

Day of Hope Banquet

The Waldorf-Astoria

Distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, I am very happy to be here tonight. Thank you very much for coming.

First of all, I owe you an apology. As you were coming in to this banquet tonight, Mrs. Moon and I wanted to greet you and shake hands with each one of you to express our heartfelt welcome. But my staff advised against having a receiving line, for if we were to shake hands with all of the more than 1,700 guests, no time would be left for the banquet. I regret not being able to meet each one of you personally. So to compensate for that, may I now shake hands with one gentleman and one lady among you as representatives of all guests tonight?

Secondly, I owe you another apology. During the last several weeks, hundreds of energetic young people from all over the world have been working in your city of New York. And this already noisy city of New York was made even noisier—all in the name of God, of course.

I am the one responsible for that.

Furthermore, there have been many posters, and newspaper, TV, and radio ads announcing my meeting at Madison Square Garden tomorrow night. So I am sure that in this city by now almost everyone must be asking, "By the way, who is that Rev. Moon? Is he running for Senator, or something?" That question is well answered tonight: Here I am, Rev. Moon. But I am not running for Senator.

New York is indeed a city of wonder. Amazement and astonishment never cease in this city. When I first came to New York and mingled with the rush hour crowd on Fifth Avenue, I discovered a strange fact. I saw that all the people were walking with their heads down. So I thought that New Yorkers must be very humble, meek, and saintly, showing their inner respect to Almighty God by keeping their heads bowed even during the busy rush hour.

Months later, however, I found a more practical reason why New Yorkers walk with their heads down. As you know, New York is





a city of skyscrapers. Millions of tourists come here to see them every day of the year. Those tourists walk around with their heads up, looking in awe at the Empire State Building and other great skyscrapers. Unless you watch out, your toes will be stepped on by those fascinated tourists, and your fashionable Madison Avenue shoes will look miserable by the end of the day. So New Yorkers, who are well accustomed to those majestic buildings, must look down and watch out to keep from getting stepped on.

But then I thought that the first and second reasons why New Yorkers have their heads down should be equally true. What the city of New York needs most today is God. And in order to have God, people must have humble and meek minds. Only when we have a reverent attitude can God come into our hearts and into the city of New York. Let us make God real in the heart of New York, so that even during the rush hour on Fifth Avenue His presence will be so real that we cannot but bow our heads in

thanksgiving and gratitude.

I love each one of you deeply and dearly, because I know God loves America and the American people—and I love God. Long before the birth of this nation, God was already preparing the North American continent, quietly setting it aside for His special dispensation.

In His divine will, at His appointed hour, God has raised up one great nation upon this blessed land—the United States of America. In such a short time, within only 200 years, God and the American people together have brought forth one of the most miraculous achievements in history.

This miracle is great evidence that God's abundant love has been poured out upon this great land of America. And God, who loves America dearly and deeply, must especially love this city of New York, because New York is the greatest city in America.

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This gathering here tonight represents the distinguished citizens of this great city of New York. Therefore, God—who loves America and loves your city of New York—must love each one of you deeply and dearly. So I think God must be present with us here tonight.

I am really overwhelmed to be welcomed by this great and distinguished gathering in New York, in this beautiful setting. I am deeply honored to meet you here. My heartfelt gratitude goes out to you, and I am truly thankful that you all came. What makes our meeting here unique is not that we are meeting in the grand setting of the Waldorf Astoria, but because we are here in the name of God. In a very real sense, God is our host tonight.

If I were to end my greeting to you at this point, then actually you still would not know very much about Rev. Moon. I am sure that you have come here to see me and hear me. And I would also like to leave you with a clear impression.

Therefore, if you would permit me, in the next few minutes I would like to leave you with a few grains of thought as a memory of my visit to your great city. Would you permit me to do so?

What is the most precious thing in your life? No doubt, the most precious things for you are happiness, joy, freedom, peace, and your ideals. This is common to all human beings. Therefore, throughout history, all people, regardless of their race or time, have sought true happiness, joy, freedom, peace, and certain ideals.

Also, all of us have an innate desire to

have these precious things last for eternity, be unchanging and absolute. Because man has set his goals and ideals so high, he seldom attains them easily in the reality of life here on earth. Our world is always changing, and each man's stay here on earth is brief. Many have sought happiness, joy, freedom, peace, and their ideals, but very few have found them.

Having searched for eternal happiness in vain, we have to arrive at the conclusion that to find what is eternal, unchanging, and absolute, we must seek those things from an eternal and unchanging and absolute source. How can we find such a source? Is there such a source? Yes! It can only be Almighty God.

God is the Source of life. Not only that, God is also the Source of happiness and joy, the Source of freedom and peace, and indeed the Source of love and all ideals.

It may surprise you, however, to hear that to have these precious things is God's desire, too. God is seeking happiness, joy, love, and His ideal to be fulfilled for Himself also. However, as long as God is alone, He cannot experience them. They remain dormant within Him.

The fulfillment of these goals can only be realized when a subject finds an object, and they unite in a reciprocal relationship of give and take, stimulating and complementing each other. Under that condition alone can these noble goals be attained.

The words "love" and "ideal" are without meaning when one is alone. Love demands someone to love and someone to be loved by. Hope or any ideal needs to be

shared with someone. Love and ideals have meaning only when a reciprocal and complementary relationship of give and take has been established.

You may try to be happy by yourself, try to be joyful, try to be loving. But you can never attain these things when you are alone.

This is a universal truth. It even applies to Almighty God. As long as God remains alone, even He cannot fulfill these goals by Himself. Even Almighty God Himself needs someone to be in the position of an object to Him, someone to love and to be loved by.

For that reason, God created man as an object to God. God wanted to establish the reciprocal relationship of give and take with man so that He could be constantly stimulated in love and joy by that relationship. Have you ever thought that even God is helpless without you? Have you ever thought you are that precious and important in the sight of God?

Tonight I have had the pleasure of meeting many distinguished couples, husbands and wives. Let me ask you a question. Some years ago, when you were looking for your ideal mate, what was your standard? Did you want to have somebody who was better or superior to yourself, or somebody who was inferior to yourself?

You don't have to answer. The answer is obvious! Everyone is seeking someone better than himself or herself, because we all want to be associated with someone most ideal, someone perfect. We all know we may have some failings, some imperfections. But human desire always reaches for the high-

est. We all seek to have our dreams realized in our life partners.

Furthermore, as parents, do you want your children to be inferior to yourself, or would you want them to be superior to you? A father or mother would want unconditionally for their children to be better than themselves.

The other day, I saw a newborn baby. The parents of the baby are a very good looking couple, yet the baby was not too handsome. She almost looked like an Idaho potato. But I said to that young couple, "Well, your baby is more beautiful and more handsome than her mommy and daddy!" Do you think that mommy and daddy were mad at me? No! On the contrary, they said, "Thank you," and they beamed from ear to ear.

Why do we have traits and desires that work like this? All of our human characteristics come from one origin. We are the reflection of God. We act like we do because God acts that way. Our minds work the way they do because God's mind works that way. That's the way God is! That's the way we are. We are like God, and God is like us.

When Almighty God created man as His object, He wanted to have the very best. Just like any parent, God wants the very best for His children. He wants His children to be even better than Himself. The Heavenly Father wants His sons and daughters to be even better than Himself.

Yet man has not really known this most simple but profound truth. We did not realize that God is our Father, and that He truly has parental love for us. He wants His



Mother and Mrs. Choi speak to seeress Jeanne Dixon.

children to be even better than Himself. We are that important, that precious in the sight of God. This is the ultimate value of man's life—that we are God's sons and daughters. And we have never understood that!

Since God is the eternal God, unchanging and absolute, when He created man He wanted man, His object, to be eternal, like Himself. He wanted man, His object, to be unchanging, like Himself. He wanted man, as His object, to be as unique and absolute as Himself.

So when we come to the realization that God is of this nature, then we realize that there can be no question about eternal life. The eternal life of man is more than real. Since God is eternal, He intends for His object to have eternal life, also. That is the logical conclusion.

By now, we know why God created man. We know that God is the Subject and we are His objects. Whenever there is a subject and object, there is the possibility of two different kinds of relationships between the two. One is a selfish relationship, where one dominates the other for the benefit of himself. The other is an unselfish relationship, where one gives himself wholeheartedly for the benefit of the other.

So when we think of these two kinds of relationships, which one would be God's choice? God knows that a selfish relationship is self-destructive. Nothing can flourish based on selfishness. Selfishness eventually leads to self-extinction. God knows that an eternal and prospering relationship can never come about through selfish taking. So God's choice was to have an unselfish rela-

tionship. He built the universe upon the base of unselfishness.

I see here in this audience many very prosperous and distinguished-looking gentlemen. We all generally have some pride and some ego. And I'm sure that every one of you has a certain pride in your own accomplishments. However, I want all you men to know that God, when He created man, did not create him to live for man's own sake or for man's selfish purpose. Man was created for somebody else—for woman. Yes, God made man for woman. Are you disappointed, men? Well, you should not be. Without woman, man leads himself into self-destruction.

Many of the ladies are smiling!

But don't worry, men. We won't lose anything, because God created woman not for woman's sake, but to serve man!

Women throughout the world have one thing in common. They always try to make themselves beautiful, putting on expensive makeup, arranging their hair, wearing beautiful dresses, and even doing beauty exercises! And for what? For themselves? No, for the delight of men!

Let's say a lady gets all dressed up and goes out to some social event. If only other women comment on her beautiful dress, she will soon be disturbed and think that something is wrong with her. What she is looking for is a compliment from a man. And if all the men there were just crazy about her dress, her hair, or her beauty, she would indeed feel that she was in heaven, on "cloud nine."

God gave us five senses and sense

organs—eyes, ears, mouth, nose, and so on. And the purpose of all this is so that we can relate to an object, or someone else. Actually, these organs are not working for you, but for your object.

We have not realized this fundamental truth, that God created everything in this universe to be complementary. All things are made for other things.

Then what is the ideal couple, the ideal husband and wife? Well, after the wedding, the newlywed bride and bridegroom go on their honeymoon. At first everything is usually most romantic. They confess their love to each other, saying, "I love you so much." They say, "I love you so very much. You are more than my life. I was born solely for you. Even unto my death, I love you!"

These are all most unselfish sentiments. But the problem comes when those pledges don't last more than three days!

However, if any married couple ever carried out those promises, and truly loved each other unselfishly, then that would indeed be the ideal couple—the ideal husband and wife in the sight of God. You know we are to live for each other. We are to exchange our lives. We are to fulfill each other's lives. This is the beauty and happiness of life. You by yourself can never fulfill your own life. The universe is not made that way.

What is the definition of a patriot? I know Americans respect and admire Abraham Lincoln. Why? He is respected because he is a patriot. A patriot is one who gives himself unselfishly for the benefit and well-being of the nation, and for the welfare

of his own countrymen. That is the true patriot. And Abraham Lincoln surely was such a man. He gave himself even to death for his country.

According to this same principle, who could we say is the greatest man in all history? Who is the Saint of all saints? There is one who surpasses all others: Jesus Christ. Yes, Jesus Christ was indeed the Saint of all saints, because he set the supreme example of a giving, loving, and unselfish way of life. And he is the one who said, "Love your enemies." He really lived that principle. He even gave his life for his enemies.

The Bible teaches this one principle from cover to cover, this selfless way of life of God. Jesus said there is no greater love than being able to lay down your life for your friend—or for your enemy.

From the very beginning, God has been constantly working to bring humanity into the knowledge of this selfless way of life. One day God will bring the perfection of that kind of life on this earth. That will be the day of the Kingdom of God.

To this end, throughout history God has been using all good religions of the world as His tools, His instruments to teach mankind the knowledge of God's selfless way of life. It is for this reason that all good religions have one teaching in common: selfless love, the selfless way of life. The essence of the teachings of good religions is love and sacrifice.

Then what is evil? What is unhappiness? What is sorrow? What is despair?

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Nobody wants these things. These are the products of the exact opposite of the way of God. In selfishness there is no peace. In hatred and selfishness there is no joy. In selfish greed there is neither harmony nor unity.

In the beginning, God created a world of goodness in which only His unselfish way of life would prevail. That was His ideal. However, the master of evil came into being and twisted the way of life around, from unselfish giving to selfish taking.

The first woman, Eve, was subjugated by the selfish love of Lucifer, the fallen angel. And Eve subjugated the first man, Adam, with a selfish motive, plunging all humanity into the darkness of selfishness and greed. This reversal of God's principle was the beginning of evil.

All evil came from selfishness. A world of greed and self-destruction was the result, and history has often been a nightmare. That characterizes the world in which we live today.

You might be thinking, "Rev. Moon, your ideas sound good, but I'm afraid you are too idealistic. How could a totally unselfish world be possible?"

Let's look at the practical side of it. Let me ask you another question. Suppose there is someone who truly loves you, one hundred percent unselfishly. Oh, you are a happy person! You are bubbling with joy because of the knowledge that someone loves you so much. You want to give something back to that person to show that you love him, too. Isn't that right?

Would you be stingy about returning

that love, so that you discounted 40 or 50 percent of the amount of love you receive and kept that in your pocket, only returning 50 percent to him? Or would you like to out-love that person and try to give more love than he gives you? What is your reaction?

I know your answer. You want to give more. You want to out-love that person. It is human nature never to be stingy about love. So when there is someone who truly loves you, you always want to do more for that person. You want to make him happier. Do you agree with me? An unselfish deed always brings an unselfish reward. Isn't that so?

Your deeds of love will never be lost. When I love Mr. Pak with 100 percent unselfish love, then that love will not only reach its destination, but it will also bring back 100 percent love, plus interest.

Love forms a circular motion of give and take, and each time it brings back more love. It goes round and round, each time increasing the amount of love returned, creating endless motion. Circular motion alone can go on for eternity. Circular motion alone can bring prosperity. In His wisdom, God set the principle of eternity in circular motion. Therefore, all of God's creation sustains its life in circular motion.

When there is interaction of give and take of love in oneness, there is harmony and stimulation. The result will be joy, freedom, and prosperity. Each action of give and take returns the original investment plus interest coming with it. This is the way to become prosperous.

We commonly hear parents say to their children, "Be good. Be nice to others. Be a good man, and you will be blessed." This is very abstract advice. What does it mean?

What is the definition of a good man? Essentially, he is a selfless person, a God-like person. And one who lives in God's selfless way will never diminish himself, but become prosperous in the sight of God.

The more you practice the way of life of God, the more you resemble God, the more you become God-like. When you practice God's way of life, you will emerge as a leader in your own world. You will become the central figure, just as God is the central figure of the entire universe.

Let's say that in a household there are 10 members—two parents and eight children. Let's say the youngest son serves each of the other nine members of his family in the most loving, selfless way. Even though he is the youngest son, he will gain a central position in the family. He is earning more respect than anyone else, including the mother and father.

Why? Because that young son is truly practicing God's way of life. He is most nearly in God's position in his family, so he becomes the central figure.

So when you occupy the central position by love, by serving others, then in your own universe everyone seeks your influence. They will voluntarily come under your dominion. Actually, this is God's principle. It is only by serving, by unselfish giving, that one can truly dominate—not by power, not by force.

People do not like to be dominated. But this is because they usually try to dominate for selfish purposes. Everyone actually wants to belong to somebody who loves him. Everybody seeks to belong to the source of love. This is human nature.

There is another most important reason why we have to serve. What are the most precious things in your life? I said love and your ideal. Again, life is fulfilled when we find love and our ideal. But we cannot generate that love by ourselves. We cannot fulfill that ideal alone. We cannot have these by ourselves.

The essential value of love and the ideal which fulfills our lives comes from others, comes from the objects. We are in a position of receiving. Therefore, we should be humble and meek, because we are in the receiving position. Our duty is to give our love unselfishly for others' sake, to fulfill their lives. We must then wait to receive their love to fulfill our own lives.

This is the very core of the truth, the

fundamental truth of God's way of life. Once we know this, it becomes our yardstick, the criterion by which we can judge and evaluate this world. With this principle we can tell where a person stands.

Besides this world of ours, there is another world we are to live in—the spirit world—which the Bible calls heaven. When we arrive there, we will all see that heaven operates according to God's principle. We will see there the perfection of God's way of life.

Actually, this physical world is just our temporary home. We are visitors here on earth. Our eternal and true home is the spirit world. Therefore, while we are here on earth, we must recognize that this is our unique opportunity to prepare ourselves to be worthy of that heaven. We cannot be any



better in heaven than what we have been on earth. How much we live God's way of life here on earth determines our place in the eternal heaven.

So once you begin to live according to God's way here on earth, you are already living in heaven. There are no boundaries between the life you live here on earth and the afterlife. This is why Jesus said that the Kingdom of God is "in the midst of you." You can live in the Kingdom of Heaven right now, right here!

Life for God is living for others, making one great circle of service. For example, I serve my family, my family serves the purpose of the society, and society is the servant to the nation. The nation is a servant to the world. The world, in turn, is to serve God. And God lives solely for you and me, for His

children.

He is our Father, our True Parent. His sole concern is love. We must wake ourselves up and realize that God is our Father, and that His sole concern is to love us—to love me.

No one minds domination by unselfish love. No, we are all seeking to be dominated by love.

If America could make herself that kind of place, where God's heavenly way of life could prevail, then America would truly dominate the earth in love. And the rest of the world would be only too happy to seek America's influence. We must create heaven right here in America, and give that heaven to the rest of the world.

When we mention the Unification Church, with that big word, "unification,"

many people start to shake their heads. They say, "Unification? Well, so many people have tried. So many saints have tried. So many philosophers have tried. So many scientists have tried. So many military leaders have tried. But nobody has succeeded in bringing about oneness in the world, or establishing unity and harmony. Rev. Moon has a great idea, but it will not work. I feel sorry for him, because I know he will be disappointed."

To those people my answer is very simple. I tell them that I am not the one who will bring about unification. God is going to do that Himself! God created this world as one of unity and harmony. All we have to do is to restore it. Let's make God real in our hearts and start to live His way of life! Let God do His job of unifying the world. All you have to

do is to let God come into your heart and use you as His instrument.

The question is not whether unity is possible. The question is whether we have God in our lives or not.

I am overwhelmed to see this wonderful, distinguished gathering here tonight. There are 1,700 honored guests. I asked my New York commander, "How did you accomplish this?"

I know what they have done! These young people went out to meet you with unselfish motivation. I feel sure that you came here as a result of the sincerity and earnestness of these young people—and above all, because of their selfless attitude.

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Then the fourth time he came, you said, "Oh, I give up! These young people are impossible." By this time you began to see something in their faces—something earnest, something not quite of this world. Your heart was telling you, "I must respond to these young people." You would almost feel guilty not to respond to something so genuine, someone so unselfish.

I am sure that many of you came for that reason. Our Unification Church is here to proclaim God's love and His way of life. We do not want to become just an organization. We do not want to become an institution. We want to be a movement that will live God's way—not with our lips, but with our hearts and in our deeds.

In this day and age, God is looking for people who will live the truth. God is searching for serious-mindedness. God has been mistreated and abused throughout history. His name is spoken everywhere, but in vain. God is looking for single-minded fools—people He can trust, people who can do crazy things for Him.

The Unification Church was born for that purpose. I tell you that our young people are serious about God. We want to be fools for God. And we are such fools that we are willing to give up everything for Him.

Let me say one more thing in conclusion. You all have a Western cultural background. I have an Asian background. I have already become something of a controversial figure in Asia, and I am becoming controversial here in America.

There are people saying unkind things about me, things that are twisted and untrue. But one thing is certain. At least everybody is paying attention to what we are doing.

Now, the reason I come here is to serve—simply to serve. If I preach this way, and if I speak this way to the young people, and if we do not live these principles, then I am no good. Our movement is then no good at all.

But no matter how unkind people are to me, as long as we truly practice the way of life of God, then no other power can touch me or this movement and affect us even one iota. This is not any one man's movement, but God's movement.

I came here to love America. Is it a crime to love America? Of course not. Love does no harm. America belongs to those who love it most. So, in a way, I am in a competition of love. I want to love America more than any American does. That is my dream, my challenge.

Why? I love America because the Father in heaven loves America and the American people, and I love God as my Father. I love America as my own country. In Him we are one. In Him we are truly brothers and sisters.

I hope you now understand why I said at the beginning of my talk, "I love each one of you deeply and dearly." I said it, and I meant it—that in Him we are truly one people.

Yes, God created East and West as twins. Somebody has said, "Never the twain shall meet." But God created these twins of East and West to meet, to stimulate each other with different flavors, different characteristics, different cultures, so that we could have more joy and further enrich our lives. This is our purpose of meeting, and we must begin to fulfill it.

I believe that nothing happens by accident. It is no accident that we have come here tonight. We have a job to do according to the will of God.

Yes, this world has many problems. People are needed who can help solve those problems instead of being part of the problems. We are to be such people, working as the champions of God. We can attack the problems of this world only with God, by practicing His way of life. Then we can truly bring the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Since Jesus Christ shed his own blood for humanity, many great martyrs and saints have served humanity unselfishly, giving themselves totally. But today is an extraordinary time in God's schedule. Now God needs a committed champion of His own, more than at any other time in history.

We are here tonight to renew our determination to respond to the call of God, to pledge our lives and our resources, and to pledge to have America realize God's ideal here on earth. Let us commit our own skills, talents, and our very lives to this great purpose of God.

We are celebrating tonight, marking a new beginning for the challenge ahead of us—that is, to bring the Kingdom of God into our midst. Our challenge is to all become true citizens of the Kingdom of God. Our challenge is to make this New York, our beloved city, heaven. America herself can

be heaven.

And when our life on this earth is completed, the record of how we lived will become the measure for how much heaven we deserve. This will be the standard:

—The love you unselfishly bestowed upon your fellow man;

—The service you willingly rendered for the benefit of others;

—The sacrifice you courageously offered for humanity and for God.

The sum total of these deeds will become your treasure for eternity.

These are the thoughts that I wanted to

share with you tonight. May God bless each one of you, your homes, your work, and your great city of New York. And above all, may God bless America!

Thank you.

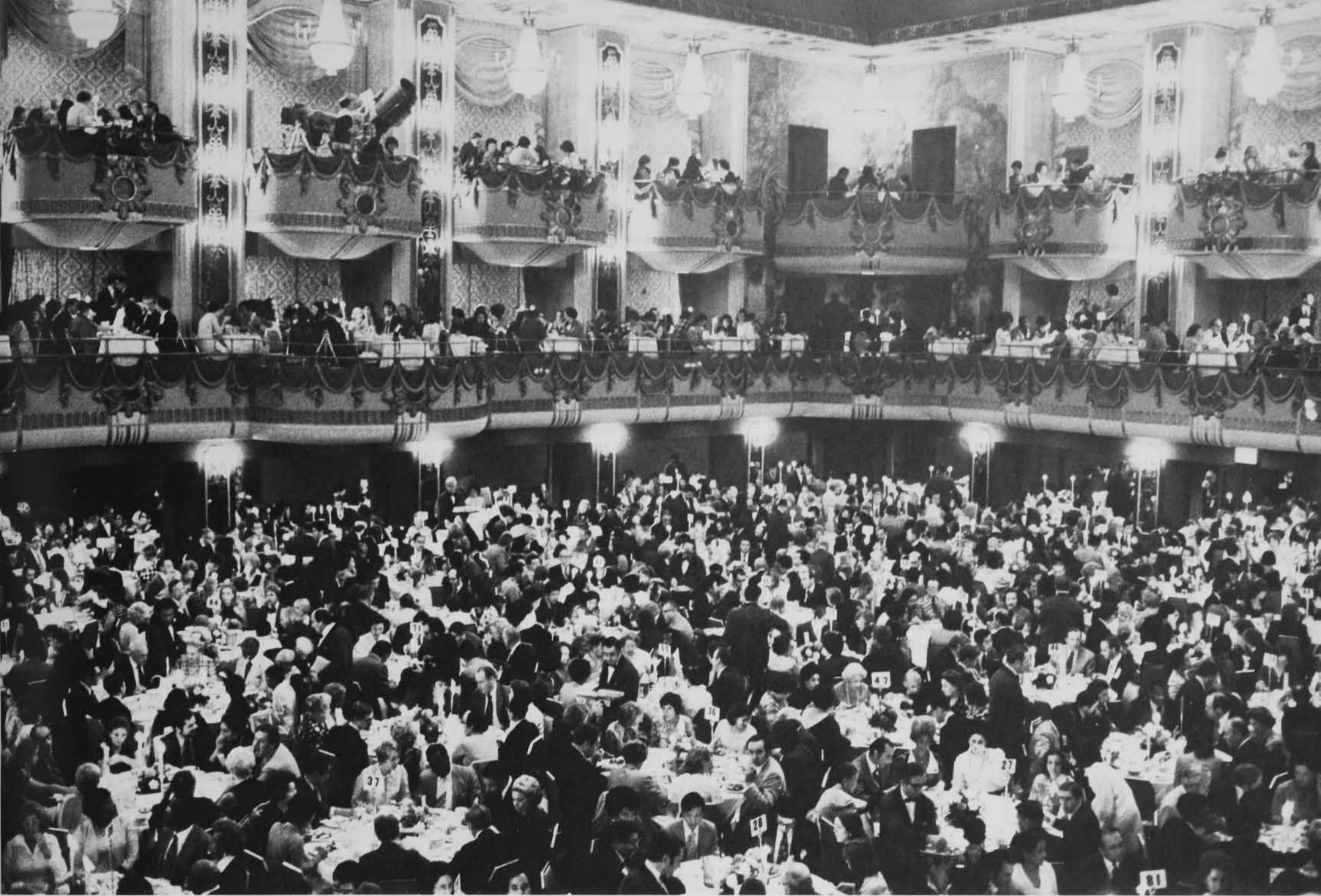


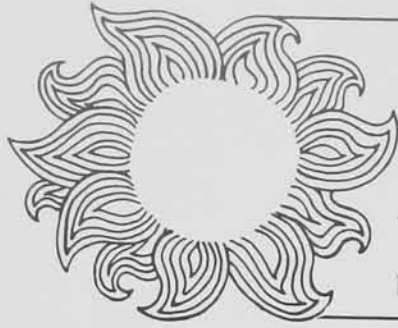
Our Master and Col. Bo Hi Pak with well-known personality Mike Wallace.

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- Religious News Service
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- New York Post
- WABC-TV
- New York Magazine
- New York Daily News
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- ANSA Italian News Agency
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- Village Voice
- Japan Hour
- United Press International
- WPIX-TV

- Revista Hispanica
- New York Post
- Tarrytown Daily News
- Agence France Presse
- Associated Press
- Hackensack Record
- Suffolk News
- New Solidarity
- Korean Moon-Wha Broadcasting Co.
- Dance Magazine
- American Retailer
- NBC Network News
- WCBS-TV
- Sterling Cable TV
- The New York Times
- CBS "60 Minutes"





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1600 enjoy DOH Banquet at Waldorf

A New York Congressman, several university professors and deans, Vietnam's ambassador to the U.N., and high-ranking diplomats from Ghana, Indonesia, Sierra Leone, the Philippines, Monaco, Mexico and Peru were among the 1600 persons attending the 1974 Day of Hope Inaugural Banquet September 17th at New York's world-famous Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

After performances by the New Hope Singers International and the Korean Folk Ballet, New York SR Joe Tully introduced President Salonen who drew laughter and applause from the crowd when he said, "You've probably seen several of our posters and you've possibly spoken with some of our members on the street, isn't that so?" Mr. Salonen went on to talk about

Congressman Charles Sandman.

Master began his speech by shaking hands with one man and one woman representing all of his guests, apologizing that time would not permit him to shake hands with everyone. He apologized again for making a noisy city even noisier with singing, street preaching, rallies and young people on every street corner, and added that



Two receptions preceded the dinner, and Master and Mother met with VIP guests including Mike Wallace from the "60 Minutes" television show and Eleanor Blau, religion editor from the *New York Times*, while other guests enjoyed punch and music in several other rooms. Everyone then moved into the Grand Ballroom for an elegant dinner and the evening's program. In the style of many European opera houses, the Grand Ballroom is surrounded by a balcony and then tiers above in the manner of box seats. Guests dined on all three levels, with head table guests seated on the stage at the front of the room, moving down to the main floor level after dinner to make room for the evening's program.

the differences between the Unification Church and other spiritual groups. "You may know them by their fruits," he said, adding that our fruits are our dedicated and inspired young members, proof that our teaching is something quite different. Quoting statistics on suicide, murder and rape in the United States, Mr. Salonen said these are proof that while material conditions are improved, man's spiritual hunger is yet unfulfilled.

Before introducing Master, Mr. Salonen read congratulatory telegrams received from the president of the Borough of Queens, an executive with the National Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, the ambassador from the Republic of China and N.J.

when New Yorkers saw his posters all over the city they must have wondered what office Rev. Moon was running for. "I am not running for anything," he assured his smiling audience.

He noted that God loves the person who is humble and meek, and so during rush hour when he was out on the streets of New York and observed most people walking with their heads down, he took it in a good way, thinking most New Yorkers are humble and God must bless them. Then after several months in New York he found the real reason people walk with their heads down. "The real reason is skyscrapers," he said. "Tourists are always looking up at skyscrapers and New Yorkers know they have to look down or get stepped



You have not been prosperous with your own power, but because of the blessing of God. You must not forget this.

*Sun Myung Moon
June 9, 1974*

pion in the kingdom of God," he said. He called American individualism "the beginning point of trouble" because it is individualism centered on self.

"America is getting further and further away from God every day," he said. "Somebody must turn this nation around. Somebody must come to this nation of America as a firefighter." The audience applauded loudly.

"I did not come to America for money or for my own purposes," he said, "but to give myself to this great nation for the well-being of the world. This is my goal, and I will not stop."

Master said his posters were not up for himself but to proclaim the kingdom of God on earth, and he promised that "after September 18th there will be no poster of Rev. Moon remaining in the city of New York," eliciting gasps of surprise and laughter from startled Family members.

"My dream, my ideal, is to install one great movement of God starting here in New York," Master told his audience.

After Master concluded his address, spiritualist and author Jeanne

Dixon spoke at length, saying that she "heartily applauded Rev. Moon's passion for the unity and brotherhood of all men," and concluding with, "Bless you, Rev. Moon, for your message of that day of hope, and that day of hope is nearer than the world knows."

After more entertainment from the Singers and the KFB, the two groups joined together to conclude the banquet with a grand finale number made magic by spinning lights reflected from the mirror ball used in "Celebration of Life."

Michael Runyon, head of banquet invitations, attributed the large attendance to hand-delivery of many of the invitations and said that the best results were obtained through personal contact, although it was often difficult to get past secretaries to actually meet with business executives. He reported that one sister working on banquet PR got into see the president of a large New York bank only by circumventing the watchdog secretary and slipping a note through the receptionist to the public relations director, who called the president out of a meeting to talk to her.

on," he said.

"Truly, though, I hope New Yorkers are humble and meek so that they can receive God's blessing," Master said seriously. At this point a woman in the audience stood up and shouted that she was from the International Workers of the World and that Master was a "fascist who was trying to organize the workers of the world." Master began applauding and thanked her for enlivening the duller part of the program, a speech, after so much exciting music and dancing from the Singers and the KFB.

"We owe thanks to her," he said, "and I'm sure as a result I feel closer to you, and you to me. We all need someone to share with to feel joy and happiness," he continued, "and God does too," he added, launching into the body of his address in which he spoke about unselfish love as the route to eternal joy and happiness. "Total unselfishness is the way of life of God," he said, "and selfishness is the sin the whole world plunged from, the source of all evil in the world." He explained that evil consists of subjugating others for one's own benefit—whether on an individual or a national level. He said that he came to America to serve this country and to plead with it to give sacrificially of itself for the benefit of all mankind. "By America demonstrating this, America shall become cham-



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The Rev. Sun Myung Moon and his wife sample some chocolate re-birthday cake during dinner at the Waldorf. Post Photo by Vernon Shible

Moonlight in the Garden

By LINDSAY MILLER

For weeks, the dogged young disciples of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon have been trying to convince New Yorkers—with posters, media advertising and street evangelism—that “Sept. 18 Could Be Your Re-Birthday.”

Today the handbill they are giving out asks, “Will You Be There Tonight?” On the other side, a headline says, “God needs you tonight.”

Moon, the controversial self-ordained Korean preacher, speaks tonight at Madison Square Garden on “The New Future of Christianity.” He has promised to reveal part of a new message he says he has received from God.

Expect 19,000

The event, which is free, starts at 7 p.m.

Moon people expect a crowd of at least 19,000.

Last night's dinner, tonight's speech and the heavy advertising campaign preceding it cost \$350,000, according to the Moon organization here.

In the program to be handed to the audience tonight, Moon says he plans to “frequently mention the chosen people of Israel. I am sure there are many Christians and Jewish people in the audience. I dearly love all Christian brothers and sisters, and I have high esteem for the Jewish people.

“I beg you to understand before I begin that what I say in no way reflects my personal feeling. I am only bearing witness to the truth.”

Moon, who in recent months has stayed at his estate in Tarrytown and out of the public eye, spoke last night to 1600 people at a sort of pre-rebirthday party at the Waldorf.

Many of those at the Waldorf last night said they knew very little about Moon. They had received handsomely printed invitations asking them—as a “leader in your field”—to attend the banquet as Rev. Moon's guests. They were also promised that there would be no appeals for funds.

Worry About Son

Michael Runyon, who was in charge of planning the banquet, said the names came from “various lists we have.” The guests were generally older than the Moon people see on the street, who seem to be mostly to be in their 20s.

One couple was there because they were worried about their son's involvement with the Unification Church. Another said the head of the publishing firm they worked for had been visited and then telephoned by the Moon people, urging him to send a representative. A dentist said he had no idea why he was invited.

The dinner, which lasted five hours, began with orange juice cocktails while a dance band played tunes such as “Somewhere My Love,” and then adjourned to the Grand Ballroom for tropical melon basket, roast prime ribs, string beans, potatoes, salad and Black Forest Cake.

Along with the dessert came two selections by the

New Hope Singers International. The Korean Folk Ballet then received enthusiastic applause for its energetic and flawless performances of two traditional dances, one involving fans, the other drums.

From the dais, Joe A. Tully, director of the New York Unification Church recognized a number of “distinguished guests,” including the ambassadors from South Vietnam and Rwanda, the deputy ambassador from Cyprus and a number of UN diplomats.

Spoke in Korean

Moon, who is 54, was wearing the same navy blue suit, white shirt and red tie he wears in the omnipresent posters. The jacket was unbuttoned, so that its red-white-and-blue lining was visible when Moon flung his arms wide to make certain points. He spoke in Korean.

Translating for him was Col. Pak, whose generally unemotional presentation contrasted with Moon's frequent karate-chop gestures and stridings about the stage.

Moon alternated between speaking slowly and softly, and so loudly that he made the audience jump.

His spoke for an hour, and his theme seemed to be the importance and great rewards of “unselfish love” for others. Moon also told how he had received a message from God in 1972, telling him to come to America.

Poster Promise

“God loves America,” he said, and he urged Americans to love America. (A few months ago, he was also urging Americans to “forgive, love, unite” and accept Richard Nixon as God's chosen President. He did not mention either the present or former President last night.)

As he ended his speech, Moon announced a “re-birthday” present for the city. He said that after tonight's Madison Square Garden appearance the posters announcing the event will no longer be necessary.

He promised to take them all down.

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Crowds at Garden Take a Powder on Moon



Demonstrators carry signs outside Madison Square Garden before Rev. Moon's appearance.

By WILLIAM REEL and HARRY STATHOS

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon's much-ballyhooed campaign "to start the kingdom of heaven here in New York" suffered a setback last night. An overflow crowd of more than 20,000 persons began walking out of Madison Square Garden 10 minutes after the self-proclaimed messiah from Korea began speaking.

Moon's rally had been heralded with thousands of posters plastered all over the city and with a costly television advertising campaign.

As the program was getting under way, several thousand people tried to push their way past police barricades set up at the entrance of the Garden, where admission was free.

Chanting Pickets

A number of groups picketed outside the Garden, chanting such slogans as "Moon gets rich off Korean blood" and "Hitler, Nixon, Ford—the saints of Reverend Moon."

The Rev. Moon, leader of the Unification Church, which claims to have two million members throughout the world, was introduced to the crowd by Neil Salonen, president of the Unification Church of America.

As the Rev. Moon began to speak to the crowd in Korean, through a Korean who interpreted for him, scuffles broke out in the audience when several people began heckling him.

The Rev. Moon wound up his speech at 10:20 p.m., nearly two and a half hours after he had

started. About 7,000 enthusiastic supporters were still in the Garden at the end and they cheered when he finished.

Turnout Estimated at 40,000

Five minutes later, he was whisked away in a chauffeur-driven black Mercedes 600 limousine, escorted by one police car in front and one in back. He presumably was driven back to his luxurious estate in Westchester County.

Police said they were told by Unification Church officials that 380,000 free tickets had been given out before the rally. Police estimated that some 40,000 persons had shown up at the Garden.

"The time of the second coming of Christ is near," said the Rev. Moon, whose followers had been expecting him to declare himself as the second coming.

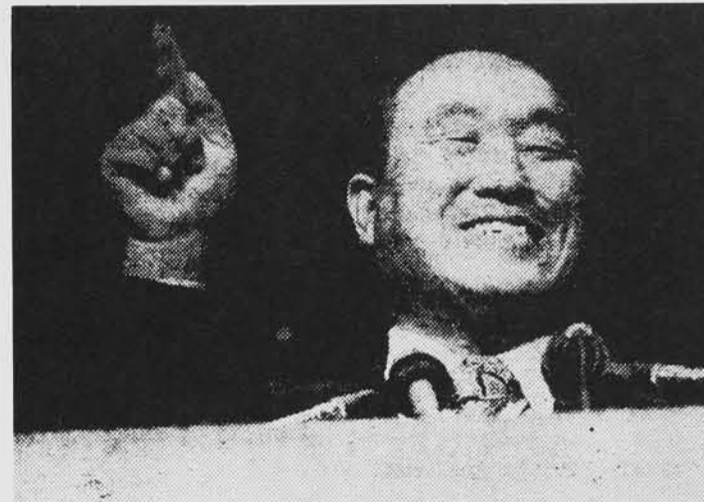
The Rev. Moon stressed that he had been warned not to come to the United States because the American people might not accept him, but he said that God had told him to come anyway.

"People Worried"

"Many people are worried about me," he said. "But I have told them, 'God's will be done.'"

The Rev. Moon began speaking

For Many at the Rally, Moon Didn't Shine



Post Photo by Vernon Shible

Sun Myung Moon at Madison Square Garden last night.

By LINDSAY MILLER

They came, they saw, but few converted.

In fact, about three-quarters of the 20,000 people who packed Madison Square Garden last night to hear the Rev. Sun Myung Moon speak on "The New Future of Christianity" left before the nearly four-hour program ended.

They didn't hear the 54-year-old, self-ordained minister proclaim—in Korean—that a man now living will soon be revealed as the new Messiah. The new Messiah, he said, will lead a mighty battle in which the forces of darkness will finally be overcome and the kingdom of heaven will be restored on earth.

at 8 p.m. and within 10 minutes hundreds of people got up and started leaving. By 9:30 p.m., more than two thirds of the crowd had left the Garden.

But the 54-year-old millionaire preacher, who claims that God appeared to him on a hillside in Korea when he was 16 and gave him a divine mission to convert the world, was still going strong.

Heresy Charged

The Korean Ministers Association of Greater New York, a group of 40 ministers born in Korea and now working in the metropolitan area, issued a statement "to clarify the public's view of Sun Myung Moon," ac-

He did not say it last night, but in the past, Moon has identified the evil force as communism. He also did not say, as some of his followers have, that he is the new Messiah.

But he did announce that Billy Graham is the new John the Baptist, who has been sent to "prepare the way of the Lord." But, Moon added, it may be difficult for the popular Christian evangelist to accept—just as it was difficult for John the Baptist to accept—that a contemporary man could be the Messiah.

Throughout his speech, Moon stressed parallels between what he said were the Jews' mistaken expectations

about a Messiah and Christians' mistaken expectations about a second coming of Jesus Christ.

He said the Jews were literally expecting the prophet Ezekiel to return on a fiery chariot as prophesied in the Old Testament, and so they failed to recognize that John the Baptist was the promised forerunner of Christ.

Pounding the side of the podium to make his point, Moon said, "Billy Graham does not come in a chariot. He comes from North Carolina."

Some of the points in Moon's two-hour speech were inevitably lost in the translation provided by Col. Bo Hi Pak, his chief Korean aide.

The audience, which responded with a few nervous giggles when Moon began to speak, may not have been prepared for his Korean style of delivery. He clapped his hands, stamped across the stage, did little karate kicks and, at times, jabbed or embraced his translator.

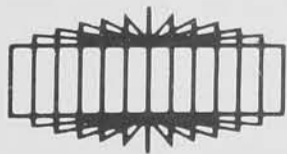
Moon's voice, like a clarinet, has three registers—a low guttural rumbling, a regular yell and a high-pitched yell. Early in his speech, when someone in the audience began a commotion, Moon stood quietly by. He quickly regained the audience's attention by asking, "May I sing a song for you?" And then, all eyes back on Moon, he sang a lullaby in a soft baritone.

Although people were leaving throughout the speech, Moon's followers, who had heard much of what he said before, listened attentively and applauded enthusiastically. They wore large Moon buttons and the determined grins that New Yorkers have become used to in the last few weeks of heavy street evangelism.

The other members of the audience ranged from a group of black grade school children to elderly couples.

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Tonight you can hear part of the revelation received by Reverend Sun Myung Moon from God. It will be the message to wipe away the tears of human suffering, and heal the scarred hearts of the spiritually wounded. It will be the new light for the new age. Reverend Moon knows that unless we revive Christianity—the belief that built this country—America will be in great danger. He knows that America has a vital role in God's Providence. God is depending upon America.

He knows that we need families of strong moral and ethical fiber. He believes that our whole society and especially the youth of our country, need new education of character that can truly overcome our separation from God, the Source of love, life and ideals.

Through sorrow, he has known the loneliness of God's heart. He has shed tears for God and for mankind to bring about the ideal world. He has a great hope to share with everyone, which is now revitalizing Christianity, bringing families together, and inspiring young people throughout the world with new ideals. You may find the key to the solution of our troubles in his speech tonight.

Tonight, let us go together, as brothers and sisters in God, our Heavenly Father, and listen to our faithful visitor from Korea, Reverend Sun Myung Moon. He left his own beloved country and came to America because he loves God and he knows how much God cares for America. The new revelation is being spoken. We believe God needs each of us to listen tonight.

Greeting from the Reverend Sun Myung Moon

I am going to speak about some new revelations from God which are very vital to the understanding of all Christians. I will also frequently mention the chosen people of Israel. I am sure there are many Christians and Jewish people in the audience. I dearly love all Christian brothers and sisters, and I have high esteem for the Jewish people. I beg you to understand before I begin that what I say in no way reflects my personal feeling. I am only bearing witness to the truth.

Sometimes testimony to the truth is a painful task. Yet it is my mission it is my duty to fulfill. The content of my message may be contrary to your previous understandings. Some things may be very new to you. May I ask you to think over seriously what you hear.

Unless I had something new to reveal, I would not be here to speak to you at all. Why should I speak if only to repeat the things that you already know? I would like for you and me to spend time together in open-mindedness so that the spirit of God can speak directly into our hearts. Jesus taught in his Sermon on the Mount:

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

(Matthew 5:3,5,6)

I humbly ask you to be the poor in spirit; I ask you to be meek, and I ask you to become those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. Then we will all see the kingdom of heaven, and we shall all be satisfied.



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Reverend Sun Myung Moon
"The New Future of Christianity"
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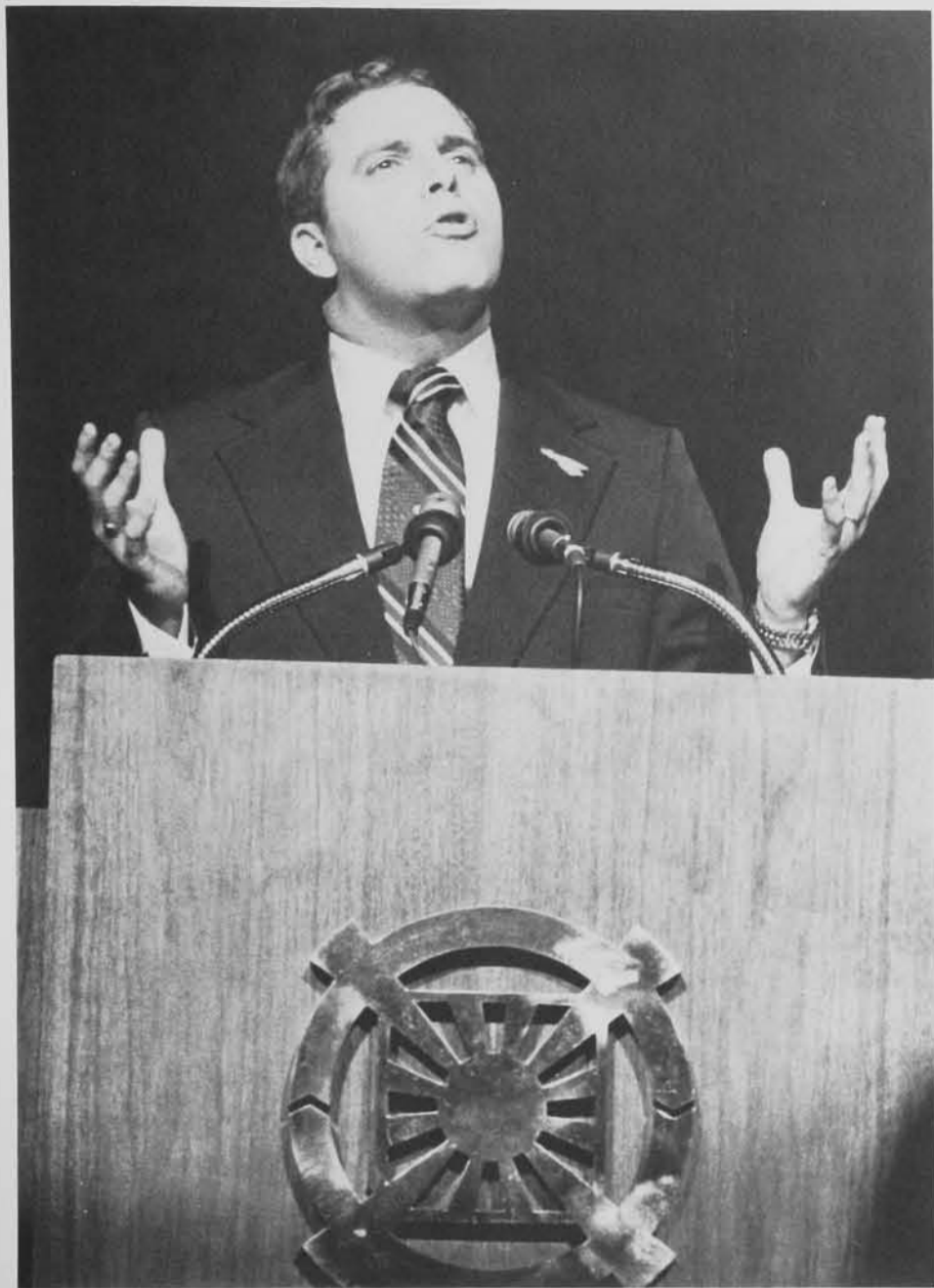
We cannot welcome September 18th as just another day. We must make that day the day of light, day of glory. I'm determined to see this day victorious so that I can reward the prayers that are coming from overseas. I want to reward your hard work, and I want to glorify the name of Heavenly Father.

*Sun Myung Moon
September 8, 1974*

God Needs You Tonight







Pres. Salonen introduces Our Master

Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. On behalf of all the members of the Unification Church International, I'd like to welcome you to our 1974 Day of Hope Crusade here in Madison Square Garden. Our program this evening is as exciting as it is varied. We have the New Hope Singers International, 40 Unification Church members from 21 different nations. The Korean Folk Ballet is a charming troupe of young ladies, members of the Unification Church from Korea. But I know that most of you have come here this evening to hear the inspiring message of the Reverend Sun Myung Moon.

His movement began with the revelation received in 1936, and rapidly spread until today we have members in 50 countries throughout the world, over 3 million members and supporters seeking to bring the reality of God back into our life. Without further ado, I know that this evening will be a total experience of the love of God. May I present, to begin our program, the New Hope Singers International.

Let's give another round of applause to those fine young entertain-

ers. For those of you who enjoyed it so much, I just want to assure you that much finer, more exciting entertainment is coming toward the end of the program. But now I have the great privilege of introducing our guest of honor.

Certainly many of you will have seen the posters all over the city of New York, and have been wondering, "What is it that's so different about Reverend Sun Myung Moon? How can he—a man from Korea—seem to inspire such . . . such dedication in his followers? It seems to even rival or surpass that of Billy Graham and Oral Roberts. How is he different from those great preachers and evangelists? The answer lies in one word. All the leaders of this time are preachers. They've been giving messages to help people understand revelations or teachings from God that have come down to us through the ages. Reverend Sun Myung Moon is a prophet. He brings to us a great new message of God given in this day in order to explain and to lead us to the solutions to the problems of our time. Reverend Moon was born in 1920 in part of what is now North Korea. He was

raised in a Christian home. It wasn't easy to be a Christian at that time. Korea was under the domination of the Japanese, and they persecuted Christians because they wanted to establish their own state religion. Nevertheless, he was raised with a deep devotion to the Bible, and he was recognized by his family and friends as someone entirely different from his earliest days. He would often spend long hours studying the Bible or deep in prayer, while his friends were following other, lighter pursuits.

In 1936, on Easter morning when Sun Myung Moon was deep in prayer, Jesus Christ appeared to him, and gave him the message, that God had called him to work for the fulfillment of the new age, that the Book of Revelation was now being fulfilled, and that he was to bring the message to Christians of the world to prepare them for this time of great fulfillment. Over the next nine years, his spiritual senses were fully opened. He communicated with the highest realms of the spiritual world. Often talking with the great figures recorded in the Bible—Moses, Noah, Abraham, and Jesus Christ himself. After World War II when his country was liberated, he returned to his home and began to preach with great faith and great enthusiasm. Many were attracted to him, but as you know, Korea was not left in peace at that time. Instead the country was tragically divided, and the Communist north completely persecuted religion, even more vigorously than had the Japanese before them. Reverend Moon was identified as a man who because of his faith in God and his faith in Christ was dangerous to the state, he was thrown into a forced labor camp, a camp where few men were expected to live more than six months. Their life was so tough, and their rations so meager. Many prisoners would die in the very act of eating, where the others would leap on them and pull the few grains of rice out of their dying mouths. In that environment, Reverend Moon would divide his food, and give fully half of it away to someone weaker or in worse shape than himself. Because he knew he could live on his faith in God. He spent long hours in prayer during those three years in the Communist prison camp, but he never prayed from weakness. He only prayed that God would be comforted. He told God that he would never desert his mission for his faith in God was absolute, even under those most terrible material conditions. And his prayers were answered. In 1950, when the UN forces landed at Hungnam, his prison camp was freed and he fled to the south. There in a refugee camp, he began to preach that this was a great new day of hope, that God was working to bring the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.

Who of us would have been able to believe him at that time? In a country torn apart by war, the economy in chaos, families divided, things seemed to be at the very bottom. And yet he was preaching a message of hope. It is a great testimony to the faith of Reverend Moon and to the power of his inspiration that he was able to attract such a dedicated following, which is now spread to 50 countries throughout the world.

If we are at all to realize those things which Jesus promised us in the Bible as Christians, we must come together. God has given us one Bible, but there are over 400 different denominations based on slightly different interpretations of that same Bible. This evening, many of us will hear new things for the first time. They may seem to contradict some of what we've heard before. But if all 400 groups of Christianity are to come together, it must be because a new truth is revealed which clarifies those ambiguities. This message is the revelation received by Reverend Moon. His work has done so much to revive the spirit of Christianity in this country which has been having a decline in church mem-

bership. We've received many telegrams of support from civic and national leaders to encourage this work. I'd like to share just a few of them with you.



Telegram

I'M DELIGHTED TO ADD MY VOICE TO THE CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR SPEAKING TOUR. YOUR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO RELIGION, SCIENCE AND INTERNATIONAL UNDERSTANDING, AND PARTICULARLY YOUR GREAT WORK WITH YOUNG PEOPLE BRING NOT JUST A DAY OF HOPE, A LIFETIME OF HOPE. WE'RE ALL FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO COME IN CONTACT WITH YOU. MY BEST WISHES FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUCCESS.

Donald Mayes
President of the Borough
of the Bronx



Telegram

MY BEST WISHES FROM CAPITOL HILL TO ALL OF YOU. THIS COUNTRY NEEDS MORE SMILING FACES AND MORE DEDICATED BELIEF IN PRAYER. AS YOU PRAY FOR A GREATER AMERICA, MAY GOD GUIDE ALL OF US ALONG THIS PATH TOGETHER.

James N. Collins
Representative, U.S. Congress



Telegram

THE NATIONAL SOCIETY OF THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION WARMLY CONGRATULATES YOU FOR YOUR SUCCESSFUL EFFORT IN FOSTERING THE RESTORATION OF PATRIOTISM AND RELIGION IN TODAY'S AMERICA. NEVER BEFORE IN THE UNITED STATES HAVE WE SO NEEDED FAITH IN THE ALMIGHTY, AND LOVE OF COUNTRY. MAY GOD GRANT YOU MANY MORE YEARS IN YOUR NOBLE AND GLORIOUS WORK.

Dr. Warren S. Woodward
Executive Director
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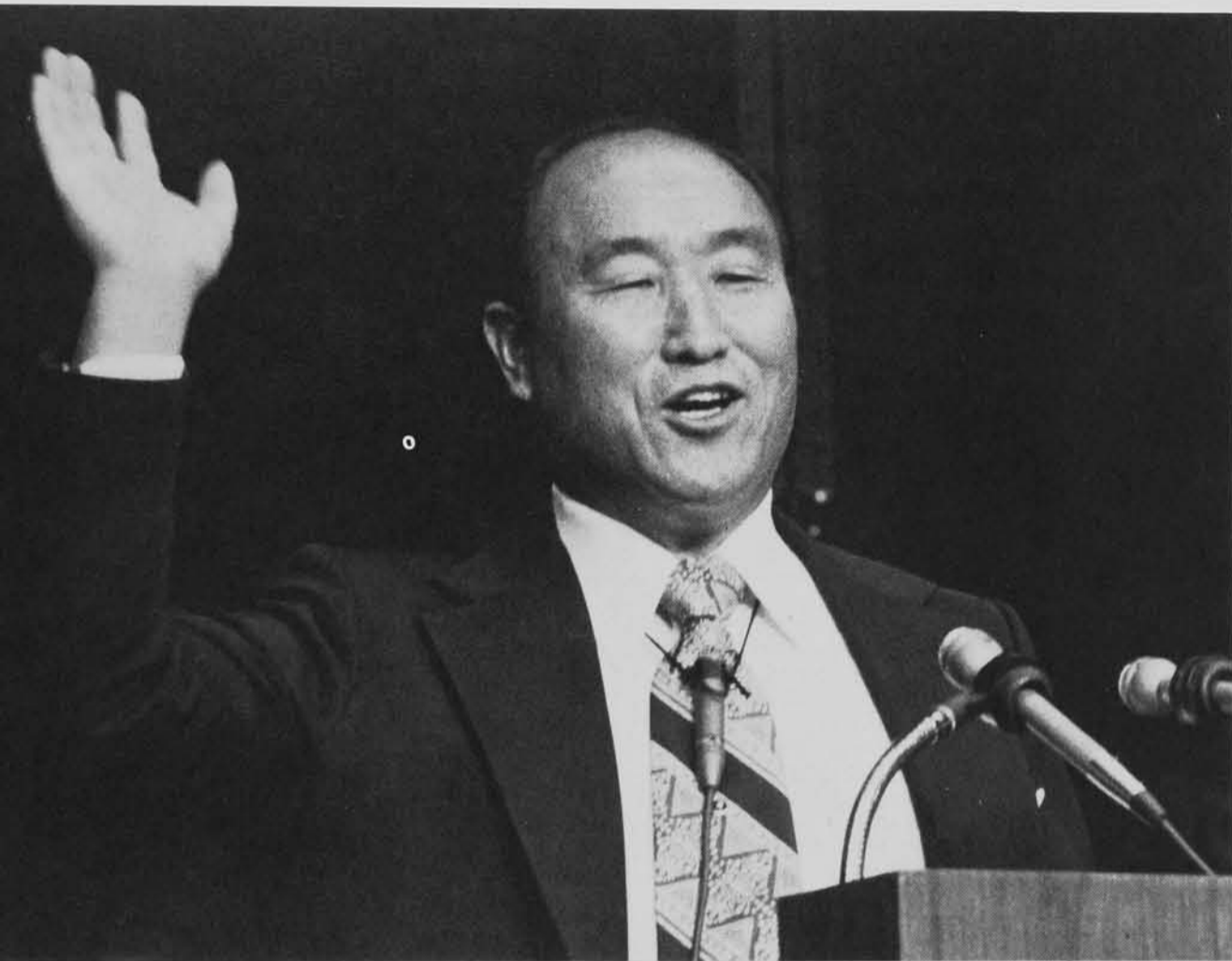
Telegram

CONGRATULATIONS TO REV. SUN MYUNG MOON AND ALL OF THOSE INVOLVED IN THE DAY OF HOPE SPEAKING TOUR. THANK YOU FOR THE INSPIRATION OF YOUR MOVEMENT AND WHAT IT HAS BROUGHT TO AMERICA, PARTICULARLY FOR THE WORK BEING DONE WITH OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. I AM CONVINCED THAT OUR NATION MUST RETURN TO THE BASIC MORAL AND SPIRITUAL FOUNDATION UPON WHICH THIS NATION WAS FOUNDED. I VERY MUCH REGRET THAT I COULD NOT BE PRESENT WITH YOU THIS EVENING. I HAD HOPED TO BE ABLE TO JOIN YOU, BUT I SEND YOU MY WARMEST BEST WISHES.

Charles W. Sandman
Representative, U.S. Congress

And there have been many others, far too numerous to read tonight. But I think you can see that the work of Reverend Sun Myung Moon has done much to rekindle the spirit of Christianity and to really bring about a new future for Christianity.

This evening, I'd like to ask you all to join with me in giving a very warm welcome to the founder of the Unification Church International. May I present the Reverend Sun Myung Moon!



To make a long story short, we are looking for true parents. This is a new word, new terminology. You couldn't find such terminology in any other church or religious group. This is our terminology alone, because we are based on a new, very special purpose and mission here. "True Parents" means God-centered parents. We have this startling thing.

Then what comes next after "True Parents"? True sons and daughters, children of God. Then what else? True brotherhood among sisters and brothers. This word "family" takes on a new meaning in the Unification Church. When we say "family" it represents something else. The family is the cornerstone of the kingdom. The assemblage of the families creates a heavenly society; the cornerstone of the one family is so important. Then, as I said, God's love is expanded after the family to the tribe, then after the tribe to the people. Then eventually God is seeking one nation. There could not be a multitude of nations in the sight of God. He can think of only one nation under Him. Inheriting God's kingdom can be done only by those in God's nation. This is logical: only God's nation can inherit the love of God.

*Sun Myung Moon
September 11, 1974*















The New Future of Christianity

LAST HOPE FOR MANKIND—THE MESSIAH

Wake up America, Now is the time

Reverend Sun Myung Moon

at Madison Square Garden, Sept. 18, 1974

Ladies and gentlemen, I am very happy to be here tonight. Thank you very much for coming. We are gathered together in this impressive setting of Madison Square Garden tonight in the name of God.

My topic tonight is "The New Future of Christianity." But before I go into this evening's message, I would like to make one personal plea. I did not come here to repeat what you already know. I have come to reveal something new. I want to share with you a new revelation from God.

There is only one God, one Christ, one Bible. Today, however, in the Christian world alone there are more than 400 different denominations, all looking at the same Bible from very different points of view, with many different interpretations.

What we are interested in today is not the human interpretation of the Bible, but how God interprets the Bible, and what God's will really is. That answer must come from God, in the form of revelation.

And I want to share that revelation with you tonight. Since this message came from God, and since it is from God's point of view, the content naturally may be different from man's understanding. Therefore, it may be very new to you. But what we need is new ideas—God's ideas—because man has exhausted all of his own ideas already. That is the reason for my coming here to talk to you tonight.

So I ask each one of you to open your mind and open your heart, so that the spirit of God can speak to you directly.

Throughout history, Christians of the world have been looking forward to one great culminating day, as prophesied in the Bible—the day of the Second Coming of the Lord. Since this has been the promise of God, the Second Coming of Christ will definitely be fulfilled.

Why is the Lord coming a second time? He is coming to consummate the will of God. Then what is the will of God?

God is eternal, unchanging, and unique. And He has one will, which is also eternal, unchanging, and unique. In the beginning,

where we shall live for eternity. That was God's original blueprint.

There could be no Satan, no evil, and no hell in that world. Indeed, God did not create hell for His own children. No good father would construct a prison for his child as soon as he was born. Why would God need a hell for His own children? Only heaven was God's original will. Because of sin, however, man lost his original value and became human trash. Hell is like God's human trash can. But it was necessary only after the fall of man.

KINGDOM OF HELL— PARADISE LOST

Then let us further examine the state of fallen man and the fallen world. We read in John 8:44 that Jesus says,

"You are of your father the devil."

By the fall, man was brought under the false fatherhood of Satan. Man switched his father. We left our true Father, God, and united with the false father, Satan. The first man and woman became the children of Satan.

Under the false fatherhood of Satan, Adam and Eve united as a couple unlawfully, without God's blessing or permission. And when they multiplied children, they all came under the same false father. They were all born as the children of sin, not the children of God. Therefore, the multiplication of sinful children from one generation after Adam to



send His ultimate champion, the Messiah.

JESUS DID NOT COME TO DIE

There is one historical puzzle that has not been solved.

For 4,000 years before the coming of

was because of the Old Testament. This may be surprising to you. But the chosen people of Israel interpreted the Old Testament literally. They did not realize that the Bible was in code. They took the Bible literally, word for word, letter for letter. In other words, they became slaves to the letter of the Old Testament.

Let me give you evidence. The book of Malachi in the Old Testament has a parallel function to that of the Book of Revelation in the New Testament. It clearly shows the timetable and the last minute description of how the Messiah would come. In Malachi 4:5-6, you will find these words:

I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers.

Who was Elijah? He was a great prophet of Israel who had lived approximately 900 years before Jesus Christ, and who had ascended into heaven in a chariot of fire in a whirlwind, according to the Old Testament. So people believed that Elijah would literally return from the blue sky in a chariot of fire and announce the Son of God. This is what the people expected.

But did Elijah come? The problem was, Elijah did not return in the manner they expected. The chosen people of Israel never

not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" And he answered, "No."

John the Baptist denied everything. He said, "I am not Elijah." He even denied the title of prophet. Everyone knew and recognized him as a prophet of God, but he said, "I'm no prophet." Why? He evaluated the situation and knew that Jesus Christ was treated by his own society as an outcast. Jesus seemed to be a loser, and John decided not to side with Jesus. He thought it would be much better to deny everything.

By doing so, John the Baptist pushed Jesus into a corner, making him seem a great imposter without defense. After John's denial, Jesus had no further recourse on this point.

Then why was Jesus crucified? First, he became the victim of literal interpretation of the Old Testament. Secondly, Jesus was rejected and finally crucified because of the failure of the mission of John the Baptist. We can read in Matthew 11:1-3 that John the Baptist, waiting in prison to be beheaded, sent two of his own disciples to Jesus to ask the following question:

"Are you he who is to come, or shall we wait for another?" (Matt. 11:3)

Is this the question of a man who has faith in Jesus as the Son of God? John the Baptist had earlier testified to Jesus at the Jordan River,

"I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God." (John 1:34)

Yet this very same person, with the very same tongue was now confronting Jesus by asking, "Are you really the Messiah, or shall we go and look for somebody else?" How disheartening that question must have been to Jesus! What a man of little faith John was!

The mission of John the Baptist was very important to the fulfillment of the mission of the Messiah. God sent John specifically "to prepare the way of the Lord, to make ready a people prepared." That was John's re-

God had a definite purpose before He created the universe and this world. And that purpose was the reason for creation. And He began the creation of the universe and man to fulfill that purpose.

According to the Bible, after the first man and woman were created—Adam and Eve—God gave them a commandment. That commandment was,

Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die. (Gen. 2:17)

God asked them to obey His commandment. God was implying that by Adam's and Eve's obedience to the law, His purpose would be fulfilled. However, God made the consequences of disobedience very clear. He said, "The day that you eat of it you shall die." The result of disobedience was death.

However, Adam and Eve disobeyed God. The result was the fall of man. Spiritual death came to man, and the purpose of God was not realized. They made a wrong choice, and what resulted was the opposite of what God originally intended.

After their disobedience, God had no choice but to expel this man and woman from the Garden of Eden. The Garden of Eden is a symbolic expression of the Kingdom of God on earth. Adam and Eve no longer deserved citizenship in God's Kingdom, so they were cast out into the ungodly realms, the living hell—which was their own creation.

KINGDOM OF HEAVEN ON EARTH

If Adam and Eve had obeyed God, they would have brought the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. What would that Kingdom be like? Adam and Eve were created sinless, with the potential for perfection. And they were to grow into perfection by obeying the law of God. While they were growing into fully perfected man and woman, their relationship was to be that of brother and sister. They were expected to set the true tradition of brotherhood.

God created one male and one female. Why? After their reaching the state of perfection, God wanted to bring them together into one heavenly couple, through the blessing of heavenly matrimony. God intended to begin His Kingdom with Adam and Eve as the first husband and wife.

If that had become a reality, then God's blessing to be fruitful and multiply would have been fulfilled. He would have given them the power to multiply children of God. And those children would have been sinless and perfect. What else could they be? Sin would never have been introduced into the human race. By having children, Adam and Eve would have become the God-centered True Father and Mother—the True Parents of mankind.

If Adam and Eve had formed this first God-centered family, then out of that would have come a God-centered tribe, a God-centered nation, and a God-centered world in which God alone would be the ruler. Then perfection would have reigned from the beginning to eternity.

If that had been accomplished in the beginning, today we would not find so many different races and languages. We would all belong to the one race of Adam, under the one tradition of Adam. And Adam's one language would be our universal tongue. And indeed, the whole world would be one nation under God.

So in God's plan, all men are supposed to be born into the Kingdom of God on earth. We are to enjoy the heavenly life on earth. And then when our physical earthly life is over, we are to be elevated into the Kingdom of God in the spiritual heaven,

another has brought about this fallen, sinful world.

Because we have not had God as the center, there came about a world of sin, a world of mistrust, a world of crime, a world of hatred and war. And we, the nations and societies of this world, can destroy each other and feel no pain. This is the Kingdom of Hell on earth.

The master of this world, indeed, is not God, but Satan. This is why John 12:31 indicates that Satan is the ruler of this world. We know this universe was created by God. We know God created man. But God is not the master, because man changed his master. Man betrayed God and united with a false master, Satan. This Satan has been the father of mankind.

SALVATION IS RESTORATION

Almighty God is a God of love, a God of mercy. His heart is compassionate and grieved at the living death of His children.

He knows no man is capable of breaking his chains and getting rid of sin by himself. He knows there is only one power that is capable of bringing man into salvation—God Himself. And God, in His mercy, is determined to save this world.

What is salvation? Salvation is simply restoration. What does a doctor do to save his patient? He restores the patient to normal health. That is a cure. What would you do to save a drowning person? You would save him by bringing him out of the water and restoring him to dry land. That is a rescue.

By the same token, God's salvation of man is simply to restore man to the original state of goodness from an abnormal, deviated state.

So, salvation is equivalent to restoration. God is going to restore the Kingdom of Hell to the Kingdom of Heaven.

God made His determination clear in the Bible:

"I have spoken, and I will bring it to pass: I have purposed, and I will do it." (Isaiah 46:11)

God did not say He might do it. He said He will do it, showing His absolute determination to restore man and the world to the original design.

How? By the Messiah. To restore mankind, God sent His only Son, Jesus Christ, into this world as the Savior—as the Messiah. Two thousand years ago, Jesus Christ came into our world as the Author of life. He came to transform all sinful men into Christ-like men. He came to restore the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Therefore, Jesus Christ proclaimed as his first gospel,

"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Matt. 4:17)

With the coming of Jesus Christ, people were truly at the threshold of the Kingdom of Heaven.

PREPARATION FOR THE MESSIAH

However, before God could send His Son to restore the world, He had to prepare the way step by step, starting with one individual and expanding to a nation, in order to establish a Foundation of Faith upon which the Messiah could come.

After all, this world had been Satan's world. If the Messiah were to come to this earth without a prepared foundation, the Satanic world would destroy him. So God worked diligently and carefully to establish one nation, one sovereignty over which He could have control. The chosen nation of Israel was the result of that preparation for the Messiah.

God prepared the nation of Israel as the "landing site" for the Messiah. Upon the Foundation of Faith of Israel, God could

Jesus Christ, God had prepared the chosen people of Israel for the Messiah, as I explained earlier. Through His prophets, God had forewarned the chosen people to be ready for the Messiah. God was working to build up expectation, and there was indeed great Messianic fervor in Israel. And at the appointed hour, God fulfilled His promise. The Son of God, Jesus Christ, came to his own people on time.

Then what happened? History is the witness. The people did not know him. They rejected him, rebelled against him, and finally crucified him on the cross. Why?

The Christian churches say, "Well, the answer to that question is, simply, God sent Jesus Christ to die on the cross. The crucifixion was the predestined will of God from the beginning."

Then, let me ask those Christians, "What will you do when Jesus Christ returns to you today?" All Christians undoubtedly will answer, "We will receive him! Welcome him! Unite with him! Follow him!" Let me further ask, "Will you crucify Christ when he appears?" Your answer must be, "No!"

If that is so, then what about the chosen people of 2,000 years ago? If they had accepted Jesus—as you would today—would they still have had to crucify him? No! It was a mistake! It was in ignorance that they murdered Jesus Christ.

It was God's will that His chosen people accept the Messiah. But they crucified him instead. And then Christians "passed the buck" by saying that that was the will of God. Ridiculous! This is not acceptable to our logic. Something must have gone terribly wrong. What was it?

IGNORANCE KILLED JESUS

The people did not know who Jesus of Nazareth was. They did not know him as the Son of God. If they had clearly known Jesus was the Messiah, the Son of God, they would not have crucified him.

He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. (John 1:11)

And listen to the testimony of St. Paul:

None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. (1 Cor. 2:8)

If they had only known who he was, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. It was a mistake. It was ignorance and blindness that killed Jesus Christ!

Christians of the world have not realized the truth about what actually happened in Jesus' time. If God's only purpose in sending His Son was to have him nailed on the cross, then why would God spend the time to prepare the chosen people of Israel in the first place? It would have been much easier for God to send His Son among the disbelievers, or even among savages. They would have killed him more quickly, and salvation would have come faster. No chosen people, no Israel would have been necessary just to have the Messiah killed!

In the Old Testament, God repeatedly promised that Israel would be glorified by the coming of His Son. But after the Messiah came, what happened to the chosen people? They were chastized, and suffered to an incredible degree. Their nation was destroyed, and their people were scattered throughout the world—only because the chosen people did not live up to the will of God. They rejected the Messiah when God's will was his acceptance.

SLAVES TO THE LETTER OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Then the question is, why did the Israelites not know who Jesus was? Believe it or not, the first reason why God's chosen people did not recognize Jesus as the Messiah

heard anything about the miraculous return of Elijah. However, one day they did hear an extraordinary declaration. A young man from Nazareth, whose name was Jesus, was being proclaimed to the world as the Messiah, the Son of God. That was indeed an incredible announcement.

And what was the people's immediate reaction? "Impossible!" they said. "How could Jesus of Nazareth be the Son of God? We have not heard anything about Elijah." No Elijah, no Messiah.

Malachi's prophecy of the coming of Elijah was indeed an obstacle to Jesus' successful ministry. When Jesus' disciples went out all over Israel teaching the Gospel and proclaiming Jesus as the Son of God, the people repudiated their words, saying, "If your master is the Son of God, where is Elijah? The book says Elijah must come first."

JOHN THE BAPTIST WAS ELIJAH

Jesus' disciples were not well prepared to answer this question. As a matter of fact, they were not learned in the Old Testament. After all, they were lowly fishermen of Galilee, tax collectors, and harlots. So the embarrassed disciples one day decided to go to Jesus to ask for his help in this matter. This appears in Matthew 17:10.

And the disciples asked him, "Then why do the scribes say that first Elijah must come?" He replied, "Elijah does come, and he is to restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come."

This was a real shock to the disciples. And then they understood, according to the Bible, that Jesus was speaking to them of John the Baptist.

Was John the Baptist Elijah? Yes, Jesus said so. But the chosen people of Israel were never convinced. They said, "Outrageous!"

Let us imagine we can transpose these events to our time. John the Baptist of 2,000 years ago was a person of tremendous influence, enjoying great prestige all over Israel as a great prophet, a man of God—just like Billy Graham of today, a great Christian leader.

Let us say some unknown young man suddenly appeared and began proclaiming himself to the world as the Son of God. As a student of the Scriptures, you would ask him, "If you are the Son of God, where is the promised Elijah?" If this man said, "Do you not know that Billy Graham is Elijah?", what would be your reaction? You would undoubtedly say, "Impossible! How could Billy Graham be Elijah? He did not come out of the blue sky. We all know he came from North Carolina!"

You could not accept that, could you? Precisely this same kind of unbelief happened to our Lord Jesus Christ. People could not accept that John the Baptist was Elijah, simply because he did not come from the sky. The chosen people of 2,000 years ago were stubborn in their belief that the prophecy of Elijah's return must be fulfilled literally, that he must come from the sky. They were the victims of the letter of the Old Testament.

JOHN THE BAPTIST, MAN OF FAILURE

Yet Jesus Christ continued to preach all over Israel with power and authority in spite of scornful public opinion. The people could not dismiss such a man lightly. They wanted to be sure of themselves. So they decided to go to ask John the Baptist himself and settle their questions once and for all. And they did, as we can read in John 1:19-21. They asked John,

"Who are you?" He confessed, he did

responsibility as the forerunner of Christ.

Jesus relied very much upon the success of the mission of John the Baptist. When this very John the Baptist came to Jesus and said, "Are you really the Messiah?", it was more painful for Jesus than if he had stabbed him with a knife. Can you imagine how Jesus felt? His heart was stricken. Anger overwhelmed him. Jesus refused to answer "yes" or "no" to that impossible question. Instead, Jesus said,

"Blessed is he who takes no offense at me." (Matt. 11:6)

This was Jesus' consolation to John when he saw his miserable failure. Jesus was really saying, "Poor John, man of failure. You no longer have faith in me. You are taking offense at the Son of God. I am sorry for you, John."

Therefore, Jesus said in Matthew 11:11, *"Truly, I say to you, among those born of women there has risen no one greater than John the Baptist; yet he who is least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he."*

John had fallen to the point where even the least in the Kingdom of Heaven were greater than he. The meaning of this statement of Jesus has been mysterious. Christians have not understood its true significance because they have not realized that John the Baptist was a man who failed his mission. Tonight we can know the true meaning.

John the Baptist was the greatest among those born of women because of his mission, which was to testify to the Son of God. All the prophets in the past had had the same mission. But the prophets who came before John had borne witness to the Messiah with the distance of time between them and the Lord.

John was born as a contemporary of Jesus Christ, so he had the privilege to bear witness to the living Christ when he appeared in person. So far as his mission was concerned, John the Baptist had the greatest, most glorious one of all. Thus, Jesus said he was the greatest among those born of women.

However, in the fulfillment of his mission, John was the very least; he was the most miserable failure of all. All the prophets who had lived before him were in the Kingdom of Heaven in the spirit world. They knew who Jesus Christ was. But John did not. He doubted. He became skeptical and finally blind to Jesus' identity. At last he failed to uphold his own testimony to the Son of God. He became a man of failure, and therefore the least of all in the Kingdom of Heaven.

John the Baptist was finally beheaded. He could have been a glorious martyr if he had been beheaded because he was performing his ordained mission, witnessing and proclaiming to the world that Jesus Christ was the Son of God! But he was beheaded only because he became involved in the personal love scandal of King Herod. That affair was none of John's business. Attending the Son of God was his sole responsibility. But John deserted this divine mission and suffered a meaningless, even shameful death. This truth must be told, however painful.

If John the Baptist had been a man of great faith, what would have been the result? He would have indeed become the chief disciple of the Son of God, Jesus Christ. If Jesus was King, John the Baptist would have been prime minister. That was the position that God ordained for John.

In that case, then, the twelve apostles, the 70 disciples, and the 120 that Jesus chose—all would have come from the ranks of John's own followers. John would have served as a mediator to bring unity and



A "standing-room only" crowd of 20,000 was packed into Madison Square Garden Wednesday night to hear modern-day prophet Rev. Sun Myung Moon proclaim the coming of the Kingdom on Earth.

harmony between the chosen people of Israel and the Son of God. Then who would have dared to crucify Jesus under those circumstances? No one! The crucifixion would never have occurred.

You may say, "Rev. Moon, by what authority are you speaking? What makes you so sure?" I do have the authority to say these things. God showed me the truth. I met Jesus. Jesus himself showed me these truths. And I met John the Baptist, too, in the spirit world. He himself bore witness to the truth of this testimony. After these extraordinary spiritual experiences, when I returned to the reality of this world, the same Bible I had been reading took on a whole new meaning.

Even if you cannot accept these things as the truth now, you must at least suspend judgment. One day we will all know the truth. Eventually we are all going to die. Every one of us will end up in the spiritual heaven, where truth is like the sunlight. No one can escape it there. On that day we shall all see the whole truth.

However, blessed is he who can be humble enough to accept the truth while he has the opportunity here on earth. Your knowledge of the truth and of God here on earth will determine your eternal life.

JESUS EXPECTED ON CLOUDS OF HEAVEN

There is one more vital and third reason why Jesus was not accepted as the Messiah. Two thousand years ago the chosen people of Israel expected the Son of God to come on the clouds of heaven, according to the prophecy of Daniel.

I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man. (Dan. 7:13)

But Jesus Christ did not appear miraculously on the clouds of heaven. He was born of the woman Mary, the wife of Joseph. The people said, "Well, how could this Jesus be the Son of God? He is no more than a man, just like you and me." This was another overwhelming reason why the chosen people rejected Jesus.

secondary mission—for then his coming would have been completely in vain.

ACCEPTANCE OF JESUS WOULD HAVE BROUGHT GOD'S KINGDOM

Let us now consider what actually would have happened if Jesus had been accepted by the people of Israel. Indeed, he would have become the King of that nation. Then as the King of Israel, he would have united his disciples with all of the descendants of Abraham, including the twelve tribes of Jacob and all the Arab tribes. All of them would have become one family of the Son of God.

Jesus Christ would have set up a heavenly sovereignty centered upon the chosen nation of Israel. The constitution of the Kingdom of God would have been promulgated in his time. An invincible nation would have been established, in which the sovereignty of God would have become a reality. That one nation under God, which the first Adam was to have begun, finally would have come to pass with the last Adam—Jesus Christ—as King. Even the Roman Empire would be humbled before God's Kingdom. This is the prediction of Isaiah 9:7.

Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David, and over his kingdom, to establish it, and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and for evermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this.

Even after Jesus' death, his disciples marched towards Rome barehanded, suffering and shedding their blood. But within 400 years, the Roman Empire collapsed before this barehanded army. If Jesus Christ had not been crucified, but had been the living commander of this holy army, then the entire Roman Empire would have come under the sovereignty of God in Jesus' own lifetime.

At that time, the great Roman Empire was the hub of the world. God's plan of salvation was to restore the whole world. So God

flesh he served the law of sin. His body was yet to be redeemed; he was still anguished in sin.

And so it is for us. By acceptance of Christ, we have spiritual salvation. But our bodies are serving the law of sin in the domain of Satan—until Christ comes again and liberates us from the bondage of sin. The Lord of the Second Advent is the only one who can give total salvation: spiritual salvation and redemption of our bodies, also.

Christianity has power today only to give spiritual salvation. Unlike the nation of Israel, Christianity does not have a physical base. Therefore, God's dominion in Christianity is over only a spiritual kingdom.

Therefore, the great hope of humanity is the Second Coming of the Messiah. This is the hope of America, the hope of the world. America—this unique Christian nation—must awaken now and ready herself for the day of the coming of the Messiah.

American Christianity today is in the spiritual position of Israel 2,000 years ago. America is destined to serve as the Messiah's landing site for the 20th century. God wants to reach out to the world. But in order to do so, God must reach out to America first.

America's role is parallel to that of the Roman Empire of 2,000 years ago. As Rome was the hub of the world in those days, America is the hub of the world of modern times. Jesus set his eyes on Rome. And when Christ returns, he will set his eyes on America.

HOW THE SECOND COMING WILL BE FULFILLED

Today, we cannot believe anything without logic. God is truth, and truth is logical. There can be no perfection in ignorance.

Christian prayer alone could not put Neil Armstrong on the moon. Scientific truth was necessary. I myself was once a student of science, and I know that God is the God of science, too. So His message has to be scientific, logical, and convincing to men of the 20th century.

Advent) must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation." (Luke 17:25)

If the Lord is coming with the clouds of heaven, in power and great glory, with the trumpets of angels, who could dare reject him or cause him suffering? Would you? These are the words of Jesus. He will suffer and be rejected, because he is coming as the Son of man in the flesh. At first, people will have a difficult time recognizing him as the Christ.

All Christian churches and all devout Christians are expecting the coming of the Lord in the clouds of heaven. They are all looking up, waiting for his appearance. But if that expectation does not come true, and the Lord appears unexpectedly as the Son of man in the flesh—as Jesus came to this world the first time—then what will happen?

At first people will reject him and cause him suffering. There will be no acceptance of Christ at first. Many Christians will pick up stones to throw at him. Many Christians will call him a blasphemer, a heretic, and accuse him of being possessed by demons. Those were the same charges brought against Jesus 2,000 years ago.

However, Jesus is not coming to be crucified again. He is coming as the Lord of glory. He is going to establish God's Kingdom by judging this world, separating good and evil. He will destroy evil, and make the goodness of God prevail upon the face of the earth.

In Luke 17:26-27, we read,

"As it was in the days of Noah, so will it be in the days of the Son of man. They ate, they drank, they married, they were given in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all."

This is the description of the days of the Son of man. And this will happen when the Lord comes as the Son of man in the flesh.

As a man, the coming Jesus will announce the Kingdom of Heaven. But nobody will pay attention to him. In fact, people will laugh at him, ridicule him, and per-

Adam and Eve. If they had been truly obedient to God, then they would have achieved perfection, and God would have brought them together in heavenly matrimony and established the first family on earth according to His will. This family would have become the cornerstone of the Kingdom of God on earth. Adam and Eve would have been the True Father and True Mother of mankind. The "Garden of Eden" is the symbolic expression for that Kingdom. And this world would have been the world of joy for God.

This ultimate culmination is prophesied in the Book of Revelation as the marriage supper of the Lamb. And the Lord of the Second Advent is that Lamb, that perfect Adam. The Lord is coming as perfected Adam, and he will restore perfected Eve. Then they will be lifted up and become the first True Parents of mankind. At last, God's joy will be complete.

Second Adam and Eve: But the first Adam and Eve failed. Yet, God's ideal remained the same. God determined to realize that original Kingdom and fulfill the world of joy. And 4,000 years later in Biblical history, God intended to restore that Kingdom of God on earth through another perfected Adam. Jesus Christ was that perfected Adam.

We read in the Bible, in I Corinthians 15:45, that Jesus was the "last Adam," or the second Adam. He came as perfected Adam 2,000 years ago in place of the first Adam, who had failed.

By the restoration of Adam alone there could be no Kingdom. There had to be a bride, a Mother—another Eve. So God intended for this second perfected Adam—Jesus Christ—to restore his bride, the perfected Eve. This would have been the restoration of the first family which had been lost in the Garden of Eden.

Third Adam and Eve: Because of the rebellion of the chosen people of Israel, however, this could not be done. Nevertheless, God is determined to fulfill His will. Thus, He has promised the return of Christ.

Approximately two thousand years have

Daniel's prophecy caused much difficulty for the ministry of Jesus. We can see this in the New Testament, in I John 7, where the Apostle John warns,

For many deceivers have gone out into the world, men who will not acknowledge the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh; such a one is the deceiver and the antichrist.

This is what John was saying 2,000 years ago to the disbelievers of Jesus Christ, who rejected him simply because he was a man in the flesh. They did not accept Jesus because they were waiting for someone supernatural to appear on the clouds. John condemned these people in the worst terms, saying, "Such a one is the antichrist."

These historical truths have been hidden from the Christian world. Today, for the first time, all these circumstances of Jesus' ministry are being brought out into the open.

Why, then, has this truth been revealed at this particular time? Because the time of the Second Coming of Christ is near. And God does not want Christians to make the same mistake that Israel made.

Only with the revelation of the clear truth from the Heavenly Father can all the Christian churches become one. Yes, truth makes us one. If we know the truth, that truth will make us free of our mistaken beliefs and disunity. And the plain truth of God has now been revealed.

CRUCIFIXION—SECONDARY MISSION OF JESUS

The crucifixion was not at all the original mission of the Son of God, but represented an alteration of his intended course. It was a secondary mission. It was decided on the Mount of Transfiguration. An account of this appears in Luke 9:30-31.

And behold, two men talked with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure (his crucifixion) which he was to accomplish at Jerusalem.

When Peter, Jesus' chief disciple, was informed by Jesus that he would suffer in Jerusalem and was to be crucified, Peter violently protested, as we read in Matthew 16:22.

"God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you."

Then Jesus lashed out at him, saying, *"Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men."* (Matt. 16:23)

Christians often quote this particular passage as proof that Jesus came to die on the cross. Many say, "Look what Jesus said. He said he came to die. So that is why he rebuked Peter and called him Satan, because Peter opposed Jesus' going to the cross."

But today that interpretation misses one vital point. Jesus rebuked Peter after he knew that God had changed His plan and altered Jesus' mission. Because of the rejection of Israel, God knew that Jesus could not go on with his primary mission, the establishment of the Kingdom on earth, because it required the cooperation of the people.

At that late point in his ministry, God then asked Jesus to fulfill only the limited goal of spiritual salvation. Jesus was therefore preparing for this secondary goal. And poor Peter did not know anything about this change in the mission of Jesus Christ.

Jesus called Peter "Satan" because Peter's seemingly comforting words had no relevance to the will of God at that point. Peter spoke from ignorance and blindness. But Jesus could not afford to lose this

had prepared Rome to be the hub of all nations, so that once the Kingdom had come to Rome, it could be brought easily to the whole world. If Jesus had been able to establish his Kingdom in the Roman Empire, then through the power and influence of Rome, every corner of the world would have heard the Gospel of Jesus Christ during his life on earth.

Then in his own time Jesus would have established the Kingdom of Heaven on earth as a reality. The nation of Israel would have been the glorious center of His Kingdom. Today there would be no Christianity—no Roman Catholicism, no Presbyterianism, no Methodism, no Church of Christ. None of these would be necessary. You do not need a vehicle when you are already at your destination.

We would already be citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven. There would have been no bloodshed in the history of Christianity—no martyrs. And there would be no crosses on church spires.

Then there would have been no reason for the Second Coming of Christ, because the mission of the Messiah would already have been consummated.

The sad reality, however, is that Jesus Christ was met with rebellion. Without the obedience of Adam and Eve, God could not fulfill His ideal in the Garden of Eden. And without the cooperation of the chosen people, Jesus Christ could not establish his Kingdom on earth.

CRUCIFIXION BROUGHT ONLY SPIRITUAL SALVATION

So Jesus turned to his secondary mission, spiritual salvation. God permitted His Son to be a sacrifice, as made necessary by the sin and blindness of the chosen people of Israel. That was the significance of the crucifixion. God allowed Jesus to die on the cross as a ransom paid to Satan. In exchange, upon Jesus' resurrection, God could claim the souls of men, though He could not give redemption of the body.

Therefore, the victory of God was not in the cross but in the Resurrection. This is what brought the salvation Christianity offers.

At the crucifixion of Jesus, Christianity was crucified also. At the hour of the Lord's tribulation, no one remained faithful to him. Everyone betrayed Jesus. Even Peter denied Christ.

But with the Resurrection, Christianity revived also. Then for 40 days, Jesus cemented together the shattered pieces of Christianity. That was the beginning of the Christianity of today.

Yes, our salvation comes from the victorious Resurrection. This is the victory of Christ, over which the power of Satan has no influence. But the body of Jesus Christ was given up as a sacrifice and a ransom. And when he gave up his body, he was giving up the body of mankind, also. Therefore, our salvation is limited, bringing only spiritual redemption, because the redemption of the body could not be fulfilled 2,000 years ago. And our world still suffers under the power of Satan. Sin is still violent and dominant through our bodies in this world.

St. Paul shouted out in anguish, in Romans 7:24-25,

"Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Thanks be to God, through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, I of myself serve the law of God with my mind, but with my flesh I serve the law of sin." (Rom. 7:24-25)

St. Paul was living in the grace of the Lord. But still he confessed that he could only serve God with his mind, and with his

Let me come now to the apex of this evening's talk by discussing how the Second Coming of Christ is going to be fulfilled.

We read in the Bible, in Matthew 24:30, *"They will see the Son of man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory."*

And in Revelation 1:7, we read, *Behold, he is coming with the clouds.* But on the other hand, in I Thessalonians 5:2, we read,

The day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.

One prophecy is saying that the Lord is coming with the clouds of heaven, while the other says he is coming like a thief at night. These two prophecies are in a way in conflict. If he comes as a thief, he cannot at the same time appear in the clouds. Shall we just pick one prophecy and throw the other out?

The chosen people of Israel 2,000 years ago did not know the message of God was in symbols. They interpreted God's message literally, and they made a grave mistake. And when we Christians read the New Testament, we must not make the same mistake. We must read the Bible in the spirit of God, and know the true meaning of the symbols and parables.

Two thousand years ago everyone expected Elijah to appear from the blue sky, but he did not come that way. And they expected the Messiah to come with the clouds of heaven, but he did not come that way. Today, Christians expect the Lord of the Second Advent to arrive on the clouds. But do you have any guarantee that such expectations will not be disappointed this time?

Let us be humble and open-minded to accept both possibilities—his coming on the clouds of heaven, and his coming as a thief at night. If you set your mind only on the coming of the Lord on the clouds, and then your expectation is not met because of his coming as the Son of man in the flesh, then you will most likely commit the same crime the Jewish faithful committed 2,000 years ago.

However, if you are humble and capable of accepting the Lord as the Son of man in the flesh—which is the only way he could come as a thief—then you have no way to lose. You will be assured of meeting the Lord whichever way he comes.

If you could miss the Lord at all, it would be only if he came as a thief. If he comes on the clouds, you have no worry. Every eye would see him then. The television networks would make sure of that.

But I must say to you that God will not send His Son literally with the clouds of heaven. If you are looking up in the sky waiting for the Second Coming of the Lord, you will be disappointed. He will come, once again, as a man in the flesh.

This is God's revelation. Let me testify to it by reading the significant prophecies of the Bible. In Luke 17:20, we read,

Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, he (Jesus) answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed."

Everyone would see the clouds of heaven. But Jesus said we would not observe the Kingdom's coming. Did the Jewish faithful see the coming of the Messiah? No, they did not, because he came as the Son of man in the flesh.

Next, let us read a most extraordinary statement of Jesus Christ. Most people ask, "Does the Bible say that?" Look in Luke 17:25, where Jesus said,

"But first he (the Lord of the Second

secute him, and do all kinds of evil against him.

And in the meantime, the world will continue in its usual way, in carnal business—eating, drinking, marrying—until the day the Lord is lifted up to the throne of judgment. When the world recognizes him as the Lord of Judgment, it will be too late! The ark will be closed. The judgment will already be at hand.

Now, I want you to hear this passage, where Jesus said,

"I tell you, he will vindicate them speedily. Nevertheless, when the Son of man comes, will he find faith on earth?" (Luke 18:8)

Jesus questioned whether there would be faith on earth when Christ returned. Why?

History may repeat itself. Two thousand years ago there was tremendous faith in Israel. They prayed in the synagogues morning, noon, and night. They constantly read the scriptures, writing them on their lapels, reciting them every day. They kept the Ten Commandments and all the laws. They brought their tithes to the temple. They fasted and fasted.

However, when the Son of God appeared, they failed to recognize him, and put him on the cross. Did Jesus find any faith? In the sight of Jesus Christ, there was absolutely no faith on earth.

So when he appears once again as the Son of man in the flesh, there also may be no faith on earth. Millions of Christians and thousands of churches may never see the Son of man coming, because he is coming in the flesh.

Now, finally, let us read Matthew 7:22-23.

"On that day many will say to me, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?' And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.'"

What does this mean? Why should these devout Christians, who are calling on the name of the Lord, be condemned as evildoers? What kind of evil would they have committed?

Throughout history, many great sins have been committed in the name of God. It was the priests and the elders who plotted to kill the Author of life, and they did it in the name of God.

When Christ comes once again as the Son of man in the flesh, he will at first be treated in the same way as when he came 2,000 years ago. However, he is not coming just to repeat another crucifixion. This time, the power of God shall be manifested. The Lord of the Second Advent will indeed be elevated to the throne of judgment, and he shall judge the world as the Lord of Judgment.

When he is lifted up to the throne, then every eye shall see him. It will be unmistakably clear to everyone who he is. And those who have already accused and rejected him will wait and mourn because of the evil they have done to him. But it will be too late. The Lord will say to them, "I never knew you. Depart from me, you evildoers."

The Lord is coming. And he is coming as a man. Yet, he is also coming with the power and glory of God. And he will judge the world. Only the meek will be blessed. The arrogant will see the unquenchable fire.

GOD'S PURPOSE FULFILLED

First Adam and Eve: You know, God intended the Kingdom of God on earth from the very beginning, to begin with the first

passed since Jesus Christ's death. And now, God is once again ready to send His Son—in the capacity of the Third Adam. Throughout history, God has always fulfilled His goal at His third attempt. It is true that the number three (3) is the number of perfection. This time, God will definitely fulfill His age-old ideal by blessing the perfected Adam and Eve in heavenly matrimony, thus laying the foundation of the Kingdom of God on earth.

Shortly before his crucifixion, Jesus said to Peter,

"I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." (Matt. 16:19)

The error was made here on earth. Sin was committed here on earth. So the error must be remedied and the eradication of sin must be accomplished here on earth. Jesus asked us to pray, "Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." Earth is the problem. That is why Christ must come back to this earth.

Many Christians believe that when the end of the world comes, God will destroy everything. The sun will be darkened, and the stars will fall, and the earth will be burned up. Then only a handful of Christians will be lifted up in the air, to begin the millenium with Christ.

If God did that, then He would become a God of failure, because His original will would never be fulfilled here on earth. He would be giving up this earth because of Satan. Then Satan would actually become the victor, and God would be defeated. This will never happen! God is almighty. He will not give up this earth. It was meant to be, and it shall be, His Kingdom. This New York shall be His Kingdom, too.

You can be the citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven if you meet the coming Messiah. He is your hope, my hope, and the only hope of America and this world.

If we fail to see him, however, then Christianity will have no hope. Christianity will decline. Its spiritual fire will be extinguished. The churches will become the tombs of the old legacy. Our world then will be doomed.

Ladies and gentlemen, I have come here to Madison Square Garden tonight in obedience to God's command. The Bible says, in Acts 2:17,

"And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams."

We are living in such an extraordinary time, at the birth of a new age! Heaven is quite near. And if you earnestly call upon God, He will answer you.

You must urgently ask Him, "How can I know if Rev. Moon is telling the truth?" Do not let me or anyone else answer that question for you. Let God answer you directly.

So go in peace, and please ask God earnestly, sincerely. Confront God in prayer. God will reveal the answer to you.

The new hope for mankind is the Messiah. And that "great and terrible day of the Lord" is at hand! It is up to you whether that day will be great or terrible. If you meet the Messiah, for you that day will be great. But if you fail to meet him, then for you that day will indeed be terrible.

God bless you. Thank you for your attentive listening.

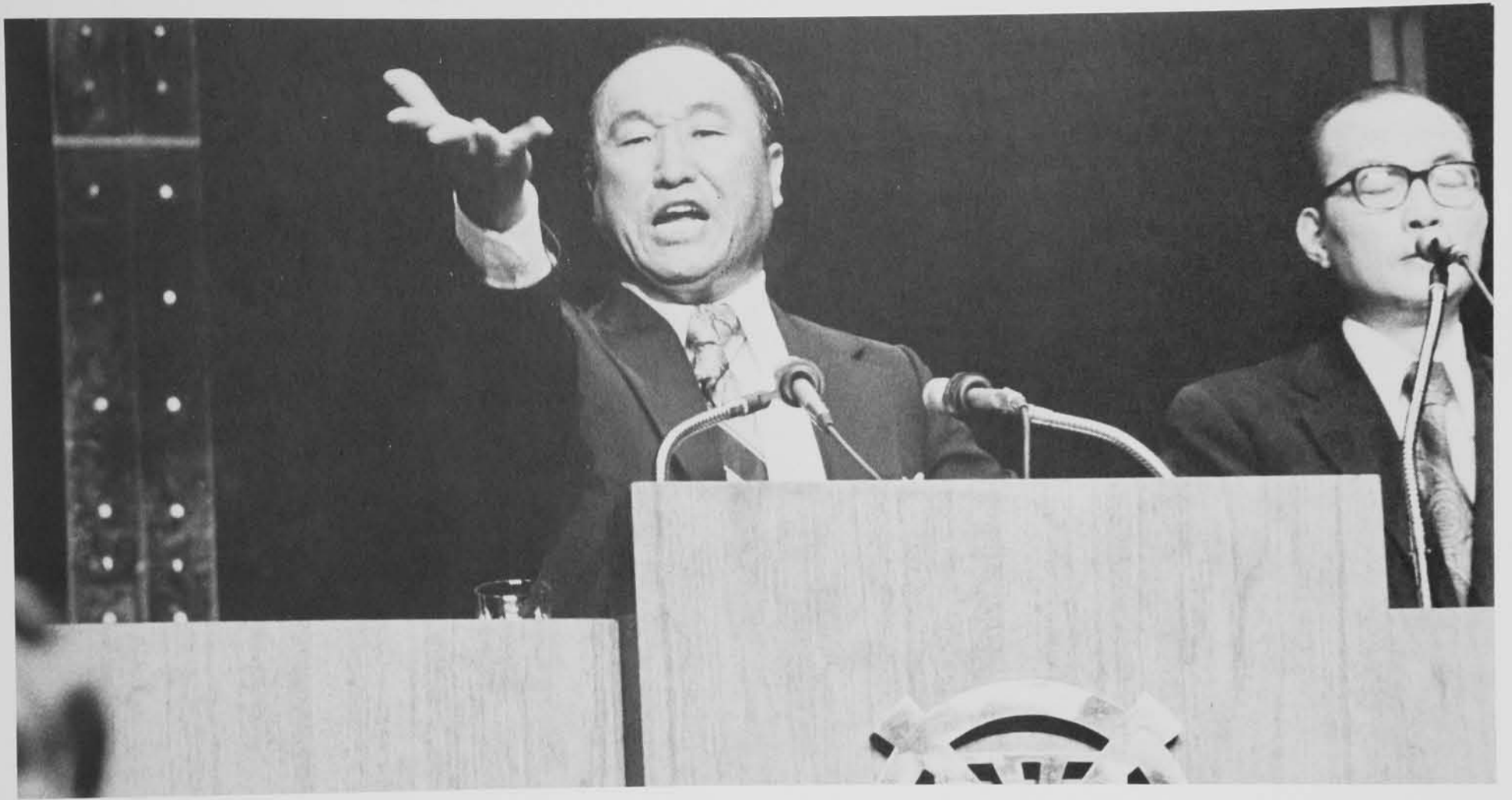
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Thousands Crowd Garden To Hear Speech by Moon

An overflow crowd filled Madison Square Garden last night and the police said thousands were turned away from the 20,000-seat amphitheatre as the Rev. Sun Myung Moon appeared in the culmination of his huge promotion campaign.

The 55-year-old Korean evangelist, who is regarded as the Messiah by most of his followers, spoke emphatically in Korean. At times he shouted hoarsely, pointed his finger or even jumped with clenched fists as he talked about Adam and Eve and Jesus Christ and said God had told him to bring his message to America.

His chief associate, Col. Bo Hi Pak, translated with force but with less intensity. Both men mopped their foreheads during the talk as they stood behind the double lectern on the red-carpeted stage.

The Garden was filled to capacity minutes after the doors opened, but half an hour after Mr. Moon began speaking, a steady trickle of people began leaving. By the time the two-hour talk ended the amphitheater was barely half full.

Leaflet Waver Ejected

Mr. Moon was interrupted at the start of his talk when he invited "those who oppose me" to "do it now." Several people in the hall shouted, and a man in a suit and tie waving a leaflet was escorted out by the police.

The shouted words could not be understood. Demonstrators outside the Garden had handed out leaflets for various causes. Leftists groups accused Mr. Moon of being a Fascist. Fundamentalist groups said he falsely asserted he was a Christian.

After the initial interruption Mr. Moon, smiling broadly, said that, after all the excitement, he would like to sing. In a low voice with a rapid and close vibrato, he sang a slow Korean song, hands in the pants pocket of his dark blue business suit, very much at ease.

His demeanor contrasted with the intensity of his later remarks. Much of them focused on his interpretation of the fall of man—that Satan "subjected" [seduced] Eve, who then subjected Adam, spoiling what he said was God's plan to have them marry, raise perfect children and perpetuate the Kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Although Mr. Moon never said explicitly that he was the Messiah, he said "the time of the second coming is near," and "He may not return as you expect Him to return."

A select audience including diplomats and businessmen got a kind of preview of tonight's program Tuesday night at a banquet given by Mr. Moon at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. They also got a preview of the demonstrations, when pickets distributed leaflets outside the hotel and briefly interrupted Mr. Moon's address in the Grand Ballroom.

The audience, which filled the



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The Rev. Sun Myung Moon speaking at Madison Square Garden last night. At right is interpreter, Col. Bo Hi Pak.

ballroom, numbered 1,600 according to Moon spokesmen, who put the cost at a little more than \$20 a plate.

"We invited the top people in the community, in business, politics, religion and the military," said Michael Brownlee, assistant to Colonel Pak.

Many in the audience said they had attended out of curiosity and were puzzled about why they had been invited. Some left before the end of the five-hour program, but after Mr. Moon's address. A substantial number were members of the Unification Church, some of whom wore host or hostess ribbons. They applauded vigorously at times during Mr. Moon's talk.

To illustrate that "God created woman for the sake of man" and "man for the sake of woman," the evangelist strutted on the ballroom stage, smiling and lifting apart his lapels to caricature his comment that "all women really want to make themselves beautiful for the delight of man."

Early in his talk, five women from the International Workers Party interrupted, two of them leaping on chairs and denouncing Mr. Moon as a fascist.

As security guards led them away, Mr. Moon, smiling broadly, thanked them for making the banquet "even more exciting" and asked the audience to "give them a big applause."

Accused of Heresy

Before and after his talk, the church's New Hope Singers International and the Korean Folk Ballet performed. Members of each group smiled continuously during all selections, including a drum dance said to depict the inner struggle of a penitent monk.

Thousands Are Turned Away at Garden

Caught in the squeeze between an estimated total of 380,000 free tickets and only 20,000 seats, thousands of ticketholders were turned away from last night's appearance of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon at Madison Square Garden, while the others led a stampede to hear the man many regard as the Messiah.

"I've never seen anything like it," said a policeman who struggled to control the pressing crowd. "They trampled women, children and everybody. They didn't care who they ran over to get inside."

Although many ticketholders were flung to the ground in the surge through the doors, no serious injuries were reported by the police. The disappointed ticketholders themselves displayed little anger at the solid lines of policemen who barred their way.

"This is a good Christian crowd," said one young man who said he had arrived with a busload of followers organ-

ized in Hartsdale.

The thousands of ticketholders unable to get inside milled around the Garden, turning the sidewalks and plaza into a free-form multidominational camp meeting.

Some Gospel Singing

They listened to a variety of fundamentalist appeals, exchanged religious handbills and occasionally broke into gospel song.

Some had come to denounce Reverend Moon as a false prophet and to offer their own brand of salvation, using megaphones, bul horns and contrasting evangelical styles.

Two young men holding up a giant banner that read, "No Moonshine, Sunshine" said they did not know which church group had organized the mini-rally on 3d Street that drew scores to listen to a fervent preacher who used high-school-like response cheers.

"Who's the Lord?" he shouted.

A group of Korean ministers, in a statement, accused Mr. Moon of teaching "a Christian heresy."

They also say the English translation of Mr. Moon's "Divine Principle" omits, "conveniently," a claim in the Korean version that Korean will be the language of a forthcoming one world "because the 'Universal Father' [Moon] is Korean."

The 40-member interdenominational group, called the Korean Ministers Association

of Greater New York, has been active here in opposing what it terms the dictatorship in South Korea. A spokesman said the group received threatening phone calls from Moon followers for opposing his movement.

Spokesmen for the Unification Church have denied making threats. They say Korean Christians in particular have spread "vicious" rumors because they oppose the Unification Church.

"Jesus," the crowd cheered.

"Nobody seems to know who he is," said one of the standard bearers. "We just relieved two other guys who had been holding the flag before we came up."

Although the police said 380,000 tickets were passed out in the weeks leading up to last night's event, there were no firm estimates of how many people had to be turned away.

"There must have been at least 15,000 people trying to get through this gate alone," said a policeman at a barricade on Seventh Avenue. "All I could see was a sea of people."

Many in the crowd described themselves as skeptics or curiosity seekers.

"I'm a fad follower," said Roger Kasunic, who was sitting on steps on the Seventh Avenue side watching the swirl of people and listening to the sounds of religious debate.

By 9 P.M. the trickle of early departees had turned into a steady stream and latecomers were allowed to enter through the Eighth Avenue gates.

As they left, many were stopped by young people such as Kathy Setzer of the Cavalry Baptist Church here, who said she was trying to "offer an alternative."

"We're not trying to force anything on anybody," Miss Setzer said. "I just told one girl I loved her. The love doesn't come from me, it comes from the spirit of Jesus Christ inside me."

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Moon packs the Garden



Protesters march in front of Madison Square Garden



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Comment from The Daily News Staff

Convincing people you are God's prophet is not cheap these days.

Jesus Christ conveyed his message to all comers while walking the soils of the Holy Land. The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, Tarrytown's own claimant to prophet status, rented Madison Square Garden and mounted a massive publicity campaign to attract an audience at a cost his aides put at approximately \$350,000.

The Garden appearance Wednesday night was just the first of eight appearances Mr. Moon has scheduled in major American cities on his current "Day of Hope" tour. The next stop is Philadelphia and according to reports the Moon posters which covered entire walls in New York City and dozens of billboards at commuter stops have already made their appearance in the City of Brotherly Love.

The question persists, however, about how much good the hard sell does for a religious prophet. Shortly after Mr. Moon began speaking to the overflow crowd which jammed the Garden half his audience walked out.

INDEED, the better show may have been outside where thousands of persons lured to the lecture with free tickets were locked out and threatened to stage their own version of another popular Garden activity known as prize fighting.

The milling crowds purchased with Mr. Moon's thousands in fact provided a ready audience for his many critics who turned up in force to take pot shots at everything from his theology and politics to his non-vegetarian diet.

Part of the problem certainly was that Mr. Moon, a Korean citizen, speaks in his native tongue. As one exiting patron put it, "He must lose a lot in the translation."

But New Yorkers, while notoriously skeptical of claims ranging from prophethood to ability to save the 35-cent subway fare, also take the unusual in stride.

Mr. Moon's problem, as he heads west and away from the cosmopolitan New York audience, is how will it play in Peoria?

ATTENTION PLEASE -- DUE TO A CAPACITY CROWD WE ARE FORCED NOT TO ACCEPT ANYMORE ADMISSIONS TO MADISON SQUARE GARDEN. THIS IS IN KEEPING WITH THE NEW YORK CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT REGULATIONS.

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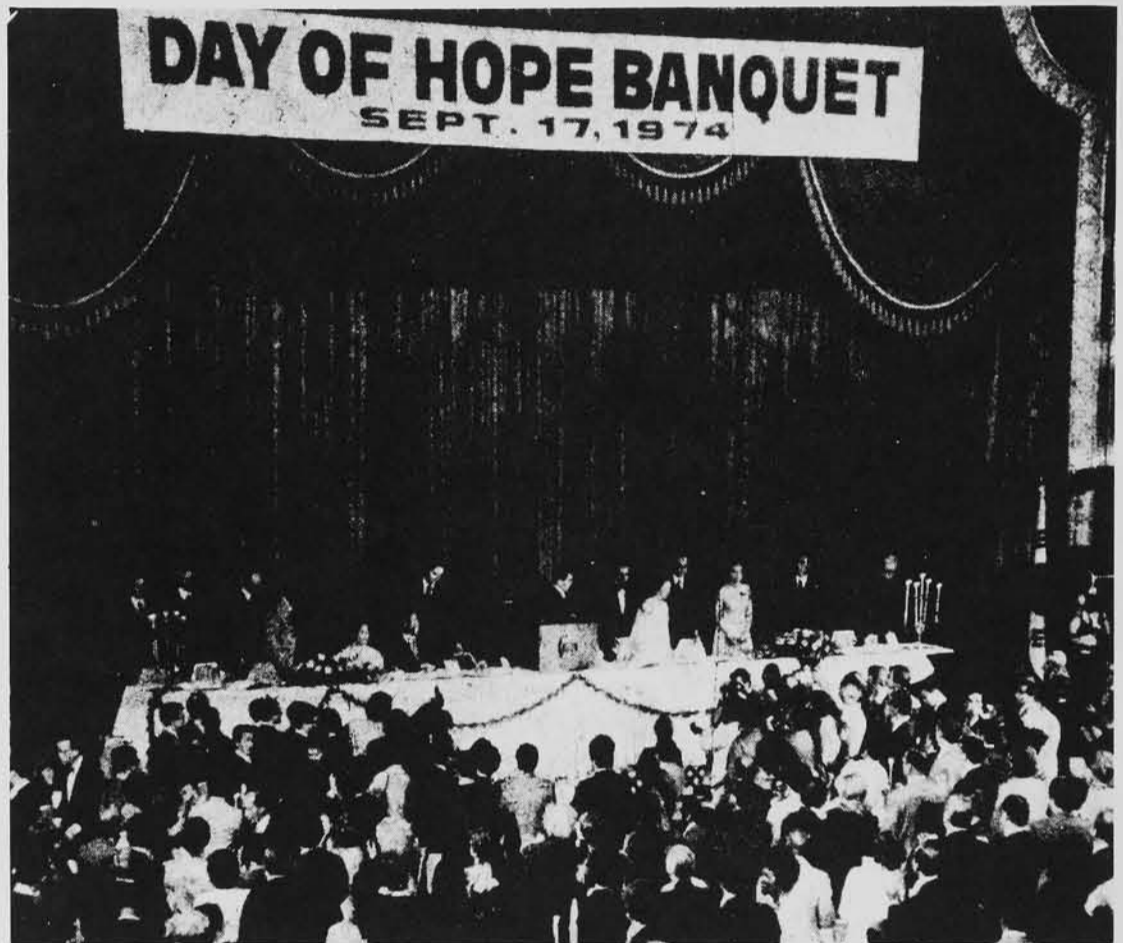
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Rev. Sun Moon gestures while speaking



FETE FOR 1,600 AT WALDORF COST MORE THAN \$40,000
... prelude to Madison Square Garden rally Wednesday

Moon packs the Garden

By RICK LEVINE
Staff Writer

Rev. Sun Myung Moon may not be the Messiah, as some of his ardent followers believe, but he proved Wednesday night he could at least fill Madison Square Garden.

Thousands were turned away, in fact, while the controversial Korean evangelist launched his third "Day of Hope" campaign in New York before a full house of 20,000.

The balding, 54-year-old, self-ordained minister, who is reported to have amassed a personal fortune of \$15 million, urged his audience to prepare for the Second Coming. Even though America is God's Country, he said its people are in dire need of a spiritual awakening.

During the two-hour speech, Moon stopped short of calling himself the Messiah, as many of his 3,000 followers in this country believe him to be. But

he did refer to himself as "God's Prophet," a distinction bestowed on him by God through a series of revelations.

"MANY of you are shocked by my declaration," he said (through his interpreter) in his throaty voice and staccato delivery. "I was shocked too, but we now need new ideas, God's ideas."

Many in the crowd, drawn by their curiosity and the prospect of a free show, didn't like the message. People started leaving almost as soon as Moon took the stage and by the end of his oration, he had lost almost half his audience.

The event, billed as a "Re-birthday Party," was the object of a massive, \$500,000 publicity campaign that included numerous radio and television advertisements and a lavish

promotional banquet at the Waldorf Astoria. In addition, thousands of members of Moon's Unification Church, some from as far away as Japan and Korea, plastered the city with posters and gave out nearly half a million free tickets to the speech.

BUT for many of ticket holders, it wasn't a very happy "Re-birthday" at all. Shortly before the announced 7 p.m. starting time, police and security officers closed off the Garden and turned thousands away, including some of Moon's church members, who arrived late.

In a carnival-like atmosphere, thousands milled around the huge amphitheater and listened to a score of pro-letic groups denounce various aspects of the Moon movement.

They included members of fundamentalist religious groups, who declared him a false prophet; activists from political groups who denounced Moon's reported ties with the South Korean government, and a group of vegetarians, who objected to the fact that he eats meat.

The cast of the off-Broadway play "Moonchildren" even sent a delegation to sell tickets at half-price.

There were several scuffles and shoving incidents but the crowd was generally well-mannered and police made no arrests.

A Unification spokesman said he was surprised by the turnout and asserted the huge number of tickets were distributed "so everyone would have at least a chance to hear Moon speak."

Inside the Garden, Moon

was preceded by a brief performance of a church-owned Korean folk ballet and several singing groups. Then, wearing a dark business suit and accompanied by his translator, Moon took the stage under a huge red and white banner of the Unification Church.

With a large, bullet-proof plexi-glass screen guarding him from the rear, and clusters of church members on either side of the platform anxiously watching the crowd, Moon warned his audience of the approaching apocalypse. He punctuated his speech with a variety of theatrical gestures, gliding across the stage with his arms outstretched and piercing the air with karate-like chops.

"HE'S SO close to God, that's where he gets his strength," said an admirer.

"However, many in the

crowd didn't get his message. "It was just a lot of noise," said Mick Faxton of Brooklyn. "I came partly out of curiosity and partly for the free show, but once he started to talk, I wanted to leave."

Others called the performance "boring" and a lot of nonsense.

"He just didn't touch me," one middle-aged man said. "He may be fine for Minneapolis, but not for New York."

Many family members, as his followers are called, didn't know where they will be sent now that the big rally is over (Moon's next scheduled appearance is in Philadelphia). But New York Church director Joe A. Tully soon found a chore for them. Tully promised city officials the members would remove all the Re-Birthday posters before they left town.

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Rev. Moon Not Garden Variety Preacher

Controversial Korean preacher Sun Myung Moon kicks foot high in the air as he speaks to New Yorkers gathered to celebrate "Re-Birthday" last night. But the much-ballyhooped happening was far from a happy birthday party. First there were scuffles outside the Garden as people stormed the barricades attempting to get inside. And then, 10 minutes after the Rev. Moon started speaking, hundreds started leaving. An hour-and-a-half later, two thirds of the crowd was gone. Throughout, anti-Moon pickets paraded outside (▼).



Outside the Garden, there seem to be a few people who don't get the reverend's message.



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REV. SUN MYUNG MOON LEFT RAISES SPOON WITH NEIL SALONEN
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Youngsters fly to Moon

More than 20,000 young people jammed into Madison Square Gardens, the city's largest arena, and another 50,000 milled in the streets outside to listen to a Korean evangelist promise to "stop God from leaving America."

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, who looks like an ageing Oriental boxer, gave a two-hour sermon entirely in Korean — he speaks no English. Hissing, stamping, shouting, giggling, stomping round the stage and gesturing wildly, Moon held his followers spellbound.

His message, translated by a Korean aide, was that the "last days" are upon us, and that God is despatching the Messiah, the "third Adam," to save America. The implication was that anybody who wished to be saved would recognise Moon as the Messiah.

It is hard for New Yorkers not to recognise Moon. Wherever one goes in the city his face beams down from thousands of posters plastered on walls and lamp posts. Smiling young disciples of Moon stand

on street corners pressing leaflets on surprised passers-by and assuring them that salvation is at hand.

The young people belong to the Unification Church, which Moon founded in 1954 and which now has some two million members all over the world. Many of the young people here were brought from Japan and Korea to conduct an American crusade for the church. This is a source of considerable irritation to United States immigration authorities who say the "Moon children" have violated the status of their visitors' visas by working illegally, soliciting funds, and selling flowers, candles, and peanuts on street corners.

The crusade has already been astonishingly successful. Some 30,000 young Americans — most of them college students or graduates — have joined Moon's church and more are signing each day.

Moon is spending almost \$1 million (£43,000) on publicity for the tour, which will take him to seven other cities during

the next three months. On the eve of his Madison Square Gardens appearance, he invited 1,000 "personal guests" to a banquet at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

Thanks to extraordinary pressure from the Moon children — among other things they camped in the reception rooms of several United Nations mis-

JANE ROSEN, in New York, on a stomping Korean crusader

sions — dozen of UN diplomats and consular officials attended the banquet. It cost Moon \$40,000 (£17,000).

The Unification Church's financial situation puzzles many observers. It has spent nearly \$4 millions on three lavish estates near New York — two of them for recruiting and training and the third for Moon himself and his wife and their seven children. Church members say the money comes from their street corner fund-raising, but the Church also

concedes that it owns businesses in South Korea, including a shotgun factory and a ginseng tea plant, and has businesses in other countries as well.

In addition to its commercial aspects, the Unification Church has heavy political overtones. It opposes Marxism and supports a number of Right-wing causes in America. Last July Moon took a group of young disciples to Washington to pray for President Nixon and to urge forgiveness for Watergate. During the Waldorf Astoria banquet, members of the Socialist Workers' International staged a protest demonstration, calling Moon a Fascist.

Many other groups are protesting against Moon's movement, including city officials and environmentalists who are dismayed by the litter of posters on New York streets, and religious groups who are dismayed by Moon's theology.

But the most bitter opponents of the Unification Church are the parents of the

youngsters who join it. They maintain their children are brainwashed into giving up their possessions, their jobs, their families, and their money. Various citizen groups are being organised to fight the Church and several investigations into Moon's recruiting practices have been launched.

To outsiders, the life of a Church member sounds grim. The young people live in compounds without privacy and their days are spent in prayer, callisthenics, singing, and — most of the time — soliciting funds. Pre-marital sex, drugs, and smoking are forbidden.

Yet the Moon children look extraordinarily peaceful and cheery. "We do feel like we're children and that Moon is our father," a young woman said smiling. "They told me, 'Come stay with us, sell candles and flowers for us, we'll take care of you for the rest of your life. We will be your loving family and you won't have any more responsibilities.' And that's a beautiful feeling."

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Moon People Face Eclipse of Visas

By LINDSAY MILLER

The U. S. Immigration and Naturalization Service is considering deporting 582 foreign members of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon's Unification Church for visa violations.

Maurice F. Kiley, the Immigration Service's New York district director, said the Moon supporters—mostly young people from Germany, France, Italy, Japan and Korea had been admitted to the country earlier this year on "B-2" visas, which specify visits, for pleasure, of no more than six months.

In April, the Unification Church petitioned to have the visas changed to "H-3," the classification for visitors here on training programs.

The church said the young people were attending a 32-

week missionary training program at the church's Belvedere Training Center, the former Seagram family estate in Tarrytown.

Soliciting Alms

The New York Immigration office denied the request, Kiley said, because "as far as we could tell, the training consisted of soliciting alms, selling merchandise and classroom work." Moon's followers appealed the decision to the regional immigration commissioner, but he upheld the denial.

In the meantime, because of the visa difficulties, the State Dept. stopped issuing visitors' "pleasure" visas to members of the Unification Church. "We'll never know how many more people Moon was trying to bring in," Kiley said.

Last week a lawyer for

the church appealed the Immigration Service's decision in U. S. District Court in Washington. The church also asked that no action be taken against them pending the court's decision.

In the Next Few Days

However, Kiley said that unless the court orders it not to do so, the Immigration Service can begin deportation proceedings right away. He said he would decide "in the next few days" whether to take action. He stressed that all persons being deported would get a hearing and that Immigration Court would make the final decision.

Joe A. Tully, director of the New York Unification Church, said the foreign members deserved trainee status because the church is currently preparing for a

world-wide missionary effort. He said the church's goal was to have at least three missionaries in every country—"except, of course, the ones behind the Iron Curtain"—by April 1975.

Moon, a 55-year-old Korean who founded the Unification Church 20 years ago, preaches that a new Messiah is coming very soon. This new Messiah will unify the nations against the forces of Satan, which for him means communism.

Show Moves On

Following his appearance at Madison Square Garden last night, Moon takes his "Day of Hope" crusade to Philadelphia, Washington, Atlanta, Chicago, Seattle and San Francisco. The American tour ends in Los Angeles Dec. 23.

In January, Tully said, Moon will move either to

northern Europe or to Japan.

"Obviously," Tully said, "he will need missionaries trained in church doctrine and also in how to raise money. People have funny ideas about churches. They think they can run on thin air."

Asked about the fact that nearly three-quarters of last night's audience left before Moon finished speaking, Tully said, "I am happy that so many people came. We could have filled Madison Square Garden several times over."

"But I am sad that so few of the 9000 people we bused in from Westchester and Long Island were able to get in. These were older people who live in the communities where we have churches. They really wanted to hear Rev. Moon and were not just curiosity-seekers who would leave after the first few minutes."



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A U.S. Agency's Act May Eclipse Crusade Of Sun Myung Moon

Korean Evangelist's Disciples
Don't Have Proper Visas,
Immigration Service Says

By JONATHAN KWITNY

Staff Reporter of THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

NEW YORK—From Alexandria, La., to Seattle, from Washington, D.C., to El Paso, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon has become known by his saintly picture beaming down from thousands of four-color posters and by the unshakable, almost robotlike persistence of his horde of clean-cut young followers as they peddle peanuts and flowers and pass out handbills.

For the past few weeks, his crusaders have invaded the streets of New York, promoting a controversial brand of Christianity that many other Christians call heretical. It is a Christianity mixed with conservative politics, teetotaling morality and a seemingly limitless budget. According to Mr. Moon's plans, New York was the first stop on an evangelistic tour of eight major cities, with Philadelphia to be blessed next.

But Mr. Moon's crusade may be in trouble.

The U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service has decided that Mr. Moon's young followers from Europe and Asia—who apparently number in the thousands in this country—are less interested in missionary work than in moneygrubbing. Since peddling requires a working visa and the Moon-youths have only tourist visas, the service has ruled that 583 of Mr. Moon's ubiquitous followers have sought to stay in the U.S. under an illegal pretext.

It has refused to extend their visas by altering their status to that of missionary trainees, as Mr. Moon's Unification Church requested. The service declared it was "abundantly clear" that the church's missionary program "has been designed primarily for fund raising rather than for training purposes. . . . We regard such extensive solicitations as productive employment both in violation of nonimmigrant visitor status and beyond the pale of . . . trainee classification."

A Broad Policy

Sixty-one of the youths have been ordered to leave the country by today or face deportation trials. The rest of the 583 visa holders who already have been rejected for missionary classification appear headed for a similar fate as their tourist visas expire in the next few weeks or months. The immigration service says its decision on the 583 is tantamount to a broad policy that would similarly affect most of the other alien Moon-disciples as their visas expire over the next five months.

A spokesman for the Moon organization says the group disagrees with the Immigration Service decision, but just what it might do to fight the ruling is unclear.

There seems little chance that the Moon-youths could obtain working visas to peddle, since there seems to be no shortage of native American peddlers to fill the country's needs.

Nevertheless, the immigration service says its policy was tough to arrive at and will be tough to enforce. Although Cono Trubiano, supervisory examiner for the New York region, notes that several groups of Moon-youths have been arrested in the Midwest for violation of local peddling ordi-

nances, generally he says that "they're very serious people—very dedicated, very law-abiding."

Moreover, Mr. Trubiano doesn't have any idea how long it is going to take to send the youths abroad "because we simply don't know where most of them are. There are certainly many more of them" than the 583 that came to the New York region's attention this year. Spokesmen at the immigration service's Washington office say there aren't any central records.

In addition, many of the youths from well-to-do European families have multiple-entry tourist visas, and others could obtain new tourist visas allowing them to return to the U.S. even after they have been made to leave the country once. Says John Pearce, immigration service examiner, "It's very difficult for consuls to refuse a visa (to the Moon-youths)—it's like they're opposing Christ."

The Other Attacks

But not quite. The immigration service is far from the only attacker Mr. Moon has encountered. Generally, his other opponents have besieged him from four directions: theology, politics, finance and sociology.

Here, in brief outline, is the gist of Mr. Moon's theological message, which other Christian sects have condemned as heresy: Some 40 years ago, Moon, now 54, was visited by Jesus Christ in his native North Korea and was assigned the task of restoring God's perfect-kingdom-on-earth, which Satan had seduced Eve (and her Adam) into surrendering. Over the next decade or so, Mr. Moon discussed this assignment with Moses, Noah, Abraham and other notables who also came round to see him. Scarcely had he founded his church than Satan arrived in the form of the Communist Party, which imprisoned Mr. Moon for three years. His faith, and General MacArthur's landing, got him out.

Finally, Jesus reappeared in 1972 with orders for Mr. Moon to go to the U.S. and spread a new message: Contrary to most Christian doctrine, Jesus didn't intend to die and didn't die with any purpose. He came to restore God's perfect kingdom and was mistakenly crucified, his mission aborted, by men too blind to know a Messiah when they saw one. Mr. Moon warns that the Messiah has returned and that men are in danger of making the same mistake again because they refuse to accept a Messiah made of flesh and blood.

There are many hints in his preaching that the Messiah may just have arrived in the person of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon himself, though he always stops just short of saying so.

While rival sects distribute strident tracts outside his meeting hall, leftist political groups sometimes interrupt the meetings inside with chants of "fascist, fascist."

The basic evidence offered to support this epithet is Mr. Moon's friendship and support for South Korean dictator Park Chung Hee. Mr. Moon also ardently opposed the impeachment or resignation of President Nixon. But in his two major appearances during the New York crusade, which involved some four hours of oratory, about the only political idea he expressed was that America was "the greatest country in the world," though it now was "choked up" with excessive individualism. Mostly he called for unity in expectation of the Messiah, a deep but sexless love among mankind, and opposition to Satan, whom he didn't on this visit associate with any particular person or cause.

The multimillion-dollar profligacy of the Moon movement has attracted several investigative reporters to begin exposes, but none of them has arrived at a firm accusation of wrongdoing. Perhaps the stiffest conclusion was that drawn by the immigration

service after it examined one official church statement that listed 1973 operating income at \$11.7 million and another that listed 1973 operating income at \$2.1 million: "Under

the circumstances," the service said, "we find the credibility of the gross income reported . . . to be very much in doubt."

What isn't in doubt is the Unification Church's ability to spend money. In the past couple of years, it has bought \$1.5 million of land in Westchester County, N.Y., \$1.5 million of land in Dutchess County, N.Y., and numerous small parcels around the country for housing the thousands of missionary-peddlers. The church keeps the youths in food and clothes and often pays their transportation from overseas. Besides an advertising budget rumored to run in the hundreds of thousands of dollars for the New York campaign alone, the church spent about \$36,000 for a promotional roast-beef bash for some 2,000 guests at the Waldorf Astoria and \$27,500 to rent Madison Square Garden for the main rally (no admission was charged or collection taken).

Both church financial statements cited in the immigration service report attribute more than 90% of the income to "donations" but don't make clear where the donations come from. Rumors allege that the church gets money from Mr. Moon's industrial concerns in Korea—which include a shotgun factory and ginseng-tea company—and even that the American Central Intelligence Agency helps finance the church. Not only does the CIA officially deny this, but unofficial sources in the CIA convincingly deny it. **Peanuts for Contributions**

In interviews, church members say all the donations come from sale of items on the street and door-to-door—mostly peanuts but also flowers and books. Some doubt is cast on this by the Planters division of Standard Brands, the nation's leading peanut company, which says total proceeds of fund-raising sales of peanuts in the U.S. this year are optimistically valued at only \$2 million. Kiwanis International, which specializes in peanut sales for charity, says it gets only \$750,000 a year from "a major fund-raising effort."

Joseph Tully, director of the Unification Church in New York, replies, "I challenge you to come along with our fund raising team for a day, a week or a month and see how the money is raised. If that isn't good enough to prove where the money comes from, then you're just going by rumor."

The most touching complaint against the Unification Church springs from a concern for the welfare of the young people it attracts. They commonly impress strangers on the street as being in a near trance, wide-eyed, blandly smiling, reciting the Moon philosophy. While thousands come from overseas—the movement has representatives in 40 countries—thousands more have been recruited in the U.S.

Rabbi Maurice Davis of White Plains, N.Y., recently criticized the church from this point of view in a series of newspaper articles. He says he knows of 50 families "that have been broken up by this religion. Parents have been writing me, calling me from all across the United States, and the stories are all the same. The kid was rushed, honored, then taken to their quarters for a weekend and came out starry-eyed and ready to fight the devil."

"It's a kind of hypnotism," Rabbi Davis says. "They're all well-dressed, nice-looking kids, and the smile doesn't come off their faces. I saw a mother and father in Forest Hills (in Queens) pleading with their daughter to come home—and she just had this little smile on her face. There's something going on. The first time I ever heard the term brainwashing was out of Korea."

Logic and Faith

Mr. Moon's followers, of course, insist they are attracted by the logic of his argument and the discovery of the true faith. Most say that they were unhappy and searching until they encountered the Unification Church and that they have been secure ever since.

In the long run, however, the most damaging factor to Mr. Moon may be the tedium of his own appearances. Although he orates in a raspy shout, goose-steps across the stage and slashes the air with karate chops, the performance is all in Korean, and the translator is often difficult to understand through his own thick accent. The result can be boring; although 20,000 persons, attracted by the heavy promotion, jammed Madison Square Garden here for Mr. Moon Wednesday night and many thousands more waited outside, the crowd started to stream out after the first hour. Persons waiting outside were allowed to enter in their place, but despite a steady influx, the trend was to leave, and the hall was no more than half-full at the end.

REVIEW & OUTLOOK

Mr. Moon's Mission

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, a self-ordained Korean preacher with a controversial new brand of religion, drew a massive turnout at Madison Square Garden this week for his Unification Church's well-publicized "Day of Hope" crusade. As our Mr. Kwitny reports elsewhere in this paper, thousands jammed the streets outside trying to get in, as thousands more inside walked out, probably because the Rev. Mr. Moon gave his two and half hour address in Korean. (Some of Mr. Moon's opponents charge that he has failed to tell his English-language followers that in the unified world he seeks, he intends Korean to be the universal language.)

The spectacle Mr. Moon stirred up might prompt some thoughts about the spiritual thirst of a materialistic America. Before we go too far on that tangent, however, we should remember that Billy Graham has drawn more than a million people to a single rally on his recent crusades to Korea. We don't quite know what it all means, but as far as religion goes, we seem to be maintaining a favorable balance of trade.

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Religion

Is Jesus destined to take a bride?

By GEORGE CORNELL

NEW YORK (AP) — As the Rev. Sun Myung Moon tells it, God intended for Jesus to marry and with His bride to become the "true parents" of a sinless humanity, but since He was crucified and prevented from doing so, it's still to be done.

"That is why He is coming again as the third Adam," says the elaborately promoted Korean evangelist. "He will take a bride and . . . true ancestry of God will be established and heaven on earth can then be literally achieved."

This is the asserted "new truth" that the Rev. Mr. Moon proclaims in the prime meeting halls of the nation, accompanied by a fervent entourage of young followers, putting up posters and roving the streets to stir up attendance.

To them, he is the forerunner of the new advent he describes, or, as some maintain, its messianic fulfill-



Rev. Sun Myung Moon gestures to crowd

ment. In contrast to classic Christianity, he offers what he terms a "new message."

"The realization of all this is at hand," the Rev. Mr. Moon says, adding that a "perfected Adam" united with a "perfect Eve" is to restore a righteous human lineage. "He is destined to come to earth as the son of man in the flesh."

Also, He is to come from Korea, called the "third Israel," according to the Rev. Mr. Moon's 600-page guiding text for his movement, "Divine Principles."

"Blessed are those who see Him and accept Him," he says, and hints repeatedly the time is now. "The greatest opportunity in any man's lifetime is now knocking at our door."

An appearance of the Rev. Mr. Moon at Madison Square Garden here Wednesday night was part of a 40-city U.S. tour this year, following other wide-ranging lectures in 1973 and 1972, heralded by full-page newspaper ads.

His movement, called the Unification Church, now claims 20,000 members in the United States and 2 million in 40 countries, mostly in Japan and Korea.

The group owns an \$800,000 training center in Tarrytown, N.Y., and lists 120 other centers across the country. The Rev. Mr. Moon, 54, his young second wife and children have a 35-room mansion near Tarrytown, N.Y.

Much of the movement's generous financing reportedly comes from organization-related business assets, including a tea company, pharmaceutical firm; retreat ranches and commercial cleaning services.

Full-time workers reside frugally in communes under Spartan disciplines, but the Rev. Mr. Moon moves in select environs, including a banquet in the Waldorf-Astoria's Grand Ballroom the night before his address here this week.



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Moon Rally Draws 22,000 in N. Y.

Frantic Applause, Yawns Greet Korean Minister

By BETH GILLIN POMBEIRO
Inquirer Staff Writer

NEW YORK — Rev. Sun Myung Moon, the mysterious and very wealthy Korean minister with the Buddha-like grin whose face is plastered on telephone poles coast to coast, stopped just short of proclaiming himself the Second Coming of the Messiah in Madison Square Garden Wednesday night.

But he dropped a lot of hints to that effect, drawing frantic applause from devoted followers of his Unification Church, a controversial sect that claims an international membership of three million.

Others, however, only yawned.

By the time the chubby, business-suited "prophet" had finished his rambling, two-hour speech Wednesday, about half of the 22,000 people who jammed into the Garden had walked off.

"I have a headache," explained Giovanni Cuerci, 18, a Jesus freak who came out of curiosity and because someone had handed him a free ticket to the rally on a street corner.

The Unification Church, with its emphasis on logic, order and discipline, seems to appeal most strongly to clean-cut men in their early 20s.

Its odd mixture of Oriental mysticism, right-wing politics and Christian fundamentalism has drawn the fire of Protestant ministers and left-wing groups alike. Members of both groups were on hand to picket Mr. Moon's appearance.

An estimated 380,000 tickets had been distributed in recent weeks by legions of Unification Church members, imported from all over the world to aid in Mr. Moon's well-orchestrated promotion blitz.

As a result, thousands of disappointed ticket-holders were turned back at the doors. At one point, the angry crowd stampeded, shoving dozens of people to the ground in the process. Police said no one was seriously injured.

Philadelphia Next

It was a scene that could well be repeated in the seven other cities on Mr. Moon's Day of Hope Tour, which next stops at Philadelphia's Academy of Music Sept. 27.

Followers of Mr. Moon have been busy handing out tickets and pasting up his pictures all over Philadelphia in recent weeks.

Inside the Garden, the audience was, for the most part, lackadaisical, reserving its applause for the warm-up groups.

These included a German brass band, which played

"When the Caisons Go Rolling Along," with gusto, the

Mattern said he had led a dissipated life of "selfish individualism" before accepting Mr. Moon's teachings.

Asked if he was shocked by recent disclosures that Mr. Moon derives income from New Hope Singers International, who smiled beatifically while singing spirituals, and the Korean Folk Ballet, which performed a fan dance and banged drums.

But during Mr. Moon's speech, delivered in high-pitched Korean and accompanied by much arm-waving and several karate chops to the podium, most of the crowd sat benumbed, as if watching "I dream of Jeanie" reruns.

The minister's comments were translated with varying degrees of success by Col. Bo Hi Pak, a former Korean army officer with a stiff, military bearing.

"John the Baptist was given the position like a prime minister of heaven," intoned the colonel as hundreds headed for the exits.

Follower Puzzled

"I don't understand why they're leaving," declared blond, square-jawed Leon Mattern, 23, a native of Germany, who abandoned his architectural studies to serve as an unpaid volunteer in Mr. Moon's church.

several corporations, including one that manufactures shotguns, Mattern said, "I have nothing against his being rich. He is doing all this for free."

But some critics of Mr. Moon, citing his strong anti-Communist stand, claim the minister is heavily supported by the military dictatorship in South Korea.

"There's a lot of money behind him. Look at all these colored brochures he hands out," said Sharon Shelton, member of Youth Against War and Fascism, which picketed the event.

"And where did he get the money to rent Madison Square Garden?" she asked. (A spokesman for the Garden said the rental fee was \$27,500.)

Buy Two Estates

Mr. Moon's followers recently purchased two estates in Westchester County, N. Y., for a reported \$1.5 million, and a former Christian Brothers seminary in upstate Barrytown, N. Y., for another \$1.5 million.

Other property controlled by Mr. Moon or his church in the New York area includes: his 26-acre estate in Irvington, which reportedly cost \$625,000; a town house on E. 71st st., which the minister now rents, but is trying to buy; and centers in Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island, where church members live

communally.

An accurate estimate of the net worth of all this property could not be ascertained.

Spokesmen for the church insist the sect makes its money by street-corner solicitations and by selling flowers and peanuts.

Mr. Moon preaches that God intended for Adam and Eve to produce perfect children but the divine plan went awry after Eve was literally seduced by Satan. According to Mr. Moon, Jesus Christ was supposed to find a perfect wife but was crucified before He had a chance.

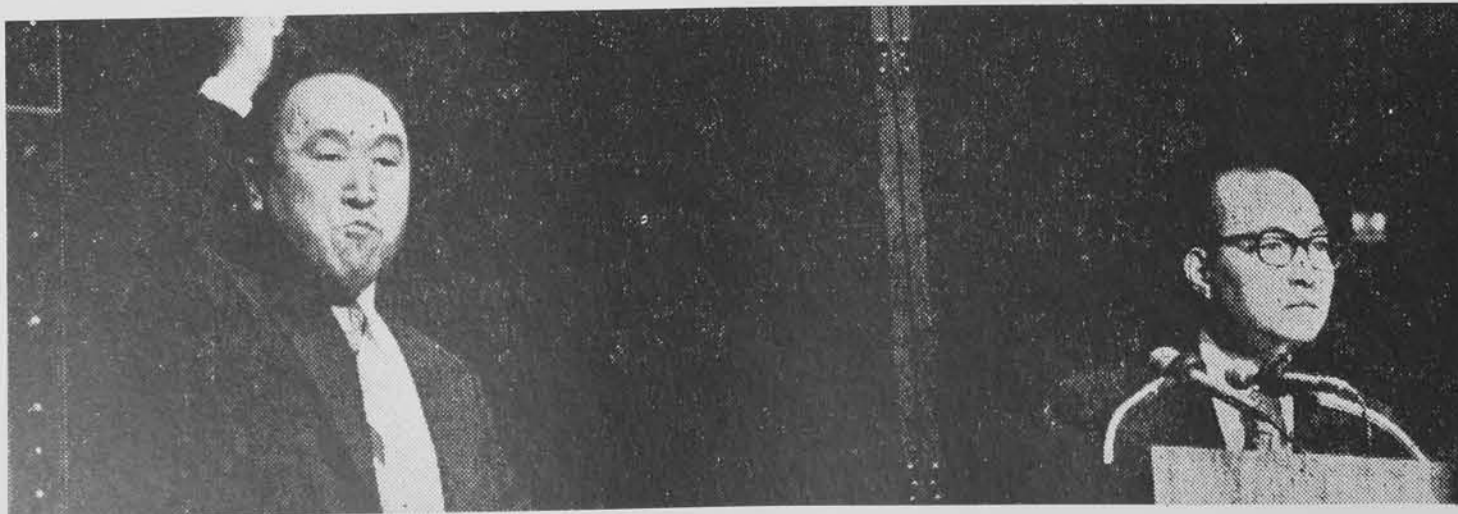
The Next Messiah

The next Messiah, according to the minister, will be, just like himself, a Korean, born around 1920.

"By claiming to be a Christian he is deliberately deceiving people," fumed the Rev. Robert Johansson of the Community Gospel Church, who distributed fundamentalist tracts outside the Garden.

"I suppose young people follow him because he's an Asian, and they equate that with inner peace or something."

At the end of the evening, grumbling city sanitation workers were left to cope with tons of literature, both pro- and con-Moon, that littered the area for blocks around.



Rev. Sun Myung Moon in action at Madison Square Garden rally. At right is a translator

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Demonstrators from various groups hold signs of protest against the Rev. Sun Myung Moon outside New York's Madison Square Garden Wednesday as

spectators arrive to hear the evangelist speak. The reverend addressed the audience inside on "The New Nature of Christianity." (AP Wirephoto)

The Rev. Sun Myung Moon: He speaks a 'new truth'

Rev. Sun Myung Moon: he preaches the rebirth of Christianity to ever-growing numbers of followers. The Korean evangelist has been highly promoted and is currently on a 40-city U.S. tour. He proclaims a "new truth" in which Jesus will come again and will take a bride.



The Rev. Sun Myung Moon preaches to a capacity crowd of 20,000 Wednesday in New York's Madison Square Garden. The elaborately promoted Korean evangelist proclaims a "new truth" in which Jesus will come again as the third Adam and will take a bride. (AP Wirephoto)



Sun Myung Moon, a self-proclaimed prophet, gestures to capacity crowd of 20,000 Wednesday in New York's Madison Square Garden. Preaching for Christianity's rebirth, Moon provided peacock-costumed folk dancers during a rally that climaxed a \$600,000 advertising blitz. (AP Wirephoto).



The Rev. Sun Myung Moon gestures to capacity crowd of 20,000 Wednesday in New York's Madison Square Garden, where he preached for the rebirth of Christianity. His appearance was part of a 40-city U.S. tour this year. (AP Wirephoto)

City to Cite Poster Pests

By LEWIS GROSSBERGER

The city has decided to start pestering rampant poster pasters.

A "Dirty Dozen List," sort of a hit parade of litter, will begin regular publication next week, the Environmental Protection Agency announced today.

It will spotlight the 12 most flagrant violators of the administrative code that prohibits the sticking of posters on city property.

Speaking of a "blight of posters that has hit the city recently," Administrator

Robert Low said: "The primaries are over and Rev. Moon's religious extravaganza moves to the next city, but their posters have been left behind, like a spreading fungus infection, over the city's buildings, construction fences, lampposts, trees, railroad overpasses and garbage receptacles."

Despite reports that Rev. Moon's followers had suddenly materialized in the night to remove their numerous pasteups, the EPA says many remain. "They did a good job in Manhattan, but in Queens there are still

a lot up," said Barbara Karlon, EPA public information director.

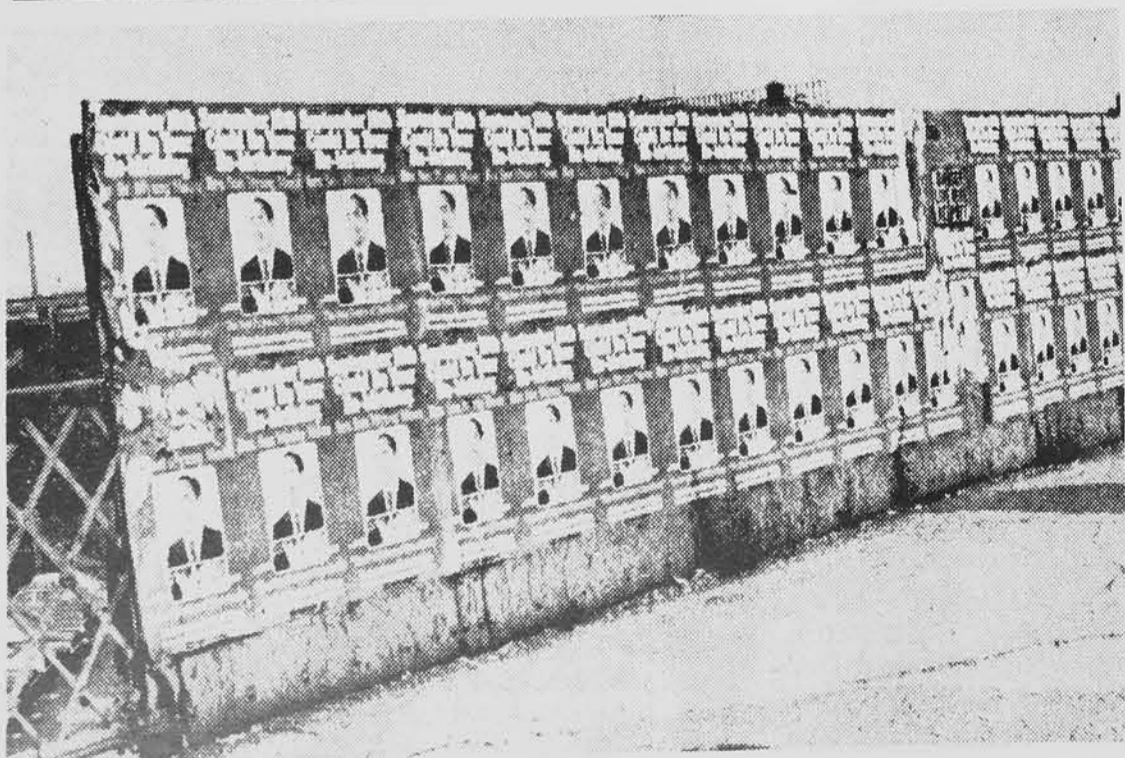
Low's announcement continued: "We intend to enforce the city's code on illegal posters and littering. If the Dirty Dozen List does not do the trick, we'll take more drastic steps, including recourse to the courts."

The fine for illegal poster-ing is \$10 per violation. If the poster falls into the street, that's a \$100 littering fine.

EPA employes have been going on scouting trips in recent days taking pictures of poster violations. The perpetrators include political, religious and commercial organizations.

Low had threatened to prosecute candidates who failed to remove their signs by 48 hours after the primary, but instead he resorted to persuasion. Compliance so far has been spotty, he said.

The new EPA ploy was originated by the Health Dept., which regularly publishes a list of restaurants and food stores found violating the city health code.



Posters of the Rev. Moon still on billboards along 49th Avenue, near Hunters Point station of the Long Island Rail Road.

Moon's Ubiquitous Signs Disappear as Promised

By ROBERT McG. THOMAS Jr.

Well, they're gone. The thousands of bright blue posters that made many New Yorkers see red disappeared early yesterday even more swiftly than they had appeared, and by dawn, dozens of boarded-up storefronts and construction fences throughout the city had been stripped to their natural shabby state.

The all-night effort by hundreds of missionary volunteers was sort of a post-birthday present to the city from the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, whose appearance Wednesday night at Madison Square Garden had been heralded by the posters' message: "September 18th Could Be Your Re-birthday."

The posters, which Mr. Moon's followers had plastered in uniform rows on virtually every unfinished temporary exterior surface in the city, had rankled many citizens who often seemed to focus their disagreement with the Korean minister's message on the most visible medium of his massive promotion campaign.

Some Didn't Mind

However, in a city where subway scrawls have been proclaimed by some as art, there were those who delighted in the organized profusion of color that brightened formerly nondescript expanses of wood.

But it was the naysayers who carried the day, prompting Mr. Moon to promise to have every poster removed as soon as his appearance was over. And judging by an impromptu early-morning tour of Manhattan, his followers proved him a man of his word.

The hundreds of posters that had decorated the fence around a construction site on Second Avenue between 59th and 60th Streets were gone by morning, and at the abandoned Twin Donut shop at Broadway and 74th Street, there were only a few shredded remains of the posters that had covered the scarred plywood facade by the time Bill Gertz drove his six-member cleanup crew away at 7:30 A.M.

Removing the posters, which had been pasted on to stay, required soapy water and a lot of elbow grease.

"We didn't really have to take them off," Mr. Gertz said as he chipped away with a scraper. "Nobody else ever takes theirs down, but we felt an obligation to the city."

Now, instead of the posters, visitors to the site will find splintered plywood sections unevenly fitted over broken windows, a squiggly message in black spray paint, torn remnants of competing posters—for a yoga studio, a nightclub and a Latin concert at the Garden last July—whose sponsors did not remove them, and a mass of staples and puncture holes.

Mr. Gertz said each of Mr. Moon's "missionary teams" had taken responsibility for removing posters from the areas where they had earlier handed out leaflets. He said his crew had already cleared six East Side areas.

"Nobody organized us," he insisted. "At the end of the Reverend Moon's message last night he said the posters would come down, so we did it."

Sing as They Work

The team, which included a young black woman from France and three Orientals, seemed cheerful despite the chore, and they sang and hummed to themselves as they performed what they unself-consciously called "the Lord's work." Mr. Gertz said the team had started to work immediately after the meeting the night before, going to their residential center on East 71st Street only long enough to change clothes.

After they finished and were climbing into a van, one of the workers, Reinhard Jaeger, an Austrian who has been doing missionary work here for the last year, said the group would sleep only an hour or two before seeking their next assignment from the Moon organization.

"Life is a living experience, not a sleeping experience," he called out as the van pulled away.

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New York Times photo

Followers of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon sing out at rally near Wall Street in Manhattan. The sect

claims 25,000 members in the United States and more than two million worldwide.

A message for America

The Rev. Moon— new messiah or charlatan?

By Eleanor Blau

New York Times News Service

NEW YORK—His face is everywhere, it seems. Gazing benignly from billboards, subway stations, construction sites, and glossy leaflets distributed by polite but persistent young followers, the color photo of a middle-aged Korean man in a business suit has become a familiar sight to many New Yorkers in recent weeks.

He is the Rev. Sun Myung Moon and "He is God's prophet," explained one of his followers.

Actually, most, if not all of his followers consider him the messiah returned. They believe Moon can save the world.

FORMER MEMBERS tell of a highly disciplined, hierarchical, and fanatic organization in which overworked members are never alone, eat poor food, don't have time to think for themselves, and are told they will die or suffer torment if

they leave.

Parents of some followers charge that the group alienates its members from their families, telling them anyone opposed to the movement is influenced by Satan.

Moon has been conducting increasingly publicized speaking tours in this country since 1972, a year after he says God told him to bring his message to America.

The president of the church in the United States, 92-year-old Neil Salonen, says membership has doubled in the last year. He reported that there are more than 25,000 members in this country.

A STATE Department spokesman, said Moon's following in the Unification Church in Korea officially claims 320,000. Pak put the worldwide total at more than two million.

Salonen disparages recent reports that Moon is worth \$15 million.

"It is true that the move-

ment throuout the world probably is worth far more than that," he said, stressing that the funds were held by the church, not Moon.

NEVERTHELESS, Moon is board chairman of various businesses in South Korea, and Pak acknowledged that Moon derives income from them. One of them is the Tongil In-



The Rev. Sun Myung Moon

dustrial Co. Ltd., which manufacturers shotguns.

Most or all employes are church members who live together in regimented style and receive only token wages.

Church property here includes a 22-acre estate overlooking the Hudson River at Tarrytown, N. Y. The tax-exempt estate, which cost \$850,000, allegedly is used as an international training center and as Moon's headquarters. His wife and seven children also live there. Moon, 55, has spent most of the last three years in this country and has a permanent resident visa.

HE ALSO HAS a 255-acre estate farther up the Hudson at Barrytown, purchased from the Christian brothers for an undisclosed sum; and a 26-acre piece of land in Irvington, said to cost \$625,000.

Moon's personal life style is something of a mystery. He keeps a low public profile, appearing only at well-orchestrated programs. But commit-

ted members of church must live communally in centers.

Premarital sex, drugs, and smoking are forbidden. A typical day includes prayer, calisthenics, singing, pep talks, and long hours peddling on the streets.

MOON'S THEOLOGY, spelled out in his "Divine Principle," holds that God wanted Jesus Christ to find a perfect mate and have perfect children, but man failed him, crucifying Jesus and thus aborting His mission.

"The heart of Christianity is that Christ died for the sins of the world," says the Rev. Paul Moore, pastor of the United Methodist Church of the Nazarene. "Moon denies the basic tenet of Christian faith."

Moon teaches that the "last days" are upon us, and that the messiah or "third Adam" will be known soon. The "Divine Principle" does not precisely state that Moon is that "third Adam," but it does say that he will come from Korea.

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Rev. Sun Myung Moon at Madison Square Garden
... claims 20,000 American members

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A Garden Attraction

Like the ubiquitous posters that disappeared overnight, the Rev. Sun Myung Moon has left New York to preach elsewhere, and many people are still wondering what his controversial crusade is all about.

After weeks of sidewalk proselytizing by his young followers, publicity and other arrangements costs spokesmen said would come to \$350,000, and distribution of 380,000 free tickets, the 55-year-old Korean evangelist drew an overflow crowd to Madison Square

Garden last week. But by the time Mr. Moon finished speaking, through an interpreter, half of the audience had left.

Mr. Moon heads the Unification Church, which claims a worldwide following of more than three million, including 25,000 in the United States. His theology focuses on the idea that Satan "subjugated" Eve, who then subjugated Adam, spoiling what Mr. Moon says was God's plan to have them marry, raise perfect children and perpetuate the kingdom of Heaven on earth.

Critics charge that Mr. Moon falsely represents himself as a Christian and that his organization manipulates young followers. Critics also say the Unification Church is worth a worldly \$15-million, and that Mr. Moon controls it. Religious sources in South Korea say that Mr. Moon has been arrested for sexual misconduct and that followers have countered criticism with violence. Mr. Moon's spokesmen deny all the charges.



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MOON PREACHING IN MANHATTAN



KOREAN FOLK BALLET IN FERVENT BUILDUP TO SECOND-COMING SERMON

RELIGION

Moon Landing in Manhattan

How does a preacher with murky credentials draw a crowd in jaded New York City? Simple. You field a corps of 2,000 tireless, polite young buttonholers who spend weeks offering people free tickets. Invest \$300,000 on publicity for the one-night stand—far more than Billy Graham has ever spent for an eight-day crusade. Along with the radio and TV spots and full-page newspaper ads, plaster posters of the smiling preacher on all conceivable wall space.

It all worked for the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, 54, South Korea's crypto-Messiah, who packed Madison Square Garden to overflowing last week. The happening, complete with numbers by the Korean Folk Ballet, kicked off an eight-city tour that climaxes his drive to build a base in the U.S. just seven years before the Messianic Age is to begin. Moon, through an interpreter, told the Garden-goers in guttural shouts, "The time of the Second Coming of Christ is near, and America is the landing site!"

MOON CHILDREN DRUMMING UP AUDIENCE



Half the crowd filtered out during the 2½-hour oration, but for many of those who stayed, there was little doubt that the Messiah is Moon himself.

Since his New York appearance a year ago (TIME, Oct. 15), Moon has spoken in all 50 states, typically drawing only several hundred people. Meanwhile, his church has bought a former Catholic seminary to expand Moon's schools for training outsiders. With a previously purchased estate and the lavish mansion where Moon lives, this gives the movement \$3 million worth of property in the Hudson River Valley. The Moonmen say income for U.S. operations (\$7 million last year) comes mostly from street peddling of flowers, peanuts and candles—which is possible, given the fervor of his international corps of disciples. (As salesmen minus work visas, the aliens among them are now threatened with deportation.)

While Moon was on a brief trip home to Korea last November, God revealed to him that Americans "must love Richard Nixon." For weeks the well-scrubbed Moon-people demonstrated in the capital with GOD LOVES NIXON signs. Many politicians, including four Nixon loyalists on the House Judiciary Committee, endorsed the hang-in-there campaign.

Moon is a man of many faces. To some, he is a Korean exemplar of Americanism and anti-Communism who merits fond words from the superpatriotic Sons of the American Revolution. To others, he is an international educator who lures students to indoctrination seminars with guest lectures by such big-name academics as Political Scientists Roger Hilsman and Samuel P. Huntington.

Moon's public religious face is that of a brotherhood-minded Christian clergyman

and founder of the "ecumenical" Unification Church. At a Waldorf banquet in his honor last week, a monsignor offered the opening prayer, and another Catholic, Seer Jeane Dixon, gushed, "Bless you, Reverend Moon, for your message."

In private meetings, he is the authoritarian "Master" Moon who claims to be "greater than Jesus himself" and says, "God is now throwing Christianity away and is now establishing a new religion, and this new religion is Unification Church."

That heady mission began on Easter Sunday, 1936, when, Moon reports, Jesus appeared to him and commissioned him as a latter-day prophet. Moon, an ex-Presbyterian who was born in North Pyongan province in what became North Korea, later studied engineering in Japan and, he told New Yorkers last week, also spent time talking with Jesus and other biblical luminaries in the spirit world. Thus he is able to reveal the true meaning of the Bible, which is God's "coded message" to mankind. As God's cryptographer, Moon later published the movement's scripture, called *Divine Principle*.

Staunch Denial. Only at age 26 did he start preaching, and he immediately ran afoul of the new Soviet-styled regime. He spent three years in Communist prisons and was freed by United Nations forces in late 1950. He became a harbor laborer in Pusan, then founded his church in Seoul in 1954. Soon the new faith, which developed from an earlier Korean messianic movement, was under attack by Korean Christians and awash in controversy.

Moon began building a multi-million-dollar network of industries (pharmaceuticals, air rifles, titanium, tea), launched an anti-Communist organization, and gained steadily in official esteem. Today, while the Park regime jails numerous dissident Protestants and Catholics, it bestows favors on Moon. His movement has grown to a purported 362,000 members in South Korea and 500,000 worldwide, with claims sometimes vaulting to 3 million.

Last week's Moon landing in Manhattan demonstrated not only the dog-

matic certainties but the highly disciplined, puritanical way of life that makes Moonism appealing to its young converts. When city fathers griped about the ubiquitous Moon posters, the Moon children—mostly quartered at two modest hotels—worked through the night after the Garden rally to remove them.

Besides disciples and the curious, the doings drew congeries of demonstrators. Charged Paul Moore, a Nazarene minister who mobilized a fervent protest by Evangelicals, "Rev. Moon is a liar and deceiver. He has belittled and negated every essential Christian belief, every principle of the Apostles' Creed, while at the same time pretending to be Christian. He denies the Trinity and the inspiration of the Scriptures."

In essence, Moon's theology makes wide use of biblical personae and events, but is no more than nominally Christian. Added ingredients are an odd mix of occultism, electrical engineering, Taoist dualism, pop sociology and opaque metaphysical jargon. Sample: "The constant action of give-and-take through the stages of Origin-Division-Union (Synthesis) within God and within all creation, which thus resembles God."

New Redeemer. The church's best-known practice is its arranged marriages, preferably in massive paramilitary ceremonies, after which the couple must not engage in sexual intercourse for 40 days. Moon thinks that the fall of man came when Satan seduced Eve. The first Messiah, Jesus Christ, had the major God-given task of finding the right woman and founding the Perfect Family. Since the Jews, according to Moon's teaching, "murdered" Jesus, and thus aborted that mission, Christ's death on the cross provided only a half-salvation.

That is where the Second Coming comes in. A new Messiah, who combines Christ and other holy men, must return to father the Perfect Family and redeem mankind physically. And this "Lord of the Second Advent" must be born as a normal man in Korea in this century. Who is he? Moon himself, devotees naturally assume. The Master does nothing to discourage the idea.



Thousands More Turned Away from Gates

On Wednesday, September 18th, 1974, a crowd of over 20,000 packed into Madison Square Garden, and outside, police estimate 25,000 more were turned away at the gates, as Reverend Sun Myung Moon, Founder of the Unification Church International, spoke on "The New Future of Christianity." Never before had New York seen such a dynamic religious crusade as Reverend Moon's, and never before had such an enormous number flocked to the Garden to attend a religious event. Unification Church officials apologized to the near 10,000 people who came by 200 chartered buses and special trains, from as far as Long Island, Westchester and New Jersey to hear Reverend Moon, but were unable to enter. One woman commented, "Even though I can't get inside, I'm so glad 20,000 people are hearing Reverend Moon's message." The streets near the Garden were flooded with those anxious to see this man from Korea whom many call "God's prophet."

For several weeks before, members of the Unification Church in New York, as well as representatives from all 50 states and over 40 countries, participated in this crusade. They became a familiar sight to New Yorkers - clean cut, earnest, sincere smiling faces of young men and women - speaking so matter-of-factly about God and His desire to bring about the ideal world. Through various forms of advertising, as well, such as posters, flyers, newspapers, radio and television, the name of Reverend Sun Myung Moon rapidly became a household word in New York.

In the final week before Reverend Moon's speech, a huge "Rally for God" of over 2500 participants, was held on the steps of the Federal Hall Memorial on Wall Street, where George Washington first took the oath of President. A noontime crowd of thousands gathered to view the rally and hear representatives from 10 nations speak on the message of Reverend Moon.

The day before his Madison Square Garden speech,

a banquet was held in Reverend Moon's honor at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, attended by over 1600 United Nations diplomats, consuls general, public officials and leaders of business, education and religion. Reverend Moon addressed the gathering on God's plan to build a new world of goodness in this time of world crisis, and he added that New York, an international city, was where God most wanted to build a model for such a world. World-famous medium, Jeane Dixon, also spoke, affirming that Reverend Moon is truly bringing a message from God for the modern world.

Finally, on September 18th, at Madison Square Garden, Reverend Sun Myung Moon was introduced to applause that sustained for several minutes. Reverend Moon first asked that everyone listen seriously to his message, for he would not be speaking if he had not something new to reveal. He then spoke with fiery spirit about God's purpose of creation, His desire to establish the Kingdom of Heaven on earth from this fallen world, the mission of Jesus Christ, and why he did not come to die; the failure of John the Baptist to truly support Jesus; why Jesus said he would come again, and how the Second Coming will be fulfilled today. Many who attended on September 18th knew they were hearing more than a mere sermon, but were truly hearing prophecy itself. (The full text of Reverend Moon's speech, "The New Future of Christianity," can be read on pp. 2-3).

Now, after Reverend Moon's appearance at Madison Square Garden, is the great opportunity for New Yorkers to begin to understand more deeply Reverend Moon's message, called the *Divine Principle*. The Divine Principle Special Seminar is held every weekend at beautiful Barrytown, New York, to explore, in fellowship with people of all ages, races, and religions, the teachings of this great prophet and man of God: Reverend Sun Myung Moon.



On September 12, 1974, 2500 Unification Church members held a "Rally for God" around the steps of the Federal Hall Memorial on Wall Street. Thousands of noontime onlookers attended.

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THE DAWN OF THE MESSIANIC AGE

The Special Seminar on the teachings of Reverend Sun Myung Moon



The events of the last decade and a half have shown us that we live in the world at its most troubled hour. From small individual and family affairs to national and global events, we can see that our world is in crisis as never before.

In the midst of this world despair, the deepest desire of all men has remained unchanged throughout history: the desire to attain happiness. Everything is an expression of human lives constantly striving to become happier.

More than ever, we can see that the ultimate solution to human crisis and conflict cannot come from man's created institutions nor from man alone. Many expect, especially by biblical prophesy, that this is the time when God will reveal new truth (John 16:25) — higher truth than existing religions or ideologies — to solve the fundamental questions of human life and

to lead man to a new world of harmony and peace.

Reverend Sun Myung Moon of Korea is a man whose life has been dedicated to solving these fundamental questions in order to end man's separation from the living God. In 1936, when just 16, Jesus Christ appeared to Sun Myung Moon to tell him he had an important mission to accomplish in the fulfillment of God's providence. Through many years of intense struggle, search and prayer, Reverend Moon discovered a series of principles, called *Divine Principle*, that made it possible to clearly understand and explain the fundamental questions of life. Reverend Moon has now become an internationally-known figure, especially in the United States, where he has travelled through all fifty states, in three Day of Hope speaking tours, bringing his message of new hope

and unification to the American people.

The Unification Church, founded by Reverend Moon and now in 40 countries, sponsors a Special Seminar each weekend at its beautiful 250-acre training center in Barrytown, New York, to teach these principles discovered by Reverend Moon. The many people who already have attended the Seminar experienced a deep feeling of God's love, and new hope that God, based on man's response, can soon establish His original ideal on earth — the kingdom of heaven — through the Second Advent of the Messiah.

The Barrytown Special Seminar is truly the experience of a lifetime and promises a revolutionary change of spirit and heart that this world desperately needs. All are welcome! Come this weekend to the Barrytown Special Seminar!

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뉴욕집회를 시발점으로 미국40개 주요도시 순회 집회의 발을내디딘 통일교회 문선명목사의 전도집회는 작년에 벌였던 전도집회와는 달리 미국사회앞에서 상당한 목의물 일으키기 시작했다.

우선 뉴욕집회에서도 상당한 반대자들이 소란을 피움으로써 종교적인 시비가 벌어졌는가하면 거리에 붙였던 포스터 역시 큰 말쟁거리가 되었다. 벽마다 빈틈없이 붙여진 포스터는 도시미관을 해친 불법적인것이 라해서 벌금까지 부과되었다고 미주소식(한국일보)은 전했다.

워싱턴·포스트지는 20일자 보도를통해 일부 통일교회 반대자들은 문선명 목사를 "반 기독교적 기회주의자 또는 독재적 백만장자 목사" 등으로 비난했다고 전했다. 심지어 한 참석자는 그를 "돌팔이"라고 비난한 것으로도 보도했다.

또한 뉴욕시에서 그 집회 포스터가 큰 말쟁을 일으켜 수천불의 벌금이 부과 되었으며 문선명목사 추종자들이 이를 모두 철거하기로 약속했다고 AP통신이 전한것으로도 보도했다.

워싱턴·포스트지는 특히 그문제로 사설까지 게재, 오는 10월15일에 있을 워싱턴 집회에 앞서 이미 워싱턴시내에 포스터가 붙여졌음을 지적 하루속히 그 포스터들을 단속할것을 촉구했다.

뉴욕한인牧師들성명

뉴욕지구 한인교역자회는 15일 문선명 목사의 통일교회에 대한 해명이라는 글을 발표했다. 이글은 통일교에서 출판한 "원리 강론"을 근거로 통일교의 교리적모순을 7개항에 걸쳐 비판했다.

이글은 서론에서 "뉴욕을 비롯한 미국전역에서 크게 선전되고있는 통일교의 문선명목사가 같은 한국인이라는 점에서 매우 무거운 책임감을 느끼어 해명서를 발표한다"고 밝혔다.



문선명 목사와 그 통역인 박보희씨

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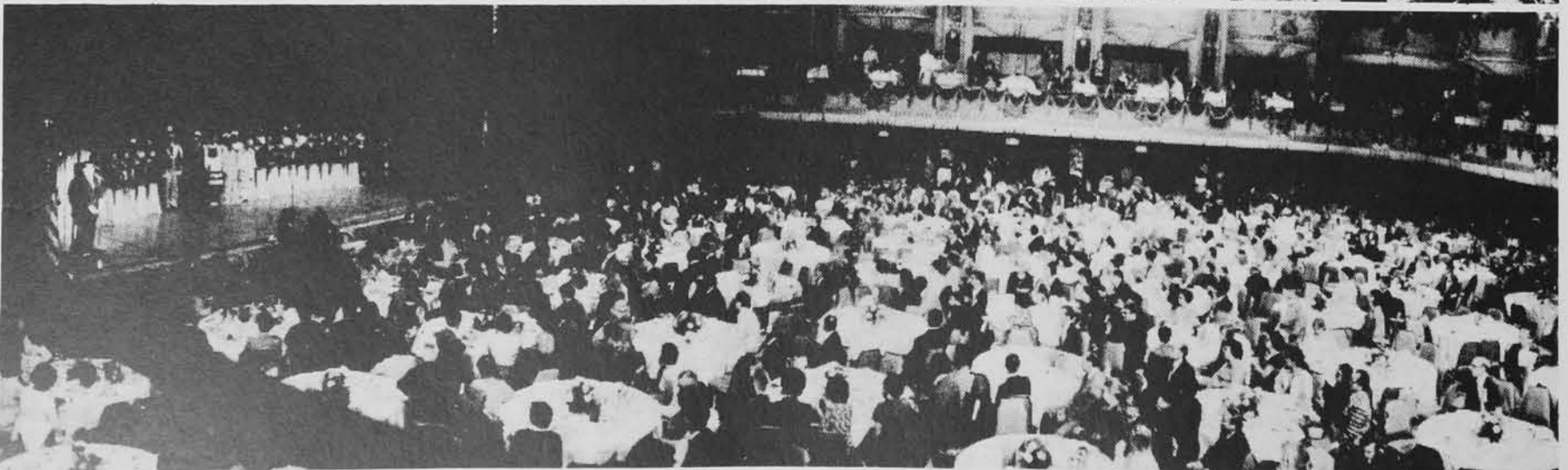
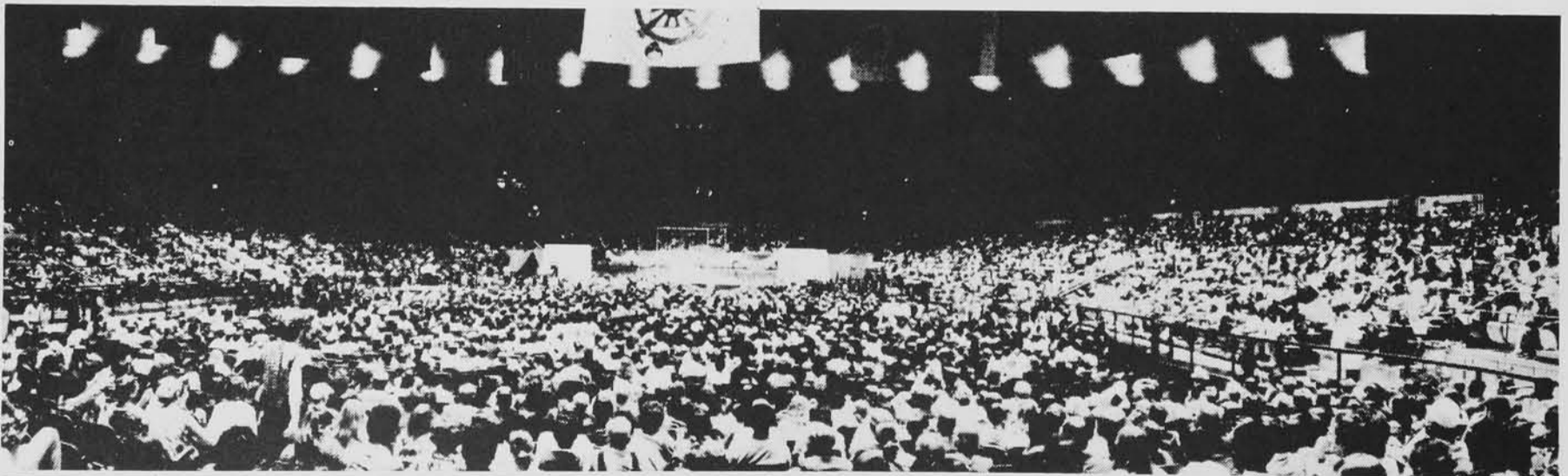
통일교 문선명목사의 대대적인 종교집회가 지난18일 하오 7시 15분부터 뉴욕 메디슨 스퀘어가든에서 입장자 2만2천여명, 입장하지 못한 군중 1만여명등이 운집한 가운데 열렸다.

이 집회를위해 지난 2개월간 뉴욕시내를 떠들석하게 하면서 매일교가의 텔레비전 선전광고, 1천여 젊은 추종자들의 끈질긴 선전공세, 뉴욕 전시가지를 도배하듯 붙여진 선전벽보등 약35만달러의 선전비가 들었다고.

집회 1시간 전부터 장내는 초만원이되어 1만여 군중이 밖에서 입장을 저지하는 경비경찰과 육박전을 벌이는가 하면 한편에서는 통일교를 비난하는 반대데모가 맹도는 소란가운데 열렸다.

단상 오른쪽에 대형태극기를 중심으로 성조기등 세계 여러나라의 국기가 게양된 가운데 세계 12개국 젊은이들로 구성된 인터내셔널 합창단의 합창으로 막을올린 이날 대회에서 문선명목사가 입장하자 장내를 메운 2만여청중들은 일제히일어나서 열광적인 환호와박수로 그를 맞았다. 문목사는 이날 2시간 반동안 창세기로부터 시작, 신구약 성서를 인용, "하나님의 계시를받아 미국에 왔다"고 열변을 토했다.

이날 문목사의 한국말 설교에는 박보희씨가 통역을 맡았다.



사진위는 뉴욕 메디슨·스퀘어·가든에서의 통일교 집회전경. 아래는 월돌프·아스토리아 호텔에서의 호화판 전야 파-티 전경.

문목사의 설교가 끝나고 몇몇 반대파가 소란을 피우자 문목사는 "산에는 꽃이 피네"라는 한국가곡을 불러 장내를 진정시키기도 했다.

한국 고전무용단의 부채춤이 화려하게 선을보이고 국제합창단의 합창이 곁들인 이날대회에서 문목사는 "가득이나 소란한 뉴욕에 내가와서 더욱 소란하게 하여 미안하다"고 유모어를 섞어 말하기도 했다.

미국 40개 주요도시에서 있을 순회집회의 시발점으로 이날열린 이 대 집회에 앞서 문목사는 17일 하오 6시30분 월돌프 아스토리아 호텔,그랜드 볼룸에서 전야제인 대 연회를 베풀었다.

이 전야제에는 각계에서 초청된 1천6백50여명이 참석, 1인당 20달러짜리 디너를 무료로 대접받기도 했다. 이 연회의 경비만 4만달러.

올해 55세인 문목사는 뉴욕주 ·어빙톤에 26에이커의 정원에 5만달러의 골동품으로 장식된 62만 5천달러짜리 호화 맨션을 개인 저택으로 갖고있으며 테리타운에는 방26개의 훈련소를, 베리타운의 1천5백만달러

의 또다른 건물을 소유하고 있는등 막강한 재력을 과시하고 있어 그의 행적과 배후는 불가사의한 현대적 신화로 알려지고 있다.

475, 5th Ave 의 번화가에 자리잡고있는 통일교 뉴욕지부의 수많은 젊은 남녀교도들은 센추럴 파크등 거리거리에 나가 싸구려 초, 한국의 특산물 인삼등을 구걸하다시피 판매하고 있으며 그에반해 문씨등 고위간부들은 돈을 물쓰듯쓰고있어 일부에선 미국정부당국에서 문씨의 자금출처등에 관해 극비리에 수사에 나섰고 심지어 문씨가 한국에 있을때의 재판기록등마저 가져왔다는설마저 나돌고있다.

통일교의 집회가 선풍을 이뤘지만 과연 끝까지 그의 연설을 듣고 간 사람은 얼마나 되었을까엔 의견이 없지않다고 워싱턴·포스트지는 전했다. 사실상 그자리에 나왔던 많은 사람들은 '통일교가 뭐냐? 공짜라기에 나와보았다'고 대답했다는것. 심지어 남미에서 오래전에 왔다는 한 여인은 TV 마이크를 통해 '저것은 공산당이다. 내가 공산당나라에 있어 보아서 나는안다'고 마구 부르짖기까지 했다.

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☉ 세계적인 대 부흥사 빌리그레이엄이 1만7천 명을 모았다고 자랑하는 메디슨 스퀘어 가든이, 9월 18일 2만5천명이 모여 기록은 깨지고 말았다. 입장을 못해 아우성을 친 인파 만도 1만5천여명이라고 외신은 전했다. 밀리는 인파에 유리문은 부서지고 경비경찰은 팔이 부러지는 사태가 났다. 무슨힘이 이렇게 미국을 열광케 하는가?

두시간 반동안 선생님은 청중을 매혹시켜 금세기 역사에 새로운 장이 기록되었다. 미국인들은 말하기를 이런 기적은 금후에도 없을 것이고 물론 이전에도 없었다고...

사진 상단 좌우-다양한 표정을 지으면서 말씀을 선포하신 선생님의 모습.

좌 하단- 5 층까지 꽉 들어찬 메디슨 스퀘어 가든 강연장 (정면).

우하단- 강단 후면에서 보이는 청중들. (柳文化部長 郵送)



무슨 힘이 美国을 움직이는가?



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Fundamentalists Label Rev. Sun Myung Moon A 'Nuisance' And 'A Faker'

NEW YORK (NC) — The Rev. Sun Myung Moon, wealthy self-ordained Korean preacher whose followers of the Unification Church have recently plastered New York with leaflets, brought a capacity crowd to Madison Square Garden here.

But many left early. And instead of convincing New Yorker that it was their "re-birthday" of spiritual hope, the 55-year-old evangelist, regarded as the Messiah by most of his followers, left in the wake of his appearance a storm of opposition from fundamentalist Protestant churches, leftist groups, environmentalists and city residents who complained that Moon followers were a nuisance.

The Garden, which holds 20,000, was filled to capacity as Mr. Moon spoke in Korean, gesturing, and warning "the time of the second coming of Christ is near." His followers, mostly in their 20s, had expected him to declare himself as the Second Coming.

But by the time the two-and-a-half-hour talk, translated by his chief associate, Col. Bo Hi Pak, was ended, the amphitheater was barely half full.

Outside the Garden, fundamentalist demonstrators carrying signs such as "No Moonshine, Sunshine," exchanged religious handbills with persons who surged toward the gates of the Garden in response to an estimated 380,000 tickets distributed by the Moon organization in advance of the rally.

"I've never seen anything like it," commented a policeman who struggled the pressing crowd at the start of the meeting. "They trampled women, children, and everybody. They didn't care who they ran over to get inside."

Many who attended described themselves as skeptics and curiosity seekers. The night before the rally, Mr. Moon hosted a dinner for 1,600 civic leaders at the Waldorf-Astoria, estimated to cost \$350,000.

A principal organizer of the religious opposition here, the Rev. Paul Moore, 32, of the year-old Manhattan Church of the Nazarene, told NC News in an interview:

"Moon is the biggest faker since Looney Tunes."

Mr. Moore was disturbed, he said, at the failure of mainline Protestant churches, the Catholic Archdiocese of New York and the Council of Churches to speak out strongly against Mr. Moon's campaign here and in

other cities in the United States.

About a dozen fellowship-type Protestant congregations, including mid-town Calvary Baptist Church, several Nazarene churches and some community Gospel churches from Long Island, he said, had joined together as a coalition called Christians United For Jesus as Lord to demonstrate against the Korean.

Other foes on hand for the rally included the 40-member



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interdenominational Korean Ministers' Association of Greater New York, which opposes what a spokesman called the dictatorship in South Korea, and leftist organizations who accused Mr. Moon of being a Fascist.

"Our basic motivation," Mr. Moore said of Christians United, "is that we feel people are being deceived. Moon is not telling the truth about himself or his religion."

"He is taking the name of the Lord our God in vain. He is using the name of Jesus Christ to his advantage."

"And the thing is that, in this day of freewheeling license and faithlessness, the mainline Christian churches don't say 'boo.' Fifty years ago, Moon would have been run out of town."

"Now they can't respond to an anti-Christ."

Newspaper accounts about the self-proclaimed church leader have varied. Mr. Moon, who is in his mid-50s, refuses to meet reporters. He has made increasingly publicized speaking tours in the U.S. since 1972.

According to Neil A. Salonen, 29, president of the Unification Church in this country, membership has doubled to more than 25,000 in the last year, partly as a result of aggressive recruitment on college campuses.

The official church membership in Korea is claimed at only 320,000

members of an estimated worldwide tally of two million.

Associates of Mr. Moon say that he was born in North Korea and received a revelation when Jesus Christ appeared to him at the age of 16. During nine years of prayer and study, he discovered "the process and meaning of history, the inner meanings of the parables and symbols of the Bible and the purpose of all religions." He wrote "Divine Principle," the textbook of the Unification church, which he founded in 1954.

In "Divine Principle," his theology holds that God intended Adam and Eve to marry, but Eve was seduced by Satan, literally, and thus was tainted. Also, according to Mr. Moon, God wanted Jesus Christ to find a perfect mate and have perfect children — but man failed Him and aborted His mission by crucifying Him.

"Ask a Moon follower if Jesus is the Son of God," Mr. Moore asserted, "and you won't get a straight answer. To a Christian, Christ means one thing — Virgin born, immaculately conceived, divine and the Third Person of the Trinity. Moon says that Christ was born a man, and that His divinity was 'achieved' as He grew up. Moon does not believe in miracles because he can't perform them."

"Every blasphemous thing is there."

As well as putting his thoughts in "Divine Principle," Mr. Moon studied engineering, becoming a multi-millionaire through various businesses. These are said to include a shotgun manufacturing plant near Seoul, and companies which produce paint, ginseng tea, and stone vases.

Church members say they derive more of their funds, however, from street sales of peanuts, candles, flowers and dry-flower arrangements than they do from Mr. Moon's businesses.

Church properties include three estates at Barrytown, Tarrytown and Irvington, N.Y., where youthful church members are trained. The 255-acre Barrytown property was purchased from the Christian Brothers, New York Times article said.

During and after the rally here, Moon followers were issued summonses by the Environmental Protection Agency for putting up posters on public property. The Sanitation Department reported it had been deluged with complaints about the Moon posters and flyers littering New York streets.

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THE MOON IN ECLIPSE

The phenomenon of evangelism, and its remarkable drawing power, has never been thoroughly understood. A somewhat bizarre rally held this last fall in New York City can only serve to further confuse explanation. In this case, the evangelist was a Korean—the Reverend Sun Myung Moon, who had come to Yankee soil, he said, because God had told him to bring his message to America. To ensure that his message would be heard, Moon and his followers passed out 380,000 free tickets—although there were only seats for 20,000 at Madison Square Garden's amphitheater. As you might expect, about 100,000 curious New Yorkers showed up for the freebie, and the scene that followed resembled a riot. "I've never seen anything like it," said a Fun City cop who was unfortunate enough to draw duty that night. "They trampled women, children and everybody. They didn't care who they ran over to get inside." Thousands didn't make it past the gates, and luckily there were no serious injuries. Inside, the evangelist mounted a center-stage platform enclosed by a "protective screen," and began his pitch—only the

pitch was delivered in his native Korean tongue. While the minister shouted, waved clenched fists and stomped up and down on the platform in the best traditions of fire-and-brimstone evangelism, a more subdued interpreter, Col. Bo Hi Pak, translated. The rally began with members of leftist groups shouting "Fascist!" fundamentalists yelling "False prophet!" and at least five women leaping onto chairs and accusing the evangelist of some male chauvinist pigery. Moon persevered all this to deliver the message; generally, he suggested that the fall of man could be attributed to Satan seducing Eve, who in turn seduced Adam, spoiling God's plan to have them marry, raise perfect children and perpetuate the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. There's some doubt whether the audience understood all that, because people began departing half an hour into the rally, and by the time the two-hour pitch was over, only half the garden was full.

The evangelist returned to Korea, however, satisfied that his message had been delivered—even if a lot had been lost in the translation.

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September 19, 1974





Then what must be God's kingdom? Unless He finds an individual who is God-like or who resembles Him, He cannot have him erect a Godly family and then a Godly clan, tribe, society and world. So the core of the thing is man in the tie of divine love with God, and his family around him.

There can be just one Kingdom of God, not two kinds. Then God must be anxious and eager to educate people to have that kind of love on the individual level and the family level and all other levels.

*Sun Myung Moon
August 11, 1974*







Americans, particularly the young people, have come to a deadlock. They have nowhere to turn, except to you. This is the way to bring resurrection to the American home, the American people, the American nation. That revival, resurrection, and new life, is the one way that we can save this world for God. We must become a single-minded instrument for God; we must establish the clear goal, and we must ruthlessly march toward that goal. It is truly a tremendous task and a historical responsibility; we have to create hope for America, and for the world.

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Now, on this day of victory, we are all happy, serious and excited. We must begin today to work another victory for tomorrow. Yesterday's victory will provide you with something for the victory of tomorrow. But we must invest ourselves. We shall together commit ourselves for the great call, and we shall pledge our loyalty—life, fortune, talents and all resources we have for the ultimate victory of heaven.

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