Heaven Begins from the Family

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Ladies and gentlemen, the sinful era of restoration through indemnity, the era before the coming of heaven, has passed and the era of the constitutional government ruled by heavenly law is upon us. This is the era after the coming of heaven, you are now living in an era of grace in which, after receiving the Marriage Blessing from True Parents, completing the conversion of lineage, and leading a life that is vertically aligned with Heaven, such that no shadow is cast, you can automatically enter the kingdom of heaven. That is to say, if you establish a true family on earth and lead a heavenly life, once you die your life will be connected to the kingdom of God in heaven, and you will enjoy eternal life.

Therefore, in the framework of the family, you should serve God as the Father in the highest position. Every one of you should become His child, perfecting the parent—child relationship with Him through sharing your life with Him, connected by blood. In short, you should form a partnership of true love with God, and live together with Him.

Who would be the greatest grandfather of the universe? The first human ancestors, Adam and Eve, call God "Father." Should their children call Him "Grandfather"? No, they too should call Him "Father." Why is this so? From the viewpoint of God, the vertical center, all object partners of love are equal. His object partners, who are produced through the horizontal expansion and multiplication of His love, assume equal value regardless of who they are, transcending time and space. Simply put, everyone has equal value in perfected love.

The kingdom of heaven must first be achieved on earth. What this means is that the kingdom of heaven being established in the corporeal world is prerequisite to establishing the kingdom of heaven in the incorporeal world. Therefore, heaven is not a world found in outer space on the other side of the galaxy, nor is it the by-product of imagination existing only in the human brain. It refers to the substantial kingdom of heaven on earth, which can only be created when you have led a life expressive of true love. When you leave the physical world on that foundation, you automatically enter the spiritual kingdom of heaven. This means that only when you have led a heavenly life on earth, can you lead such a life also in heaven.

Only the fruit that has fully ripened on the tree is classified while in storage as a product of the best quality. Herein lies the reason why your life should not be one that is bound for hell, like a fruit that is devoured by insects on a tree. You should never forget that, through your life on earth, you yourself determine whether you go to heaven or to hell.