

## Holy Marriage Blessing in the Unification Movement - Holy Wine Profound Vision

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In the Unification Church, marriage is known as a blessing and it consists of three ceremonies. The first is the matching. A person must be a member of the church for at least three or more years and work as a full-time core member before he or she can qualify for matching. Members are often recommended by their local leaders for this ceremony. The second is the Holy Wine ceremony; the third is the blessing (wedding). These ceremonies were often held during the same three-day period, depending on the size of the mass wedding. Full story on my matching and blessing was published in my first book, Honor Thy God

2010. However I would like to share a profound spiritual experience I had during the Holy wine ceremony in the following chapter.

During the Holy Wine Ceremony at my mass wedding (There were 1,275 couples), all the candidates stood in pairs facing each other in meditative prayer and observing the ceremony. The Rev. and Mrs. Moon (known to Unificationists as true parents) offered a prayer. The holy wine had been prepared and put in cups on trays that were placed on the long altar, which was on the stage. Off stage, 30 elder representative couples were assigned to distribute the wine. Each couple had a row of approximately 120 couples, which stretched from the stage to the end of the room. My wife and I were about 20 couples towards the back.

The True Parents dressed in white gowns that were decorated with gold embroidery and had crowns on their heads. They handed trays to the representative couples, who were also dressed in white gowns and wore white gloves.

As the distribution of the holy wine began, I began to meditate, and pray: “Heavenly Father, please allow the holy wine to enter into every cell of my body, into every cell of my blood, and into every cell of my soul.” Suddenly, I transcended into a higher state of consciousness and had a powerful vision:

### **The Vision: Ocean of Blood**

As the Rev. and Mrs. Moon began to pass out the holy wine trays, I saw thick blood pouring out of the True Parents and dripping down to the stage. The platform was covered with blood almost 2 inches high, and the blood started to cascade off the stage towards us as we stood in silent meditation. As the blood flowed towards us, it began to get thinner and flow even faster. With a sudden rush, it felt like we were being washed away by a huge tidal wave, and the room turned into an ocean of blood!

Astonished by what I had just envisioned, I opened my eyes. The couple who was passing the holy wine was right next to us. I was amazed. The vision was still fresh in my mind when I received the holy wine with my wife! (See center photos).

This vision confirmed Moon’s teachings about the importance of rebirth and changing of blood lineage. In the Unification Church, this can only be done through the blessing of the marriage ceremony and the partaking of the holy wine. Members of other faiths are also invited to participate. All they need to do is to have faith in God and keep the four points of the pledge: (1) Husband and wife should not commit adultery; (2) They should never divorce; (3) Parents must teach their children abstinence before marriage; and (4) The family should support world peace.