

Belief in the Unseen

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NEVER, EVER Give Up!



And the Lord said to Moses, "Go down, for your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves. They have turned aside quickly out of the way that I commanded them. They have made for themselves a golden calf and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" And the Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, and behold, it is a stiff-necked people. Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them, in order that I may make a great nation of you." **Exodus 32:7-10**

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Hello,

I, Richard Panzer, gave the sermon last Sunday at the Newfoundland church, starting with a discussion of the tragedy of Moses' descending from Mt. Sinai with the 2 stone tablets engraved with the 10 commandments only to find the Israelites drinking, partying and cavorting around a golden calf.

True Father spoke insightfully about Moses' situation in a speech he gave in 1956:

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*They did not know the foundation of the hidden devotion behind the appeal that Moses made while becoming their leader. What is more, although Moses suffered all kinds of hardships from the day he rescued them from Egypt and cared for them, they did not recognize his suffering and ordeals. Consequently, they were divided from Moses in the wilderness, and eventually, they fell in the middle of the wilderness. The history of the Israelites' unfaithfulness toward Moses is being repeated by the believers of the last days today. SMM, **The Responsibility of Those Who Have Become the Root**, July 1, 1956*



The Parallels of History

If you think about it, it's sad that the human race needs the 10 Commandments, which means that our default is to worship a lot of false gods and even do evil things in His name. In many faithful American communities Christianity provided protection against these tendencies, but as our nation drifts away from Biblical values, it increasingly profanes what should be holy. It fails to honor those we are indebted to. Murder. Rape, Incest, Adultery. Theft. Lying and bearing false witness. Coveting what others have. While all of us have to fight our fallen nature, there is also the reality that modern ideologies teach that there is no truth or authority we have to honor and that it's justifiable to steal, covet, lie, murder, and commit adultery. **That is why there is an ideological battle for the minds and souls of the younger generation.**

Father went on to discuss the foundation laid by Abraham and Moses for Jesus' ministry, which existed before Jesus' death on the cross:

*Faithful believers today believe that Jesus bore the cross of his generation, but you should not limit your understanding of Jesus to that. **Before Jesus' death on the cross, there was the altar of hardships that Abraham built, and there was Moses' course of ordeals.***



[Joshua Philipp and Ivan Raiklin](#)

Many pray for their own concerns and salvation, and sometimes that is appropriate, but Father taught us to pray not for our own will, but to relieve the suffering of God.

*Those who claim to believe pray, "Please let my will be fulfilled." We should not offer this kind of prayer. Instead, we should pray, "**Rather than my own will, please fulfill the will of God.**" When the will of Heaven is fulfilled, the will that we long for will also be realized. Therefore, we should not pray, "Please let my will be fulfilled." We must pray with the most devout heart, "Father, since You have put me in this position and called upon me, please let Your will be fulfilled through me." **SMM, The Responsibility of Those Who Have Become the Root, July 1, 1956***



[Suk Finnell, Gunowners of America in Pennsylvania](#)

I then shared Father's words about America in a speech he gave in 1973:

God's purpose is the salvation of the world and all mankind. Today in America, therefore, you must not think that you have such wealth because you yourselves are great. We must humbly realize that the blessing of God came to America with the purpose of making it possible for God to use this nation as His instrument in saving the world. If America betrays God, where can God go?

*If America rejects God, where can God go to fulfill His aim? Do you want to let him try to go to the communist world? To underdeveloped countries? God wants to have America as His base, America as His champion. And America has begun in the sacrificial spirit pursuing God's purpose. America must consummate her history in the same sacrificial spirit for God's purpose. Then America will endure forever! **SMM, "God's Hope for America," 10/21/73***



Jim Stoker, Firearm Owners Against Crime

Next were two testimonies from Won Pil Kim and Hyun Shil Kang from the wonderful book edited by Jim Stephens, *Testimonies for the Apostles of the Second Coming of Christ Rev. Sun Myung Moon*, which has also been posted online at <https://testimoniesofsecondadvent.org>.

There are some hopeful trends happening in the culture and in the scientific world. One is a recent article, "Why You Should Keep an Open Mind on the Divine." by Arthur Brooks in the left-of-center *Atlantic* magazine. Brooks points out that the entire science of modern physics is built on a belief in things *that cannot be seen or measured*:

*For many decades, particle physicists have studied the building blocks of matter - the atoms that make up molecules; the protons and neutrons inside atoms; the quarks that make up protons and neutrons. **Quarks are so small that they cannot be observed at any visual scale; they are understood to be point-like entities that have zero dimensionality. And yet, no physicist believes quarks don't exist, because the theoretical and indirect empirical evidence that they do is overwhelming.***

May God bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

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