

## A Global Awakening: God Needs an Only Begotten Daughter Too

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True Mother repeatedly talks about saving the world's 7 billion people by having them understand and accept True Parents. She also refers to her position, next to True Father, as God's only begotten daughter. These ideas are inseparable and absolutely critical for solving the moral crisis in today's society.

True Father taught that religion is at the center of a culture because it provides the moral and ethical values that permeate that civilization. Christianity is the center of the Western cultural sphere. Going deeper, the center of Christianity is Jesus. The problem is that an unmarried man lies at the center of Western values; i.e., there is not even the concept of an only begotten daughter. As a consequence there is a silent, yet inevitable, emphasis on the individual over the family and this is the root of the moral confusion in Europe and the Americas today.

Therefore, to address the crisis of sexual chaos, Christianity must realize that Jesus should have been married. God's only begotten son absolutely needs an only begotten daughter. This paradigm shift would allow the institutions of marriage and family to supersede extreme individualism.

Since this concept is new to Christians they will naturally ask, If Jesus should have married, why didn't he say anything about it? Where is it mentioned in the Bible? Actually, Jesus talked about this repeatedly. It is throughout the New Testament from the very beginning of Jesus' ministry until the end. At the beginning of history, God was going to build his kingdom of heaven on earth starting with one couple, our first human ancestors. God's plan was to first create an ideal family and then expand that into a kingdom. In essence, the seed for the kingdom of heaven on earth was a God-centered family.

In my math class we were taught that if  $A = B$ ,  $B = A$ . In other words, at the time of Adam and Eve, family-building was the beginning of kingdom-building. God is unchanging and so are his principles. Therefore, the same principle must apply at the time of Jesus, it was just reversed; kingdom-building must begin with family-building.

This means that Jesus' constant referral to building God's kingdom, which he did throughout his public ministry, was essentially a parable about his own marriage. Mt. 13:35 says, "This was to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet: 'I will open my mouth in parables, I will utter what has been hidden since the foundation of the world.'" Jesus talked about his own marriage metaphorically. His parables most often included a kingdom. The phrase "kingdom of heaven" appears thirty-two times and is found only in the Gospel of Matthew. The phrase "kingdom of God" is used sixty-five times. Surprisingly, neither expression appears in the Old Testament. These two expressions appear ninety-seven times and only in the New Testament—which documented Jesus' life and mission.

At the very beginning of his ministry Jesus proclaimed that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand." (Mt. 3:2) At the end of his life he lamented, "...woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because you shut the kingdom of heaven against men..." (Mt. 23:13) Clearly, Jesus' passion was to lay the foundation for God's kingdom on earth during his own lifetime.

This interpretation is further supported because Jesus spoke in parables about a thing "hidden since the foundation of the world." What was that? In the first book and first chapter of the Bible it says that man and woman were created reflecting God's image. (Gen. 1:27) The idea that a man and woman together mirror God's image is the purpose of creation itself.

To build a kingdom you need three things: land, people and sovereignty. Already God had prepared two of them, the nation of Israel and the Jewish people. The one thing missing for God's kingdom to be established on earth two thousand years ago was heavenly sovereignty—a sinless lineage. Jesus, although sinless, could not create a lineage by himself. However, because of the Fall, our minds and hearts have been covered with selfish egoism. We are blissfully ignorant about the hidden importance of marriage and family which stands as the cornerstone to God's kingdom. True Mother is absolutely right: The Last Adam absolutely needs the Last Eve. It is not just Christians who need to change their concepts; the rest of the world needs to understand this too.

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