

FFWPU International: The Value of the Marriage Blessing

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The Marriage Blessing is a special grace established by our beloved True Parents, Rev. Moon Sunmyung and Dr. Han Hak-ja, following their Holy Wedding in 1960. It has become a central tradition and practice of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification (FFWPU). The Blessing is not simply a wedding ceremony, but a sacred covenant centered on God's ideal of true love, true life and true lineage. Through it, couples commit themselves to building God-centered families that contribute to peace in society and throughout the world.

According to True Parents' teachings, the family is the foundation of peace in society and the school where people learn love, responsibility, cooperation and compassion. Because many of today's social problems originate in broken families and selfish ways of living, True Parents emphasized that world peace begins with

restoring the family through the Blessing. The Blessing is therefore presented as Heaven's solution to family instability, moral confusion, divorce, racial conflict and spiritual separation from God.

True Parents also taught that, through the Human Fall, humanity inherited original sin, selfishness and conflict. The Blessing provides a path to reconnect with God's original, sinless lineage and ideal. Through this tradition, couples commit themselves to purity, faithfulness and living for the sake of others. True Parents emphasized that true love, true life and true lineage all originate from God, and that blessed families are called to embody these values in their daily lives. One of the central teachings associated with the Blessing is the restoration of true lineage.

The Blessing teaches that marriage is sacred and eternal. Husbands and wives are not merely temporary partners but eternal companions who help one another grow spiritually and emotionally. A successful blessed marriage requires mutual respect, honest communication, forgiveness, humility, and dedication to one's family and community. The Blessing also has the power to heal wounds from the past. Men and women are equal in value before God while possessing complementary qualities that come together harmoniously in marriage. Couples are encouraged to persevere through difficulties with loyalty and commitment rather than abandoning their relationship when challenges arise.

Another important aspect of the Blessing is its connection to world peace. True Parents teach that political systems alone cannot create lasting peace because peace must first begin within the family.

One distinctive feature of the Blessing tradition is its encouragement of interracial and international marriages. These marriages help break down barriers of race, nationality and culture while promoting reconciliation and global harmony. Through such unions, people learn to see humanity as one family under Heavenly Parent.

Purity before marriage and faithfulness within marriage are also strongly emphasized in discussion of the value of the Blessing. Young people are encouraged to develop good character, self-discipline, spiritual maturity, and respect for the sacredness of love and sexuality. Marriage is presented not merely as an

emotional attraction but as a lifelong responsibility and commitment centered on God.

The Blessing is also connected to the Three Great Blessings: individual maturity, the establishment of ideal families, and loving stewardship over creation.



When individuals grow spiritually, establish loving families, and contribute responsibly to society and the environment, true fulfillment is achieved. In this way, the Blessing integrates personal growth, family harmony and social responsibility into one vision.

Blessed families are expected to become examples of moral living by remaining faithful in marriage, raising their children with spiritual values, serving society, and promoting peace and reconciliation.

The Marriage Blessing movement has spread across many nations and cultures, inspiring interracial harmony, family ethics, interfaith cooperation and service to humanity. Large-scale Blessing ceremonies demonstrate the universal desire for stable families and lasting peace.

In conclusion, the value of the Marriage Blessing lies in its vision of restoring God's original ideal for the family. It elevates marriage into a sacred and eternal covenant rooted in true love and responsibility.

Through the Blessing, couples are encouraged to overcome selfishness, practice sacrificial love, and build families that contribute to the healing and unity of humanity. True Parents envisioned a world in which all people live together as one family under God, and the Marriage Blessing remains a central expression of that vision.