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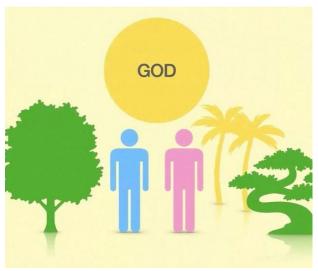
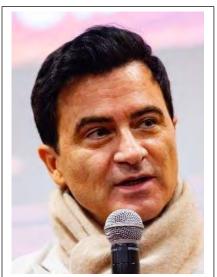


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Rev. Demian Dunkley

The simplicity of truth: Embracing God's plan and our place in it

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But in order to be a Parent, what does God need?

<u>God</u> with his combined nature of both male and female creates us divided as two separate beings, male and female.

But what does <u>God</u> need to become a Parent or a true Parent? This question leads us to the very purpose of creation and the purpose of life itself. Let's unpack what that means.

Purpose means that there is a desired intent, a goal, a dream. It's the Creator that determines the purpose of the Creator's actions. And you can say that that purpose is an intention; it's a goal. It can be described as a dream.



Mother Han speaking in Munich, Germany May 19, 2024

There is a purpose to creation. <u>God</u> has a dream. <u>God</u> has a purpose. If there is a purpose to life, and if there is a purpose behind all that has been created, and if all that's been created is created by <u>God</u>, then to find out the fundamental basis of our existence, we can simply ask one question, which is, "What is <u>God's dream?"</u>

What is <u>God's dream</u>? That's something we should pray about. That is something we should study about, think about, reflect on - what is <u>God's dream</u>?

I'm going to be sharing <u>Mother</u>'s words and some of my own commentary, my own experience. But as important as the Word is, as important as truth is, I find that some of us, perhaps especially

those who study the Word in depth, from whichever walk of faith you come from, it is possible to get overly stuck to the law of the Word as opposed to the spirit of it, or the expression of the truth as opposed to the real intent behind it and the spirit behind it. These two things are important to go together.

We should look at scripture. We should refer to <u>True Parents</u>' words to learn a whole lot about ourselves, the world, about history and about where we need to go.

But I just want to encourage you right off the bat here that in reality, my experience with truth is that it really is pretty much common-sense stuff.

And the way <u>Mother</u> expresses with such simplicity the whole "6,000 year" history, and where we are now, and where we're going, we could have finished this already in 10 minutes, 15 minutes, if we just read <u>Mother</u>'s words. It's all there.

But as valuable as it is to take some time to unpack it, study it, pray about it, I really want to encourage you that it should be a living experience for you, and one that frankly has not only a feeling of spirit, of connecting to the intent and the meaning behind the truth, but also just keep in mind that it's pretty much common-sense stuff, right? It doesn't have to be super complicated. It doesn't.

If we had never fallen away from our relationship with <u>God</u>, I don't think, we would have needed all of this study, all of these various religious faiths, each in their own way trying to bring us back home, because we'd be home already. We wouldn't have veered off the path and got lost, right?

Because we did, we are having to walk back to the beginning point. And religion and theology and all this has played a great role in getting us back.

But the irony is not lost on me that the truth that <u>Mother</u> conveys is really very, very simple. And I want to encourage you. Pray about it as much as you like, think about it as much you like, but don't assume that it really has to be so complicated.



Becoming new "wineskins" and creating happy families is an essential part of God's plan

perspective of God's dream. What is God's dream?

Be open, be new, like <u>Mother</u> says and refers to the wineskin parable. Become like new wineskins. Become open. Surrender everything that you have understood thus far. It's not going to go away, you're not going to lose it, but just surrender it for a moment to really take in what it is that <u>Mother</u> has been sent by <u>God</u> to reveal to you.

It's not even the last days or final days. We are in a new era, and we got to catch up to the era that we're in. There is so much blessing to be had, so much joy to be experienced.

And this is where we're going together with Mother. And that's why I'm taking some time to hold hands together through the journey of True Parents' words.

Next, we're really going to unpack more about the original purpose of creation from the

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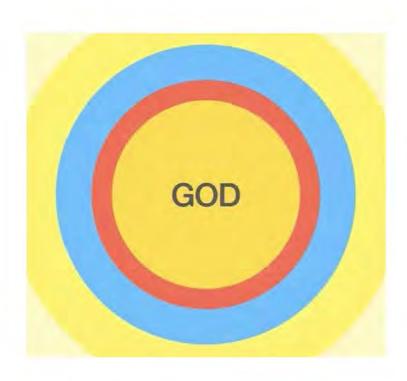
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God's Essence: Harmonious Union Of Male/Female





The nature of God: Understanding God's essence and the divine oneness by observing the unity in nature



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The first presentation is "What is God's nature?" We're talking about the essential

characteristics of God.

Members of the movement know very well about the Principles of





Creation, and Mother wants us to really teach from the Principles of Creation.

However, there are some differences in the way Mother emphasizes the key points in the Principles of Creation. She really emphasizes the pair system above all else.

Actually, there are many beautiful presentations:

- · about the four great realms of heart.
- the relationship between the physical world and the spirit world.
- the stages of growth, from immaturity to maturity of every living thing.

And these are all important. But for the purposes of this presentation, I'm just touching upon a few of the key points – as Mother wants us to focus – just so that this can be the basis of the remaining presentations.

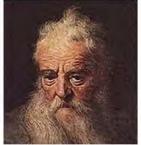
So what is God's nature? What are the characteristics of God?

In Romans, Paul illustrates that the nature of God is self-evident. It's within us and within all creation.

"For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities – his eternal power and divine nature – have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse."

(Romans 1;20)

What this means is – if we want to understand God's nature, or if we assume ignorance about God's nature – there's really no excuse, because God's nature can be seen throughout all of creation.



Apostle Paul. From painting by Rembrandt (1606-1669). Photo: Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna. Public domain image. Cropped



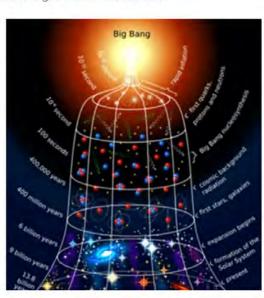
Lemon tree at the Amalfi coast, Italy. Photo: Donarreiskoffer / Wikimedia Commons. License: CC ASA 3.0 Unp

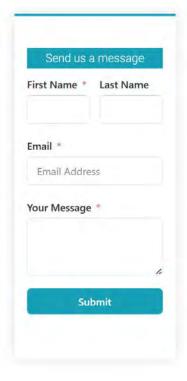
Let's look at that. If you want to know the nature of a seed, such as a lemon seed, then you look at the tree that that seed produces. A lemon seed produces a lemon tree. An apple seed will produce an apple tree, and so on. And this is true for everything.

The characteristics of creation, in all things, all of that diverse creation, beautiful creation, all comes from a beginning point. All of these characteristics of creation come from the characteristics of the original "seed". And that original "seed" we call God.

Think about the beginning of the universe, often referred to as the Big Bang. That's when the "seed" of everything first sprouted, you could say. From that moment. God poured all of himself into creating the energy that would form the entire universe.

And this energy





didn't just go,
"Pop!", and just
burst out doing
nothing. This is
not idle energy.
The energy itself
fashioned itself
according to a
principle that is
evident in all things.

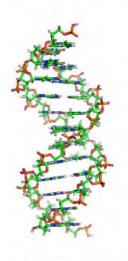


Schematic depiction of the history of the Universe from the Big Bang to present. Illustration: Woudloper / Wikimedia Commons. License: CC ASA 4.0 Int

And if we understand these core principles, I'm telling you, we can solve a lot of problems. We can solve a lot of problems in our own lives and in the way we govern ourselves, the way we take care of the world, and so on.

Let's look at it. This energy has an inner nature that drives into the creation of particles. You can see right here.

These particles then form relationships and become atoms. Atoms, in turn, pair up with other atoms to form molecules.



Animation of the structure of a section of DNA. Illustration: Zephyris / Wikimedia Commons. License: CC ASA 3.0 Unp And this continues a process that creates more and more complex interactions until finally DNA is formed. And DNA is amazing. It's an incredible and intricate molecule that holds literally hundreds of millions of pieces of information, all formed with the same core principles, right?

And it's DNA that makes life possible, which leads to the emergence of plants, animals, humans, and the complex systems that connect us all.

But what's most notable – and this is what Mother emphasizes – is that everything was created in pairs. You might not be able to see at the atomic or subatomic or molecular levels, but you can see with the human eye that everything is created in pairs.

And the relationship between each of these pairs is what creates the energy and multiplies life itself.

So that's why Mother really emphasizes this point about everything being created in pairs, all stemming from God's own fundamental nature – the pair, a combined harmonious pair as one of male and female.

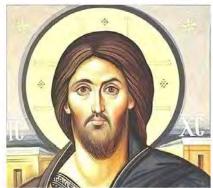
All things come out from that place, you can see, created in pairs. And all of these pairs naturally, magnetically long to come together as one. And that creates a new energy and a new life, literally creating a new life and a new lineage.

In Genesis, we can see that the fundamental image of **God** is both male and female.

"God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1;27)

Everything in reality in this way has been created in pairs. When Jesus was being tested by the Pharisees, he said,

"Haven't you read, that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female' and said, 'For this reason, a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So



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they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what God has joined together, let no one separate." (Matthew 19;4-6)

In this statement, Jesus himself is quoting Genesis to underscore that man and woman are created in God's image and are created to

become one. It is the act of becoming one that reveals the divine image of God. Why? Because God is one, of both parts.

And when these two separated parts become one in love and in unity, now you have in substantial form between man and woman, the image, the substantial image and representation of God's nature, characteristics.

In other words, God's image appears when man and woman become harmoniously one.

And from all this, we can deduce that God's fundamental essence is the harmonious essence, the harmonious oneness. God's essence is the harmonious oneness of both male and female characteristics. God is not just male, not just female, but both male and female as one. This is where we come from.

And because it's evident in all of creation and even under the microscope, we can deduce that all of these created characteristics from the original "seed", all of these various "fruits" that have sprouted into the universe, come from that one beautiful, divine original "seed", which is God and God's heart and characteristics.

True Mother said this.

"What you need to know is that God, our Creator, exists as God the Father and God the Mother, and that is the starting point of the creation of the heavens and the earth. (Mother Han, 15th July 2019)

This is really the fundamental essence of what God wants to convey, that Mother wants to convey about God.



Mother Han in Gapyeong, South Korea, 6th September 2024. Photo: FFWPU

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