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## Best Method for Witnessing Is to Raise Great Children

In Jin Nim's words (to Blessed Wives in Japan)  
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We are all mothers. When you see me, you might see me as a True Child, but I think myself one of mothers. It is the most important responsibility for us to be a mother in our lives. If we really believe God and attend True Parents, what should we do? We should not only suffer but live well. When we emphasize ideal families, excellent children should appear from the ideal families. Secular people check the credibility of the Principle there. It is important for us to do church activities and do witnessing, but the most effective way of witnessing, I think, is to become an excellent mother and to raise excellent children. It is treasures of the Unification Church to raise excellent children, isn't it? Until now, all of you have worked hard. Even if you have a mind to raise children well, you have been in financial difficulty, and there have been no supports from the church.

Fortunately, my son won the grand prize at a concert competition in Italy with a supplementary prize of the world tour. Fortunately, there was an opportunity of a youth concert in Japan. At that time, we met second generations in Japan. We tried to make an atmosphere in which they could feel, "We are One Family also with members of True Families." We did not do only a concert but also a Yut game, and laughed together. We wanted to make an opportunity to know even the names each other. We started this concert 8 years ago without

depending on the church. We prepared money and started from our family little by little. There are many talented second generations in Japan. True Parents always talk about the importance of culture. I also felt that children needed culture. It might be necessary for us to push our children to study hard. However, the society they grow now is different from ours in the past. There are many pressures from their friends, the Internet, etc. Therefore, it is necessary for them to overcome the pressure. I saw my children struggle a lot without art. Then I thought that music was necessary. Children can get good trainings and habits through music. Through not only music but also fine art, or other arts, we, as mothers, need to make our children be able to express themselves artistically.

Our church invited famous people with money, but my dream as a mother is to say, "We can raise such famous people." Let's raise a president in the future. Let's train our children to be a famous scientist. With the power of mothers, let's train our children to be a musician who can touch many people. I want to do this. Then the image of the Unification Church would be changed. You have really worked hard. However, every mother wants her child to be great. Mother can sacrifice herself eternally if her child grows well. It is mother's heart, isn't it?

Therefore, I ask you not to leave your children to the church when you give birth to them and raise them. Please be responsible for your children. Anyone can give birth to children, but only mother can raise them. I realized after meeting many people that there was mother's sincere devotion behind excellent children. Even though children have some talents, the talents cannot grow without the mothers' help behind them. Children are encouraged by their mother's belief, "You can do it." They can overcome difficulties one after another thinking, "My mother says I can do it, so I can do it." Our works are inconspicuous, and there are not so much opportunities for us to hear the word, "Thanks." We wash, clean, and prepare the table every day. We prepare meals thinking our children; "My kid will have a big exam soon. So, he needs to have protein to get power." In case that a child was beaten by his friends in his school, his mother thinks, "My kid needs mother's love. I will make his favorite *Toppokki* for him." Only a mother thinks like this. It is our important mission as mothers to raise our children to get excellent persons in the future. At that time, people in the secular world would think, "The Unification Church is a wonderful church." However, how many people speak ill of True Parents now? You live in poverty and difficulty, so many people do not want to join the church.

We all have the same experience as mothers. Sometimes, it is difficult and lonely. Sometimes, our husbands are so busy that we get tired of raising children alone. However, we have to raise our children greatly even through sacrificing ourselves, don't we?

I heard again and again that you suffered hardships as the Eve nation. (with tears) Thank you

for your hard work. Now, we have to make the Unification Church great instead of just suffering hardships. In America, the Mormon Church is growing best now. The Mormon Church helps members in the education of children. They support their members' children, saying, "Study hard in your school. If you are interested in something, we can help cultivating your interests." In our church, many of second generations choose between going to good schools or going to the path of faith. Children who go to good schools leave our church meanwhile children who cannot go to good schools go to the path of faith. A mother knows her child's talent better than anyone else. Therefore, please watch your children every day, and find their talents. Only mother can do it. If your children have a talent for music, please push them to cultivate it. Then they can have more self-respect. Once they get enthusiastic about something, they can make all-out efforts. With your love, your children will become crazed about music or some arts, and they will become great. We can raise our children to be great, which is True Parents' wish. When I made my CD, I made it with my children. It was a kind of music class.

Human beings are the same. Rather than distinguishing True Family and members, please think people are the same. When your children go through hardships, please talk with them. It is not true that everything goes well if you send your child to the workshops in the church. Even though going to the workshop, they cannot grow well without mother's love. Therefore, talk with your children well. Wash and prepare meals together with them. I have 4 sons and 1 daughter. It is easy to talk with a daughter. However, a son escapes from me when I

try to talk with him. From my experience, it is good to have some activities together with a son; going to somewhere, going on a picnic, making something together at a garage. I think that we need to raise our child talking together through such activities.

True Parents always think big with a great vision. However, a mother needs to think from a tiny thing and be responsible for a small thing. We have to make Japan a great country and change the image of the Unification Church. The best method for witnessing is to raise great children. If

we succeed in it, people in the secular world would ask us, "Why is your child diligent? Why does your child listen to your advice?" Then it is natural to do witnessing. To raise great children is connected with witnessing.

Therefore, please smile even though you are tired. When a mother is tired, her child becomes tired. After taking a shower well, dressing nicely, and combing your hair, please hug and smile at your child when your children go to school. Then it will cheer them up. (From Peace TV)

## 最もよい伝道は立派な子供を育てること

仁進様の御言（日本の婦人食口に）  
2月13日、清平・清心ビレッジにて

私たちは皆、母親です。皆さんが私を見るときは真の子女だと見るかもしれませんが、私自身は、「私は一人のオンマだ」と考えています。それが人生の最も重要な責任だと思います。私たちが本当に神様を信じ、真の父母様に侍る人であるなら、私たちがしなければならないことは何でしょうか。それは私たちが苦勞し犠牲だけをするのではなく、よく生きるのもいいことではないでしょうか。理想家庭だというのなら、そこからすばらしい子供たちが出てこなければなりません。原理が本当なのかどうか、人々はそこで感じます。私たちには教会活動も伝道活動も重要ですが、最も効果的な伝道といえば、それはすばらしいオモニになることだと思います。そして、すばらしい子供たちを育てることが最も統一教会の宝だと言えるのではないのでしょうか。今まで皆さんは苦勞をしながらも、子供たちをよく育てたい気持ちは

あっても、経済的にも難しく、教会からのサポートもありませんでした。

私の場合、偶然にも二番目の息子がイタリアでのコンサートでグランド・プライズをもらい、世界旅行の賞を受けました。そして、偶然、日本でも Youth Concert の公演をするようになりました。その機会に日本の二世とも会って、コンサートもしながら、「真の家庭も同じ一つの家だ」という近くなりながら、ユンノリもしながら一緒に笑い、名前もお互いに知るようになるような機会を作れたのです。それで、コンサートを8年前から始めました。教会に頼りながらしたのではなく、お金も自分たちで準備しながら、少しずつでも自分たちの家庭から始めました。日本にも才能のある二世がたくさんいます。父母様はいつも文化が重要だと言われます。私自身も子供を育てながら感じたことは、子供たちに文化が必要なことです。