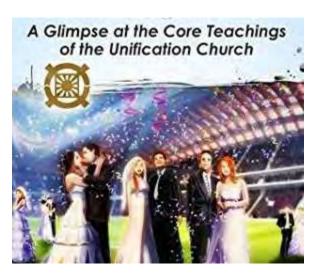
What Unificationists Believe: A Glimpse at the Core Teachings of the Unification Church by Nelson Mira

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Got a text message from a dear friend of more than forty years. I have known her family since they were grown-ups, and I was in Robert E. Lee High School in Midland, Texas.

Katie: Tell me the one good source book of the tenets of the Unification Church. With all the reading I have done years ago on different belief systems... this one I missed, and can't tell from Amazon listings which one would be the most definitive... please? I only do Kindle now... not enough book space in this house.

Larry: That question is harder than it should be. I will find something online or Kindle-able.

So I did a search. Amazon has several intelligent works on this topic, amid the theologians of "true theology," hawking books to talk me down off the ledge of my false beliefs. Katie wanted a concise, well-written book for the layman, for Joe Sixpack, that lays out the group without all the overexplained arcana. Katie even suggested I write such a book, and I was flattered and feeling the call of God to a mission. But it turned out the book is already written, and that God was only calling me to find it and point it out to you, the little guy. But also, I would say this book works for the Reverend Dr. Sixpack as well.

"What Unificationists Believe: A Glimpse at the Core Teachings of the Unification Church" is very well done. Regardless of how you feel about the ol' UC, this book does, in 165 pages, a good job of conveying what the believers believe. It's written by Nelson Mira who is a UC member with a master's in religious education and a clear, tight prose style. This is your book, Katie. My work is done here.

It can be had on Kindle for a whopping two ninety-nine.

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Nelson Mira joined the Unification Church in 1988. He served as a church missionary and a pioneer with the primary task as a lecturer on the Divine Principle, the teachings of the church. In January 1994, Mira studied at the Unification Theological Seminary, www.uts.edu, established in 1975 by founder Reverend Sun Myung Moon, in Barrytown, New York. The seminary is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education, an institutional accrediting agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education and the Council for Higher Education Accreditation. The seminary gave Mira a broader understanding about the teachings from many different religions and denominations. Mira earned an M.R.E. (Master of Religious Education) in a two-year course program. Following his graduation, Mira served as a church worker and traveled to South America, Asia, and other countries for church outreach. Mira served as the full-time local church pastor in Alaska for five years and for two years in the city of Seattle, Washington, where he currently serves as one of the assistant local pastors. In 1992, the Reverend and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon introduced Mira to his Japanese wife, Satomi, and they were married along with 30,000 couples in a mass wedding in Seoul, Korea. Nelson Mira and his wife have a lovely daughter, Mi Sun.