

## Way of God's Samurai

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Sunrise at Cheon Il Gung Palace

Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God. But fornication and all impurity or covetousness must not even be named among you, as is fitting among saints. Let there be no filthiness, nor silly talk, nor levity, which are not fitting; but instead let there be thanksgiving. Be sure of this, that no fornicator or impure man, or one who is covetous (that is, an idolater), has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God. Let no one deceive you

with empty words, for it is because of these things that the wrath of God comes upon the sons of disobedience. Therefore do not associate with them. Ephesians 5: 1-7

God is the first Parent among parents, the First King among kings, the One who alone can rule over all Heaven and earth, the First Ancestor capable of formulating His ideal. Our purpose in the Unification Church is to attend Him as His sons and daughters who are capable of offering Him filial piety, loyalty and saintliness and for the first time, stand before Him and inherit His vast work of creation without shame or accusation. CSG 2208

Greetings!

In Sunday's service, Hyung Jin Nim explained that a Samurai is one who attends and serves his master. Christian samurai were killed because they served the True Master, saying "I'd rather die than dishonor my Lord." They used their skills to protect the poor, protect children, and protect widows. Totalitarians claim to help the poor, children and women/widows, but end up replacing local, faith community and family sources of support with centralized control and the use of arbitrary force. Outside of Christian ethics what basis is there to say there is anything wrong with that? Without God there is no absolute ethics.



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In Ephesians 5: 1-7, Paul urged us to be imitators of God. An idolater is a worshipper of an image and

worshipper of a servant. The Ten Commandments begin with the commandment, "You shall have no other gods before Me." Exodus 20:3. Whatever we make more important in our lives than God becomes our idol.

Hyung Jin Nim is creating a Christian samurai garden. He loved the arts, but after spending time with Father he lost all desire for that. On a statue he replaced images of Buddhas with crosses. He is creating a live pond out of the swimming pool on the Cheon Il Gung property, which he wants to be dominated by Father's presence and nature.

We should practice frequent repentance. The Greek word is metanoia, which means changing your mind. Be sensitive to the spirits of the things you bring into your home. Give glory to God in all the places we go. True repentance does not mean wallowing in self-accusation. It should lead you to become more honest and more joyful.

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*May God bless you and your families!*

Sincerely,

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