Divine Message Calls Sun Myung Moon to Unification Church and God

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"If God does not exist, then we can have no solution for today's Problems," according to Unification Church advocate Sun Myung Moon, who offered proof of the existence of God to an audience of 300 in Lisner Auditorium Saturday.

Moon, Korean founder of the Unification Church, claimed he received a divine message at the of 16, when Jesus Christ appeared to him on Easter Sunday. Moon explained the vision inspired him to teach what he called "the Divine Principle" until he was captured by the North Korean Communists and imprisoned for three years because of his "religious practices."

The Unification Church, which has a worldwide membership of half a million people in 26 countries, is based on the belief of one universal God and religion.

Moon asserted, "If all people understood the existence of God everyone would want to follow in His direction."

Speaking through an interpreter, Moon added, "Even among Christians, among Christian ministers and Christian leaders I say there are many who do not understand the existence of God." Moon felt the existence of God could be explained by expounding on the intricate and complex structure of each human being.

Impressing upon the audience "whenever we do evil our conscience tries to stop us," Moon stressed "man is a resultant being, a being of effect. There must be cause to him." Moon sees God as that cause.