

THE MASTER SPEAKS
ON THE BLESSING AND WITNESSING

These questions and answers have been transcribed from tapes made during our Leader's sessions with members and guests at Centers throughout the United States during his trip in March and April 1965.

Does the Leader approve of marriage before the participants reach perfection?

This has been the case during all of man's history. In the Bible, all men were considered to be as bachelors, and no marriage is recognized in the sight of God. Everything has started from the denial. God has started from the denial. God has not recognized our marriages. We believe ourselves to be married, but in the light of the Divine Principle, without having True Parents, we are not even born as yet. How can we think of marriage if we have not yet been born?

Our physical marriages and our having children without having reached perfection is a *fait accompli*. God knows it, but the dispensation cannot be based upon it. God's dispensation must start from the restoration of the perfected Messiah, the perfected Adam and Eve, and the True Parents, and then will come the restored children. When these children mature, their marriage is considered. This is the logical sequence. That is why we must be born again, even though we have been living. We must become a new breed of new persons. After our re-births, our subsequent marriages, which must be blessed by the True Parents, will be recognized by Heaven.

no marriage in the resurrection

Jesus explained that no one is married in Paradise. The highest possible achievement today is Paradise. There is no married life in Paradise, but there is in the Kingdom of Heaven. A husband and wife do not have marital status in the spirit world until they are spiritually blessed in marriage by the True Parents. The first marriage recognized by God is the marriage of the True Parents, which is mentioned in Revelation as the Marriage of the Lamb. God gives the blessing in marriage to the True Parents at the Marriage of the Lamb. The True Parents are the true Adam and Eve.

Jesus originally came with the mission to be the true father of mankind, and to restore the true mother so that they could become our True Parents. Jesus was unable to achieve all of this, but he did achieve elder brotherhood. Jesus is in the position of our elder brother.

Our Leader, assuming the responsibility of the dispensation of God, has achieved the True Parentship, and God's blessing of marriages is now being fulfilled. These are marriages for eternity, beginning

here on earth. For all of the years of history, there has been no marriage in the spirit world. Because of the fall of man, there could be no True Parents, so all men are like orphans, being without parents. This has been the case on earth as well as in the spirit world. This is the reason for the biblical statement which says that a woman without children is more blessed. At the end of the world, the time of reorganization, everything will be put into its true pattern; the woman without children will be less entangled, and will be closer to the new pattern. Jesus wished very much that he might be able to explain all of this, but there were many steps which he would have to complete first. He said, "I have so many things to tell you, but you cannot bear them now." Jesus could not establish the True Parents by simply getting married and having children. God's restoration had to follow the Principle of Restitution, the debt had to be paid, conditions had to be created, and all of the groundwork had to be accomplished before he could marry. Unfortunately, he could not achieve all of this.

Our Leader knew the truths at the age of twenty, but he had not progressed to the achievement of the blessing in marriage until he was forty years old, in 1960. He first had to accomplish the payment of indemnity for the entire 6000 years of biblical history.

Since the day of Adam, many of our Leader's ancestors tried to establish God's foothold but failed and were accused by Satan. All of these things he had to clear up. The Divine Principle teaches the Principle of Restitution, which is the record of our Leader's life. For instance, there is an episode in the dispensation of Adam's family that would never have been known if it had not been revealed through the Leader. Similarly, the parts involving restitution in the dispensation of Noah, Abraham, and Moses have been revealed by the Leader. He put himself in the position of each of these and won the spiritual battle.

If one is sick, the remedy is applied in the opposite direction. This is why the Leader started at the very time of the fall to cut off all the elements of spiritual sickness, and cleared the deck of history in order to establish the foundation. In his lifetime, he has accomplished the restitution for the entire 6000 years of biblical history.

When each follower of the Divine Principle is born again to the True Parents, and grows in spirit, the Leader will recognize when the spirit is mature enough to receive the blessing, and then a mate will be selected and the blessing in marriage will be given. This is a matter of restoration. The pioneer is the hard worker; but when the pattern is established, it will go more quickly.

Shouldn't our spiritual children focus entirely upon God, rather than upon their spiritual parents?

When Jesus died, all of his disciples fled. They should have died with him or for him. Your children need not die for you apart from God. They should be willing to die for you when you die for God.

In the headquarters in Korea, certain people who work in the office do not have a chance to raise children. They constantly ask for the opportunity to go out to preach. When you are seeking children, time is urgent. You do not find time to rest. If you have that attitude, God will send them to you.

Earthly knowledge and education are not very important. If you really seek for children with wholeheartedness and readiness you will find those who are waiting. Don't lament because you think you cannot speak. Do your best with what you have. Without beautiful language, you can communicate with your heart from one heart to another heart.

The family which can love its child with a true love will have a really happy child. People have a natural tendency to follow, so if you contact them with true love, they will follow you in the same way.

Is it correct that we, in the Abel position, must go through the Cain position before the present Cain persons can go through us?

Yes, Cain receives the blessing through Abel by subjugating himself to him, but Abel is receiving the inheritance from Cain. Cain must come under Abel and Abel must receive the inheritance from Cain and be blessed by God; then Cain will follow Abel.

Because Abel associates himself with Cain, Abel is blessed by God. Then Abel gives the blessing to Cain. Note the chain of command. [From the assumed position of servant, Abel moves to a position above Cain.]

Cain must subject himself to Abel. As a result Abel receives the inheritance of the entire satanic world. Abel takes the whole satanic world. God's blessing in Genesis says, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over all things." Therefore, unless you take all things, you cannot receive the blessing. You must take all things in order to have dominion over them. We have been subjugating Cain for 6000 years. There was only one original Cain, but in effect there are three, one in each of the three major stages of development. Jesus was in the Abel position, and in the Isaac position with respect to Abraham. He was liable to be killed if the Jews did not fulfill their role. The Abel position is the position of the second son. In terms of the dispensation, Abraham was in the Cain position and Isaac was in the Abel position. Isaac afforded the means to remedy Abraham's failure. Cain killed Abel, and Abraham was in the position to kill

Isaac. Jesus and Abel were both in the position to potentially remedy Adam's mistake.

The blessing of God is always a blessing of promise. God promises a blessing, but the blessing is not given at the time of the promise. For example, in God's promise to Adam, of perfection, multiplication, and lordship, the fall occurred after the promise and before the bestowal of the blessing. God gave a promise of a blessing and then a conditional commandment. God gave the promise first and then He gave the commandment or responsibility. The blessing becomes reality upon fulfillment of the responsibility.

Abraham's promise followed his talk with God about the stars in the sky and the sand on the beach, when God promised that his descendants would be like the stars and the sand. When Abraham asked what he should know, he was really asking about his responsibility in order that he might deserve the blessing. Then God explained what sacrifices Abraham should offer. So, if Abraham had fulfilled his responsibility, he would have deserved the blessing.

Our Leader blessed many children in Korea. The blessing is conditional in that the blessing is withdrawn if the recipient fails to fulfill his responsibility. The blessing is promised upon the fulfillment of a responsibility. The recipient is vulnerable, as Adam was before the fall. The Leader will confirm the blessing as the state of perfection is accomplished.

We are given the blessing in three parts. First, we are given the promise of the blessing; second, the growth stage confirmation; and third, the perfection stage confirmation. The blessings are of great importance in that they are bestowed upon individuals who become the parts of the structure that the Leader is building for God. The position is of great importance, and the individual is of importance as long as he properly fills the position for which he is chosen. If he fails his mission, then he is replaced by another who can fulfill the responsibility of the position. The position is of great importance and remains. The individual can be replaced.

The three parts of the blessing are quite different in scale. The first blessing, which is the type the Leader has already given, is within the realm of the foundation of the church. The second blessing is within the realm of the nation. And the third blessing extends to the whole universe. So, church, nation, universe. These three blessings can be compared to the first, second and third heavens experienced by St. Paul and recorded in the Bible.

Will unmarried members choose their mates, or will the Leader choose them?

The Leader favors individual desire, but he applies the Divine Principle in matching suitable types. If this is violated, then the marriage will not be harmonious, and the children will not be perfect. When a couple is perfectly matched, then the children will be potentially perfect. Do not expect the Leader to personally find you a mate. He simply does not have the time to match three billion prospective mates. In the world of today, some couples find within a few days that they are not properly suited because they are of different types. Even though a couple lives according to the high standards of the Divine Principle, they may not be suited for marriage. They must still be properly matched. All persons are not blessed in marriage in the same length of time. The length of time varies considerably because of the different characteristics of the individuals.

For example, if springtime is the wedding time, those who are ready in the winter have only a short wait, but those who are ready in the summer must wait much longer. The time varies according to the types of individuals. Each one has his own best time for marriage. Some persons have the inherent probability of marrying twice. In this case, the Leader would make them wait until later in life so that they would have only one marriage. When a man and woman are ideally matched, they can marry early in life. For example, if the man is hard as rock and the woman is soft as cotton, they are not properly matched and the woman survives with great difficulty. A tiger and a house-cat cannot marry because they are of different species and are natural enemies. Do not depend upon quick judgment to choose your mate. Association for three years may be necessary in order to be sure of the inner depths of your prospective partner. This is not too long a time because you are also dedicating yourself to God. The purpose of your existence is to marry.

Should everyone get married?

If you do not want to, you do not have to. The Principle explains the duality of God. Also, His image is dual. By yourself, you cannot reflect the image of God. When God created you, He created your mate, somewhere. This is the way God creates His image. You are not complete until you marry. A man is identified by his wife, and the woman is identified by her husband.

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Even if people do not listen to your words, they will be moved by your attitude. When you preach, you must labor, sweat, toil, work and shed tears. Then your soul is preaching. Speak from power and authority, humbly, not arrogantly. People are attracted by your strong effort to win them. Preaching a sermon, like praying, is a battle. You do it from your soul and heart and mind. The spiritual battle is similar to wrestling.

Even in gesturing, do so with spirit. Feel that you are moving the universe. When you stand in front of a congregation to preach a sermon, feel that you are making a proclamation of revolution. Our Leader drinks a great amount of water, because he develops much heat as he speaks of his mission, but he never drinks water during a sermon. During this very evening, even though he appears to be relaxed, he is talking to, and battling with, the satanic world. Inside he is burning with zeal.

If you are a good teacher of the Principle, you can tell the adequacy of the students by watching them and getting a feeling about them. This is a serious consideration. Also, if you marry an inadequate partner, not only your descendants, but your ancestors suffer. The Leader knows which mate is best for you.

If you could be capable of creating your happy Kingdom of Heaven with a partner who is the person whom you hate most, if through the Divine Principle you could live in harmony even with him, then with a desirable partner there should be absolutely no problem. In other words, if you have been successful under the worst situation, things could only get better and can't get any worse. If you would create the Heavenly Kingdom under the bitter circumstances of hatred, you are destined to be a leader in the Heavenly Kingdom. You can lead and control. If you create a kingdom with a partner you like, you will be a citizen or a resident but not a leader. Which do you prefer?

You know the Leader's choice. There are those who act and those who observe. You make your choice. There are many who seek and wish to serve, but there are not many who take an active part in leadership. Always, you should be trained under the Divine Principle. Then you are free from the satanic organization. Then Satan has no door.

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