

Foundation Day has passed and we are still here!

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Participating in the Foundation Day blessing in Korea I noticed the empowering theology of the ceremony. **It was the day that all that True Parents have achieved in becoming True Adam and Eve was shared with all of us.** The program itself was over very quickly. There was no fire and brimstone, just confetti. **It was anti-apocalypse end of the world.**

It brought me to reflect on the power of ceremony. A week earlier I witnessed many of my friends getting married. Another ceremony **over in a few hours but the transformation couldn't be greater.** Just because they got married doesn't mean they have kissed, had sex, laughed and cried together, made babies, bought a house, retired and gone on holiday to Spain to say nothing of grandchildren. Yet that is the promise of marriage.



With Cheon Il Guk, we've been through the warm up (bows, monetary offerings, Hoon Dok Hae Conditions), Foundation Day has happened (commitments made, water sprinkled & cake) and **now we need to move up a gear and make those promises a reality.** Why not start by reflecting on what we've signed up for by reading these seven points to establishing Cheon Il Guk from True Parents? Unity of words and actions is not easy as our movement is already experiencing, but Cheon Il Guk is undoubtedly worth striving for.

True Parent's Message



The Establishment of Cheon Il Guk and The Path of the People of Cheon Il Guk



Citizens of the Kingdom of Heaven, this is a precious and blessed day of victory and glory. Now, as the King of Cosmic Peace, I will declare, on this 13th day of June in the sixth year of Cheon Il Guk, the fundamental duties and mission that every citizen of Cheon Il Guk should understand and live by as they walk the way of Heaven.

First, as God is the vertical True Parent and you are true children of God, you will establish the realm of three generations your family, perfect the Four Great Realms of Heart, and attend God on the vertical axis for eternity.

Further, you will inscribe on your heart the need to uphold the Cosmic King of Peace, who is the horizontal True Parent, and to live with absolute obedience on the horizontal axis for eternity as a citizen of Cheon Il Guk. You will make living for the sake of others, which is the practice of true love, the standard of your life. You will establish a true family and raise true children who are sinless and pure, thus protecting God's lineage and bequeathing it intact from generation to generation.

Second, no matter what the situation, you will live with your mind and body united as one. In my case as well, from the day I first determined to follow Heaven's path, I resolved to keep this as my motto: "Before you desire to have dominion over the universe, you must first have dominion over yourself."

God has given you a conscience as your guide in accomplishing this objective. Your conscience knows everything about you. It has complete knowledge of every action and step you take; it even knows your thoughts. Your conscience knows all these things about you before your teacher or pastor knows. It knows them before your parents know. It knows them even better than God knows. So if you place your conscience in God's position over your life, and go the way of absolute obedience, of "high-noon settlement," it is certain that you will establish a realm of resonance between your mind and body and perfect their unity.

Citizens of Cheon Il Guk, the unification of spirit world has been completed. The issue now is the 6.5 billion people living on earth in the physical body. They struggle in agony in the midst of sin and suffering, yet they are your brothers and sisters. Your third mission is to educate them and bring them home as people of Cheon Il Guk.

You should educate everyone to understand that all human beings without exception are descended from the Fall and must change their blood lineage through receiving the Holy Marriage Blessing from the True Parents. You must continue the work of engrafting people onto the True Olive Tree, by having them participate in the grace of exchange marriage, until the day when all humankind, numbering more than 300 billion souls, is restored to God's lineage.

Fourth, you are created to spend ten months in your mother's womb, about 100 years on earth breathing air, and then all eternity in the spirit world. You should understand that, just as proper preparation in the womb is required for a healthy life after birth, you must devote your earthly life to prepare yourself for the next stage of life in the spirit world. Never forget that in every time and place, and no matter what you are doing, your ancestors in the spirit world are with you. Be ever mindful to live in harmony with the spirit world. Communicate in prayer with the heavenly world with sincerity and dedication, so that you may become perfected in your spirit self while you are living on the earth.

Fifth, your talents and abilities are required for the management and governance of Cheon Il Guk. Now therefore, cut away and cast off your mask of selfish individualism. It is but a remnant of the Age Before the Coming of Heaven. In order to belong to Heaven, you must change ownership by participating in the Ceremony of Returning Ownership, offering everything you own to God and then receiving it back from God.

In addition, all citizens of Cheon Il Guk will provide funds for the well being and peace of humanity, not by taxation but by voluntary contributions. They will demonstrate the model of offering the first three tenths of their income for public purposes. This cannot be an imposed tax; it has to be a gift that citizens offer willingly to Heaven with joyful hearts.

Sixth, beloved citizens of Cheon Il Guk, in the Age After the Coming of Heaven it is possible to recover the ideal world of creation that was lost as a result of the Human Fall. God created all the earth's creatures as our natural environment; they are absolutely needed for human prosperity. Human beings and nature are meant to share a realm of mutual resonance, with humans as the subject partners of love and nature as the object partner thriving under human management and beautified by human creativity. We can no longer tolerate actions that destroy nature and pollute the environment.

As citizens of Cheon Il Guk, please have the wisdom to protect and love nature. Return to nature and enjoy a life of liberation and complete freedom. To love nature is to love God and humanity. When human life resonates with nature, human character can blossom in perfection. The flowers of a true culture of heart, a true artistic world, will bloom. It will be the Garden of Eden, the original ideal where human beings and all creation live in complete harmony and express their original nature.

If you practice such true love in your daily life, how can God do anything but bestow great blessings upon you? You will live for all eternity in blessing and happiness.

Seventh, the Age after the Coming of Heaven that God and True Parents have opened is a time of dramatic change. As registered citizens of Cheon Il Guk, you have the mission to make this era blossom and bear fruit in blessing and glory. Therefore, please become Heaven's emissaries, fulfilling the dual missions of the "Peace Kingdom Police Force" and "Peace Kingdom Corps." Serve humanity under the banner of the Universal Peace Federation, which is working to establish the position of the Abel-type United Nations. Worthy countrymen and women, if not you, then who, will nurture and protect the blessed families and this blessed planet Earth that God has given us?

Please become true princes and princesses who live in attendance to God as your True Parent, for He is the Peace King of the multitudes. Let us build the everlasting Peace Kingdom by attending the King of Cosmic Peace and fulfilling the dutiful family way of filial sons and daughters, patriots, saints, and divine sons and daughters.

I pray that the abundant grace and blessings of God in heaven may be upon you and your families.

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