the higher and nobler cause of building the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth, within our generation. That is a global, high, and noble ideal.
- 3. Let us follow our True Parents' footsteps. They have given the model course for us to follow. Jacob followed Abrahams' course, Moses followed Jacob's course, Jesus followed Moses' course, and Father followed Jesus' course. Just as Christians have followed Jesus' course, now we must follow our Father's course. The footsteps for us to follow are there so why do we become discouraged? We experience pain, like a mother in labor. She has to give her whole life for the baby to be born. It is a life and death situation: "Am I going to live or die to give birth to this new creation?" It is that kind of determined soul that God wants.
- 4. Let us work together, "Kingdom Building" as our ideal goal.
- 5. Let us care for and help one another instead of blaming and criticizing one another. Let us help each other to find the solutions to the problems within us. We are not perfected yet. We are going in that direction and Original Sin is going away, but everyone has inherited problems. Our second and third generations will be completely perfect, without the added pollution inherited from Satan.
- 6. Let us reason together for unity amongst ourselves; as a state, as a city, as an organization, as supervisor and subordinate, as teacher and student.

So with this, our five percent responsibility fulfilled, I think Heaven and God will take over the rest of the work.

On this meaningful day I have thought about these things. I am not worthy of this special award because I have not yet finished my mission. I will do my best to finish; and as soon as we receive the Charter I intend to retire so that you, the next generation, can take over. May Father bless you very much.

# Congratulatory Remarks: The Barrytown Experience by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 30, 1987

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Dear Graduates, the entire Barrytown community—faculty, staff, and remaining students—extend our heartfelt congratulations to all 54 graduates who have successfully completed either the Religious Education or Divinity program at the Seminary. During your stay at Barrytown, you must have experienced, in addition to your academic studies, many different things that other seminaries do not offer, such as our daily spirituality, our disciplined lifestyle, our Home Church ministry, church visitation, interfaith encounters, and ecumenical dialogue. We call this the "Barrytown Experience."

On this joyful occasion I would like to emphasize one more aspect of your learning experience, which is the example of our founder, Reverend Sun Myung Moon, whose tradition and example you must inherit. In his past 70 days stay in Korea he established two new projects. These are to "Unify the Korean Peninsula, North and South," and to bring "Lasting World Peace on Earth."

First, Reverend Moon inaugurated "The National Federation of the Unification of North and South Korea" on May 15, 1987, at the Little Angels School in Seoul. There were 1,500 participants from the entire nation of Korea, from all walks of life: academicians, educators, economists, and politicians, religious, scientific, and culturally oriented leaders. Unanimous resolutions were passed at the gathering:

- 1. To establish a new universal value system.
- 2. To create a national movement to assist North Korea.
- 3. To build along the 38<sup>th</sup> parallel (the De-Militarized Zone) "Unification Temples" and training centers to combat Marxist-Leninist ideology.

The Korean people will be trained to inherit the spirit of the founding father of Korea, Dangun, who taught "Worship of

Heaven and Love of People." In other words, Reverend Moon is showing the Korean people a substantial way to bring about Unification of North and South Korea by peaceful means, even in the midst of the political crisis and turmoil in Korea right now.

Second, Reverend Moon initiated the Summit Council for World Peace. Between May 31 and June 4, 1987, 87 former presidents, heads of state, prime ministers, cabinet members, and royalty from 24 nations attended this council meeting, which formulated the Seoul Declaration for World Peace. The purposes of this Declaration are:

- 1. To encourage and stimulate existing political leaders throughout the world to agree to work for "A Lasting Settlement for World Peace."
- 2. Since wars and violence bring destruction to the human race, a solution must be found for the peaceful settlement between Communism and the free world.
- 3. To eradicate totalitarian regimes such as Marxist-Leninist Communism, which totally ignores human dignity and the sanctity of human life.
- 4. To overcome the three world tragedies of hunger, disease, and illiteracy.

Reverend Moon is launching a campaign to bring about world peace. He is giving a workable plan to former and present leaders and heads of state throughout the world. One plan is to unify North and South Korea, representing the third Israel. The second is to bring about world peace and the restoration of the whole world.

Dear graduates, are you ready to go out, to assist our founder in this noble task? You must inherit the heavenly fortune which is coming to you all in the near future. Therefore, I humbly and truly say unto you: "Be bold, be courageous, be hopeful" and absolutely believe in God's providence and our founder's mission to bring this troubled world to God's side. You are the generals of the heavenly army chosen to speedily fulfill Reverend Moon's providential plans. You must feel very excited and exuberant.

Good luck to you, God bless you, and again our heartfelt congratulations to you all. Thank you very much.

# Congratulatory Remarks by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 30, 1988

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My dear graduates, on this happy occasion my remarks to congratulate you upon the successful completion of your studies from this Seminary are in order. For the last two or three years you have been hearing me speak to you many times after your morning Chapel Service, and I think that by now, in your last days at Barrytown, you must be very tired of listening to me. Nevertheless, please bear with me another brief moment.

First of all, I wish to extend my heartfelt congratulations to you 47 graduates because you have successfully earned your accomplishment. You have worked very diligently. I know how hard it has been for you since our Religious Education and Divinity programs are not easy.

Secondly, because of you graduates, even though you are small in number, God's long-awaited time for the consummation of human history is shortened, and has gone one step forward. If God's Will can be fulfilled in this nation of America, then world restoration is closer to completion. In providential history, great figures like Abraham, Moses, and Jesus were just a few individuals who were eventually responsible for leading millions of people to God. So from God's point of view, quality is more important than quantity. The number of those following God's Will is secondary. From this perspective, you special, small number of 47 graduates deserves to be congratulated by your Seminary President today.

Thirdly, I want to assure you that you humbly deserve to be congratulated because our beloved founder, Reverend Sun Myung Moon, totally trusts and loves you without reservation. I say this because of what happened at a recent conference where Reverend Moon invited our Divinity graduates from the past eight years. He assigned the Divinity graduates to being a program of Campus Ministry at their local universities. Later, at a Leaders' Conference

our R.E. graduates were assigned to State Leader positions. Also, our UTS graduates who completed their Ph.D. programs were chosen to assist and cooperate with church Regional Directors in the mission field. I tell you this because I want to show how much Reverend Moon trusts you and how much he is counting on you.

In addition, I wish to point out that after you graduate you will not have to worry about what you are going to do. You are automatically "hired" already, without having to go through any intensive, competitive struggle or search to find a job. In this way, I congratulate you on your "full employment!"

Finally, remember that Barrytown has been your "fortress of faith," protecting you and giving you a steadfast place to develop and grow both academically and spiritually. When you go out to your missions, it will be different from this tranquil and loving institution of higher learning.

Outside, you will be engaging in the severe battle between good and evil, right and wrong, and justice and injustice. You will have to experience and depend upon your own initiative and independent command. But you can use the strategy of forming righteous and heavenly "troops" that you learned at UTS to win the battle over evil.

When these tasks and challenges become too difficult and your hearts are troubled, think of your "fortress at Barrytown," and your faithful and tireless professors and staff. Think of this Seminary as your armor of strength, not a military "West Point," but your spiritual "East Point," where your faculty and staff are always ready to help you and support you.

In conclusion, again, I offer with deepest sincerity my "triple" heartfelt congratulations to you all. God Bless You!

# Congratulatory Remarks by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 30, 1989

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## **Congratulatory Remarks**

Dear graduates, congratulations to you all.

I have to confess something to you before I continue. Can you guess what it is? Actually, I had a great deal of trouble thinking of what to say to you. You, who have heard me speak each morning for the past two or three years, must surely be tired of hearing me by now. However, today will be my last address to you, so please bear with me.

Our Seminary, founded by the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, is rapidly becoming more and more international in flavor and emphasis as our recruiting policy and procedure expands to include other nations. This year over 27 nations have sent students and our doors are now even open to Communist China. Why has this happened?

The nations of the world are becoming independent upon each other as they realize they can no longer remain independent and continue to survive. Also, cross-cultural contact is more frequent than before, and both interreligious and intra-religious dialogue is becoming commonplace. Even Marxist-Christian and Christian-Buddhist dialogue is becoming more and more popular. The two conflicting ideological camps of Communism and Democracy are trying to find common ground for coexistence, prosperity, and global welfare. This was never imagined possible just one decade ago. It is truly interesting to observe today's world affairs.

According to our church's teaching, this is God's providential plan as prophesied in the Bible—the so-called Last Days. This means, according to Unification Principle, that this is the time of the new Messiah's appearance. You graduates are qualified to understand and teach the concepts of Unification Principle, especially in the area of interfaith work and world ecumenism. Even

our faculty reflects this ecumenism as they represent Roman Catholicism, Protestantism, Confucianism, Judaism, Greek Orthodoxy, and so on. They have shown you how great variation can coexist and work together for good without destroying each other, while promoting the higher goal of worldwide well-being. They have been doing this here for the last fourteen years, since our inauguration in 1975.

Therefore, be optimistic and positive, even in pessimistic and negative situations. Based on this belief, I coined the phrase "Unification Optimism" as a term for the new age. Live for the sake of others, spread the word of God, and propagate God's True Love, even to your formidable enemies. By doing so, evil will naturally surrender to God's side. Thus, permanent peace, order, joy, and happiness will be realized on earth. This is the "Kingdom of Heaven on Earth" which Jesus referred to when he said, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven."

Today, we all celebrate your success and accomplishment in academic as well as spiritual maturity. Your future path and mission will not necessarily be static and easy, but will sometimes be cyclical, mobile, and tough. In other words, there will be a high degree of ups and downs in the course of your life after graduation. Please remember this day of joy, happiness, power, and spirit as you are bouncing up and leaping forward from this launching pad, continuously and steadily advancing your work and mission, and following the footsteps shown to us by our Father as model followers of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon. By doing this, you can positively and constructively influence this sick and troubled world and have great impact on its restoration to God's side.

We are proud of you because you are ambassadors of Heavenly Father and the special envoys of Reverend Moon and the Unification Movement worldwide. You must also feel proud of yourselves. You deserve to be recognized and highly congratulated. May God bless you forever, and again my congratulations to you all.

Thank you.

# Congratulatory Remarks by David S.C. Kim, Commencement Exercises, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, June 30, 1991

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Dear fifty graduates,

I wish to convey my personal congratulations to you all. I finally must say, "You made it!" I am referring to the great accomplishments you made in two or three years; to your intellectual and spiritual struggles in the course of your education and training here at the Seminary.

Every day, throughout your academic years, at 6:00a.m. in the morning, you had to attend Morning Service on a regular basis. You delivered sermons alongside engaging in practical-training activities, reading lots of books, and writing many papers. I should say, "...not by your own will, but by someone else's will." You experienced a daily disciplined life of faith while trying to bring total unity between your mind and body for your individual perfection.

During these academic years I believe you discovered many things about our beloved Founder: his great vision, his tremendous works completed under unbearable hardship and persecution, and his heavenly strategies for world salvation. Also, I believe you must have had valuable experiences of God's presence at this Seminary, including the so-called "Barrytown Experience." I am talking about the situation here in which many brothers and sisters from all over the world, including non-Unification students, came together, prayed together, and studied together. You experienced laughing together, sharing many things together, suffering and struggling together, and interacting together in order to reach spiritual and intellectual growth and maturity. Thus, during this period you shared a precious "togetherness" in the Seminary.



David S.C. Kim addressing the graduates

I hope you shall not forget these experiences after you graduate today, and will cherish all these things, keeping them deep in your heart in the years to come. Hereafter, whenever you confront difficulties in your mission in the future I hope you will always think of this place in Barrytown, remembering all the wonderful things you learned and experienced. Why? So that you can be encouraged, inspired, and strengthened by remembering all these things.

In conclusion, I want you to remember my three mottos:

- 1. Forget the past.
- 2. Forgive others with love. And then,
- 3. Forward! March! To build God's Kingdom on Earth for everyone.

Again, my heartfelt congratulations to you.

May God and True Parents bless you all.

Thank you very much.

The Search for the Ideal in Marriage and in the Family. Keynote Speech by David S.C. Kim, Seminar on Marriage and Family in honor of President Dr. and Mrs. David S.C. Kim's 50th Wedding Anniversary, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, January 6, 1992

## Introduction

In the Unification Church practice of marriage, the matching of couples is arranged by Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon, which means that it is not through romantic courtship that couples come to know one another and get married. This Unification Church practice may have resulted in better marriages than the marriages in the secular world. In the secular world, one out of two marriages end up in divorce; in the Unification Church, marriages have a much higher rate of success. In part, the reason for this success is that most Unification marriages take place at a more mature age than secular marriage. On average, Unificationists marry in their thirties at least, and this results in fewer divorces, because the spouses spiritually and physically have achieved a certain degree of maturity. In the secular world, most marriages occur during the teenage years, when people are emotionally more excitable, and therefore more prone to seek divorce in case of difficulties.

The Unification practice, therefore, gives members a chance to achieve a better level of physical and spiritual development prior to marriage, which results in less broken families and less divorces than the teenage marriages prevailing in the outside world.

Even though today we still do not have reliable and complete sociological studies concerning the Unification blessed marriage institution, we can, nevertheless, say without a doubt that Unification marriages show a much lower rate of broken marriages and marriages ending in divorce.

## Part 1: The Search for the Ideal in Marriage

Critics of the Unification Movement might insist that they do not see any remarkable difference between Unification marriages and outside marriages; furthermore, they claim that Unification marriages are not necessarily happier or more positive than outside marriages. From a more optimistic point of view, however, we can say that Unification marriages are moving toward a better marriage—even toward perfect marriage. Our goal is to reach the ideal marriage, so that we can show the outside world that we are moving toward the ideal family model. Reverend Sun Myung Moon encourages Unification members to show a happy family model in their lives. The goal, therefore, is not simply to be a better marriage than the outside world, but rather to attain an ideal marriage which is, indeed, a difficult and ambitious goal.

The Unification blessed marriage supports the Judeo-Christian view of the value of marriage described in the Old and New Testaments of the Bible. In addition to that, Reverend Moon constantly emphasizes teachings on the ideal family in Unification official texts, such as *Divine Principle*, *Unification Thought*, and Reverend Moon's speeches. This leads us to two main inferences: (a) It is God that establishes marriage in the family; and (b) God established marriage in the family going back to the Garden of Eden in Genesis.

#### The Sacredness of Marriage

From the original point of view, marriage is a holy sacrament. The marriage vows must be made with ceremony and rituals, as the various churches do. In the Unification Church, the emphasis concerning this matter is that husband and wife are in an eternal relationship, both on earth and in the next world. From this perspective, the Unification Church states that God hates divorce:

> "I hate divorce," says the LORD God of Israel, "and I hate a man's covering himself with violence as well as with his garment," says the LORD Almighty. So guard yourself in your spirit, and do not break faith. (Malachi 2:16)

In Matthew 19:8, Jesus says:

Moses permitted you to divorce your wives because your hearts were hard. But it was not this way from the beginning.

In the Unification perspective, then, couples should do everything possible to prevent divorce. The only exceptions would be unavoidable situations, such as unfaithfulness of one spouse, abandonment of the Unification Church and faith, and physical or mental disorder that hinder married life.

Individuals are unique. Husband and wife are different—from a biological point of view, an emotional point of view, and a psychological point of view. Their reasoning and perception of certain things are different. Therefore, these two different identities must respect each other, cooperate with each other, and unconditionally love each other. At the same time, they should try to work out any problems arising from the differences between the two.

Husband and wife are encouraged to treat each other as equal, even though they are definitely different in every aspect. After starting the family, disharmony is bound to arise between husband and wife, but respect and true love can conquer the serious problems of marital conflict. Husband and wife should apply the 3-F motto: "Forgive, Forget, and Forward March!"

## Individual Responsibility in Unification Marriage

Marriage in the Unification Church is not an automatic guarantee that the spouses will not fail—even though their marriage was arranged by, and is rooted in, the True Parents and God plays an eternal role in their marriage. Even though God Himself is involved in Unification blessed marriages, a blessed couple may still fail, unless that couple fulfills their portion of five-percent responsibility. Failure, therefore, is possible due to the couples' fivepercent responsibility.

This means that the blessing in marriage in Unification practice is conditional—i.e., not immune to internal or external attacks. Therefore, blessed marriages are not immune to internal sexual attacks and sexual temptation coming from the Satanic and evil

world. The ideal marriage, which was God's original plan, was broken by Adam and Eve's failure to observe the laws and commandment given to them by God. When Adam and Eve were married, God did not participate; instead, Satan participated.

The present-day world breakdown of marriage and family is derived from the original human failure in the Garden of Eden, as described in Genesis—that is, the disobedience of God's instruction. Why did our first human ancestors fail? There are several reasons: (1) They exercised free will without individual responsibility toward God and toward themselves. (2) They were immature in body and spirit before their physical union in matrimony; they engaged in illicit love relationship prior to receiving God's permission to enter matrimony. (3) God planned to give them the blessing of marriage after they had reached maturity in body, mind, and spirit.

Even the Unification blessed marriages can be influenced by outside, secular, value-free, evil forces against the Judeo-Christian heritage and other ethical-moral practices. Among such practices, there are the following: (1) free-sex practice and atmosphere for younger generations; (2) promiscuity influenced by secularization and humanistic values approach to human sexuality; (3) in elementary school, high school, and college, alcohol consumption is rampant; (4) abnormal sexuality practices, such as oral and anal practices; (5) open support of homosexual and lesbian activities in society; (6) sexually transmitted diseases are spreading everywhere, not only to the homosexual community, but also to heterosexuals; (7) the practice of polygamy is increasing; unfaithfulness is becoming a common practice; (8) the devaluation of chastity.

Under these circumstances of anti-marriage and anti-family forces in the world, to attempt to realize an ideal family is a seemingly impossible task. This task is like looking for perfection in that which is imperfect; it is like a man trying to quench his thirst with fresh and clean water when the water is already polluted and poisoned; it is like someone trying to breathe clean and fresh air when the air is dirty and polluted. Is there any hope? The Unification Church says yes. There is hope if we follow God's truth and live a life of "Restoration through Indemnity."

## Tools for Restoration of the Ideal

To restore the ideal marriage as planned in God's original ideal, what are the best guidelines, or tools, to be used? What is the best way to perfect the ideal marriage? I will try to deal with this question by noting several points.

- 1. The blessed marriage in Unification practice is absolute, final, and eternal. This means that the bond between husband and wife cannot be broken. This is the ideal standard and God's desire. The outside world practice is secondary; it is not the best kind of marriage. The psychological, psychiatric, medical, and counseling skills and approach to the marriage and family issues are not necessarily ideal yet. They may be helpful in promoting the ideal, but they are not ideal yet. Actually, those research efforts, findings, and approaches are constantly changing; therefore, they cannot be the ideal. They are external, temporary cosmetics. Fundamentally, Unification blessed marriage cannot be altered. Only True Parents and God can make changes.
- 2. The two individuals who are blessed in holy matrimony are still imperfect, even though they are growing toward maturity and future perfection. At best, they are at the top level of the growth stage of spiritual growth. That is the level where Adam and Eve fell. Some in the Unification Church have attained a level near perfection, near complete maturity; usually, however, blessed marriage partners are on different stages of growth. As a team, husband and wife usually are on a stage that is far below perfection. In principle, both must reach perfection as a team. The more advanced partner must educate and train the other spouse to grow together toward the level of True Parents' heart, True Parents' love, and Heavenly Father's Shimjung. Accordingly, our True Father educated our True Mother when they were first blessed in marriage. Now our True Mother has reach perfection and become our Universal Mother. Recently, Father appointed her as the Second Messiah, and even the Second Founder of the Unification Church worldwide.

Each spouse, instead of critically blaming each other for their shortcomings and individual fallen natures, must show heavenly patience to meet the ideal couple's criteria as a husband-wife team. Of course, blessed couples have been freed from Original Sin through the holy marriage ceremony; still, their inherited individual fallen nature and personality remain with them. Without constant effort and daily life of faith, there will be no progress toward perfection and complete maturity. Each spouse, in Unification practice, must grow to complete maturity and perfection, in contrast to the failure of Adam and Eve who committed a mistake under the influence of Satan, or Lucifer.

In order to rid themselves from the fallen nature inherited from their ancestors, the spouses must fulfill another five percent responsibility. Psychological, psychiatric, and Christian counseling, educational skills, theories, and techniques are useful, but these are merely auxiliary. They are treatment, not cure. There will always be mountains to climb when two individuals live together. They should keep trying to respect each other and love each other as Tribal Messiahs, regardless of their different opinions and views.

3. Some blessed couples have difficulty to accept each other simply because one is superior to the other, or because they have differences in likes and dislikes, or because they have different habits, interests, and hobbies. Here, the concept of diversity in unity and unity in diversity is very helpful in restoring broken marriages from the Satanic world into God's ideal marriages.

To solve this problem, imagine that you and your spouse are living in a desert, all alone. In such a setting, how can you feel that your spouse is ugly? You have no choice but to love your spouse. You must only appreciate your spouse in the desert. Likewise, in Unification practice, you cannot complain about your spouse; you must only appreciate your spouse, because True Parents have given that spouse to you as an eternal mate. This means that real love goes beyond physical looks. When a man or a woman loves True Parents

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and Heavenly Father, they become very attractive spiritually. That woman will be more beautiful than another woman with makeup. The man, even if with a husky beard, seems to her to have a wonderful touch. This is the life of real and true love.

As mentioned earlier, the psychological, psychiatric, medical, and counseling skills and approaches are not the ideal. They are external, temporary cosmetics. The internal heart and love come first. If you have an excellent, perfect marriage, the heartistic, internal part is subject; whereas the external part is object. If husband and wife love each other, how can one of the spouses look at another person of the opposite sex? How can spouses of blessed couples commit crime tempted by the opposite sex? Disaster can be prevented if spouses keep the ideal standard of husbandwife relationship in their marriage. Through that, we shall minimize Satan's plot to destroy and nullify the Unification blessed marriages.

4. Some ask this serious question: Since I do not like to expose my problems to other people, where shall I go for counseling and advice about my marriage and family problems? There are many, experienced, middle-aged and senior members in the Unification Church. You can screen them based on their credentials and previous experiences. I know a few counselors and Church workers, for instance, who are helping others through therapy based solely on the old school of Freudian psychology. But some of them have committed sexual misconduct and mistakes in the past, even though they have not been publicly exposed. I doubt that this kind of person can be qualified to be a good counselor in the Unification Church. These persons may have changed in the last many years; at least I hope so. But the public in the Church may come to know, sooner or later, the facts about the past of self-appointed therapists. I rather do not encourage people to go to that kind of person as their counselor, therapist, or advisor.

Furthermore, there are the so-called spiritual healers and channelers, who may engage in many strange and bizarre

activities, influenced by good and bad spirits of low-level spirit world. Many people are led in the wrong way. Psychologists and Christian counselors in the Church as well as outside may help people, but they must be based on absolute faith in Divine Principle, must absolutely believe in True Parents and in the practical teachings of our True Parents. They must be models to the members.

In a nutshell, the skills of the professionals mentioned above can be used as a supplement, not as mainstream counseling or therapy. Unification psychological counseling and therapy has not yet been developed at this point.

Let us go back to our initial question: Where do we go for psychological counseling? Please study the Divine Principle in depth; please look at the True Parents and True Children. They are the models for us to follow as the second generation. If we have no chance directly to observe and learn from East Garden, inquire from the materials contained in our many books, magazines, periodical, and sources. You must look at East Garden as God's dwelling place, where the only ideal marriage and family exist in the whole universe.

Our body, in order to sustain itself and grow, needs food every day; likewise, our mind and spirit, in order to sustain itself and grow, need spiritual food, which is the word of God, word of True Parents, Divine Principle, Unification Thought, and other information—the collection of words of the constant teaching of our True Parents. For instance, our beloved Mother's life history and recent works, and Hyo Jin Nim's work, are readily available if you search for them. If you engage in this kind of practice, your spirit and mind will grow to the stage where you experience True Parents in dreams and even in visions, or you will be inspired by their spiritual presence and other feelings. Also, you will be inspired and get direct intuition. So, why worry about it?

Try to make effort to search for truth about True Parents and True Family. Pray hard and long for our Father, our Mother, and True Children in East Garden. Then you will become spiritually open, so that you can handle your problem and receive daily guidance, as if you were in the direct control sphere of True Parents' love and Heavenly heart. That way you will be marching toward perfection and maturity, going beyond Adam and Eve's highest level of growth stage. When you and your spouse both reach that stage, you will have reached the ideal marriage, which leads to the ideal family, in which the creation of ideal children is possible. That is not a dream, but reality.

## Part 2: The Search for the Ideal in the Family

For convenience, I will define the family as, ideally, composed of husband, wife, and at least one child. If there are no children, then we cannot say that we have an ideal family; at least there should be one child. If a couple has no child or an adopted child, that couple cannot be categorized as a standard form of ideal family unit.

In Unification practice, the ideal is for three generations to live together in the same household, if space permits. A couple with an adopted child or a stepchild can be accepted as a family unit, but not as an ideal pattern, because to be ideal, children should be with their own father and mother—in other words, they should be children of the same parents. If the child feels that the parent is the stepfather or stepmother, it is already not ideal.

## Universal Functions of the Family

What are the universal functions of the family? (1) The family is the ideal source of human reproduction. (2) In addition to the school, the family provides education and training. (3) The family provides financial and economic resources. (4) The family provides nurture and discipline for children before school age. (5) The family provides the inheritance of tradition and culture as well as ethical and moral values. (6) The family is the backbone of community and civilization.

A survey of the modern family, viewed from the above criteria, shows that not all the universal functions of the family, as described above, are properly met. Why is that so? Some say, in a religious sense, that evil came into being in this world, and the original family functions of the family were destroyed and went in the wrong direction.

In the Judeo-Christian sense, the Messiah will come to the world to save all of humankind, which is now under the yoke of Satan, and will liberate us from evil, establishing the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in Heaven, and he will bring the fulfillment of the original functions of the family institution.

Regardless of the different views of the functions of the family, human families throughout the world have been the object of study in the modern world. Most experts on marriage and family, such as psychologists, psychiatrists, and professional and religious counselors, as well as physical therapists and even homeopathic medicine practitioners, try to help the family to be well-functioning and smoothly operating, to be a happy family, or even to become the ideal family-to-be.

## Problems of the Family

The problems of the modern family can be enumerated as follows: (1) communication between husband and wife, and between parents and children; (2) infidelity and marriage breakdown; (3) how to maintain family health; (4) how to handle family finances; (5) how to educate, nurture, and discipline children; (6) how to solve the conflict between religious and secular values; (7) how to handle interfaith marriages and interracial marriages; (8) how to deal with the invasion of drugs and sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS, in the family.

Many Christians and practitioners of other major religions have tried to solve the above-mentioned problems of marriage and family, but there are no satisfactory signs of great improvement in this area. Without tackling the above-mentioned problem items, we may not reach the ideal family. After solving those problems, there must be a God-centered family originally planned by God, where God is the head of the family. Before reaching that stage, God will send the True Parents to teach us and train us to bring God into our families. This is the so-called ideal family originally planned by God before the Fall.

Let us refer briefly to the key points of each item of the problem areas.

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(1) Communication problem: Some skills contributed by psychologists and other related professionals are great up to a point. We must admit the equal rights of husband and wife. Administratively, the husband is the head of the house. Among the skills, we count acceptance of equal rights within the family, respect, division of labor, acceptance of each spouse as an independent, loving daughter/son of God, and acceptance of individual uniqueness and differences. That kind of acceptance would eliminate the problem of communication.

With regard to the problem of parent-child communication, parents must understand the growing stages of the child, and then must guide and discipline them—rather than permit them to have freedom without control. Parents, as the subject position within the family—are responsible for education and training until children reach adulthood, which is the time for power transfer to the child. This must be done gradually. Authority, yes; authoritarian, no. Parents must educate their children and educate themselves; they must show through their own good example. That way they will earn their respect, and the children will follow their parents' guidance. Thus, children learn from the living example of their parents. Their guidance and education should be carefully geared to the specific ages of the children according to their developmental age bracket.

(2) With regard to infidelity and unfaithfulness in marriage, this evil is affecting every marriage throughout the ages. It spread like fire. To solve this problem, moral and ethical values must be implemented not only in the family, but also in the church and community to form a united front against anti-family evil power. If a mistake is made, families should try to "Forgive, Forget, and Forward March."

(3) Invasion of drug and sexually transmitted diseases in marriage and family: Moral and ethical values of the Judeo-Christian traditions must be implanted, so that we can combat the anti-family value sources from the secular world—such as secular humanism, atheistic philosophy, free-sex practices, and abnormal practices of human sexuality such as oral and anal sex. Only through a strong marriage institution will we be able to prevent this flood and stop

the flood of Satanic, immoral promiscuity. There is hope if we can start from the family unit.

(4) Spiritually, physically healthy family: When dealing with the ideal family, we must be concerned with family health. Setting up long-term goals and short-term goals as well, finding out the meaning of daily life, with a positive mental attitude, may bring sound mind-body relationship. Find your value in yourself, in your work, and in your professional career, and march forward to the goals you have set up. This way, you will find the meaning of your life on earth.

(5) Interreligious conflict and interracial marriage: More and more, religious tolerance toward other religions is becoming common through interfaith dialogue and ecumenism. This way we can form a united frontline to combat anti-religious value forces in the world. All religions must work together for the united front to preserve each religious value to be inherited by future generations.

Also, the tendency of interracial marriage is becoming more popular among young people. This way, the worldwide racial tensions among the white, black, yellow, red, and brown colors of skin can be diminished. This way we can go back to the pre-Noah days, when no racial differences existed, according to the experts on this subject.

## When and How Can the Ideal Family be Realized?

Is the ideal family a dream? Is it a fantasy? An illusion? Judeo-Christianity teaches that the Messiah will come to restore the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and to control and govern the world, and to become the King of Kings. At the same time, spiritually open religionists, healers, and prophets predict that the end of the world is coming. Further, another group of spiritually open people say that the founders of all religions will come back to set up the ideal world and family centering on the followers of their respective religions.

Furthermore, some groups are openly proclaiming the specific date and time of the coming of the Messiah—which is a cause of great confusion. Especially powerful verses can be found in the Old Testament passage of Isaiah, chapter 6, which says that the Messiah is coming as Wonderful, Counselor, Prince of Peace, Everlasting Father, and so forth. The Messiah is coming as the everlasting father of all humankind. As described in the New Testament also, at the coming of the Messiah there will be the Marriage Feast of the Lamb, which symbolizes that a holy marriage ceremony by the Messiah to come will take place, and that the Messiah will come as the head of each family. This means that the Messiah will be the head of all humankind. His coming is the Day of Hope, when the Kingdom shall begin.

Before the day of glory takes place, we the members of all religions must prepare ourselves so that we can meet the qualifications to be accepted by the coming Messiah, who is coming for all humankind—not just for Christianity, not just for Judaism to establish the Heavenly ideal family.

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Along this direction and wonderful cosmic expectation from all religions, the Unification practice of marriage and family teaches that the Messiah will come as True Parents. In the place of the First and Second Adam, we can be tribal messiahs in our clans and tribes. Thus, the unit of Heavenly marriage and Heavenly family will appear on earth. This means that the ideal family is possible. This is what the Unification Principle teaches on marriage and the family.

## True Love

In conclusion, how, and with what tools, can we overcome the many existing problems mentioned above—the same problems referred to by psychologists, psychiatrists, physical therapists, Christian counselors, medical doctors, homeopathic practitioners, and so forth. How, then, and with what tools can we overcome all the problems of many families under the evil and secular world? The answer given to this question by the Reverend Sun Myung Moon is that it can be done with the power of True Love from God. Reverend Moon shows himself as a living example, as a model for Unificationists to follow and practice. About True Love, Reverend Moon has said the following:

Love fully activates every cell, and without wasting a moment, the cells harmonized and seek a higher level. Once your cells are energized by love, they want to take off. The power of love is much like the thrust of an Apollo rocket, lifting you off the ground and propelling you into the orbit of God's love. You are meant to find eternal harmony in love with God, but God's love doesn't stand still. As soon as your love takes off, God's love starts to come down toward you, and you meet each other in the middle. So, God's love and human love are meant to come together and create a spark, making a dramatic crash. That spark does not cause eternal destruction; it results in a new. harmonized creation. The fusion of human and divine love generates something new. As you reach the plateau, you will discover the original ideal world, the absolute and true ideal world. Thus, we can conclude that God created the universe. including human beings and all things, in order to consummate love. (Sun Myung Moon, 4/6/82)

In describing life in the family, Reverend Moon has also said,

In a family, when the husband comes home and his children run to greet him, the first thing he says to the children is, "Where is your mother?" The wife is the same way. When she comes back home, many children are there, but the first thing she asks is, "Where is Daddy?" Why? It is because of a longing for love, a feeling of "Where is my love?" What can fill this vast universe? Not even air can fill it. We can fill it only with love.

# The Will of God for Us. Speech delivered by David S.C. Kim on his 80th Birthday Celebration, Unification Theological Seminary, Barrytown, NY, November 9, 1995

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Rejoice always; Pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (I Thessalonians 5:16-18)

Apostle Paul wrote a letter 2,000 years ago to the Thessalonians in order to save humankind and the world at that time with the new Gospel of Jesus Christ. Can we say that this Bible truth applies to our Completed Testament Age, the new era of True-Parentship in the coming second millennium? Yes, of course. It is related to our Unification Saints, Tribal Messiahs, Blessed Couples, and dedicated members throughout the world.

Satan still continues to control the world. The dark forces of the past and the present are still rampant on earth. God's will to restore the original world of the ideal of creation is not yet complete. We Unificationists, however, have inherited all the works of the past and the present Christian saints, all of their unfinished missions and unfinished dispensations in the past.

There are three lessons to learn from St. Paul's letter to the Thessalonians (chapter 5, verses 16-18): (1) praising God with rejoicing; (2) praying constantly; (3) giving thanks in everything.

What an inspirational message of truth beyond the ages! We, inheritors of God's will, must practice St. Paul's teachings more than the early Christian followers of Jesus Christ because we are the consummators of God's providential work carried out in Judaism, Islam, Christianity, and other major religions in the course of God's providence in the era of the second millennium.

Especially let me emphasize the phrase "giving thanks in everything." This phrase means in all circumstances: in all good times and in all bad times; in all small things and in all big things. The early Christian forefathers did their best to follow this truth with dedication and devotion. This encourages us to learn and practice this teaching in the Completed Testament Age, in which we are now. This is easy to say but hard to practice.

Apostle Paul said, "Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; and give thanks in everything." What a good spiritual recipe for the fallen world and fallen humankind to return to God's bosom. Especially all of us Unification Saints, Tribal Messiahs, and Blessed Couples throughout the world should practice "praising our True Parents, praying for True Parents, who are working very hard, and giving thanks to God and our True Parents."

In relation to our "giving thanks to God and True Parents," we Unification Saints have many things to be thankful for; but especially we must express our special, deepest, unceasing gratitude, appreciation, and thanks for the special Family Pledge, established on May 1, 1994. This is the blueprint for humankind to qualify for Heavenly Kingdom citizenship, which is now open to the whole world through the Blessing of Holy Marriage.

True Parents have given us the task of bringing the Pledge to the whole of humankind. I am especially concerned about point Number 3 of the Pledge, namely to complete the four realms of heart, three great kingships, and the realm of the royal family, both on earth and in heaven. We must recite this Family Pledge always, day and night, as long as we live on earth.

We are to spread this message of the heavenly family to the four corners of the earth, based on our mission as Blessed Couples and Tribal Messiahs. A lot of hard work lies ahead of us.

Just a few days ago I received the October 1995 issue of the monthly Unificationist magazine *Tong-Il Segre* from Korea, in which our True Father referred to the qualifications for Heavenly Kingdom citizenship for all of us. As we know, Heaven at this time is still empty. Our True Father mentioned five qualifications; and when I read the Korean text about those qualifications, I felt deeply inspired. Let me paraphrase them for Westerners.

# Five Qualifications to Enter the Number One Kingdom of Heaven

- 1. Only candidates with unity of mind and body will qualify.
- 2. Candidates whose marriage and family have bitter fighting and quarreling are disqualified to be citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. This violates heavenly law and constitution.
- 3. Candidates must live as an ideal Blessed Couple, not just a happy family but an ideal family. Only such families qualify for the number one place in the Kingdom of Heaven.
- 4. Only candidates who experience family life with God and who attend God in their daily life will qualify to be citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven.
- 5. Candidates whose family has disunity between parents and children will be disqualified to be citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven.

Considering these five qualifications, can you say that you are sure you will go to the Kingdom of Heaven, automatically, after your life on earth is over? Think seriously for a moment. I myself, who am completing 80 years of age today, have become serious, uptight, and very concerned when I considered this matter. I took Father's instructions with repentance and confessed to him and God about my past mistakes, committed either consciously or unconsciously. And I have re-determined myself to exert serious efforts to become qualified for acceptance in the eternal Heaven.

I hope you will agree with me with regard to my thinking and reasoning. Simply being a Blessed Couple is no guarantee that you will go to the number one Kingdom of Heaven. When our Father traveled to the Spirit World, he found out that the number one Kingdom of Heaven is empty. Thus, this is a very serious issue and challenge for all of us. This is not going to work automatically. It can only be obtained with our five percent responsibility for our ideal marriage and family as Blessed Couples.

# The Three Absolutes

In the same issue of *Tong-Il Segye* (October 1995), I found another message from Father's direct words on the Three Absolutes for us to practice and consummate. God created heaven, earth, and all things in the beginning, based on the foundation of the three absolutes, namely "Absolute Faith," "Absolute Love," and "Absolute Obedience." I have focused my attention and concern on the third absolute, namely, Absolute Obedience.

Concerning the word "obedience," we must be aware that there are two words in Korean that could be translated as "obedience": *Bokchong* and *Soonjong*. Both signify "obedience" or "submission." But only *Bokchong* is the correct standard. *Soonjong* is not. The different is that *Bokchong* is "obedience without consciousness of oneself," whereas *Soonjong* is "obedience with

The true standard of obedience is *Bokchong*, which means that there is no consciousness of yourself at all. You are in a state in which you do not exist at all. This is the "You-are-not-existing" state. When you reach that state, it does not matter for you whether you live or die. This is called "absolute obedience." A person of absolute obedience, or *Bokchong*, centering on God's Will, is a victor over history. Therefore, absolute obedience is more than an act of 100% following and obeying. According to Father, "obedience" means "submission without consciousness of oneself." In this case, the obedient person has no consciousness of him/herself at all.

God, together with True Parents, is in a war against Satan and his evil system. Let us recall that during World War I, World War II, and the Gulf War ("Desert Storm"), the supreme power command of the Allied Nations had to win the war for God. God's commandment had to be taken with absolute obedience: no arguments, no doubt, even no questions from commanding generals, field commanders, etc. In other words, commandment is commandment. They exist only for one hundred percent obedience.

Absolute obedience is absolutely necessary for victory over our adversaries and principalities in the air, both in the spiritual and in the physical world. In our Church tradition and practice, especially in the early years of the Church, many Western leaders and even a few Oriental leaders became troubled by the structure of the 166 Church hierarchy and by the policy of Heavenly guerrilla warfare, which was necessary to save the world even at the sacrifice of some part of the world and some of the chosen people.

Even the Son of God, Jesus Christ, was sacrificed by God on the cross in order to bring this 2,000-year history of spiritual salvation to save the whole world now. Let me describe, with a little more detail, the practice that existed between early Korean leaders and our Father's strategy to influence and fulfill his providence to save America in the seventies and eighties.

Without absolute obedience by people such as Dr. Bo Hi Pak, Reverend Chung Hwan Kwak, and, in the past few years, the members of a younger generation, like President Dong Moon Joo and other Regional Directors and overseas key pioneers and missionaries, it would not have been possible to fulfill Father's worldwide achievements and accomplishments.

Consider, for instance, *The Washington Times*, News Media Conferences, ICUS Conferences, Summit Council, Victory Over Communism (VOC) work, Interreligious Federation, and World Sports and Culture Festival. None of those would have been possible without total obedience by those early followers and also the younger generation.

The early Church leaders practiced the virtue of absolute obedience; and that practice enabled True Parents to carry out their goals, plans, and providential missions to save the entire globe. When Father instructed us to accomplish a certain task, those instructions were final for us, and we would do our best. There was no place for any argument, any doubt, any complaint, or any questions. We knew we should not violate this law of God.

All of us have to practice this kind of absolute obedience. There are three kinds of absolutes, but I am emphasizing absolute obedience. That way Satan will retreat and finally will surrender. That is why the Bible says that obedience is better than sacrifice. When this kind of obedience is there, Satan's system cannot but perish.

My beloved brothers and sisters in the Unification Movement, listen to me for a moment. Who could even imagine that in 1995 we would be able to bring 360,000 couples to the Blessing. No-one

could imagine that, except God and True Parents. In essence, great success is based on our True Parents' commandments being carried out by the Unification devoted leaders throughout the world, who had absolute obedience until the last moment, following our Father's commandment. They believed it; they did their best. Thus, the Heavenly host of saints cooperated with them and brought about great miracles.

So, will it be possible to accomplish the Blessing of 3.6 million couples just three years from now? No doubt, provided we follow True Parents' commandment, obeying them just as field commanders must obey the general supreme commander. Thus, we must think of ourselves as field commanders or officers to save the whole world. Praise our True Parents; glorify our True Parents; honor our True Parents and Heavenly Father. Amen! Amen! Amen!

In conclusion, let us go back to the Bible quotation of First Thessalonians:

Rejoice always; pray without ceasing; in everything give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. (I Thessalonians 5:16-18)

I would like to amplify and revise this New Testament passage of two thousand years ago, so that it will fit our reality of the twenty-first century. I say, "Let Us Give Thanks in Everything to God and Our True Parents. This is the Will of God for Us."

My motto refers to absolute gratitude as well as the Unification absolutes of absolute faith, absolute obedience, and absolute love. These four absolutes, namely absolute gratitude, absolute faith, absolute obedience, and absolute love can bring the whole world under the banner and foot of our True Parent's Kingdom of God on earth. No doubt about it!

My dear brothers and sisters, who came today to celebrate the eightieth birthday of old general David S.C. Kim. This old general never dies, never fades away, but always prays. But this old general is nothing without True Parents. I mean this sincerely.

Please join me in glorifying our True Parents, in giving four cheers of Mansei, Mansei, Man-Mansei, Uk-Mansei for the eternal Kingdom of God on Earth and in Heaven. Amen.

# Let Us Work Together for Good. Address by David S.C. Kim, Inauguration Ceremony of The Family Federation for Unification and World, Glory House Hotel, Amsterdam, Netherlands, October 15, 1996

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Ladies and Gentlemen, Brothers and Sisters in True Parents!

It is a great honor to be here with you to inaugurate the Netherlands Family Federation for Unification and World Peace. Being appointed chairman of this organization by Heavenly Father and True Parents after the 40 Day Special Training Seminar held at Cheong Pyeong, Seoul, Korea on April 24, 1996 is truly a special privilege. I am doubly blessed to attend this event at Glory House Hotel with all the leaders, Unification saints, Blessed Couples, friends, and supporters of the Unification Movement in the Netherlands.

As you know, some people mistakenly refer to your nation as "Holland" after the names of a couple of your largest provinces. "Holland" means "Land of the Tree." To me, this signifies that your country is rooted in the Bible and Christianity, recalling the "Tree of Life" in the Genesis account of the Garden of Eden. Phonetically, "Holland" sounds like "Holy Land." That is so much more heavenly than "Low Land," the original meaning of "Netherlands." I hope you will not mind if I refer to your nation as "Holland" in the future. Who knows? Perhaps the Netherlands royalty could be regarded by Heavenly Father as the first "holy" royal family connected directly to His Heavenly Throne and True Parents through your Unification works here. God performs miracles and works mysteriously, as shown throughout the Bible as well as in our contemporary world.

# Why Am I in The Netherlands?

I would like to further explain how I personally came to be here. I was appointed as Heavenly ambassador to this nation at the April 24 conference in Korea. Fifty-three nations (later expanded to 185 nations) were designated to receive "National Messiahs." As "National Messiahs" (in addition to being "Tribal Messiahs"), we have very challenging work ahead of us. This mission is almost impossible for anyone in our movement to accomplish.

It is especially difficult for someone who is 82 years of age, having retired from the Unification Theological Seminary following 20 years of service (1974-1994). Although I am still active in our work in America, I no longer have the same energy as I did in my 50s, 60s, or 70s. Health problems come automatically and naturally at my age. That is a strict law of the life cycle. My wife, Mrs. Eui Hong Kang Kim, is 78 years old and also has health problems that magnify our difficulties and affect our ability to assume another assignment at this time.

During this period of several months, I struggled internally, prayed fervently, and meditated a lot over this assignment. After serious consideration, I am finally here today with all of you to accept this appointment and be inaugurated as chairman of our movement in the Netherlands. We owe this even to three members of my beloved family. First, my wife insisted that I assume this new mission, even though her health following surgery and medical treatments has not improved as well as expected. She has been pushing me all along to accept this new mission.

Then, our eldest son, Michael Sung Soo Kim, who is President of International Exchange Press in San Francisco, California in the United States, recently encouraged me to go to Holland to officially chair this Inauguration Ceremony. He promised to escort me to your nation. Without his assistance and wisdom, I would not be able to see all of you on this historic day.

Finally, my second son, Harry Hyun Soo Kim, a Certified Public Accountant working in President Park's business organization in America, gave his support for my decision to be here with you. Shall we give formal recognition to these three people—my wife, my eldest son, and my second son? In the future, in case I have trouble fulfilling my mission, my two sons in America <sup>170</sup> are ready to help your nation on my behalf. Isn't this a great promise and assurance? I will need your prayer and support for myself and Mrs. Kim for good health in our old age.

This appointment to the Netherlands is now the most precious gift to me from Heavenly Father and True Parents. In the past 42 years of service, I and my wife have received many presents and gifts from True Parents: not only clothing, autographed books, and money, but above all spiritual guidance and nourishment. In 1989, True Parents gave us a house in Poughkeepsie, New York for our retirement, called "H-K House" (Heung Jin-Kook Jin Nims' House). All the expensive furnishings that Kook Jin Nim and his wife used were given to us as a gift for our long year of service. When we pray and meditate there, we receive spiritual power and strength to help people, especially the younger generation. The above gifts are horizontal gifts and are important for survival. The gift of National Messiahship, however, is a vertical and eternal gift of incomparable value.

# Vertical and Horizontal Connection between Korea and The Netherlands

The spiritual ties between The Netherlands and Korea are amazing. God works beyond time, space, and culture to fulfill His Will to bring the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. In 1628, the Dutch seaman, Ian Betbre, was shipwrecked near Chejudo, an island southwest of the Korean peninsula. King Injo of the Lee Dynasty sent this seaman to Seoul, the capital of Korea, under suspicion of criminal activity. He was found innocent of any crimes and later became a strategist for the Korean Military Academy. He married a Korean woman, became a naturalized citizen of Korea, and was given the name "Park Yeun." He invented the cannon for the Korean military, which was called the "Park Yeun Cannon."

In 1653, another Dutch seaman named Hamel was similarly shipwrecked near Chejudo along with his 30 crewmen. He is remembered for being the first person to introduce the Bible to the Korean people. Hamel was arrested and sentenced to 14 years in prison, but succeeded in escaping and returning safely to The Netherlands. However, the story continues. When he returned to his country, he published a book called *A Journal of Chosun* (Korea),

in which he wrote about his positive experiences in that land. This publication served to introduce the "Hermit Kingdom" of Korea for the first time to the western world. For his "notorious" contribution to our nation in opening it to the West, Chejudo Island contains a "Hamel Monument" that still exists even to this day. At this time Protestantism was introduced to Korea.

The first systematic missionary work, however, did not begin until 1832. At that time, the Dutch pastor, Charles Gutzlaff, began preaching the Gospel in Korea and continued to do so for 40 years.

On November 17, 1905, Japan forced King Kojong, the last king of Korea's Lee Dynasty, to sign the Protective Treaty. King Kojong sent three secret emissaries to The Netherlands' capital, The Hague, where the Second World Peace Conference was being held on June 15, 1907. These three emissaries planned to appeal directly to the Conference and expose the illegal "Protective Treaty" as the means by which Japan would annex Korea. However, they were not allowed to attend the Conference and make their appeal.

Finally, one of the three emissaries, patriot Lee Joon, took his own life to protest Japan's illegal treaty with the Lee Dynasty. He immolated himself on July 14, 1907, leaving behind his resentment and bitterness at not being allowed to attend the Peace Conference. His remains were returned to Korea, but his memorial still stands in The Hague, a silent reminder of his "spirit of loyalty and patriotism" to save the Korean kingdom.

# Vertical and Horizontal Connection between America and The Netherlands

The ties between The Netherlands and America are also providentially significant. Dutch settlers began arriving in the area we now know as New York in the early 1600s. The first permanent settlement, called New Amsterdam, was established in 1626 at the lower tip of Manhattan. This was purchased from the Algonquin natives with some small trinkets and tools (valued at 60 florins, but often described as 24 dollars). New Amsterdam was part of the Dutch colony called New Netherlands that encompassed parts of the present-day states of New Jersey, New York, and Connecticut. Amazingly, the Dutch encourage other nationalities to help populate their settlements so that by 1643, over 18 languages were 172 spoken in New Amsterdam. Surely, that embracing attitude helped the United States earn itself the symbolic gift of a Statue of Liberty which greeted over 12 mission immigrants in New York harbor on their way to Ellis Island and the rest of America.

After the English conquered New Amsterdam without firing a shot in 1664, almost all the settlers—five to six thousand—chose to remain in New York, as New Amsterdam was renamed. The terms of surrender guaranteed them their homes, lands, goods, and inheritance. In addition, they enjoyed the freedom to worship as they pleased. However, the relatively cordial peace between the Dutch and the English could not prevent mutual animosities, expressed in fist fights, name calling, and political rivalries.

The Dutch dominated Albany and Schenectady in upstate New York until the American Revolution in 1776 and made settlements around the New York bay. They comprised about half of Manhattan's population as late as 1700 and about one-sixth of New York State's population in 1790. Dutch customs, names, and sports took root and eventually became part of the American heritage. Non-Dutch groups adopted "Santa Claus," fashioned after St. Nicholas, who was the jovial patron saint of New Amsterdam bringing presents to children. Names ending in "kill" (creek), "bush" (wood), "wyck" (district), and "heit" (stream) still dot the Hudson Valley. "Cookie," "stoop," and "boss" are three Anglicized Dutch terms that still enjoy everyday use.

The Netherlands is a genuine Christian nation that spread its abundant spiritual heritage to the world. Dutch Reformed ministers and missionaries arrived in America and established the Marble Collegiate Church in New York City in 1628. On many occasions, I have attended this historic church, the first Protestant church in America established 368 years ago, long before America's birth as an independent nation in 1776. The church's popular and worldrenowned pastor, the late Dr. Norman Vincent Peale who passed away two years ago, wrote the widely published book, *The Power of Positive Thinking*.

His colleague, Dr. Robert Schuller, also from the Dutch Reformed Church, continues to achieve increasing fame through his worldwide television ministry, *The Hour of Power*, and through his numerous books about "Possibility Thinking." Dr. Schuller started his ministry in 1953, just one year before True Father established the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity (HSA-UWC), of which I am proud of being an original charter member.

God's hands and His dispensation work miraculously. Ten million people listen to his weekly message throughout the world. I have been studying Dr. Schuller's television ministry and method of evangelism for many years. I analyze and comment on his message and the reasons for his success, based on the Divine Principle viewpoint of God's Providence and True Parents vision for the ideal world. On August 1, 1996, Dr. Schuller attended the Inauguration Convention of the World Federation for Unification and World Peace held in Washington, DC. He led the opening prayer at the Convention.

What amazing dispensational ties we have! We are "working together for good to build the Kingdom of God on earth!" Despite people's knowledge of ignorance of these ties, even in the face of opposition, God's dispensation marches on.

# **Dutch Influence on the Unification Movement in America**

Let us look more closely at the Dutch contribution to our Unification Movement in America. I was sent to Great Britain in August 1954, where I stayed for two years as a United Nations Scholar witnessing and speaking about our movement. In 1959, I was sent out again with pioneer missionaries Young Oon Kim, Bo Hi Pak, and Sang Ik Choi to America. We worked there as missionaries until 1972 when True Parents arrived and began the "One World Crusade" and "Day of Hope" tours throughout the United States.

The first American man who joined our movement in 1959 in Portland, Oregon was John Hans Schmidli (1905-1990). He was originally from Switzerland. At that time, I was attending the Conservative Baptist Seminary in Portland as a student, because the only way for a Korean person to come to the United States was on a student visa. The first female convert was Eileen Welch, a woman of Dutch ancestry, who joined in Eugene, Oregon where Young Oon Kim pioneered her mission. In Eugene, Christian churches started to persecute Young Oon Kim's group. Therefore, they 174 moved to the San Francisco Bay Area in California. However, Eileen Welch received a revelation from Heaven to go to Portland and receive training from me. She came to Portland where I trained her as the first Divine Principle lecturer. We began a radio program called the "Unification Hour" on which she would broadcast the Principle every week. Thus, we broadcast the entire contents of the Divine Principle from the 1960s until the early 1970s. Also in the 1960s, Portland members started witnessing campaigns in seven states. Eileen Welch's brother and his family also became Unification Church members.

Thus in the early 1960s, people of Dutch ancestry had a special dispensational connection with the pioneer missionaries in America. Now God has sent me to The Netherlands from Korea by way of America to consummate His Will and inaugurate the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace in The Netherlands. Based on the short history above, I began to figure out why I was chosen to go to The Netherlands. The reason was to complete God's and True Parents' Providence for The Netherlands at this time. True Parents' words shall be spread throughout this nation to fulfill God's Will. If we "work together for good," The Netherlands and its royal family can easily be restored to God, and His throne can dwell in the Dutch royal kingdom forever.

This ideal has not been established yet, although the Unification Church has been working here for many years and under four past presidents. The first president of the Unification Church of The Netherlands was Teddy Verheyen and his wife Pauline. The second president was Hendrik Dijk and his wife Maria. The third president was Andre Haring. The fourth and current president is Vim Koeisier. We have to respect the past, our roots, and history. Without the three past presidents, the current president would not exist. Without the present president, there would be no future inheritance, no Dutch Unification Church, and no hope for this nation. I personally pay tribute to the past three presidents and to the current president for their hard work, sacrifice, dedication, and service to the church and to the nation. They deserve to be remembered forever. We have to learn from the past, including our mistakes, in order to bring success for the future.

At this time, God and True Parents are sending four representatives from four nations—Korea, Japan, Germany, and America—to The Netherlands to form a four position foundation centering on True Parents' senior Korean missionary, Dr. David S.C. Kim. If we become one, with one mind, one heart, and one true love, we can bring unity between these four nations in The Netherlands. Then, Heaven, True Parents, and the power and authority of Divine Principle will perform miracles and we will produce unexpected results and success. The problem is establishing a strong unity among the four nations' representatives so that Satan cannot destroy it.

I believe that we can do it! I have great optimism and hopefulness although I do not know the current situation of the Unification Church here. I plan to stay one more week after my son returns to America. During my stay, we will hold "brainstorming" sessions with all the Unification-related organizations in The Netherlands. Good things will result for this nation, based on your cooperation individually and collectively.

# How to Restore The Netherlands to God and True Parents in the Completed Testament Age

Our True Parents have completed their mission in Korea, Japan, and America. However, as they have reminded us repeatedly in numerous leaders' meetings, the problem is that we have not fulfilled our portion of responsibility as Blessed Couples, church leaders, national, and international leaders of our movement. Despite this lack of fulfillment on our part, our True Parents continue to advance with more speaking tours, World Peace Conferences, pioneering work in South America, Christian minister outreach, and interfaith dialogue with leaders of other major religions. Their goal is to work together to bring about the ideal of peace and prosperity on earth.

Looking back on our life of faith and reflecting on our mission as Tribal Messiahs, we see lots of problems: financial instability, disharmony between husband and wife, miscommunication between parents and children, lack of positive stimulation and clear motivation to continue as church members, no follow-up work or nurturing of young members, no clear discernment of good and evil in this secular world, and temptations from everywhere. As you can see, we fall far short of the ideal of true Tribal Messiahship.

Part of the problem lies in our failure to practice the instructions and guidelines from our True Parents or from the church hierarchy on a national and international level. For example, take our True Parents guideline of "1-1-1" that each member brings one person every month to join our movement. The "1-1-1" motto is a spiritual law for the advancement of our church and for recruiting citizens for the Kingdom of Heaven from this world—from our hometowns, our neighborhoods, our work places, whenever and wherever we go. This spiritual law should be practiced by each of us as long as we live on earth as church members. We must try hard to fulfill this commitment while we are living on earth.

Another set of guidelines that we have failed to practice is: 1) to pray constantly, 2) study the Divine Principle, and 3) read True Parents' words and speeches on a daily basis. Just as our body needs daily physical sustenance to live, so our soul, spirit body, and spirit mind need the daily provision of spiritual food. Without it, we cannot grow to perfection and maturity as individuals. Furthermore, daily spiritual food enables us to eliminate worldly temptations and maintain spiritual stability. Satan still targets Blessed Couples who are weak in this area. Many troubled Blessed marriages exist all over the world, leading them to be inactive in their witnessing life.

As Tribal Messiahs, your "hometown providence" may be in name only. Even your relatives and neighbors may not be in your witnessing plans. Didn't Jesus say "love thy neighbor?" Without witnessing, how can we build the Kingdom of God in our own homes, in our own neighborhoods, in our own communities, our own towns, cities, states, and the nation? The truth that our True Parents gave to us must be practiced in the contemporary world.

Another problem is that we have become spiritually "burnt out." Jesus proclaimed that the Kingdom of Heaven was at hand 2,000 years ago, but it has not been realized yet. True Parents have ushered in the Completed Testament Age, but that ideal has not been embraced. Under these difficult circumstances, we are inclined to criticize church leaders and their directions. Our absolute obedience to church instructions is disappearing. We have lost our exuberant spirit of dedication and sacrifice for others. We even forgot the experience of "first love" that we felt when we initially met the church. The result is an emptiness in spirit, hunger for alternatives, and divergence from the mainstream of our Unification faith.

My brief description of these problems will not apply to those who are truly dedicating and sacrificing themselves to build the Kingdom of God on earth. However, we have to seriously assess our individual situations. If these problems are even partially applicable to the situation in The Netherlands, we have to do something about it. We must address these problems and correct them so that we may rededicate ourselves, renew ourselves, and recover our "first love" for God and True Parents. With the enthusiasm and power of our deepened faith, we will be able to spread True Parents' message throughout The Netherlands, giving rebirth to the people of this providentially important nation.

#### **Proposals for the Future**

As the newly appointed chairman of both the Family Federation for Unification and World Peace and HSA-UWC, I may not be with you in person all the time. My spirit is often willing to go where my physical body cannot follow. However, I can still contribute greatly to leadership training for the church, business operations, Christian ministers outreach, Women's Federation for World Peace, Family Federation for World Peace, campus ministry, CARP work, and other programs of the Unification Movement. My spiritual, intellectual, and academic resources, built up over the past 42 years in our movement, can be utilized for this nation as long as I am on this earth. I am still full of energy, zeal, and enthusiasm, though I am 82 years old and have health problems.

In addition, as past president of the Unification Theological Seminary, my connection to nearly 800 Seminary graduates all over the world can be utilized. Some of them occupy important positions on the national or international level and can help you in your work in this nation. The European Alumni Association of the Seminary, directed in Germany by Secretary General Ann Schaffner, can be an especially valuable resource. I would like to offer some suggestions on how we may be able to accomplish our mission to restore this nation to God and True Parents. We need to: 1) organize our lives, 2) work together for good, 3) study Divine Principle and True Parents' speeches daily, 4) utilize the Trinity system, 5) practice the "1-1-1" guideline, 6) support the witnessing programs, and 7) participate in the Cheong Pyeong Lake providence. Let me elaborate on these suggestions.

# 1) Organize Our Lives

Let us organize our lives to channel God's power and love. Begin by answering the question "What am I and what do I want to become?" This is our *Mission Statement*, the purpose of our life. Next we need to ask, "Where I am going?" The answers will determine our *Objectives* or *Goals*. These goals may span the individual level, family level, business, and community level, regional level, and national level. Then we need to ask, "How and when will I get there?" in order to develop concrete *Strategies* or *Plans*, both longterm and short-term, for achieving these objectives. These may consist of annual plans, five-year plans, and perhaps even lifetime plans. Finally, we need to assign specific, action-oriented *Tasks* to achieve those plans.

Each successive level of your plan is more concrete and specific. For example, your *Mission Statement* should embrace the broadest concept, such as "I will become a child of God and True Parents" or "I will become a person who embodies the words of our Family Pledge." Each concept contained in the Family Pledge then becomes an *Objective* or *Goal* to be achieved. Next, you develop specific *Strategies* or *Plans* to achieve those objectives, such as: "I will bring one person every month to God and True Parents" or "I will learn to lecture the Divine Principle effectively in one year." Finally, specific *Tasks* are set to meet each Strategy such as: "I will witness to three new people each day" or "I will read the Divine Principle completely once a month for the next 12 months." Review your strategies/plans and tasks regularly. Sometimes an objective may change, a strategy may not be effective, or a task may not be achievable. Be flexible. Growth invariably requires change.

# 2) Work Together for God

The Unification organizations should work in harmony together, like the organs of a healthy person's body. Church businesses, CARP, Women's Federation, Family Federation, and all the church departments should hold monthly meetings together to exchange information and help each other fulfill their goals. Church activities must take the central role to provide spiritual power and strength to the members. Solidarity is necessary for our survival.

I suggest that we establish a national council for the Unification Movement in The Netherlands, made up of representative members from each Unification organization in the nation. Meeting at least once a month, the purpose of the council will be to bring The Netherlands to God and True Parents in the shortest time period. My role will be to maintain harmony and cooperation among the organizations and to insure the smooth flow of communication among its representatives. Although I am the chairman of only the Family Federation and HSA-UWC in this nation, I encourage the other organizations to participate in this council. I will serve to communicate your issues, concerns, and problems to the World Mission Headquarters, Reverend Kwak, and True Parents.

# 3) Study Divine Principle and True Parents' Speeches Daily

Devoted Christians read the 66 books of the Bible systematically and on a daily basis in order to witness to God and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We must learn from their example, studying and reading the Divine Principle and True Parents' speeches daily to regain our power and strength. Only in this way can we influence the world and embrace not only Christianity, but all religious people throughout the world.

### 4) Utilize the Trinity System

We need to establish and promote our Blessed Family Trinity system. Three Blessed Families working and cooperating together will multiply their abilities exponentially. Jesus said: "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20 KJV). In addition, the strengths of some members of the Trinity will offset the weaknesses of others in areas such as witnessing, fundraising, the raising and educating of children, etc. My motto is: "Let us work together for good to build the Kingdom of God." Let us work together as husband and wife. Let us work together as parents and children. Let us work together as Trinity members. And let us work together as church leaders and church members.

# 5) Practice the "1-1-1" Guideline

The "1-1-1" motto should be promoted and encouraged throughout the nation. Heaven will cooperate with us if we seriously seek to practice this heavenly guideline. We must start accomplishing this goal as soon as possible. We have less than three months left in 1996, but if we believe in and work hard for this goal, we can more than double our membership in this short time period.

# 6) Support Witnessing Programs

Witnessing is a full-time activity that requires an investment of heart, will power, and constant prayer. One cannot do both fundraising and witnessing and be effective at both. If witnessing members can work full-time without worrying about neglecting their family, they will be more effective. If business-oriented organizations would support the full-time workers in spiritual missions, so that they may be free from the exhausting daily fundraising for their family and children, our witnessing will bring more result and increase our membership. An increase in membership will help the business-oriented organizations further expand and flourish.

# 7) Cheong Pyeong Lake Workshops

I advise you to pay special attention to the 40-day special training taking place at Cheong Pyeong, Seoul, Korea. Dae-mo Nim is performing miracles and healing the problems of individuals, broken Blessed Couples, incurable or unknown illnesses and other spiritual disturbances caused by the possession of our members by evil or ancestral spirits. She drives out these spirits, sending them to

100-day training sessions in the spirit world directed by Heung Jin Nim. After such training, these spirits will not return to possess the people on earth. I suggest that you seriously pray and ask Dae-mo Nim for special help with your difficulties. Along with constant prayer, sincere confessions, and deep repentance, she may be able to bring spiritual healing to you.

Recently, I prayed that a few broken Blessed marriages under my care could be helped by Dae-mo Nim and Heung Jin Nim. Since then, I have seen positive changes taking place in each spouse as Dae-mo Nim sent the evil ancestral spirits away from them and their homes, never to bother those Blessed Couples again. Believe it! It will work for you, too.

### Conclusion

Before I conclude my address, let me offer my encouragement and God's assurance to all of you who are struggling for any reason. I would like to quote verses from both the Old Testament and the New Testament, as well as the Completed Testament words of our True Parents. I hope that they will help inspire you to bring success in your difficult missions as church leaders, Blessed Couples, and Tribal Messiahs. In the Old Testament, after Moses' death, God told Joshua and Caleb before entering the land of Canaan:

**Be strong and of good courage**: For unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their father to give them.

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: Turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper withersoever thou goest.

This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt meditate therein day and night, that thou mayest observe to do according to all that is written therein: For then thou shalt make thy way prosperous, and then thou shalt have good success. Have not I commanded thee? **Be strong and of good** courage; be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: For the LORD thy God is with thee withersoever thou goest. Joshua 1:6-9 (KJV), emphasis added.

Three times God said to "be strong and courageous" in order to encourage and assure the second generation under Joshua's and Caleb's leadership for the dispensational battles still to come. We are likewise experiencing something of a historical parallel in this Completed Testament Age. All the dedicated members are in their 60s, 70s, and 80s representing the first generation like Moses. You younger members represent the second generation preparing to enter the spiritual land of Canaan, but still facing many spiritual battles to come against Satan's system and forces. Therefore, I also encourage you to "be strong and of good courage" so that you will accomplish your mission for God and True Parents.

In the New Testament Age, the Apostle Paul said:

And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28 (KJV).

Your Tribal Messiah work, ministers outreach, fulfillment of the "1-1-1" motto, and other Unification activities, are the substantiation of your love of God and they work according to His purpose. Know then, as this Bible verse says, that "all things will work together for good" to you. Have faith and conviction that you have been called to fulfill this monumental task and that God and True Parents are on your side.

Finally, let me quote our True Father's message to you on "True Love and Family Values" from his speech of this title given on True Parents' Day, April 18, 1996 at the World Mission Center, New York City, New York. Man and woman are the center (of the universe). Only the power of true love can create unity between man and woman. We erase all fallen viewpoints by passing though the zero point and connecting with the Ideal of True Love. The fallen world does not have the power to re-create this Ideal ...

God cannot clean up this world by Himself. He needs the cooperation of His children (you). The Principle does not allow God to take action on the earth without the appearance of True Parents: True Man, True Woman, True Love, and True Ideal centered upon God.

Let us carry True Love to our enemies and adversaries in the world, teach them the Unification Principle and True Family Values, and spread the love of True Parents. This is the Gospel for the twenty-first century and beyond. Our True Parents practice what they teach about True Love, building the Kingdom of God on earth steadily, systematically, and successfully. We are their children and shall follow in their footsteps to save this nation of The Netherlands and return it to God's ultimate sovereignty. Let us work hard, "working together for good," and we will succeed in eliminating the forces of evil and bringing eternal peace and prosperity to this nation.

Let us praise and glorify God and True Parents by shouting three cheers of "Mansei, Mansei, Man-Mansei." Let us also give three cheers of "Mansei" to our Unification Movement saints, Tribal Messiahs, and Blessed Couples living in this kingdom of The Netherlands. Amen.

# The Ideal Family To Be or Not to Be. Keynote Speech by David S.C. Kim, Unification Theological Seminary Founders Society Inaugural Banquet, Tarrytown, NY, April 16, 2005

Our beloved Blessed Couples, Tribal Messiahs, Owners of Cheon Il Guk, and supporters and friends of UTS, ladies and gentlemen!

It is a great honor and privilege to have this opportunity to speak to you as one of the oldest members of our movement on earth, and also as a retired general in the "battlefield" of the Unification Movement since it started in Korea in 1954 until my retirement in 1994. Now, times have changed, leaders have changed and the new "Echo" generation of baby boomer descendants are taking over direction of the dispensation. The age of Cheon II Guk has been ushered in.

I thought I would no longer have an opportunity to appear in public like I am this evening. It makes me feel glad that I was able to follow True Parents with absolute loyalty, total trust, and absolute faith all the way from the early years. In that sense, I feel refreshed and uplifted like a "renewal of the old" for the next dispensation to come. This is my honest feeling at the moment.

I was puzzled when I was asked a few weeks ago by Dr. Tyler Hendricks, the third president of UTS, to speak to a fundraising gathering for UTS. The purpose for this fundraising event is quite an ambitious undertaking. \$1.8 million will be raised over a two-year period to initiate both a new four-year denominational college and to establish a Doctor of Ministry Degree program. These programs would further develop and advance the Age of Cheon II Guk and help educate the "Echo" Blessed Children of the heavenly baby boomer generation, which is growing old. Some of them are even becoming grandparents! However, "His Kingdom and His Righteousness" will be fulfilled by all means. Therefore, this ambitious undertaking must be accomplished.

The reason I was puzzled was because I am not a talented or successful businessman. I am an educator, a pioneer missionary, and a heavenly counselor for all. However, if my name will attract the people who know me and know my powerful spirit and ongoing zeal, my energy, and absolute Unification optimism, then my few remarks and message may stimulate them and renew their faith. In that case, I will feel that my presence is of some benefit to the organizers of this program, the chairperson of the event, Dr. Farley Jones, and UTS President Dr. Tyler Hendricks.

My motto: "Let us Accomplish the Ideal Family by Reviewing the Past and Renewing the Old."

In a broad sense, there are several dimensions to accomplishing the Ideal Family. On one level, we learn something from the past our elders, the works of our church and the words of True Parents—by reviewing and analyzing them, we automatically harvest benefits, such as valuable lessons and unrecognized truths we missed the first time. It may apply to the Bible, the Divine Principle, the Complete Testament or the Cheon Seong Gyeong.

One of the saints in the past said, "We learn something from the old." But he did not tell us what to do with the renewed knowledge from the past. I dare say we must use it to build the Ideal Family! Reviewing the past and renewing the old are powerful educational, psychological, spiritual, and dispensational processes through which we establish not only the Ideal Family, but also the Ideal Kingdom of God on earth.

#### Five Great Cosmic Providential Events (2001-2004)

True Father has declared that God's Kingdom will be ushered in by three Cheon II Guk providential periods—2001-2004, 2004-2008, and 2008-2012. Reviewing and understanding True Parents' past five years of accomplishing God's Providence centering on Cheon II Guk is key to ushering the second and third Cheon II Guk providential periods. Let us look at True Parents' accomplishments in the past four years of the first period: 2001-2004:

- 1. January 13, 2001 Coronation of Jehovah God the Father as "The Great King" of Cheon Il Guk.
- December 20, 2001 Jehovah God the Father's Epistle (letter) to True Parents recognizing True Parents as the Messiah in the Bible for all humankind.
- 3. February 6, 2003 Coronation of True Parents as King and Queen of "The Blessed Family United Kingdom."
- 4. March 23, 2004 Coronation of True Parents as "Cosmic King and Queen of the "Eternal Kingdom of Peace."
- July 7, 2004 Advent of the 2,332 page "Cheon Seong Gyeong" which translates as "The Heavenly Bible" or "Holy Scripture of Heaven."

## **Expectation of Future Difficulties**

We must understand and expect trouble, problems, hardships, suffering, and difficulties in order to reach the second and third providential periods of Cheon Il Guk. These difficulties manifest themselves in various ways.

On an internal level, an individual's mind and body are not united, leading to disunity between husband and wife and disunity between parents and children in the family. Our remaining fallen nature prohibits individual perfection and spiritual maturity from being achieved, even after many decades of Blessed Family status and life of faith. This mind and body disunity and remnants of fallen nature negatively influence and lead to family breakdown, nullifying Blessed Couple status, which after having been maintained for decades, suddenly collapses.

On an external level, the war of culture is continuing, promoting all kinds of unprincipled lifestyle, threatening Judeo-Christian and major religious values, morals and ethical systems, which have existed for thousands of years. At a glance, it looks like a hopeless situation.

# Heavenly Formula to Overcome All Problems Yields Heavenly Optimism

However, since 2001, the founding of Cheon II Guk, there is crystal clear hope for the future and for His Kingdom and His Righteousness, centering on Heavenly Father and True Parents and the Owners of Cheon II Guk. Here is my proposed formula for overcoming the internal and external problems that plague us:

- Practice the three kinds of "Revolution" of Indemnity, of Conscience, and of Heart. As our portion of responsibility, True Parents instructed world leaders, Ambassadors of Peace, and all subjects of His Kingdom to Practice the three kinds of "Revolution": "Revolution of Indemnity," "Revolution of Conscience," and "Revolution of Heart," through which we could resist internal and external attacks from Satan and his evil systems. These evil forces are engaging in all-out "guerilla warfare" until the very last minute when they see no other way to resist or attack.
- Practice Absolute Faith, Absolute Love, and Absolute Obedience. The three "Absolutes" can bring you victory over all these internal and external negative and evil forces. True Parents taught us that Absolute Faith, Absolute Love, and Absolute Obedience are the medicine for curing social evils, individual problems, and suffering we are facing now. We can learn this lesson from the past, through reviewing them via the Old and New Testaments:
  - 0 Noah's absolute faith for 120 years.
  - Abraham's absolute love of God, offering his only son Isaac.
  - Job's absolute obedience to God in the face of tremendous suffering.
  - Jesus' absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience.

- Bring your family to Cheon Pyeong palace. The good news is that the Cheon Pyeong providence centering on Dae-mo Nim and Heung Jin Nim have produced over 200 billion absolute, good spirits after 700 workshops for spirits and people on earth held in the last ten years. These absolute, good spirits are descending on earth to help your work alongside your liberated ancestors who also help your family. Think of Cheon Pyeong in Korea, as the "Heavenly Castle Dwelling Palace," in which so many buildings, programs, schools, a hospital, a youth center and other new buildings are appearing continuously. What an amazing geospatial-warfare strategy it is!
- Take responsibility for your imperfections and problems. We are the problem, the imperfect product. We cannot blame anyone else. Instead of repeating the same cycles of daily, weekly, and monthly lives of struggling and suffering, break out of the mold. See what our True Parents have accomplished, despite their troubles, problems, and sufferings. True Parents already sacrificed their direct lineage of three sons and two daughters, princes and princesses from God's viewpoint, to save us and the world. They gave so many blessings to us in the past and in the present. They say they gave us everything and that they have nothing more to give.
- Do not give up in the face of adversity and lose sight of your value. Dear brothers and sisters! You are more valuable than past providential figures in the Old and New Testament ages. Simply, we are Blessed Families and Owners of Cheon II Guk (of course, conditional on fulfilling our portion of responsibility), even though we are not qualified or worthy. How many times did we backslide with disbelief and betrayal when hardships, trials, difficulties, and suffering confronted us as a big storm and test?
- Tithe regularly and give generously. True Father instructs us to keep our promise to give total dedication and sacrifice by giving financially 10%, 20%, or even 30% of your income to God and True Parents. If you dedicate all property

ownership to God, later God will give you back with multiplied harvest as God did to Job. Your generous participation in tonight's fundraising event is just one of the ways in which you manifest such total dedication and sacrifice.

- Keep your blood lineage of Heaven clean and intact and teach your children "innocence and purity" until the Blessing of marriage. It is a very difficult challenge for you all.
- Multiply citizens of Cheon Il Guk and share God's blessing to your neighbors, community, and others. This is a mandate for owners of Cheon Il Guk. In Korea, all Blessed Families participate in the "Tong-Ban Kyok Pa" (Total Outreach to Streets, Villages, Towns, Cities, and Provinces) movement. How should American Blessed Families respond to this mandate and challenge? It is nothing new. We already participated in the "1-1-1" (one spiritual child per member per month) campaign in the past. Let us renew that spirit in America.

# God's Kingdom Progresses from an Ideal Individual to an Ideal Family: A True Story

We are to march "From One to the Universe" (from a section of the original Korean Divine Principle). I would like to share some good news with you. On a recent Easter holiday evening, our Kingston family member, a mother with five children, participated in "Blessing candy" distribution to 4,000 shops, restaurants, and residents.

The local news media wrote an article about this event and put it on the front page of the Easter Sunday edition of the *Daily Freeman* newspaper. A color picture of the whole family appeared above an excellent article about Reverend Sun Myung Moon, UTS, and other very positive things Kingston Family Church members are doing. The article especially emphasized our campaign on maintaining purity until the Blessing of marriage and establishing a pure lineage. Each candy contained a small card printed with "The True Love Pledge":

# The True Love Pledge

From this day forward, I commit myself to:

- 1. Practice true love as a child, friend, spouse and parent;
- 2. Preserve my love for my future marriage partner;
- 3. Dedicate myself to my marriage partner in complete fidelity;
- 4. Respect all families beyond race, nationality or faith, and raise my children to do the same.

If we consider that each family has at least three members (times more than 4,000 candies distributed), then over 12,000 persons must have had a chance to read this Pledge. Some of them must have taken a Blessing candy. Thus Heavenly contacts for "Kingdom candidates" shall multiply and soon fill the whole city of Kingston. Our True Father started from one person and is reaching to the universe. There is great hope because you—Blessed couples, Tribal Messiahs and Owners of Cheon II Guk—are following True Parents instructions on how to teach, live, work, and build an Ideal Family, Nation, World and Cosmos.

### Conclusion

Dear beloved brothers and sisters in Heavenly Father and True Parents, it is time to conclude my speech. The title of my speech is "The Ideal Family To Be or Not To Be." What I mean by this is that whether or not your family becomes an Ideal Family depends entirely on you. God and True Parents have given you all the tools you need to accomplish this ideal. Now it is up to you whether that ideal is multiplied through one family, like in the example of the family in the story above.

Even though we carry the remnants of fallen nature from our ancestors—jealousy, domination, lust, evil desires, and multiplication of evil—you have got rid of the Original Sin. There is hope of your perfection to a state before the Fall. Satan has no condition to invade and accuse you unless you commit sins over and over again. You are a Blessed Family and Tribal Messiah, Prince of Peace to be, one of the four or five qualifications of Messiah in the Bible (Isaiah 9:6).

If right now you pass away, you can go to the Unification spirit realm, not Paradise, nor Hell. What a privilege you and I have! Constant repentance and asking forgiveness will be your only way to not become victims of Satan. If you cannot confess your mistakes and sins in public, then write them down individually and put them in an envelope and burn them outside, asking forgiveness from Heavenly Father and True Parents. Go to Cheon Pyeong palace and attend the workshops—2-day, 7-day, 21-day, 40-day with your entire family. Instead of spiritually sinking down, you will be boosted up and revitalized.

True Father emphasized that our original conscience is the voice of God, your first teacher, your excellent guide and mentor, while you are on earth. How can we polish the mirror of our original conscience, which is clouded, stained, and warped by the Satanic world? He said that we can polish our conscience by practicing the "Three Absolutes": Absolute Faith, Absolute Love, and Absolute Obedience. Also, by doing Hoon Dok Hae with Divine Principle and True Father's word and Cheon Seong Gyeong, the collected core teaching from 420 volumes and 500 books (the English edition will soon be available), your original conscience can be elevated to a higher level.

By doing these things, you review and renew the past and learn something new, thus perfecting your conscience. There will be no way to make mistakes or commit sins any more. No Satanic environment can control you. Heavenly Father and True Parents are in control over you, so that you enter into "oneness with Heavenly Father and True Parents."

Pray also for True Parents and their direct lineage of children, and leaders of our movement, especially for those who are working closely with True Parents. They need our continued prayer for their health, wisdom, and obedience to True Father by all means.

Now may I offer three cheers of "Uk-Mansei" to 1) Our Beloved Jehovah God the Father, the "the Great King" of Cheon II Guk, 2) True Parents, King and Queen of the "Blessed Family United Kingdom" and Cosmic King and Queen of the "Eternal Kingdom of Peace," and 3) True Parents' direct children in spirit world and on earth. UK-MANSEI! UK-MANSEI! UK-MANSEI!