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Eventually I would like to open all of our major facilities like Belvedere and Barrytown to the public and let the public be proud of our establishments as their own. I am still waiting for an opportune time though, because there are still so many people who intend to destroy our church and would set bombs. All kinds of things could happen. The time will come, however.

I like the name "New Yorker," the original name of the World Mission Center. The New Yorker belongs to New Yorkers. I would like that particular building to be known not as a Unification Church building, but as the New Yorker. The Tiffany Building is the News World Building now, but New Yorkers should feel an attachment to it and think of it as their own. The News World is a New York newspaper.

We must first be proud of all our establishments, like Belvedere and East Garden, as American establishments. We are proud of them for the sake of America and eventually we will be proud of these things for the sake of the world. They do not belong just to the Moonies.

In order to make Belvedere and East Garden the property of the world, the people who live there should

be working day in and day out for the sake of the world. You in New York are working day in and day out for the sake of humanity, and I have the people at Belvedere and East Garden also working for the sake of the world and humanity. In that way they can become a world Belvedere, world East Garden and world New Yorker.

We must make a Unification Church that belongs to the world, not just to the Moonies. That means we are going to live our lives for the sake of the world. Whether you are of the yellow, white or black race does not make a difference; if you truly give your life for the sake of the world you will say, "This is my church, my house."

If you are doing that then the Unification Church has a future, pride and hope. Our way of life may be very humble and our food very coarse, but that spark, that spirit is universal. You are universal men and women who are living to achieve some benefit for mankind.

Those who lived rich lives before were not the people who were working for the sake of the world. It is far more dramatic and beautiful to God to bring yourself down to the humble way of life, having done nothing but truly give for the sake of the world and humanity. The more you suffer for the highest possible goal and bring yourself down to the lowest position, the greater will be your honor and the greater will be the divine purpose you accomplish. That is the pride of the Unification Church.

So what do we have? What we have is not for us but for God and for the world. I do not think of Belvedere as my personal private property, or even the Unification Church's private property. You must not think that way either. It all belongs to God and to humanity. Then you can be proud of it because it is God's property. If our Unification Church members are living that way of life then we can truly be proud of one another. We are here to restore all the things of creation back to God, and in order to do that we restore money by using it for God.