Why is it that after so many years the world is still opposing and persecuting me?

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Excerpts



How many days has it been since I came here last time? Look at the calligraphy in the back of the room -- what does it say? (Service, Patience, Sacrifice) The summer vacation is nearing. You are going to return to your hometown, right? What are you going to do? How many are going to graduate this year? (Only 35) Those who are graduating, stand up. You must have spent two to three years here, but do you think that your time here was worthwhile and necessary?

In what sense was it necessary? (Relationships) What kind of relationships? In the two or three years you spent here, did your spiritual life improve? (Higher) Do you all agree? But why is it that when you graduate here, the majority of them avoid spiritual work?

After you graduate, are you going to be engaged in spiritual activities, or are you going to enter the secular world and just work to support your family? (We will go out to the front line.) Do all of you agree that you will go to the front line? (Yes) From the moment you leave this place, you must erase from your mind that you have graduated from a graduate school. Many people were ruined because after they graduated from here, they became arrogant and had a sense of being a member of the elite. I do not like that at all. How many graduates have been produced here? (Eight hundred) Only eight hundred? If all of the eight hundred UTS graduates went out following Father's directions and united as one to work for God, then America would have been saved.

Do you think that the modern theologians believe in the existence of the spiritual world? Did you study the modern theology or the Unificationist theology? If you studied modern theology, then you must be confused also. Modern theology is needed as a reference, but for the realm of the spirit and mind, it is useless. That should not be our goal, and we should have our own ideology... You must understand that modern theology is very distant from God. So, all the theologies, and this was supposed to lead the mainstream theologies of the world.

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When I came to America, I told America to entrust all the young people in me. I would have educated them. People laughed at me. "What, that kind of man? A Korean?"

They spit at me. If they had believed in me and followed me 20 years ago how would the world be now? What use is there of these prestigious seminaries like Harvard and Princeton? Those who study theology do not go to church. They lose their faith and stay away from a life of faith. A luxury life in this physical world is not a guarantee for a good life in the Spirit world. I am an enemy of America in some ways. I have churches and religious groups that are founded upon these theologies will fade away... Unification theology was created to revolutionize theology.

All the foundations of modern theology will be destroyed in the end. Then why did I tolerate you to study them for twenty years? I have tried to have you take an ecumenical and comprehensive approach toward studying theology, not just of Christianity, but also of all the other world religions including Buddhism, Islam and so forth. Therefore, the professors here must fully master the Unification theology and the Divine Principle, so that they can synthesize all the theologies and teach them to the students and the outside professors. They were supposed to create one system of theology through the discussion of all of those devoted my life for 20 years, not because I love American people, but really for the sake of Christianity.

Look at the seminaries that are supposed to lead Christianity. We have to create a revolution. Where is God? is God inside the minister's home or the church?... Why is it that we have young people in our

movement? It is because we have life. How many times are you going to offer your life? Try even one time. After you graduate from seminary, I try to send you to all the tough places, but all of you just run away. Are you confident that you can offer your life? This is the reason why it is written in the Bible that those who want to die will live and those who want to live will die. This is the way that you can become the partner. How many times was God ready to give his life for humanity, so if you tell him that you want to offer your life once more, then he will bow down before you and save you. Have I given up my life and have I done a mediocre job in doing so? Will you follow Rev. Moon?

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In the Sun Moon University I told them to officially teach Divine Principle. Unification Thought, and VOC. In the Completed Testament Age, we have to witness to the unmarried second generations. and give blessing to them and guide them to the Kingdom of Heaven. We have no use for those who are engaged in free sex, and so forth. They will end up in the dung heap, the trashcan. We don't need them.

This is the reason that we need young high school kids who are pure. You should go back to your own high school and make sure that the teachers are doing the right job. As CARP leaders you have to be sure the principals give the proper education to their young people. That is why I bas been preparing the Youth Federation for World Peace.

I am going to have an inauguration of the Youth Federation in Beijing, gathering Gorbachev and the former leaders of the nations.

In Washington, my foundation is the most fearful and powerful. I need that kind of foundation. Did I do all this alone or did someone help me? (Single-handedly) So. do you want to do the same work as I, leaving this kind of great foundation? You have to constantly work and run like a mad person for twenty years at the minimum to build this kind of worldwide foundation, not thinking about anything else, but totally being obsessed about it.

Yesterday, I consecutively caught several fish that range from 32 inches to 40 inches. Those who have confidence as a fisherman, please raise your hands. What is your record catch of striped bass? Twenty inches is under the limit. I am here in UTS to speak to you right now, but wherever I go, I can adjust to the situation and become the best, when I go to the countryside, I can be the best farmer, and if I go fishing I am the best fisherman. In a mine I am the best mine worker. Have you professors thought about this? You are like easygoing hooligans.

You don't take things seriously. You should be able to do anything and everything. How old am I? I am 75. And when you round it off, I am 80 years old. Is there any young man or woman who is like a 80 year old man? Father came here and I am talking to you, taking you away from class time. So does anyone want me to go back?

Why is it that after so many years the world is still opposing and persecuting me? I was able to make it through this period of 40 years because I knew precisely what will happen at the end of it. I put Mother in the front-line, and had her proclaim True Parentship before the leaders of the world.

There are only one True Parents; there is no other in the past, present or in the future. Does America need True Parents or not? Every part of America needs me. How much in awe would the young people who join the movement a hundred years later behold the name of True Parents. In your hearts, do you really have True Parents?

Are you going to be shameful before them? Do you really live with God in you? Do you really feel that God and True Parents really possess your body? This is a big problem.

All of you are already set in your ways, you have your own habits. I have more hope in the young generation. But you brag that you are the graduates of the UTS, and that you have learned more than others.

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I created UTS to protect this world from this spreading hell. If UTS produced 800 graduates who are like me, then America and the world would not be in this sad state. I do not even have one person. What should I do? Should I burn this place down? I no longer have any interest or hope here. Do you professors have confidence? Did you love America more than me, you professors? All you did was open your hand to beg for money, and you have not tried to do anything for me. I will soon go to the spirit world.

Who will then take responsibility for UTS? What should we do? Do you have the confidence to take responsibility in my place? It is very easy to answer yes. In America alone, I spent 120 million dollars in just one year. Suppose I used it for the sake of Russia and China. I would have reaped hundreds of times

more results there.

You cannot even compare the American young people to the Russian young people. Am I a foolish person or smart? Then, why did I spent that much money with no return? Some might say, since Rev. Moon has a lot of money he spends a lot here, so what? I have never done anything in which I suffered losses. I am willing to push you to the extreme, to the point where you lose your life for the sake of your country. I said that this is an extension of hell. If you want to pull yourself out of hell, you have to change 180 degrees, not 90 degrees. The only way is 180 degrees. Otherwise there's no hope.

I will have to put you through an incredible amount of suffering and work to pay the indemnity. Your family, wife, children do not come first. You must live first for the sake of humanity, world and God. You have to be the representative of the top.

I explained today that you are dead people, like trash. But you still have desire and determination to follow my footsteps. Are you determined? (Yes) If the remaining group here do not make a pledge that you will exert your uttermost and take the responsibility on behalf of me, then I will close down this place. The wives of the professors here, your spouses must become missionaries and go around the neighboring villages to witness to the people. You must be trained in witnessing and leading congregation. You must make spiritual children in the two years that you spend here in whatever way you can. You have to have spiritual children. Do not think that you can just leave here without doing anything? I came up here every single day for three years, and I have given o many directions, yet none of them are carried out. I have curse and hatred for this place. Did you see the fishing nets I made? I made them without sleeping at night. If you really want to save lives, then you must pioneer. Are the student body and faculty here willing to follow my footstep and save America?...

Hyo Jin will come here soon. He will come here to supervise your life of faith. You are to teach students Divine Principle at least three times before graduation, and also teach Unification Thought, and so forth. You must make comparisons with theologies of other religions. As long as you are equipped with Divine Principle and Unification Thought and VOC, you can cope with any scholar or intellectual. I have been carrying on this fight. You must sharpen your sword, you must be equipped with ideology. President Kim has the responsibility to connect with the alumni as an itinerary worker and encouraging them to do Father's work. Church leaders who came to UTS are supposed to report to me of how you are doing, even in UTS. I want to set the absolute standard for the Unification leaders coming out of UTS. I am going to use this place to raise great leaders. You must learn practical skills like farming and fishing, and so forth, so that you will be able to help solve the problem of hunger by giving people these skills. I will have thousands of One Hope boats. We will have at least one person in each village, and create a worldwide organization for the sake of fully solving the problems of hunger. We can send food to wherever it is needed.

In Africa there are many animals to hunt. If parents know how to hunt, then their children will not starve. I am making preparations in the Texas farm, to train people in fishing and farming.

You did not come here to secure a comfortable life for yourself, but to save life and save the world. Don't you know how valuable a life is? Before you die, how many lives are you going to save? There is nothing else that counts. The only thing that counts in the spirit world is how many lives you have saved. Because I know this secret, I am leading this kind of life. The lives you save are your asset, and your only asset. In the spirit world, you do not need knowledge, power, and money; the only thing that you need is love. That will determine the place that you will belong in the spirit world.

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From September you will have a new curriculum that can train you. Until now the president of UTS has been a Korean citizen. Next, he will be a Japanese. Then he will be American. I will create a Vice President position of UTS. The Korean, Japanese and American leaders must unite and work together. It is destructive for a person to stay here too long, so those of you who stayed here long should prepare to leave. You must leave and do what you can do in your field.

I am not making a command, but making a suggestion for the UTS student body, faculty, staff, and the whole community to consider. The board of trustees meeting will take place and make recommendations as to who should become the UTS Vice President and who should replace whom. The board will make the final decision, but my recommendation will be considered seriously in the matter.