Only the Brave are Truly Free

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But seek ye first the Kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matthew 6:33

God created the Garden of Eden as a garden of freedom and peace. If there is any shadow of Satan's opposition anywhere on earth, the ideal of that garden will not be realized. The Kingdom of Heaven on earth will be completed only when the shadows of Satan's antagonism have disappeared from the earth. We can start the liberation movement in the spirit world only when this task is completed on earth. CSG 197

Greetings!

On this July 4 celebration of America's Independence I think it's appropriate for each one of us to reflect on my relationship to God's ideal of freedom and responsibility, which was also the main theme of Hyung Jin Nim's Sunday Service on Kingdom Prosperity.

Three months ago the Family Fed announced how the "Heavenly Parent bestowed His compassionate grace" by offering the 4 "holy items," most especially a "special grace that will cleanse [participants] from all problems..."

An impressive promise, indeed.

Interesting how in 3 months this "special grace" has morphed into a series of demands: "Each family must attend the ceremony to receive the items... Each family must fill out and complete the Repentance and Resolution form and bring it to the ceremony for the district pastor to receive... The 4 above conditions must be met in order to receive the Holy items."

Am I wrong to understand that those who do not attend the public ceremony or write an enthusiastic resolution form are identified as not accepting the new Born Sinless Only Begotten Daughter theology that has been imposed on the Unification Movement since Father's passing? Am I wrong to understand that the district pastor will have a list of those who do not attend the public ceremony or write a half-hearted resolution form?

17th Century Japanese Christian Martyrs

At the end of the 16th century and early 17th century, all citizens in certain parts of Japan were ordered to attend public ceremonies to pledge their commitment to the Emperor. If they did not attend and step on an image of another King, Jesus Christ, they would be exposed as believers in Christ and executed.

Is not the required attendance at a public Family Federation in some ways similar? And isn't courage similar to that of Christians who refused to bow down to the Emperor needed at this time? Do we love and obey Father, or not, even if it means social exclusion or "excommunication?" What is the worth of my soul?

A second question I would ask, since Mother has repeatedly praised her own Han race, into whose lineage are you engrafting yourself if you drink the new Han holy wine?

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In Sunday’s sermon on "Kingdom Prosperity," Hyung Jin Nim explained that civilizations are built by "k" type people who invest in their children, who display integrity, hard work, morality, and a common sense of purpose. He shared that "Kook Jin Nim and I had to flee the palace and come out in to the wilderness to serve Father. Who would have known that 2 years later so many would gather here in the wilderness by those who know their subject!"

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At the Sanctuary Summer Camp that just finished, speakers with a "Kingdom Mindset" had much to share with the next generation. Holy songs gain a deeper meaning when you have a relationship with Christ. You understand what it means to “fight bravely to crush Satan.” Liberals judge such lyrics as a primitive "dualistic" fight between good and evil. Progressives say “just go along and trust the more qualified elite leaders who know what's best” but it always ends in slavery. The histories of the Chinese, Cambodians, Germans and others serve as our teaching examples.

Hyung Jin Nim commented on the young man who wanted to do God's will but could not give up his wealth to follow Jesus (Mark 10:15-25). In 44 BC, at the end of the Roman Republic, Caesar appointed himself Dictator for Life. This was not a time of free markets when you could advance just through your merit and hard work. One could join the elite only through relationships with those in power, who themselves attained status by hook or crook. Even if it meant participating in their deviant, soul-shrinking behaviors.

In the face of the "ignorant" masses rising up, the elites are called to suppress the rabble. Their motivation is to control others instead of supporting their freedom. God trusted man to choose between good and evil, while being honest about the consequences. Archangelic elites instead teach that there are no consequences, “go ahead and have sex with 50 people. If you get pregnant you can just destroy the unborn child since it is only a "piece of tissue." Of course, there ARE consequences, Nietzsche, who despised Christianity and aspired to be the "ubermensch/superman," ended up psychotic and died hugging a horse.

Civilizations are built on long-term thinking, not on fraud and deception.

People who came to Sanctuary lost many of their old friends, but gained new friends. You cannot serve God and sleep with the devil. You cannot love your wife and sleep with another woman.

In a truly free society, evil is diminished since people disassociate from self-serving people naturally. Entrepreneurship is an act of faith. Building something that does not exist. When Jesus returned to the earth, he built many businesses. Almost all the top champions in Mixed Martial Arts are Christians, since
they have a higher purpose than looking cool or winning a belt.

While citizens are distracted and addicted to their “sex, screens, and sports,” government elites and their families live above the law. Men addicted to porn and women addicted to their TV dramas, which manipulate women’s emotional fantasies leading them to judge and compare their honest, but “boring” husbands to the handsome actors. Even Father was judged from such a non-Biblical context.

Once you stand up for the gospel and freedom you will be cursed. But you will stand as a hero, who had honor. Who moved humanity forward towards God’s ideal. Why Jesus said “take up your cross.” The kingdom will come, not right away, but it will come!

May God bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

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