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Introduction

It's so easy to say we know someone. I'm not talking about acquaintances. You're truly lucky if you can say you know someone outside of your immediate family, and tragically, even *inside* your immediate family. Do you know the birthday, favorite color and family situation of someone you think of as a friend? If you're a woman, you probably do. We men are culturally disadvantaged, or something worse than that.

For too many people, actually knowing someone is usually no more than a pipe dream. It takes some people decades just to begin to really know their next door neighbor. People live together for years, even get married and have kids, but still don't really know each other. Then, we have the audacity to think we even know God or Jesus. What dreamers we are.

On the other hand, it seems to be engineered into us to want to be close to others; to genuinely know them and be known by them. Human beings thrive on love and relationships and yet we tend to

keep one another at arm's length and find every imaginable excuse to isolate ourselves. *Smilin,' back-slappin' "How-ya-doin"* Americans are only fooling themselves. There's something fundamentally wrong with this world full of strangers. Enough said about that...

Many people have spent far more time than I have in close proximity to Sun Myung Moon and Mrs. Moon and their family. Some helped to care for their children, drove them around, crewed a fishing boat on the stormy ocean, cooked meals and ran errands for them; you name it. Such people have amazing testimonies to share and experiences to treasure. Reading the memoirs of some of them can be like reading the stories of Jesus' apostles. I regard it as literally being the same.

Then who am I to think I might have something to offer that others haven't already expressed? Well, it has nothing to do with the time I have personally spent with Father Moon, or the time when I wasn't there with him. I'm reminded of one of his very earliest disciples, Won Pil Kim. When he was once asked why he followed Father Moon, he innocently replied, "*He's my father!*"

All of us can't expect to come to that intimate kind of relationship with Father Moon, especially now that he has ascended to the eternal spirit world. But, on the other hand, Won Pil Kim's answer tells us something else. It tells us that knowing someone is

a very personal and heart-to-heart experience which perhaps no one else can totally understand. Whatever Won Pil Kim felt and experienced, only he knows. He could try to explain it to you or me, but words can be so inadequate and superficial.

I, too, feel I know Father Moon on some level. My ‘knowing’ is neither better nor worse than someone else’s. Comparisons are totally inappropriate. With my own ancestral background and my personality and way of thinking and perceiving things, I combine all of my rich data and formulate my own ‘knowledge’ of him. When it’s all said and done, however, I sense that what I have come to understand about Father Moon is somehow different than what many others have connected with. For that reason, I feel the need to share it with you in this book.

It will be a short-read. All of my books have been short-reads. I guess I just don’t like wordiness. Don’t use 1000 words to express what you can say in 100. That’s one motto of mine. I guess my angelic side is coming out now.

Father Moon got my attention one day when he said, *“There are some people who know what I’m doing and why, even without being told.”* I’m an analytical person; a designer by talent and gift. What I heard him saying was, *“Most people do NOT know what I’m doing and why.”* That caused this analytical guy to dig even deeper into everything I was hearing, seeing and experiencing with

him. I wanted to be one of those who DID know.

I could be all wet. Perhaps some things I have thought were all wrong. But, in my personal quest for consistency and truth, my crosschecking has proven accurate, every time.

One more thing... some may wonder why I'm writing about Father Moon and not both he and Mother Moon, together. For one, I already published a popular book about them both, entitled: *Revolution*. But, there's a more fundamentally reason.

Before the creation, God had a problem. God is 'one.' He's a 'oneness.' He's a singularity. That means his positivity and negativity and his masculinity and femininity are blended together in his 'oneness.' In a very simple way it might be compared to the two colors, blue and yellow. Since God is a singularity, we can imagine that he cannot experience blue and yellow separately, but only the combined color of green. That is just a material example. Don't take it too literally.

But in human terms, before God separated himself in the creation process into masculine expressions and feminine expressions, he could not personally experience even the most mundane things that we take for granted every day – because he is 'one.' He could not experience something like kissing, a hug, walking hand-in-hand on a beach, sexual intercourse, etc. Why? He is one. Thus, his masculine manifestations and his feminine

manifestations are distinctly different. They are intentionally complementary. They cannot be identical.

All of that is to say that Father Moon and Mother Moon are two very different people. It is intentional and necessary. They are an Original Man and Woman, in God's design. They are not only distinct and different in design, they have lived very different lives. Their personalities are different. Their purposes are different. Their courses of spiritual restoration are different. Their responsibilities are different. Their ways of thinking, feeling and loving are different. It is all necessary and intentional.

Therefore, the thinking of some people that Father and Mother Moon have somehow become literally 'one' needs to be maturely understood. After living their unique and very different physical lives on the earth, they will be so much in love and resonant with each other that they will become like a combined spirit in the spirit world. But, they lived very different and complementary lives here on the earth and are forever unique.

Every person created by God is unique. Otherwise, we will be throwing God back to square-one, and the 'oneness' problem all over again. They must grow and develop separately and be distinct and different and complementary while interacting in the material world and creating a variety of unique offspring. Otherwise, God would have no need to create the physical universe in the first

place.

Therefore, Father's life and experiences were far different from Mother's life and experiences. They went very different paths and helped and supported each other, and in the end they became totally one in heart as Jesus so beautifully described the 'oneness' between himself and God. (Jn 17:21-22)

Thus, I have chosen to write this special book about Father Moon because we need to understand each of them as profoundly and intimately as possible in order to understand them both. Based on my many personal experiences with Father, I feel that I understand him and his course and life more intimately than I do Mother Moon's. Therefore, this book is: *Who is He? – really.* Please read: *Revolution* for some unique and practical insights into *Who are They?*

No more long-windedness. Let's get to the point....

1. Sonship

One day I was participating in a leaders' meeting in Kodiak, Alaska. It was at long-last time for a break and the room emptied out... almost. Left in the room were myself, a couple of other brothers sitting together in the corner talking, and Father Moon. He was seated on a stool perhaps only 10 feet from me. I surveyed the situation and reflected within myself how amazingly blessed I was to be sitting in the same room with Father, almost alone and only a few feet away from him. Knowing who he is, the literal Messiah and return of Christ, the Son of God, I just sat marveling at my situation. At that moment, reading my mind as he had so many times before, he slowly turned to me and lovingly looked deep into my eyes and said softly to me in English, "*God is sleeping in here,*" patting his chest.

I was blown away, to say the least. I can't say I understand what he really meant by those words, even to this day, but it was an experience that only 'I' had. No one else in the universe had that experience in that precious moment; only me.

For many people, "*Son of God*" is a most sacred, awesome

term. I'm using it very formally here, not referring to all men or to the millions of wonderful people who love and serve God. The reason it's a sacred, awesome term is because the real, living God is the intimate all-loving Father with whom we can sleep in peaceful bliss, and so His Son must be as sacred and awesome, too.

One would think certainly all religious people would welcome the Son of God if he should appear in their midst. But, not so. It should be curious that the first victorious Son, Jesus, spent his entire public life deflecting the rumor that he was indeed the "*Son of God*," instead calling himself the "*son of man*" dozens of times. Why? Perhaps it was because the Jewish leaders had no room for a literal "*Son of God*" in their faith perspective and would have ample grounds for his immediate elimination. For them, a Messiah was not a Son of God but rather a special, chosen son of man. God is God; man is man. For Muslims it's even more absolute. There is no gray area. God cannot have a "Son." For many Muslims, God's appeal is His "endless mercy." Many line up for God's mercy in the face of His strict persona. Christians certainly embrace the Son of God, Jesus, but there is much disagreement about what that exactly means. Our historical misperceptions of God run so deep.

Those are the believers. When you jump to the other side of the fence it's hardly any wonder why humanists and atheists bristle at even the mention of a God, let alone a Son of God. It was the

religious people who told them that God is the ultimate judge over everyone's lives, deciding their eternal happiness or suffering. Old Testament writers painted Him as mean, vengeful, impatient, ruthless and definitely not the kind of God you would want to meet up with in a dark alley. New Testament theologians said God needed blood in order to forgive us. He demands our total obedience (or at least attendance at Church on Easter and Christmas) so as to avoid eternal punishment. If not that, we at least needed to pass the "belief" test. Certainly these are very broad-brush overgeneralizations but we all know they apply to far too many real people.

If this is how far away many are from the real, living God, then how close can they feel to His Son? How can we even begin to understand, let alone cherish and hold sacred, God's Son?

The Sonship I speak of first became visible 2000 years ago, when Jesus was born. It was not because of anything the baby Jesus did. It was because of who he was and is, and the Dark Cousin's vitriolic recognition of him. (Father said angels are like cousins to man in God's bigger family. Thus, Dark Cousin here refers to Lucifer, Satan or the Devil for those who don't like those terms; light vs darkness; no implication of color)

The barely one-year-old little boy prompted soldiers to be dispatched to kill him. For what? Of course we know the political,

worldly reasons, but really... Later, his own half-brothers tried to set him up to be killed. (John 7:5) Finally (skipping a lot in-between) he was tortured to death by the Dark Cousin and his family and friends. No, they didn't just kill Jesus, the Son of God and new Adam. They tortured him in the most painful and gruesome way available at the time as an example to any other would-be Messiah or new Adam who might come along in his footsteps. And for what? Jesus was just trying to give God a new family of children on the earth who would not be part of the Dark Cousin's already ubiquitous tribe.

Enter Sun Myung Moon... His family had recently converted from Confucianism to Christianity, but the teenage boy's perception and understanding of Jesus were akin to the Hubble Telescope (after it was fixed). He already understood more deeply than anyone else the real heart of Jesus. That's why Jesus came to him on Easter morning when the boy was emerged in prayer near his home. It was this encounter with Jesus that first revealed so dramatically the Sonship of Sun Myung Moon. People haven't understood it.

After Jesus shared his heart with the teenage Moon, he begged him to take up his unfinished mission and complete it. *Wow, what an honor*, we thought. How could he say 'No' to Jesus, two days in a row? We were told: *"Well, Father knew he could never live his*

own life if he said yes, he could never change his mind, and would not have the option of failing. He must succeed.” That’s all certainly true, but we have to dig deeper. The spiritual war that Jesus had exposed was like a raging furnace. Jesus was ruthlessly attacked from before he was born and stalked daily until he was tortured to death, all to stop him from creating God’s new family.

In the face of this stark reality the 15-year-old Moon finally told Jesus, *“Yes. I will do whatever it takes. I will go through whatever it takes to realize my Father’s dream.”* You are now looking at the Son of God. Who else could say, *“Yes?”* There is no one. Father once said a person would have to be crazy to be willing to be God’s Messiah. (or, he would have to be God’s Son.)

“Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done.” (Luke 22:42)

“Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek.” (Heb 5:8-10)

Like unto Jesus, the Sonship of the young Moon did not go unnoticed. The Dark Cousin and all of his cohorts, both spiritual and physical, declared war on him without much delay. Father later recounted some of his spiritual battles with the Dark Cousin. His

descriptions faintly remind us of Jesus' encounter with Lucifer in the desert during his 40-day fast. One account is found in Mrs. Gil Ja Sa Eu's priceless and insightful book, *A Testimony to God's Word in Regard to Divine Principle*. Starting on page 41, Mrs. Eu recounts Father's testimony about how God sometimes left him as He did Jesus on the cross. (Mk 15:34) This would happen when Father was being challenged to the extreme by the Dark Cousin. It was providentially necessary since the original Adam denied God. The new Adam must heal this wound in God's heart by remaining faithful while also being denied. We are reminded of the story of Job.

Father said when the Dark Cousin attacked him, *"...it was as if he had been thrown into a completely black void. He could not even be conscious of where he was.... Father could not tell where his physical body was or where his spiritual body was. At that time, Satan appeared to Father and taunted, 'Will you still not succumb to me?' Seeing that Father was unwavering, never complaining about his situation, Satan in the end raised his hands up high and gave up, saying 'Normally a person in this position blames God. I have never seen anyone like this.'* Then Satan backed off. God came to Father in tears, crying so violently it shook heaven and earth. God then embraced Father saying *"I have finally found my Son."*

Some years later, when Father Moon prayerfully penetrated the boundless depths of God's broken heart, his disciples testified that he cried uncontrollably for days. His tears literally seeped through the shabby wooden floorboards of his 2nd story bedroom into the Church sanctuary room below. Father shocked the world with his proclamation that *"God is a heartbroken God."* It amplified his original commitment to do whatever it would take to comfort the heart of his Father in heaven. He would be the victorious Son to his broken-hearted Father.

Another explosive revelation of Sonship which forever changed my life occurred at a New Year's (God's Day) celebration in 1976. It was on the back yard stage at the Belvedere House where hundreds of electrified young adults and elders had gathered to hear Father speak and usher in the new year. During his speech Father began to very emotionally explain that in 1960, after he and Mother Moon were blessed in marriage, God came to him and declared, *"I'm going to destroy the world."*

Well, that got my attention. Father didn't elaborate on the details, but he said he told God, *"No. Don't do it. I will take responsibility for changing the direction of mankind. Just give me time."*

I was stunned. Immediately I began reflecting back on 1960 and what I could remember of it so I could fill in some detail

myself. I was eight years old at that time. I recalled clearly what was going on in 1960. All Americans were living on pins and needles, conscious that Russia had put nuclear-tipped missiles in Cuba, just 90 miles from our shores, and there was nothing we could do about it. I remembered sleeping in a public bomb shelter with my father one night to experience what it would be like. We drank the stale water and ate the stale crackers from barrels lining the halls of the government building's basement. Some people had built personal underground bunkers in their back yards. Every day people were wondering: "*Will this be the day? Will this be the day someone pushes the button and we all go up in a ball of fire?*" That was what was going on in 1960. God was ready to do another 'Noah'. He understandably couldn't bear to see True Parents stopped like Jesus and I guess He didn't have total confidence that Father could win the war, being so outnumbered.

But Father's Sonship rose up like a lion. Father told God, "*No. I will take responsibility for everything. Just give me time.*" Again, the Son emerged clear as day. Who else could relate with God like that? Could the Pope, or the Dalai Lama? I'm sorry, but no. Only a Son could think and feel like that. I was in the presence of the Son.

The purpose for which God created the physical universe and human children was to share unlimited love and joy together with us. It turned out to be more like a nightmare, both for us and also

for God. It helps us to understand the full meaning of Genesis 6:6 wherein it says: *“It repented the Lord that he had made man on the earth and it grieved him at his heart.”* There is no stronger word in the English language for this than *“grieved.”* And his grieving never stopped until Jesus was born as his only Son, only to resume again with his murder at the hands of faithless people.

Through Father’s eyes and heart of Sonship we could begin to see the real meaning of Jesus’ bewildering statement while dying on the cross, *“Father, why have you forsaken me?”* Father Moon said watching Jesus being tortured to death on the cross was even more devastating to God’s already broken heart than seeing his first son and daughter fall away from Him in the proverbial Garden.

Father Moon determined to heal God’s suffering once and for all by taking his new Eve, Mother Moon, and giving God the lineage and family that He has waited for since He breathed life into the bodies of His first human children. This Father and Mother Moon accomplished, adding hundreds-of-thousands more couples to God’s new family along the way. While a rocky start, time and effort will smooth everything out and God’s heart will eventually be fully healed.

He even declared that he wanted to make the world somehow better than it would have been had the first family not fallen away so that God could look back and let go of his agonizing historical

pain and suffering and feel, “*Well, I guess I’m glad it all turned out this way.*” Who but a Son of the Father could even dream such a mind-blowing concept? It was one more startling glimpse at his Sonship.

Sonship is for many people a position or a title. But, I discovered something different. I discovered that not only is Sonship seen in the intimate and ultimate fusion of the Father and the Son in a union of love, but it is also seen in how the Son lives his earthly life. In nearly four-and-a-half decades of trying to understand him, follow him, resonate with him, help him, and make his dreams my own, my myriad life experiences with him began to reveal hints of what Sonship really looks like. As I surveyed the landscape of all of these experiences, one overriding theme began to emerge about this Son. To state it most simply, his life was all about loving Cain.

That’s what Sonship looks like in real time; absolute union of Father and Son expressed face-to-face on the earthly plane and beyond through loving Cain. That’s what being the Son of God really means. And, that’s the essence of who Father Moon is, ...really.

2. Cain

As you may recall, Cain was the eldest son of Adam and Eve in the Bible. He and his younger brother, Abel, independently made an offering to God, but Cain's offering was not accepted. There was a reason for it. It had nothing to do with the quality of his offering.

In fact, one could reason that it may have been perfect in every way and offered with meticulous care. But God needed a person to resolve and overcome internal problems such as jealousy, anger and resentment which were unfortunately inherited from Cain and Abel's parents.



In spite of God's own pleading with Cain to rise above his feelings, he was not able to overcome his negative emotions toward his younger brother, whose offering had been accepted by God. In the end, Cain let jealousy,

anger and resentment get the best of him and he murdered his brother. History could be loosely seen as a continuous reenactment of this very event.

God did not make a mistake in accepting Abel's offering and rejecting Cain's. God needed someone – in this story the man named Cain – to overcome jealousy, anger and resentment and other related emotions in order for his divine love to fully saturate humanity. Abel has a different perspective and his own negative emotions to overcome, such as arrogance and insensitivity toward his brother's pain.

Obviously, a lack of mature love lies at the root of this problem. Mankind has been plagued with it throughout history, on every social level. It's still far from resolved. The story continues. That's what this book is all about. It's about love or the lack thereof. It's about Cain and what he needs to come home. It's about the life and person of Sun Myung Moon. It's about you and me.

Now, you might think this Cain-Abel stuff is a no-brainer and you already know all about it for yourself. In fact, you may feel you're pretty good at it, but be careful. Loving Cain has never been done adequately enough and profoundly enough by any human being who ever walked the face of this earth. It's far from being a slogan or mantra. The undertaking is frankly super-human. Cain is alive and well in the hearts and minds of not only the seven billion

people currently living on the earth, but also the countless billions who have died and reside now in the spiritual world.

It's the life and work of the Son, Christ, the Messiah. Jesus gave us a taste of the value of the life of a True Adam, which is what the Messiah or Christ actually is. It's so enormous in God's view of things, and also to the Dark Cousin's side, that Jesus could literally offer his life for Cain and buy the forgiveness of any and every human soul who would repent and believe and receive it.

But Father explained to us on numerous occasions that he must bring Cain to natural and total surrender to the love of God. It is beyond receiving forgiveness. Have you personally tried to bring the heart of one Cain-like person to God and to His love? It's no small thing. Father said you have to give that person more love than anyone has given them in this fallen world, including their own mother.

Now, consider both the multitudes of souls we are talking about and also the depth of the Cain world and you can begin to see what kind of person Father Moon must be, and is. Who would even consider taking on such a responsibility? Jesus' life was that of a man totally driven by his absolute and uncompromising love of God and love for Cain. Father Moon's life was the same.

Everything God designed and created was formed out of love. It was conceived in love, designed in love, manifested in love, and

meant to experience love throughout its existence. This even applies to inanimate things like minerals and plain old dirt. The essence of God is love and everything He made and expressed was to be soaked with that same love.

It all sounds poetic and inspiring to some people, but we are also talking about those people who seem to be unlovable or unworthy of our love. It includes that pain-in-the-butt guy or girl whom you try to avoid at all costs. They are full of resentment. They feel unloved. They are jealous and demanding. They believe they are victims of someone; of everyone. They deserve better than whatever they have received. They are hurting deep inside because they have not experienced the love they were created to experience. They are Cain.

Cain is a man of the earth. He tries desperately to fill the spiritual and heartistic emptiness he feels inside with worldly things such as money, toys, cars, gizmos, good looks, socio-political influence, etc. It works to some extent, but only for a short time. Abel, on the other hand, feels he has experienced some love; at least a little. It feels good when he or she shares it with others.

These two grossly-overgeneralized groups of people seldom understand and appreciate each other. Sometimes they hate each other. Sometimes they kill each other, psychologically, emotionally or even physically. It has become a war on every level

of society, and even within ourselves. It's the war-of-wars. It's the basis of all wars. What can be done about it?

God's anguish from the beginning of human history has been how to convey His love to Cain and melt his pain, cold heart and jealousy, anger and resentment. Who can God use to help him do that? There is no one except Abel. But Abel is seldom inspired to want to do this work. It's far easier to label Cain as a troublemaker and avoid him. *"He's just an atheist, a humanist, a racist, a white supremacist, a communist, a socialist, a greedy capitalist, a hot-head, a narcissist, a self-centered brat, cold-hearted, a bad guy, etc."* But to God who created him, he or she is His hurting child whom He loves desperately. He is obsessed with trying to revive him or her with His love. He tries to get Abel to do that. It's not fun. Abel seldom feels inspired to want to go out of his way and invest in loving Cain. Cutting the grass or washing the car is much more attractive. No time today for Cain!

Jesus was all about loving Cain. That was the basis of his famous parable of the prodigal son...

There was a man who had two sons. The younger one said to his father, 'Father, give me my share of the estate.' So he divided his property between them. Not long after that, the younger son got together all he had, set off for a distant country and there squandered his wealth in wild living. After he had spent everything, there was a severe famine in

that whole country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to a citizen of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed pigs. He longed to fill his stomach with the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one gave him anything. When he came to his senses, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have food to spare, and here I am starving to death! I will set out and go back to my father and say to him: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son; make me like one of your hired servants.' So he got up and went to his father. But while he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion for him; he ran to his son, threw his arms around him and kissed him. The son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Quick! Bring the best robe and put it on him. Put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the fattened calf and kill it. Let's have a feast and celebrate. For this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.' So they began to celebrate. Meanwhile, the older son was in the field. When he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he called one of the servants and asked him what was going on. 'Your brother has come,' he replied, 'and your father has killed the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.' The older brother became angry and refused to go in. So his father went out and pleaded with him. But he answered his father, 'Look! All these years I've been slaving for you and never disobeyed your orders. Yet you never gave me even a young goat so I could celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours who has

squandered your property with prostitutes comes home, you kill the fattened calf for him!' 'My son,' the father said, 'you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and be glad, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.'

(Luke 15:11-32)

Or his similar parable of the lost sheep...

Suppose one of you has a hundred sheep and loses one of them. Doesn't he leave the ninety-nine in the open country and go after the lost sheep until he finds it? And when he finds it, he joyfully puts it on his shoulders and goes home. Then he calls his friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost sheep.' I tell you that in the same way there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who do not need to repent. (Luke 15:4-7)

Most people are easy Cains. They're simply regular folks who've been slowly and gradually massaged into following the thinking and values of the Cain world. They live mostly self-centered lives and their consciences have been subdued or even numbed by the constant barrage of subtle and explicit Cain-type, self-centered propaganda. They fit right into society. They don't stick out. They're everyone. They may be you and me.

Then, there are the hard-core Cains. These are aggressive, serious-minded Cains. They have an agenda and they're bent on

accomplishing it. They can be found in every walk of life. Some are serious religious zealots; others are God-denying humanists or Marxists. Some are greedy business people; others are ruthless politicians. Some push socio-political agendas; others are just hot-tempered, strong-minded and misguided regular Joe's.

In any case, Cain has a common base with the Dark Cousin who started this whole problem in the first place. There is no person without even a small vestige of such a common base. Thus, everyone can be considered Cain. Cain is anyone who is separated from God and other people by a shortage of Christ-like, fully-matured love.

There is always someone in your life with a little more of God's mature love who can be a spiritual bridge between you and God. This person stands in an 'Abel' position to you in that moment. Cain can come closer to God and his love if he can embrace that person who stands in a more Abel role to him. Cain and Abel can switch roles at any moment in time. Everyone has something virtuous they can learn from everyone else. Sometimes I'm in a Cain role to my little granddaughter. There are times when I can learn God's love from her; and visa versa. We all have more growing to do.

But, there are many things in our personalities that resist this dynamic. We term these "things in our personalities" various

aspects of fallen nature, initially appearing as excuses. You can study *The Divine Principle* to get a more in-depth understanding of fallen natures.

Is Cain God's enemy? We might say he is. In some sense, God has more enemies than anyone. But, God doesn't consider them enemies. The Bible depicts God as speaking of His enemies, but Father explained that in reality, God doesn't even have the concept of what an enemy is. He sees all of us as His sons and daughters, no matter how contrary and wayward we may be. Even if we hate him, deny him or oppose him, He still thinks of us as His precious sons and daughters. For example, Father told us that God has to consider a woman who is particularly promiscuous or immoral as if she were an innocent princess, perhaps like Don Quixote. Otherwise, His heart cannot be free to love her.

How much have you loved Cain? If there's one thing I experienced about Father Moon, it was that he was always loving Cain; every minute of every day. It was an overarching framework of his entire psyche. He didn't always say it but if you looked below the surface, trying to understand his motivation for whatever he thought, felt and did, that's what was driving him, all the time. The deeper fact is, he never thought of anyone as being Cain. He only thought of them as being his son or daughter; no matter their age or nationality, color or title.

A True Adam must be the same as God. He must have no concept of enemies, at least not in his heart. Isn't that what awakened the world to exactly who Jesus really was? When he forgave even the people who were hating and killing him as he was hanging in indescribable pain by iron spikes hammered through his wrists and feet on the cross, the world was shocked to experience the heart of God in a human being and to realize that Jesus was different from all the rest of humanity. From that time forth, we could see that he was the Son of God, the Messiah or Christ.

Father Moon is the same. He prayed for his torturers in prison in Korea. In one instance they were mercilessly beating him to death with a wooden timber while he hung from the ceiling by his hands, tied together behind his back. He said he had to bite the inside of his cheeks to cause a lot of bleeding in an effort to reduce the blood pressure in his head and the possibility of brain hemorrhage. He not only forgave these torturers in real time, but he later helped them to escape from Korea and return safely to Japan after the war was over, when the surviving Koreans wanted to kill them.

And, Father felt absolutely no animosity toward Japan but rather loved Japan as what he called the "*Eve nation*" throughout the rest of his life. Even when his most trusted followers betrayed him, stole money, or abused their positions, he scolded them with

the love of a Father, never throwing anyone under the bus.

Some hard-core skeptics take a cursory glance at Father's life and say things like, "*Well, lots of people suffered the same thing in war-time prison camps. It doesn't make him special.*" The same people sometimes say, "*Well, Rev. Moon wasn't the first to discover a lot of things in The Divine Principle, so the Principle's nothing special and neither is he.*"

That kind of thinking is very short-sighted. Thousands of people were crucified as criminals along the roads leading into Jerusalem in Jesus' day. Many other people have fasted and prayed for God's will to be done. Others suffered torture in prisoner-of-war camps. It's a fact. But the huge difference is in the quality of the person experiencing it, their relationship with God, and their intention and purpose in doing it.

When Jesus gave his life on the cross, he did so as the only sinless perfected Son of the living God, and for the forgiveness of all of humanity. His offering changed the course of human history. God not only honored it, but the Dark Cousin (Lucifer and the Dark Side) had to acknowledge and accept it, too. The crucifixions of the thousands of other real criminals in Jerusalem had no impact on history, whatsoever.

Father's prayers and my prayers may sound the same, but the impact is totally different. My seven-day fast and Father's seven-

day fast created totally different consequences because of who did them and what the purpose was. Father's suffering in prison had historical consequences because of who he was and why he was there. Many people may have hugged Premiere Kim IL Sung of North Korea, but when Father did it, the cosmos shook. We cannot understand these things if we think simply on the humanistic, worldly level.

To make it more clear, Father said that even if Jesus had never opened his mouth, never argued with the scribes and pharisees, never turned over the tables of the money changers, never did any miracles but only had his intended blessed marriage and sinless descendants, the kingdom of God on earth would have become a reality within 600 years.

What does that tell you? That tells *me* that it was not what Jesus did or said that were most important. Those things were secondary to just who Jesus was and is. In reality, he had a very weak worldly foundation of acceptance when he breathed his last breath on the cross as all of his close disciples deserted him. Yet today there are a billion people who say they are Christians. How can this be? It is because of who Jesus is; not because of what he said or did. The same is true for Father and Mother Moon.

As for the Principle, truth is truth, whether it be scientific or spiritual. Truth doesn't change. We discover it. We do not create it.

The principles of relationships have always been there for anyone to see and explain. For example, subject and object relationships, harmony, balance, symmetry, complementarity, etc., are nothing new. Likewise, the physical laws of the universe are nothing new, but we recognize them and we continue to discover new ways to use them. We continually discover new ways to combine and interrelate elements of nature to create new alloys of metal, new plastics, new medicines, etc. The components may have always been available, but we continually learn how to make something new; something greater than the sum of the parts.

Thus, Father took existing truths and spiritual laws and discovered more clearly than anyone ever had before how they all fit and work together and also what prevents them from doing so. He uniquely discovered the significance and extent of our human responsibility before God and also the depth of God's heart in loving Cain, in addition to many other things. (see my book entitled: *Revolution*) He did not need to reinvent the wheel. He showed us how to build a better wheel; a true wheel. Jesus did the same, as did other great religious founders such as Buddha, Confucius and others. But in everything Father did, he was loving Cain and teaching us to do the same.

On the earth plane, one would think we've had sufficient historical experience to conclude that Cain cannot be hated out of

our lives. But, because we don't know about the eternal spirit world, we continue to kid ourselves into thinking we can just kill our Cains, or otherwise destroy them. Such is never the case. Cain will always kill Abel if he's given enough reason to do so. If he doesn't get his revenge on you here in this life, he will get his revenge on you or your descendants in the next. So, as implied in the Bible, you can only get rid of an enemy by making him into a friend. It's as simple as that.

When a man's ways please the LORD, he makes even his enemies to be at peace with him. (Prov 16:7)

The problem is, even God himself cannot love Cain into natural repentance and surrender. Why? Cain can't see him. Cain can't hear him. Cain denies that He even exists, and if he doesn't do that, he harbors a very twisted understanding of who the real, living God actually is. After all, Cain has been told by the religious world that a cold-hearted God will punish him eternally for being bad. This is Cain-feeding-Cain. Thus, when you look out your window and imagine all the Cains there are who need to be embraced and invested in so much that they can surrender to God's love, you might feel like crawling under the covers and going to sleep, hoping it will all go away before you awaken again. I know the feeling.

That's why Father is not just a kind, loving man. He's the

commander-in-chief of the war of wars; the War of Armageddon. It's the ultimate war. There are billions of people's lives to transform. It cannot be done quickly. He knew that he could not possibly live long enough to do more than show us the pattern and model course to go and to do the real 'heavy lifting,' if you will.

By 'heavy lifting,' I'm referring to solving the problem of Original Sin. This is something that no other person could do. It was the one thing he had to do by himself, with Mother Moon. Bringing Lucifer to natural surrender also was tantamount to moving a mountain. It's not just resisting Satan's temptations in the desert, as Jesus did. Only a perfected true Son of God like Jesus or Father could be able to accomplish such an unthinkable feat.

But what about everyone else? What about you and me? What about the billions of people Father would never get a chance to meet? He knew he needed an army; a spiritual, heartistic army.

From a strategic point of view, this is the practical reason he strove to unite Christianity and all the religious people of the world. Why? Of course he wanted to unite them out of his pure love, and because God is "*one*" and therefore we also should be "*one*," as Jesus said (Jn 17:21-22) But he also needed to unite Christianity and the world's God-loving people to love Cain. He considered Christianity to be in the role of Abel to the rest of the religious and non-religious world. The problem was, Christianity never

understood this but instead criticized, persecuted and even fought bloody wars with peoples of other faith traditions. Such a massive paradigm shift was sorely needed but difficult to orchestrate, even for Father Moon.

He originally planned to organize the entire worldwide providence of winning the heart of Cain under 12 tribal leaders, ideally to be his own children, reminiscent of what Moses did organizing the Hebrew tribes in the desert. The need for such a strategy persists even today and should be clear. It will take an army of zealous loving children of God and True Parents (Father and Mother Moon) to foster the transformation of humanity.

There are indirect methods, such as the internet, but the internet can't do it all. This is spiritual work. We are dealing with powers and principalities and human souls. This is heart-to-heart work; parenting, educating and nurturing. There are no shortcuts; no magic pills. A YouTube video will not be enough to melt the heart of Cain.

Thus, Father Moon's 'Unification' Movement was created in 1954. We must unite our minds and bodies, our families, our communities, our tribes, etc. We must unite the denominations of the Christian family. Then, Christianity must unite other faith traditions with True Parents as intimate brothers and sisters. Finally, the united religious world must melt the heart of the

remaining worldwide Cain culture, including humanists, atheists, Marxists, etc., of all flavors. Making unity on all of these levels can be understood as Abel winning the heart of Cain.

Father said the world cannot be saved through only a PowerPoint or a white board. Again, what was he saying? He was saying Cain's heart cannot be melted by only a PowerPoint or a white board presentation. Father is a serious and practical man. He knew what it would take. Ultimately, an exemplary culture and nation has to be created somewhere which can serve and win the heart of all other peoples and nations by expressing God's love. He was under no illusion. He was not naive. Perhaps we were.

Those numerous members that I have met who at one time thought the kingdom of heaven was going to be realized in just a few years or so under Father Moon's amazing leadership obviously did not have a realistic idea of what it would take to do that. The literal kingdom of heaven on earth does not come by proclamation, ritual or ceremony. It requires nothing less than melting down the bruised, scarred and painful heart of Cain with God's love; all of the billions of them; one-by-one.

There is no practical strategy to teach you how to do it. Everyone is unique. Each Cain needs a unique dose and application of God's love. There are no shortcuts; no magic pills; no YouTube videos to tell you everything you need to know. Love is not a

mechanical process. It's not a duty, mission or obligation. It cannot be taught in a classroom. We have to learn it ideally beginning in our family life. That's where we should start. But, it's never too late. Whatever you think it means to love Cain, raise your bar about 3 steps higher and that is probably where you need to be with this. "*He aint heavy; He's (our) brother,*" as the old song goes.

In the long-term view of things, it's not an option. It is the destiny for all of us. The outcome and the reward are priceless. There is no other way to achieve the kind of world we all want to live in. From God's viewpoint, this is the only thing going on or not going on in this human world; everything else is incidental.

3. It's his fault!

I liked math in school, probably because the concepts came easily to me. I always did well... until my very last class. I had aced college algebra in High School, only to find that my college would not accept the credits for the class. After retaking it and acing it again I thought, “*Wow, if anyone's prepared for calculus, I certainly am.*” Wrong. Of the dozen kids in my college calculus class, not one of us got better than a failing 40% grade point average. It wasn't until the last week of the semester that I finally got a weak grasp of what a calculus even was.

Were all of these dozen students stupid? No. In fact we all loved math or we wouldn't have enrolled in a calculus class. Rationally speaking, the lion's share of the problem was obviously the professor's. He was a bonified genius and knew calculus inside and out. He just couldn't communicate it very well.

So is there any reason not to blame the professor here? Well, that depends on whether you are a typical Cain or Abel in this scenario. Instead of blame, let's talk about responsibility. It seems like an obvious and simple answer. Let's say it was 90% the

professor's and 10% the students' responsibility. After all, we students could have sought out math tutors. (This was long before computers and YouTube) However, there's both a practical perspective of the responsibility for the outcome and a heartistic perspective of the responsibility, and while these perspectives yield very different results, they're both valid.

Cain will say the professor is at fault and maybe even the school administration. The professor is formally in the position of Abel but may also have a Cain perspective. After all, he also has some of Cain's heart and personality running through his bloodstream. From a Cain viewpoint, he may say it's the students fault for not understanding his perfectly logical presentations. But, if he can take an Abel viewpoint, he should instead realize that he was insensitive to the students who were sitting in front of him, class-after-class, not aware that they weren't getting it. In addition, with Abel's heart, he should sincerely feel totally responsible for the situation, not attributing even a 10% share to the students. Plus, with an Abel-like heart, even the school administration might have weighed-in and felt sincere responsibility for not realizing that their professor needed coaching and perhaps wasn't a good fit for the teaching job. When everyone involved sincerely feels like taking full responsibility for the situation, then everyone is feeling and behaving like Abel and there is no more Cain left.

In any social group where there's a leader and follower, parent

and children, teacher and students, boss and employee, etc., these represent Abel and Cain at work. Abel's is the perspective of the parent's heart. When things don't go well, you can blame Cain if you want, but Father would *never* do that, and neither would God.

Whenever Cain falls short, his response is typically something like: *"It's not my fault. It was his fault. I was cheated. I was wronged. I'm a victim."* There may be some truth in it. When either Cain or Abel falls short, Abel's response is typically something like: *"I'm sorry. It's all my fault. I didn't do enough. I didn't try hard enough. I didn't teach well enough. I didn't prepare well enough. I didn't love him or her enough."* The big difference is this: even if the parent or person in the Abel role had little responsibility for whatever did or didn't happen, they still feel sincerely responsible for it.

The child messes up and gets into trouble. The parent feels, *"It's my fault. I didn't watch him or raise him well enough. I didn't love him enough. I didn't give enough. I didn't do enough."* The boss says, *"I didn't train him well enough for the task I asked him to do."* It's not a 'guilt trip,' as some might interpret it. It's a sincere heart of humility, love and responsibility. This is the heart of Abel, of the parent, even of God.

Never once did I see Father Moon blame Cain for something that went wrong. Never. He always considered Abel to be responsible. If a Church community was having difficulties, he

would always look to the leader, or person in the Abel role, for the solution. Father would never think, *“What’s wrong with those members?”* He would always feel that he had not trained the leader(s) enough or that he had kept us too busy with campaigns and the like, and take responsibility for it himself. That’s who Father is. The members were in the position of the children before the leader. Father’s heart was always, and the leader’s heart should also be, to love Cain.

You might say that Cain needed to take responsibility and it would be a mistake to not hold him accountable. Of course that is correct, but the question is, how? On a heartistic level, Cain is lacking already and adding more burden to him is not the strategy that Father would pursue. It often just produces more self-righteous resentment. In fact, by holding Abel accountable even when Cain deserved the blame, the heartstrings of Cain would many times pull him to feel even more remorseful and repentful. Sometimes Father would tell us what great disciples we were. Knowing we were not, this penetrated our hearts and made us repentful all the more.

God does the same with us. He looks at our wayward and suffering situations and says to himself, *“It’s my fault. I did not educate their progenitors in the Garden enough and therefore they did not grow up to be what they needed to be.”* Or, *‘I didn’t protect Jesus enough or make sufficient preparations for his support.’* God doesn’t have to say these things. He gave his children literally

everything they needed. It's man who messed-up. But, the parent's heart is such that it always feels: "*It was me. It was my fault.*"

Where did this problem start? Everybody's ready to take responsibility when things go well and it's time to celebrate success. But, who is responsible for the mess-ups? No one wants to take responsibility for them. Who wants to take responsibility for the death of Jesus? There is no one. This problem started in the Garden. When asked by God why he disobeyed the commandment, Adam blamed Eve. When God asked Eve what she had done, she blamed the angel, who had no one left to pass the blame to. We're still doing this today.

The final concluding outcome that God and Father Moon are looking for is when Cain feels and acts like Abel and there is no Cain left. Everyone sincerely claims that it was their responsibility, whether it actually was or not. We all forgive each other and with lightened hearts we move on with our lives to love one another. That's Father Moon dream to see on the family level, social level, and even international level among nations. Then, when every nation exhibits an Abel-like heart toward its neighbors, we will see war and poverty no more.

4. The God trap

God is trapped. He unavoidably created the trap himself. He's been kept hostage in this trap for millions of years. What does this unusual trap look like?

God is love. The essence of His being is love. The motivation for everything He does is love. He doesn't know any other way to be. And, the Principles by which He created the entire universe and everyone and everything in it are also rooted in His love.

Therefore when the Dark Cousin comes to God, he uses God's own love to trap Him and hold Him hostage. Father Moon explained that Satan says to God:

“If You want to be God, You must establish the principle that would provide for You to love me, even though I have fallen; otherwise You cannot stand in the position of the Ruler of this universe!” This is where the problem lies. This is truly a stunning truth.

(CSG 1st ed. p.1153, 1982.10.17)

What is the secret method to restore the right of the eldest son (Cain)? Satan claims, “God is a perfect

God and the Adam and Eve he is seeking must also be perfect. Had they not fallen, it would have been the Principled standard that Adam and Eve have to love me as the original archangel. Thus, even though I have fallen and I found myself in the position of a bad one, if you all are in a position to be called good and true, you must set up the condition of having loved me. Without this, You, God, cannot be in the position of God in front of me.” This is the problem. “The person You send (the Messiah, the new Adam) must love me. Unless he stands together with You in the position of loving me, and makes the condition enabling him to say that he loved me, he will not be able to regain the birthright of the firstborn son that I have been holding on to.” That is why Jesus exhorted us to love our enemies.

(CSG 1st ed. p.1191, 131-182, 1984.5.1)

To God, the devil is the adulterer of love. So far, God has been dealing with all the accusations the devil, the adulterer of love, has been making. God had to persevere in His heart until today in order to redeem the condition that would enable Him to say in front of all humankind that He loved the devil. Why is that so? Had the archangel not fallen, he would have remained an archangel, but could not have entered heaven without being loved by God. God and His sons and daughters enter heaven only after they are able to love the archangel. That is why Satan accuses them. He says, “I did become the devil, but Your principle of creation, the original principled standard remains intact. So isn’t it the rule that You and Your children cannot go to heaven unless you and they love me?” When Satan says

this, God has to say “yes.” Until now, Satan has been grasping God by his neck and accusing him.
(CSG 1st ed. p.1154, 185-56, 1989.1.1)

Father Moon said God is caught. He cannot resolve the situation by himself. God decided to give angels and humans free will, or free agency. He refuses to renege on that decision. He will never manipulate or forcibly change Cain’s mind. Lucifer, man’s Dark Cousin, and his angels are eternal beings made in God’s eternal love. He will not obliterate them.

Instead, God has waited for millions of years, preparing humanity for a victorious Adam – a fully-matured and perfected-in-love Adam – who can melt Cain’s and the angel’s heart of negativity and win him back to God and God’s love. Tall order? There are no words to express it. Jesus came to do that 2000 years ago and that’s exactly who Father Moon is today. He is the one who is doing that.

It was reported that the angel Lucifer himself even came to Father Moon on March 21st, 1999 in the Pantanal area of Brazil and repented to him. Father had invested all of his love and life for that incredible moment. Father harbored not the slightest accusation toward him. He simply told him that he had been waiting for him and that his position as God’s helper had been kept open for him, anticipating his eventual return. That is who Father Moon is. In

fact, if Father had felt any accusation toward him at all, Lucifer would never have even come.

5. Loving Cain every day

From a human point of view, Father Moon loved Cain to a fault. The primary purpose of his life was to establish the family of the new and perfected Adam and Eve; accomplishing what the first pair of human parents failed to do. His descendants were the first sinless humans ever born on earth, aside from Adam and Eve, Jesus and True Parents themselves. How precious do you think God considered all of them? There are no words for it.

Nevertheless, Father invested his heart in Cain, first. When you love someone, you do not give them your left-overs; your throw-aways. Your love is truly expressed when you give the best of what you have to give. Then how do you melt the heart of your enemy? You must be willing to give him everything, even your most treasured possession.

What did God ask Abraham to offer? It was his son, Isaac. We might think, “*What is your Isaac? What is my Isaac?*” Father always gave Cain what was most precious. Therefore, he always put his beloved family on the back burner, giving his time and

attention instead to us, his Cain children.

We didn't feel good about it. We objected and complained but Father would hear nothing of the sort from us. He knew what he was doing. He was expressing God's love. He was loving Cain and teaching us to do the same.

He taught us to become the kind of leaders who effectively restore the position of Abel in the Cain-Abel relationship by investing in and loving Cain. But, too many leaders got it backwards. Too many leaders considered themselves the recognized and honored 'Abel' to whom Cain should bow in humility and obedience because they represented Father.

But, Father never thought like that. He said leaders behaving that way were not following his teachings at all. Jesus likewise taught the opposite. Jesus said those of his disciples who wished to lead should serve, not seek to be served.

Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:42-45)

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A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. Jesus said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them; and those who exercise authority over them call themselves Benefactors. But you are not to be like that. Instead, the greatest among you should be like the youngest, and the one who rules like the one who serves. For who is greater, the one who is at the table or the one who serves? Is it not the one who is at the table? But I am among you as one who serves. (Luke 22:24-27)

Servant leadership is the way of Abel. But, too many of us got it all wrong, causing more pain and resentment in Cain; even causing some members to become disillusioned and leave.

Father gave the example of a foreman at a worksite. He said if you are the foreman and you want your laborers to work hard, you must not come to the job site late and put your feet up on your desk and smoke a cigar, telling the others what to do. Instead, he said, you should arrive early and prepare everything for the laborers before they get to work. Then, sweat and toil beside them harder than they do. When they go home, stay on the job site, cleaning up in preparation for the following day.

"Be a servant leader" was his teaching and he modeled it for us always. He modeled it for us in the fishing boats, fishing 20

hours-a-day, he modeled it for us in Danbury Prison where he cleaned toilets and dining room tables for the prisoners who initially cursed him. He modeled it in everything he did.

He also taught us to “*Never be indebted to anyone.*” God is like that. He will never be out-given. He always taught us that the nature of God’s true love is such that you give and give and give more, forget what you have given, and then give again. That’s the heart of God; the heart of loving Cain. He gave until it hurt, but it never really hurt at all because whatever he gave, he gave it out of his sincere love.

Father said he even had to let the Dark Cousin’s influence come into his own family. He could not give them special protection or he would certainly be accused by Cain. Each of his family members and his family as a whole have to grow themselves and learn to love Cain to the point of natural surrender. There is no short cut. He said he could not do it for them.

He always had to love Cain first. Until all of the Cain children are safe and protected from the Dark Cousin’s side, he could not protect even his own children, even though it was these sinless children for whom God had awaited all these millions of years. He said:

The big question is whether I have loved the satanic world more than I love my wife and children. I

cannot love my family more than I love those who stand in the Cain position. God has to love the Cain realm first before loving the Abel realm. He cannot love Abel before that.

(p.1189, 140-38, 1986.2.1)

Cain represents Satan's side. It is the position of the elder brother. Abel represents God's side. This is the battle. Originally, God would have loved the firstborn son, and then the younger son. Due to the Fall, the first son, Cain, stands on Satan's side. He belongs to Satan's side. In order to save him, God designated Abel. God designates Abel to restore the right of the firstborn son. This cannot be achieved by force; you have to inspire people by love. You have to achieve restoration by melting them with love. If you cannot stand in the position of having loved them, if you cannot win their heart through offering your love, then you will not be in a position to truly love your own son or daughter.

(p. 1189, 140-38, 1986.2.1)

The firstborn son (Cain) must ultimately attend the second son, who is the younger brother, as though he were an older brother, and come to the point where he can say, "I will receive all the blessings through you." In this way, the firstborn son comes down to the position of the second son, and the second son must rise up to take the position of the firstborn son. So only after the first son (Cain) says, "You go up, instead of me," and pushes the second son forward, does it become possible to move from the family level rights of the first son to the tribal level rights of the firstborn son, and so on. Only when the first son pushes you, can you go up. You cannot go up as you are.

(CSG 1st ed. p.1190, 138-204, 1986.1.21)

As stated before, this is one of the most important truths which Christianity has failed to understand. They are in the position of Abel, from God's point of view. They have Jesus, God's son, as their leader, role model and parent. Their position is not just to praise God for their own blessings but rather to win the heart of the Cain religious and non-religious world, being so moved by their love and sacrifice for them.

*You cannot love the enemy merely by forgiving him.
Will Satan thank you just for forgiving him? We
must have such a heart that we are able to bless our
enemy even after giving him our only beloved.*

(CSG 1st ed. p.1154, 34-278, 1970.9.13)

For this reason, Father would always spend time with any of us before he would turn his attention to his own children. After a meeting, I noticed him literally looking around the meeting room or the house, making sure there were none of his Cain children left to love and invest himself in, before he would turn to his own children.

Don't you think they felt abandoned and neglected? It's no secret. It was an inevitable course that they had to go through, but could they understand that while they were growing up? Do you think? How painful for God and True Parents to see this every day.

The children grew up feeling that they had plenty of reason to complain and blame the True Parents, and even accuse them publicly of not being True Parents at all. These children needed more than our prayers. There's usually a big gap between the love of any mom and dad and the love of their babysitter, but especially in this case, between the love of True Parents and the love of whomever was asked to look after their children in their absence.

On the rare occasion when a leader would come before Father and accuse one of his children of doing something wrong, Father would have to accept their accusation at face value, no matter what they said. Even if he knew the leader was not telling the truth, or that his son or daughter was innocent, he would accept their accusation and immediately scold his child in front of them. Later, when the leader had left, Father would call that child back and lovingly embrace them, find out their side of the story and then treat them accordingly with love. He did this to love the Cain leader by trusting him unconditionally. He was always loving Cain, every minute of every day. That was his life.

You might think it an exaggeration to say that he lived this way all his life, but consider a poem that he wrote just after Jesus called him to his mission at the tender age of 15. This poem was much later submitted to an international poetry competition where it was awarded first prize.

The Crown of Glory

When I doubt people, I feel pain.
When I judge people, it is unbearable.
When I hate people, there is no value to my
existence.

Yet, if I believe, I am deceived.
If I love, I am betrayed.
Suffering and grieving tonight,
my head in my hands,
Am I wrong?

Yes, I am wrong.
Even though we are deceived, still believe.
Though we are betrayed, still forgive.
Love completely even those who hate you.

Wipe your tears away and welcome with a smile
Those who know nothing but deceit
And those who betray without regret.

Oh Master! The pain of loving!
Look at my hands.
Place your hand on my chest.
My heart is bursting, such agony!

But when I loved those who acted against me,
I brought victory.
If you have done the same thing,
I will give you the crown of glory.

Father not only loved those who tortured him, abused him, lied to him and hated him, he loved those who were closest to him, knew him and still betrayed him. This is more painful than being hated

by strangers. It's not so difficult to forgive those who don't know you, but to be betrayed and abused by those who are close to you, or your beloved, is even more painful.

Dr. David Carlson pointed out in lectures that whereas Jesus said from the cross: "*Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing,*" (Lk 23:34 NIV) Father was instead telling us and showing us to love even those who *KNOW* what they are doing. It is even one step further.

It takes that kind of person to bring the Cain world to natural surrender. But, it's not just something for Father to do. This is the kind of love that all of us are expected to achieve. Of course, few if any of us will accomplish such a feat in our physical lifetime, but it's important to understand what kind of love God's love is and what kind of love He has always been pointing us toward. That, in one sense, is the purpose of this book. We will keep working on maturing that love in our hearts even after we die and enter the spirit world for eternity.

The matching and special blessing marriage was another area that went right over the heads of many of us. What was the picture Father was painting for us in terms of preparing us for the matching and blessing in marriage? He was trying to convey to us this same kind of love and way of life that he had lived. Tragically, there were many failed marriages from our particular blessing group. Father's

heart was ripped apart. He was so distraught. There are no words to describe it. Why? We tried! Yes, but if we really comprehended what Father was all about in terms of loving Cain with no limit, no caveat, no line drawn in the sand, no “*But...*” then the failed marriages would have been fewer and farther between. In Father’s mind – and he explicitly told us as much – there was almost no good reason for divorce. His dream was to see the word removed from our vocabulary someday. He said the concept of divorce did not exist in the original mind and heart of God. He never expected nor wanted to see it happen.

This absolutely does not mean that people should suffer together and persevere in misery while poisoning their children because they should not divorce. It means loving Cain to the point that all barriers to a happy, warm, romantic, loving, life-filled marriage are resolved (if that is your idea of an ideal marriage). If we were really tracking with him, then we would have understood that the blessing marriage was all about loving Cain. If both the husband and the wife were devoted to loving Cain, whoever that person may be in the moment, then resolving marital differences would have been just a matter of course. It’s that simple. But sometimes we just couldn’t do it.

Sharing the faith was the same. Father talked to us until he was blue in the face about winning the heart of another person to God

and to True Parents' newly-blossoming global family. When it came down to it, it was all about loving Cain. In his famous speech entitled "*How to Witness*," he shocked everyone by offering basically no advice at all about technique, method or strategy. His basic message was simple: Love Cain more than their mother, spouse, children or any other person in their life. Love them more than the Cain world has. Pray and cry for them with total sincerity even all through the night. Give everything until the Cain spirit world has no choice but to release their grip on him or her.

What was Father saying? He was telling us about himself; about God; about the true love of God. He was telling us about Jesus and he was telling us what kind of people *we* should be, not just for witnessing, but in fulfilling the Three Great Blessings (Gen 1:28). He obviously went far beyond "*Turn the other cheek*." (Mt 5:39) Father is superman. We should be too. All of God's sons and daughters should be. In his mind, it's just being normal.

In my own personal experience, helping a person transition from the Dark Cousin's (Cain's) realm and worldwide family into God's takes an enormous amount of sincere indemnity. (Indemnity loosely means restoring as much as possible the errors we make and the consequences of those errors, at least on a spiritual level. This could involve apologies, prayer, fasting, sacrifice, service to others, purging ungodly nature from ourselves, etc.) Prayer was not

enough. In my experience, a 7-day fast on my part was just the beginning of what was needed to help a person to get over the spiritual fence and extract themselves from any addictions to the Cain world. So, when I reflected on that and saw that Father attracted literally tens-of-thousands of people, it left me speechless.

In the early 1950's Father would spend many days in focused prayer and fasting for new guests. In a matter of a few weeks, dozens of top-level theology students and professors studied his revolutionary teachings and joined his tiny Church community, with conviction and fire. I can barely imagine what kind of offering of heart that takes. I will never know. Many of us found it next-to-impossible to bring even one person to True Parents' family. We just didn't fully understand who he was and what it takes. Many of us really didn't understand what it was all about.

I have said to more than one traditional Christian person who aggressively persecuted me, "*You really don't know how great Jesus is.*" In the same manner I can just-as-well say, "*We really don't know how great Father Moon is, and God is.*" Their love is beyond words. Our love should be the same. Too many of us just didn't comprehend what was in Father and Mother Moon's minds and hearts when they repeatedly spoke to us all those years.

6. Loving Cain on the providential level

I consider Father's autobiography, entitled: *As a Peace Loving Global Citizen*, to be the "lite" version of his life story. He simply did not want the world to relive his agonizing struggles with powers and principalities, or with deceitful followers. (more in Chapter 8)

After fighting indescribable knock-down, drag-out battles with the Dark Cousin, Lucifer, on the personal level, only slightly reminiscent of Jacob wrestling with the angel throughout the night, (Gen 32:22-32; Hos 12:4) Father prevailed and began climbing the ladder of historical indemnity. It meant eight stages of winning over Cain on both the horizontal level and also the vertical level. The 'horizontal' level refers to peer social relationships, while the vertical level refers to hierarchical relationships, ultimately between myself and God. This actually meant winning over Cain on eight horizontal levels in each of the eight vertical stages. And, he alone fulfilled it all, forevermore.

What does that mean? Well, I'm not going to attempt to give

an in-depth course in *The Divine Principle* in this short book, but suffice to say that the eight horizontal stages are: individual, family, tribe, people, nation, world, cosmos and God. The eight vertical stages are: beggar and servant-of-servants, servant, adopted child, child by a concubine, child of the direct lineage, the mother, the father, and then God;

After I learned about the law of indemnity... I focused on the love for an individual, then on the love for a family, then on the love for a tribe, people and nation. At each stage, Satan tried everything imaginable to try to crush this love. That is why religion goes the way of persecution.

(CSG 1st ed., p.1184)

The completion of the restoration of an individual lies within a family, the completion of the restoration of a family lies within a tribe, of a tribe within a people, of a people within a nation, of a nation within the world, of the world within heaven and earth, and the completion of the restoration of heaven and earth lies within the love of God.

(CSG 1st ed., p.1182)

It is my belief that Father began to climb the ladder of historical indemnity at the very beginning, by dealing with the restoration of love in the first family. His marriage to his first wife was an example of classic restoration, reminiscent of the Biblical story of Eve, Lucifer and Adam.

He did not choose his first wife, just as he explained that Adam had no choice in terms of who would be *his* wife, either. Father shared in his autobiography that he asked his aunt to find him a good wife. He did not research the woman's background to make sure she was suitable to ultimately become the True Mother, or new Eve. He did not educate her at length as to her providential role. He did not test and interrogate her as he later did with prospective Mother Moon. She was a good Christian woman and they were married in a typical wedding officiated by a Christian minister. He sincerely loved her with the fullness of God's love.

Father explained that when a lone minister officiates a marriage, it is like the archangel marrying them. It's like an "odd shoe." He said that according to God's Principle, a couple should be married by both parents, not a lone unrelated man like as an angel.

Weddings not officiated by the parents are officiated by the archangel. When an eminent person comes to officiate at a wedding, alone, like an odd shoe, he is conducting the wedding as the archangel.

(CSG 1st ed. p.1247, 96-236, 1978.1.22)

Again, Adam had no choice of whom to marry. God supplied the woman for him. Similarly, Father purposefully left the choice to his aunt. He was perfectly capable of choosing the right person for himself. He had lots of successful experience helping friends

and family with matchmaking, even in his youth.

After their marriage, he sincerely loved her with all his heart and gave her a precious son. Soon after the son's birth, God called him to North Korea and eventually to another period of incredible indemnity and suffering in the notorious Heung Nam prison. Even though they eventually divorced, she later embraced Father in her heart and forgave him for his uncompromising response to the providential responsibilities that called him away from her and her son. Father could eventually melt her bruised heart as well, which represented the painful heart of many women in situations similar to hers.

It is my belief that this first family was the necessary beginning of Father's course to climb the ladder of historical indemnity left unrestored by other key providential leaders before him. Eventually, Father was ready to be blessed to True Mother and create the True Parents' family together with her. Whatever other relationship he might have had along the way, I absolutely believe there was a similar providential purpose in it, whether other disciples or anyone else realized it or not. This was not a casual area of his life.

When he arrived at the capitol of what is now North Korea, Pyongyang, Father Moon gathered a small community of new believers before being thrown into prison by the communist

authorities. The Korean War broke out while he was there. After somehow enduring 2 years and 8 months in the notorious death camp at Heung Nam, American planes began bombing that city. Guards at the prison started systematically executing the prisoners in the order of their imprisonment. Father Moon was next in line to be executed the following morning when the American planes began bombing the massive prison throughout the night. The guards fled. Father Moon was able to walk out with the surviving prisoners, but where did he go?

While everyone else was running for their lives, fleeing to the South to escape the communist invasion, Father Moon instead went back to Pyongyang and combed the city in search of his few followers. He refused to leave without them. He found two. One was the young school teacher, Won Pil Kim, and the other was a Mr. Pak who had a broken leg. Father insisted that both accompany him on the long journey to hopeful safety in the South, but Mr. Pak refused because of his broken leg. Father insisted that he come together with him and he ended up pushing Mr. Pak on an old bicycle and sometimes even carrying him on his back.

Father Moon said that Mr. Pak represented all of humanity. He determined that if he couldn't save him, then he couldn't save the rest of mankind, either. That's how Father Moon lived. Looking in the mirror at my own fallen, broken personality, I realized that

Father Moon was carrying me all those years, too. He lived and died to love Cain; and in that way, to love God.

I also suspect some strategic events in Father's life may have been to assist Mother in her own course of historical restoration and loving Cain. Mother had the responsibility to restore all the failures of providential women in history. Recall how Sarah could not love Hagar and her son and drove them away, even though she had previously arranged for Hagar to become her husband's concubine and hopefully bear him a son. Recall how Jacob's first wife could not love his second wife, her younger sister, and visa versa. Recall how Elizabeth and Zechariah failed to fully embrace Mary when she was pregnant with Jesus, releasing her from the safety and security of their home. In order for Mother Moon to restore all these historical failures of women and many others, certain situations obviously needed to be set up. What was Father doing? He was helping Mother to love Cain.

In a beggar's role, we recall Father caring for homeless men in Korea, living with them and cutting their hair, etc. In a servant's role, we recall Father working on loading docks in Japan and one time carrying a heavy load of coal up-hill for an old woman, plus many other examples.

As far as documenting all the eight vertical and horizontal stages of loving Cain, well I'm not the one to do that. I will leave

that to real academics who relish all the details. The outstanding ones that I want to highlight are when Father reached the worldwide summit and embraced his arch-Cains, namely Russian President Mikhail Gorbachev and North Korean Premiere Kim IL Sung.

These events left our members, our leaders and the world speechless. It seemed

absolutely impossible for the foremost anti-communist leader of the world (according to the Russian magazine *Izvestia* – Jan. 28, 1984 which



labeled Father “*The champion of anti-Sovietism*”) to embrace his arch-enemies and love them, not unlike Jacob and Esau or Joseph and his brothers. Not only was Father regarded by all Russian leaders as a serious roadblock to their global ambitions and plans, but Premiere Kim IL Sung had sent assassins to kill Father on more than one occasion. The FBI caught some of them in New York with guns and detailed maps of his home. But, Father proved everyone wrong.

Father still went to North Korea, spoke strongly about God and

against Marxism to the top North Korean leaders, and then



embraced the North Korean Premier as if he were his long-lost brother. His anti-communist speech to the North Korean government leaders left our Church members who accompanied Father scared for their lives and looking white as sheets. This is who Father is.

What was he doing? He was loving Cain, initially by courageously speaking the truth and gaining his respect so he could then embrace him as a brother. Embracing Cain was what he was always doing; on every level.

He even had to win over the major religious founders in the spirit world who were his formal historical Cains. He brought them together before God and declared key points of the truth which all of them had missed. There was a tremendous outcry and demands for God to condemn Father as a fake and a heretic. As explained before, God had to love Cain and accept their accusations at face value. But, when Father went before them all for the third time, God was free to declare that Father was in-fact correct, at which point the great religious founders in the spirit world bowed down to Father. What was he doing? He was again loving Cain, first by

gaining their respect.

At the end of a fierce battle with Satan, there was a negotiation in the spirit world. I was able to receive from heaven the recognition that I had clarified the fundamental questions surrounding the “root of sin” including the transition of the lineage, transition of the rights of ownership and transition of the realm of heart.

(CSG 1st ed, p.945)

Sometimes masculine tough love is needed to open the doors to a deeper, heartistic relationship with Cain rather than gentle coddling or motherly love. Father Moon was capable of both whenever appropriate. He said sometimes you might have to tell foul jokes or get into a physical scuffle in order to open the door to the respect and eventual heart of Cain.

7. Peacemaker and Unifier

For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of peace. (Isa 9:6)

Jesus came as the Prince of Peace. Truly, those who emulate him can experience real inner peace with God. But was man's inner peace the ultimate goal of God? Is that all the peace that Jesus came to give us? Clearly not. Jesus even said:

If you, even you, had only known on this day what would bring you peace — but now it is hidden from your eyes. (Luke 19:42)

And the prophet Isaiah also said:

Of the greatness of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this. (Isa 9:7)

The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. (Isa 11:6)

No longer will violence be heard in your land, nor ruin or destruction within your borders, but you will call your walls Salvation and your gates Praise. (Isa 60:18)

It seems that the messiah comes to bring mankind universal peace, on all levels - personal, social and political - not only a personal inner peace. That's a tall order. Certainly we haven't seen that kind of peace following Jesus' death on the cross. Unfortunately, the peace which Jesus was able to leave has been manifested largely in individual believers as only a personal experience. But, the Bible promises that he will come again to finish his work of bringing God's kingdom on earth, and complete peace along with it. The whole world and everyone in it will know this new peace. We can only imagine what it will be like. Jesus said he had many things to tell us but we were not ready to receive them at that time. (Jn 16:12) Perhaps we will get it all at the End Times. That's the hope of all Christians.

So how will this complete peace be accomplished? Some might think this peace will come through wars and weapons. But, people have tried that approach since the beginnings of recorded history and it clearly doesn't work; at least not for very long. Why

not? Simply because you can't kill your enemy. You can't kill Cain. He will always come back to haunt you and extract his revenge, either in this life or the next. There will be no end to it.

Others might think this peace will come through an organization like the United Nations, where people can sit down together and discuss and negotiate and work for peace. However, while the U.N. has had the best of intentions, it's track record has not been illustrious. In fact, there has been no end to the violence and wars even in the shadows of the U.N. Why? Because many of the nations who participate in the U.N. have their own self-interest at-heart. They seem to be there primarily for themselves. The nobility and virtue of living for the sake of others has not yet soaked into the hearts and minds of the people represented there. Diplomatic efforts to bring peace will not be very effective until people change.

Perhaps the internet and technology will be the vehicle to bring universal peace. It has certainly shrunken the world down into a cell phone in terms of communications, information, entertainment and economic markets, but otherwise it hasn't contributed much to world peace. It will take something more fundamental than any of these things.

In fact, peace will not become a reality until Abel melts the angry, jealous and resentful heart and mind of Cain. That's why Jesus admonished us to "*love your enemy.*" (Mt 5:44) Certainly it

will require an army to do it on a global scale, but not a military army. It will take a heartistic army of people committed to the task. That was exactly Father Moon's focus from the beginning of his ministry until the end of his earthly life and beyond. His overriding ambition was to create just such an army by uniting Christianity and all the world's religious peoples around the vision and goal of loving Cain. He wanted to arm them with a much deeper understanding of God's timeless truths and also give them renewed spiritual conviction and purpose. With God's wind under their wings, the task would surely be doable and unstoppable. That was Father Moon's goal. It's yet to be accomplished. It needs to be accomplished. His incredible insights and teachings gave us all the required understanding and purpose, and his life showed us the heart for doing it. All we need is the will. The universal peace we all seek won't come any other way. There's no magic pill.

Not only did Father Moon talk about loving Cain, but he went far beyond that to manifest it in social models which could be imitated and multiplied. Any one of his efforts to promote world peace would have likely earned someone the Nobel Peace Prize, but he created more than two dozen game-changing organizations devoted to this passion. Entire books can and have been written about the many efforts he made to manifest real peace in the world, but for the purposes of this chapter I will simply list most of them and describe a few.

1. Federation for World Peace
2. Summit Council for World Peace
3. Federation of Island Nations for World Peace
4. Federation of Peninsular Nations for World Peace
5. Federation of Continental Nations for World Peace
6. The Peace King Bridge-Tunnel Across the Bering Strait
7. Universal Peace Federation
8. Professors' World Peace Academy
9. International Congress on World Peace
10. Middle East Peace Initiative
11. Family Federation for World Peace and Unification
12. Women's Federation for World Peace
13. Youth Federation for World Peace
14. Service for Peace
15. Interreligious & International Federation for World Peace
16. Inter-religious Federation for World Peace
17. Religious Youth Service
18. International Religious Foundation
19. Interdenominational Conferences for Clergy
20. Council for the World's Religions
21. Assembly of the World's Religions
22. American Clergy Leadership Conference
23. International Conferences on the Unity of the Sciences
24. World Culture and Sports Festival
25. Martial Arts Federation for World Peace
26. The Peace Cup Soccer competition

The Middle East Peace Initiative was Father Moon's signature project. He sponsored 31 pilgrimages to Israel, bringing Christian leaders, Jews, Arabs, Palestinians, Muslims, Sikhs, Native Americans, Buddhists, etc. together to meet with top-level leaders and work for peace. They met repeatedly with members of the

Israeli Knesset and with Yasar Arafat. Thousands of international activists participated. It was the first effort of its kind in that most difficult area.

The Religious Youth Service brings young people from all walks of life together to learn about and participate first-hand in all of the world's major religious traditions. They visit the Vatican, Mecca, India, Korea, Japan and many other centers of major religious cultures. Since many, if not most, major wars have involved religious conflicts, this represents a major step toward mutual understanding, brotherhood and peaceful coexistence.

The International Conferences on the Unity of the Sciences brings together top scholars, scientists and Nobel Laureates from many different fields and seeks to inspire them with the vision of working together for a world of peace, beyond focusing only on their often narrow fields of expertise. Giving these history-making people a higher level of inspiration, vision and purpose can create new foundations for complete peace.

The World Culture and Sports Festival brought athletes and performers together from former enemy nations to play together for peace and realize more deeply that we are all brothers and sisters of one global family. Sports captures the attention and passion of millions of people worldwide. Therefore, any serious effort to create world peace must include the areas of culture and sports.

And while the world is ablaze with strife between humanism

and/or godless communism in various forms and the God-affirming peoples and religious world, Father Moon came in with a novel approach. He proposed that instead of left-wing and right-wing, the world needs what he called “Head-Wing” thought. He critiqued the weaknesses of both the capitalist world as well as the humanist/Marxist world with utmost clarity and explained that both paradigms are limited and flawed. He sought to elevate the vision of both of them so they could come together eventually as brothers and work together to create a truly ideal society; God’s Kingdom, no less.

With God and God’s love emanating from a more matured and elevated humanity, Abel and Cain will resolve their differences and live together peacefully and happily for the first time, fulfilling the prophecies of Isaiah in the Bible. It is doable. In fact, it was God’s original plan and remains God’s plan to this day. With God behind it, we can be assured that such a seemingly impossible task will eventually become reality.

But far and away his greatest contribution to world peace may have been the international and intercultural blessings of marriage which he arranged and performed. Literally hundreds-of-thousands of young and older people from all walks of life, all races, all religions, all nationalities and cultures participated in these historic events. Father Moon made a point of matching two people from former enemy cultures whenever a suitable matching opportunity

presented itself before him. He brought together blacks and whites, Jews and Christians, Koreans and Japanese, any combination that could help to resolve the many man-made barriers to love and



peace. This was, as you might have guessed by now, all about loving Cain and resolving deep-set prejudices and animosities. Some of these barriers go back generations, but Father Moon saw it as his job to point the direction in which mankind can finally unwind all the tangled mess that it has created over the centuries, blocking God's loving world from emerging. All of these newly-related couples now fondly refer to Father and Mother Moon as their True Parents, and for good reason.

All-in-all, through these and many other activities and projects, Father Moon sought to point humanity in a new direction in its quest for peace. The purpose of it all, of course, is loving Cain

on all levels and in all circumstances. Jesus said:

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. (Mat 5:9)

8. The Prophet

Not only will Father Moon be seen as the champion of loving Cain, but he will also be considered a great prophet. However, prophesy has been grossly misunderstood. Too many Christian people have been led to believe that prophesy in the Bible means predictions made by God through specially chosen individuals telling of what *will* or *must* happen without fail because God said it. This is a serious misunderstanding of the nature of prophesy.

The Old Testament boasts many examples wherein God said something would happen, only to find that the predicted event did not happen as expected due to man's failures to hold up his end of the bargain. (a few examples: Num 20:12; Deu 32:51; 1Sam 15:11; 26:16; 28:18; Ezek 16:43; Lk 19:44) The Jewish people knew clearly that they were in a partnership with the living God and if they obeyed him in faith, they would be blessed. However, if they disobeyed him in faithlessness, they would be cursed or suffer. They recognized clearly their portion of responsibility before God. Leviticus chapter 26 and Deuteronomy chapter 28 spell it out, plus

many other similar passages of scripture.

Subsequent to Jesus' death, however, many Christians adopted the idea that their personal lives may still be subject to their own free agency and decision-making, at least to some extent, but the bigger picture was now strictly in God's hands and somehow, "*God's in control.*" Thus, the notion of Biblical prophesy shifted. "*I might have free will in my life, but whatever God said would take place in Biblical prophesy must happen as stated. Case closed.*"

When God expressed through the prophet Isaiah two distinct kinds of prophesy about Jesus' impending life, it confused many later believers. God spoke through Isaiah to prophesy of a glorious Messiah, king of the Jews, and the establishment of the kingdom of God on earth, centering on Jerusalem. But, Isaiah also prophesied that Jesus would come and be rejected and hated, and tortured and killed for our sins. Why two completely different predictions?

God was painting a clear picture of the contrasting consequences of the Jewish people's future choices and actions in the face of his Son. These prophesies were a graphic depiction of what was to come, depending upon their embrace of God's Son or not. But, we decided to relieve ourselves of our responsibility for rejecting and killing God's Son through adopting the belief that because Isaiah indeed *prophesied* it, therefore God must have

wanted it to happen that way.

It is clear from Jesus' many words that God did NOT want it to happen that way, even though he predicted it by way of Isaiah. John 8:31-45 is but one of many such sections of scripture that reveal clearly that it was NOT God's will that Jesus be rejected and killed. It was always the people's choice to embrace Jesus or reject him. People chose the wrong way and then justified their actions. From that time forth we totally misunderstood and misrepresented this set of prophecies from Isaiah, as well as much of the rest of Biblical prophesy.

Notice that Jesus came as the ultimate Abel in the face of the Jewish leaders and people, who stood in the position of Cain. His life and all of God's meticulous preparations for him through the prophet Isaiah and others was so that Abel (Jesus) could love and melt the heart of Cain (the Jewish people and the rest of mankind). Indeed, all of God's prophecies in the Bible were based on the relationship between Cain and Abel in some context.

Now, we have Father Moon's words and actions to analyze and survey. He gave tens-of-thousands of speeches. He foretold the future in many ways, in many venues and to many audiences. Not everything he predicted came to pass. It was not because he was wrong. It was because God gave each one of us free will and he refuses to renege on it. God will not interfere, whether we decide

to do good things or bad. He will only deal with the consequences of our decisions and actions.

Father Moon warned the world about the strategies and tactics of the Dark Cousin's side (the Cain side). He warned of the breakdown of the family, of hearts growing cold, the epidemic of divorce, etc. He warned of the secularization of society and of schools, of God-denying Marxist infiltration into Western and American society, of liberal leftist media and of racial inequality. He showed us how to combat these problems by forming schools, newspapers, and media outlets promoting true love family values. He educated thousands of ministers, politicians and social leaders in these areas. He educated leading scholars and scientists in the pursuit of peace and the betterment of all mankind. He warned about drug abuse and immorality of all kinds. He warned of disrespect for the environment and lack of concern and compassion for the poor and starving of the world. He warned of the Dark Cousin's strategy to promote racial conflict and he combatted it through the cross-cultural matching and blessing marriages. All of the above examples are expressions of the tensions between the Cain and Abel worlds and people.

How did he know all these things would be serious problems today? It's simple. He knows the Principle, he knows God's ways and he knows the Dark Cousin's ways. He knows both himself and

the enemy. As Lau Tsu said in his epic, *The Art of War*, he will therefore win all of his battles.

Must all of God's prophetic statements come true? Absolutely not. That is not the nature of prophesy. He knows what will happen if we keep going down the same path we are headed and do not change our direction or behavior. He does not know for a certainty if and when we will change our ways or not. We have delayed God's plans to realize his kingdom on this earth already for millions of years. It's up to mankind; ultimately to you and I. It has *always* been up to us. Note the following passage from Jeremiah:

If at any time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be uprooted, torn down and destroyed, and if that nation I warned repents of its evil, then I will relent and not inflict on it the disaster I had planned. And if at another time I announce that a nation or kingdom is to be built up and planted, and if it does evil in my sight and does not obey me, then I will reconsider the good I had intended to do for it. (Jer 18:7-10)

As with all the lessons and narratives of the Bible, prophesy is ultimately about Cain and Abel. The resolution is always for Abel to love Cain. How do we do it? That is what Father Moon is all about. That's why he came and that's what he taught us.

9. The Book of Revelation

The historical struggle between Cain and Abel continued far beyond the life of Jesus, even to today. The Book of Revelation in the Bible speaks of the continuing conflict and its ultimate future resolution. We are, in fact, living during a portion of the final phases of that story today, as you read this book. Of course, Father Moon is likely continuing to play a major role in it. As you can see by now, there is no way to stop him, whether in this world or the next. It is who he is.

Now I am no historian nor expert on the Book of Revelation. But, I don't think there are any famous theologians or scholars who can say without reservation that they understand it completely. Spiritual communication always needs interpretation. I'm sticking my neck out a long way by even attempting my own personal take on what the Book of Revelation is saying to us. But based on a Principled perspective, I offer the following thoughts for consideration and discussion. This is what I see:

The Book of Revelation is believed to have been written

around 95 AD, which would be about 62 years after Jesus was killed on the cross. Therefore, the future events revealed to the writer of Revelation, a man named John, would have occurred after that year.

The first three chapters of the Book of Revelation contain Jesus' own words to John in which Jesus speaks about the churches in present-day Turkey. Then, beginning from chapter four, John is taken by an angel to the spirit world where he is shown many future events. However as I said, due to our human portion of responsibility, all spiritual messages must be interpreted to be understood. I will attempt to interpret and address a few key points.

Verse 4:2 says John saw a throne in heaven with “*someone sitting on it.*” Interestingly, it is not God but rather a representative of God. God the Father has no visible form. This representative of God held a scroll with seven seals on it. Jesus appeared and was given the scroll to open. The removal of each seal revealed a significant future event.

When Jesus opened the first seal of the scroll, it revealed a warring king or leader on a white horse. My interpretation of the opening of the first seal is that it spoke of Constantine, the first



Christian emperor of Rome, who saw a vision of a cross and defeated his enemies after placing a symbol of it on his soldiers' shields. He later enacted the edict of Milan in 313 AD which declared legal tolerance for Christianity, putting an end to the horrible persecution of Christians there. Thus, Constantine was a very significant figure in Christian history.

The opening of the second seal by Jesus revealed a fiery red horse ridden by a violent leader with a large sword who *“takes peace from the earth.”* According to these clues, it could relate to the birth of Islam, about 600 AD. The sword has long been associated with the symbology of Islam.

The opening of the third seal revealed a black horse, scales of justice, and meager wages for labor. I interpret this to be speaking of the widespread slavery of Christians and many others in the early Middle Ages.

The opening of the fourth seal revealed a pale horse ridden by someone named *“death”* with *“power over a fourth of the earth... to kill by sword, famine and plague.”* I interpret this to be speaking of the Black Plague, about 1350 AD, and perhaps also the Crusades of about 1100-1300 AD. Together, these events claimed more than 50 million lives.

The opening of the fifth seal revealed a multitude who were

“killed for their belief in the word of God.” I suspect this may be a depiction of the holocaust of World War II which claimed more than six million Jews and many others, as well.



The opening of the sixth seal by Jesus spoke of a *“great earthquake and the sun turning black as the sky rolled up,”* etc.



I interpret this to perhaps be speaking of the atomic bombs of World War II.

The next scene witnessed by John is one in which multitudes of people dressed in white robes from every nation stand together before the Lamb of God. They are *“those who washed their robes in the blood of the lamb.”* Various religions and denominations of Christianity will claim this refers to them.

Angels blow trumpets next and I am not able to speculate as to their meaning. The sixth angel sounded his trumpet and it appeared to John that there were *“horses and riders of red, blue and yellow*

breastplates who killed a third of mankind.” I interpret this as representing Russian, Western and Chinese God-denying communism which by the mid-1980’s had enslaved 40% of the world’s population and killed 150 million of their own people.

There are many other events that I cannot begin to interpret, but jumping to verse 12:5, a *“woman gives birth to a male child who will rule all the nations with an iron scepter.”* For me, this clearly is speaking of Father Moon. Satan tried to destroy the woman, but he was unable. He then turned against *“the rest of her offspring,”* to destroy them (Father and Mother Moon’s children and grandchildren and the entire extended blessed family). It then says he (Satan) was given power to make war against the saints and to conquer them.

Here is a statement which begs a question which should torment any open-minded Bible student: *‘Why did God give power to Satan to make war against the saints and conquer them?’* It is becoming clearer and clearer to me now that this is not a test of some sort but rather another case of God doing what he has always done, giving Cain everything he possibly can, knowing it will lead to his eventual natural repentance and surrender. God always gives Satan the best that he has to offer in order to show him the most love that he possibly can.

For example, recall that God gave the Dark Cousin, Satan,

permission to attack his most faithful and loyal son, Job. (Job 1:8) When God asked Abraham to offer his son on the altar, he wanted to see if Abraham was a man like himself, willing to give up what was most precious to him. God also gave to Satan his beloved and only Son, Jesus, whom he had labored for countless generations to bring to this Cain world as a new Adam (1Cor 15:45). God gave his only Son to Cain in exchange for the forgiveness of the rest of mankind.

Again, God always uses Abel to save Cain. God loves Cain. God could have wrapped up the providence of restoration a long time ago if he didn't care about saving Cain. He loves Cain. If we don't also love Cain, we have little to do with God and his heart and providence to save his children.

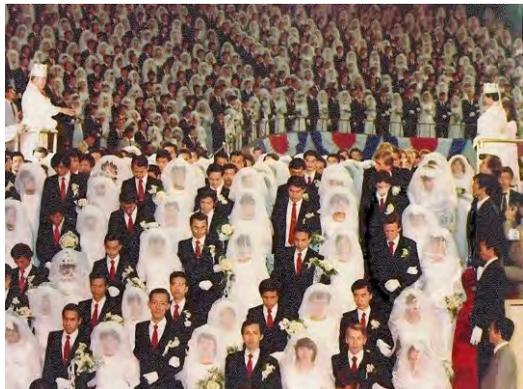
We next read from chapter 14 of the Book of Revelation about the 144,000 who were “*redeemed from the earth.*”

*Then I looked, and there before me was the Lamb, standing on Mount Zion, and with him 144,000 who had his name and his Father's name written on their foreheads. And I heard a sound from heaven like the roar of rushing waters and like a loud peal of thunder. The sound I heard was like that of harpists playing their harps. And they sang a new song before the throne and before the four living creatures and the elders. No one could learn the song except the 144,000 who had been redeemed from the earth. These are those who **did not defile themselves with women, for they remained virgins.***

*They follow the Lamb wherever he goes. They were purchased from among mankind and offered as **first fruits** to God and the Lamb. No lie was found in their mouths; they are **blameless**. Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the **eternal gospel** to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to **every nation, tribe, language and people**. (Rev 14:1-6)*

“*They are blameless.*” Might this mean those who have been forgiven by the grace of Jesus or could it mean the first people whose Original Sin has been removed by the authority of Father and Mother Moon, the True Parents, through the blessing marriage? From the time of Jesus until now, for 2000 years, there have been multitudes who have been forgiven by Jesus. Therefore this “*blameless*” *NEW* group of people should somehow be even more pure than those who have been simply forgiven.

In what sense might this new group of people be called “*first fruits*?” The Messiah or new Adam and Eve come as progenitors of humanity to start over again. The first progenitors in the Biblical ‘Garden’ got off to a wrong start. Then, these new “*first fruits*” may be what Father and Mother Moon together created, blessed people and blessed children,



freed from the Cain lineage and Cain world and either born into or engrafted into God's own new family tree, without the curse of Original Sin.

And the *"eternal gospel?"* Certainly God's truth is unchanging and eternal, as is God himself, but the expression of God's truth and the depth of our understanding has been changing over the ages. Is this *"eternal gospel"* the same as the gospel we were given 2000 years ago? It might be, but it might refer to a deeper, more profound explanation of that same gospel.

"Though I have been speaking figuratively, a time is coming when I will no longer use this kind of language but will tell you plainly about my Father."
(Jn 16:25)

A white cloud appears with one *"like a son of man"* with a gold crown on his head. He and another begin to reap the fruits of God's labors. Then, after seven last plagues and the fall of Babylon the Great, the marriage of the lamb takes place. Certainly, this can be none other than Father and Mother Moon's own blessing in marriage. (No doubt you have been told that the Book of Revelation is talking only about Jesus, but I would suggest you research another book of mine, *Dare to See; How Christ Will Actually Return*, for another shocking perspective on that.)

Would this not refer to their Blessed Marriage in 1960, an event therefore out of sequence? Not necessarily. True Parents'

own blessing has gone through stages, as does almost everything else in God's creation. The first stage of True Parents' Holy Blessing occurred in 1960. A second-stage Blessing ceremony occurred in 2003. (Yang, Chang Shik, "*The Opening of the Gate to the Cheon-Il-Guk through the Holy Marriage Blessing Ceremony of the Parents of Heaven and Earth*", *Unification News* February, 2003) Some people believe that a third stage was ideally to take place at yet a later date.

In terms of the falling of "*Babylon the Great*," it would be easy to interpret this as referring to America. In recent history, America adopted all manner of immoral and humanistic values and practices. It seemed to be running away from God at full speed. The nation's spiritual turning point seemed to come exactly 400 years after its beginning – even to the very day – November 11, 1620-2020. Spirit world is very exact. The periods of restoration history as explained in *The Divine Principle* were very closely parallel. The three Jewish kings, Saul, David and Solomon each ruled for 40 years. Charlemagne was crowned as the leader of the Roman Empire on Christmas Day, 800 A.D. There are many others. These are not historical coincidences.

Then, the lord on his white horse leads the armies of heaven and makes war on the fallen world. The Evil One is caught and defeated and goodness reigns for 1000 years. These time periods

could be literal or symbolic. After that time, the Devil is to be released for a short time before being permanently defeated and the kingdom of God established on the earth forever.

I do not interpret the passages referred to above as suggesting that the Cain forces are “*destroyed*” as in physical, violent warfare. Such spiritual visionary expression needs to be interpreted. I believe the destruction of the evil forces will be done by melting them away with God’s love and “*the sword coming out of the (Lord’s) mouth,*” meaning his word; (Rev 19:21) not by turning the earth into a burning inferno as Hollywood has done. There is really no other way to rid God’s creation of sinful humanity except by restoring us to our original goodness through love and truth. But again, the question which has always plagued this author is, why does God have to release Satan again for a while? Why?

I now believe the answer is again a simple one and consistent as always before. God loves Cain and gives him one final chance to realize that he has no future and he needs to change. Cain has to experience God’s love and surrender of his own volition and repent to God. Cain has to get to the point where he totally gives up in the face of God’s love. God keeps giving him the best of anything and everything he has to give, knowing that Cain will eventually realize in himself that he has been loved.

Bringing this series of events up to today, perhaps we have just

witnessed such an historic, providential event in our own lifetimes. Marxism and God-denying communism are the most sophisticated socio-political expressions of the Dark Cousin's Cain world. America has been aggressively but slowly subverted by communism for the past 90 years or so, like the proverbial frog in a pan of hot water. God-denying Marxists and their sympathetic cohorts had methodically and gradually overtaken America's news sources, schools, colleges, and even social media companies. For all practical purposes, America was finished. Then, a President was elected who suddenly gave America new hope based in its original vision and spirit.

Here I find myself flashing back to 1976 when Father Moon spoke at the God Bless America Bicentennial Rally in Washington, D.C. He called on all Americans to remember that God inspired and created America to help him build his kingdom on earth. He asked all Americans to help continue that goal and vision of God and to even expand it from "*one nation under God*" to "*one world under God*."

To many of the President's supporters, and in the face of unprecedented political and media opposition, he seemed to be receiving a lot of help from heaven, and I suspect from Jesus and Father Moon. (If you think of this President as the Cain-of-Cains, someone you can't stand, please return to page 1 and begin reading

this book again.)

But as the effort for his reelection transpired, something truly mysterious and shocking happened. The President was reportedly winning by a strong margin in much of the country; a majority of both popular and electoral votes were clearly going to be his. He had the vision, the momentum, the money, and the Supreme Court's protection with the last-minute appointment of a strong Constitutionalist Justice. He seemed to have his reelection in the bag. With it, aggressive Communist China would be effectively neutralized, integrity in the American system of government would be improved, education in America would be overhauled, our Southern borders would be sealed, and the economy would perform like never before. On that foundation, America could again begin helping other nations economically and resume its role as the defender of freedom in the world. America was ready for its very finest hour.

Then, almost overnight, the tables completely turned upside down. Everyone betrayed him. Every door slammed in his face. His allies abandoned him, the State courts refused to hear many cases alleging voter fraud, the Supreme Court shut him out, social media giants blocked the President of the United States from speaking to the American people, too many Christians questioned his orthodoxy, etc.

Among those who embraced his policies and vision, many were bewildered, asking themselves, “*What in the world happened?*” We may never know the answer to that question. The overnight reversal seemed far more than what worldly logic and political wisdom could explain. Mountains of evidence had been allegedly amassed to prove that the election was stolen. But the chorus of controlled media denied it all, the government denied any wrongdoing, and every court refused to even look at the purported evidence. Even the new President-elect said publicly that they had orchestrated the greatest voter fraud in history, but no one seemed to care.

"We're in a situation where we have put together, and you guys did it for President Obama's administration before this, we have put together, I think, the most extensive and inclusive voter fraud organization in the history of American politics,"
(10-24-2020 Biden campaign speech)

The Cain side had won. It is curious to me that the charge of “*inciting insurrection*” on January 6th was the last accusation leveled against him by the Dark Cousin’s forces; the very same accusation made against Jesus in Pontius Pilot’s court. (Lk 23:14 NIV)

Some might say that America just had too much sin for God to support it any longer. Among those who believe in sin and Satan, few could argue with that. America was rapidly leaving God and

adopting all the attributes of Biblical Sodom and Gomorrah and more. You might say that the ‘liberal progressives’ won fair and square. If you were listening only to main stream media sources, you probably believe that.

But, it is my belief that an amazing providential and spiritual event took place. I have no proof. You might call me crazy. I can accept that. But, I believe such an abrupt change in the direction of history begs a deeper explanation. It’s my suspicion that Father in the spirit world met with the leaders of the Cain spirit world, the Dark Cousin’s side, and laid the cards out on the table. Father could proclaim to them that he held the winning hand. The Cain forces were in a position to be totally defeated in spite of any and all of their efforts. But, the Cain world has not surrendered in their hearts. They still believe they are right. They have not surrendered to God’s love; far from it.

It is my suspicion that, like Jesus, Father Moon did what he saw his Father in heaven doing, all throughout history. I believe he sought the quickest path to help the Cain world surrender and to help America be restored to and even go beyond its original God-given vision and purpose.

Father always taught that to speed up God’s providence, we need to take a more intense and difficult shortcut path. The easy way is usually the long, slower route. He said many times that he

wanted to spare God even one day of suffering from this fallen (Cain) world. Thus, I suspect that he asked God to shorten America's providential path to recovery and beyond.

As the shortcut is not the easy path, I believe he asked God to do with America what He did with Job. I believe Father Moon asked God to allow the Cain forces to hit America with their best shot, believing in his heart that we will eventually prevail forevermore through embracing the revolutionary understanding and spiritual tools that he left behind before he ascended to the spiritual world in 2012.

Certainly God and Father want and need us to show the Cain world that we love America more than they hate it; that we love freedom more than they despise it; that we love God and our religious freedoms more than they want to destroy them; that we cherish marriage and family more than they loathe them. Father always said, those who love someone or something the most are the real owners.

I think God, Jesus and Father believe there are enough great Americans, God-loving, righteous people who will stand up tall; who will pledge to God that they will give *anything* and *everything* that is needed of them to restore this country that He clearly created and invested his heart into for the past 400 years. I think they believe there are enough great people who can effectively love

Cain. I believe God, Jesus and Father want to hear sincere and desperate prayers like the one General George Washington must have pleaded before the miracle at Valley Forge. I'm sure Washington must have told God he would do anything God needed him to do in order to build a nation for Himself in this mortal world. Recall how Abraham bargained with God to not destroy Sodom if he could find even a small number of righteous people there. (Gen chapter 18)

I think God, Jesus and Father believe in us, perhaps more than we believe in ourselves. When the Cain world is finally melted with God's love, they will have to offer everything back to God and they will do so willingly. But, we have to stand up taller and stronger than ever before. This is not the time for laziness, casual prayers and ritualistic faith. It's time for strong and serious action. It is almost too late.

You may say I have a wild imagination, but the logic seems to align with the Principle. Only history will tell. What would Father be doing in such a scenario? Hurting America? Making us suffer? No. We brought this situation upon ourselves by forgetting about God in the halls of Congress and in our schools, medias, businesses, etc. He would only be trying to help us recover by the quickest way possible. When God allowed Satan to enter Judas Iscariot and betray his Son, Jesus became a sacrifice in place of all of humanity.

It was the short path. We may not have thought about it that way before, but God was demonstrating his love for Cain by sacrificing his most precious son, Jesus, in our place.

It was Father's great hope before he ascended to the spirit world in 2012 that we could excel as his children and rise above the Cain world. He had hoped that we could proactively bring them to surrender by setting a higher standard than they were able to reach in terms of love, happy and successful marriages, family life, education, media, community, social and world harmony, etc. But, it seems we were not up to it.

That is my theory. I have no proof. You can call me crazy. That's okay. You may be half-correct. In any case, it might make for a good movie. If there is any truth in this hypothesis, then we are in for a very rough ride, being tested in the furnace of God's love. We may need spiritual off-road vehicles for this one.

What would need to happen in this scenario is both the Cain world and the Abel world would need to wake up and dust off their consciences until we can all discern between good and evil and right and wrong once again. Then, with a strong revival of spirit and the love-of-God, perhaps then we will be ready for God's truth, God's culture and God's kingdom.

The key to such a scenario, however, is the critical "*remnant*." As you may recall, the forced captivity of the Jewish people in

Babylon effectively sifted out the ‘wheat’ from the ‘chaff.’ Some Jews held tight to the vision and passion of what God was trying to do in Israel to bring the Messiah; these were the ‘wheat.’ Others simply migrated throughout the world to live their own lives. It was the ‘wheat,’ the precious “*remnant*” of faithful Jews, who returned to Jerusalem and rebuilt God’s providence. They were the well-spring of the final preparations for Jesus to be born in their midst.

Similarly, a modern-day remnant must arise which treasures Jesus’ and True Parents’ teachings, the blessing marriage and all their traditions, and has the desire and passion to literally build God’s kingdom. That means people who are ready to not only be nice loving parents, but fearless and righteous teachers, lawmakers, business people, social workers, movie and media makers, marketing agencies, farmers, etc. God’s kingdom is not a church. It’s a culture, a society, a world. Father and Mother Moon gave humanity new understanding and tools; everything we need to make God’s kingdom on earth a literal reality. But, people must build it with their own two hands. Neither God nor True Parents nor their fledgling worldwide family can possibly do it alone.

God gave Adam and Eve the Three Great Blessings (Gen 1:28). He gave them opportunities and everything they would need to accomplish them. He didn’t say he would raise their children, build their houses for them, or grow their crops. We need to regain

the spirit that was so alive in the Jewish culture, the commitment to take practical responsibility for the accomplishment of God's will. They never thought it was their job just to pray so that God would do it for them. They knew it was they, themselves, who had to prayerfully work to make it happen, and that God would surely help them.

God has never changed. He has always expected his children to do that. We have always been in a partnership with God. He never forced His will on anyone. If our partnership with God did not pan out, then it was we who fell short in our responsibility, every time. Somehow, however, Christianity lost some of that vision and passion to take practical responsibility for the accomplishment of God's will. The modern-day remnant must get it back. The job has always been, and still remains today, to love Cain.

10. Certificate from *Whom?*

There are many concepts about how one gets into heaven. There is the belief that Jesus himself will greet a newly-deceased person and escort them to the Pearly Gates. There are others who think that if it isn't Jesus who leads you there, it might instead be a parent or close relative or guardian angel, perhaps. Others refer to Jesus' parable about the rich man and Lazarus and point out that Father Abraham was the gatekeeper. St. Peter is believed to be at the doors in other perspectives. And that's only an incomplete look at the Christian tradition.

Father Moon gave us an entirely different understanding of getting into heaven. Of course, heaven is not a place, a location one could find with a GPS. In some sense, it's a state of being close to God, even though God does not exist in an actual location. To be close to God, one must resemble God to the point of being resonant with His way of thinking and feeling. A person in this state might be called an avatar by some; a saint by others.

But, Father Moon took it even further than the traditional

individual level, pointing out that God is a parent to us. He is like both a father and a mother since He must have the essence of both masculinity and femininity. But more... as a parent God has children. Therefore, in order for us to be truly close to God spiritually, heartistically and mentally, humans also need to be parents. If for some reason that is not possible, then they can experience the parental heart through raising and nurturing unrelated children in various situations.

Father called the family the “*school of love.*” It’s where love is cultivated, grown and matured in every direction and dimension. A deep study of *The Divine Principle* can give you more insights into this.

But, we’re not finished yet. Father Moon taught that God loves Cain. He loves Cain just as much as He loves Abel. Therefore, He’s been totally consumed since the Fall of Man with how to help Cain overcome the internal barriers preventing him from being close to Him. As you have seen, the key player in saving Cain is Abel. God uses Abel to save Cain by inspiring him to sacrifice for Cain, love Cain and win his heart back to God and God’s love.

Therefore, driven by the true love of God, Father Moon said that in order to be qualified to enter heaven, you must be escorted into heaven by your Cain. You must have the permission of Cain. You will be judged to be qualified for heaven by your Cain. Cain

holds the key. If you don't love Cain and melt his or her heart, you will be held back by Cain's accusations against you. Cain must happily open the door of heaven for you to enter. Wow.

Father is a serious man. Jesus taught us to love our enemy but Father put real teeth into it. With Father, we might be suggested to even marry our Cain. Father taught that we should adopt a neighborhood and invest in loving and winning the hearts of 360 families, representing people from all races and nationalities. In any case, as we can see here, whoever enters heaven has won the heart of his Cain and made them their friend.

I don't know about you, but when I think about all these things, a sense of fear starts to run down my spine. *Maybe this is too difficult! I don't think I can do it!* It would be totally natural to think that way. Our past experiences, even ancestrally, give us plenty of reasons to be apprehensive. But, we need to resist the temptation to feel fear and doubt and remember that God's love is what we are talking about and it is abundant and sufficient. We can do this. It's literally built into our bios, or God-given Original Mind and heart.

Some of Father's excerpts on this subject follow:

Where do you first get a certificate that enables you to say, "I have become like this. I have done these things. Here is my certificate of victory"? You cannot issue such a certificate yourself. Then who

issues it? Satan first. God cannot. You have to obtain the certificate of victory from Satan. Jesus knew that very well, and that is why, when he started his three-year public ministry, he summoned Satan and fought him for forty days to have him issue the certificate. There were the three temptations. After Jesus gained victory over them, Satan declared: "You are victorious on the national level, so I have no choice but to issue the certificate; otherwise, I would have to give up all my territory to heaven's side immediately." Thus, you must first obtain a certificate from Satan; then receive another one from Jesus. Finally, you have to receive one more from God. You need these three certificates.

(CSG 1st ed., p.606, 15-121, 1965.10.3)

Jesus inherited the heavenly kingdom, but not the world. Then who inherited the world? Cain. Therefore, the world is Cain's domain. For this reason, once Abel inherits the heavenly kingdom, he should receive a certificate issued and guaranteed by Cain who belongs to the world. To enter heaven, you need to obtain a certificate from Satan. Fallen people are caught between these two rules governing heaven and earth. As they have not been resolved, history has been prolonged and repeated through the past six thousand years. Nevertheless, we have now come to understand this. In the Bible it is written, "You will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." As we now know the answer, we must love even if we have to clench our teeth. To what level must we love? We must love even Cain who is our enemy.

(CSG 1st ed., p.708, 34-277, 1970.9.13)

Hence, if you want to go to heaven, you must get Satan's certificate. Without getting a certificate that we loved Satan, we can never go to heaven. That is what the Unification Church is doing. Normally we treat those who oppose us as enemies. Instead, we should love them, even though it is stifling. We must love our enemies and pray for them to have good fortune. We have no choice. Unless Cain and Abel become one, there will be no restoration, and you cannot return to your Parent.

(CSG 1st ed., p.709, 48-316, 1971.9.26)

Without Satan's approval, God does not say, "You are my child. Let me save you!" You must absolutely get Satan's approval. Have you received Satan's release or not? You must get it. What does the Unification Church teach? It teaches the way to obtain Satan's approval. You must not only get a spiritual approval, but also a substantial one that combines both the spirit and the flesh.

(CSG 1st ed., p.709, 17-124, 1966.12.11)

We need a certificate from Cain (or the Dark Cousin's side). Father is not talking about a literal certificate as in a piece of paper you can frame and hang on your wall. He's talking about the world of spirit. Everything will be known when we enter the spirit world. Every event in our life is somehow recorded in our spirit for all to see. There are no secrets. We cannot bluff our way in. Thus, it will be known to all what kind of life we have lived, and whether or not we have loved our Cains. I believe the only question we will be asked when we transition to the spirit world is: *"Who did you*

love?”

When you finish reading this book, that is the question that would be good for you to post on your bathroom mirror, or just softly ask yourself as you drift off to sleep.

11. Identity crisis

While Father Moon is arguably the world champion in terms of loving Cain, and in spite of the fact that there exist literally tens-of-thousands of published speeches and videos of him teaching us how to be the same, still the worldwide family he and Mrs. Moon have created is potentially heading for an identity crisis. Why, and how could that be?

The problem can be seen primarily in the hearts and minds of many of the younger generation of the extended family of True Parents. We're talking about many of those who were born into the faith as well as those who decided to make it their own in recent years. The problem may have historical ancestral roots as well as more contemporary causes. Let's first get an overview of the problem.

At a recent study group, we were discussing the need to help people feel a passion and conviction to take practical responsibility for building the social infrastructure of God's literal kingdom on earth. The basis of all of that is to transform myself into a person who loves Cain from the inside out and who wants to invest myself

in creating a society that does the same on every level. A natural consequence will be nothing less than an unprecedented heartistic renaissance of art, culture, media, etc.

A young man responded by saying, *“But we have only seen ceremonies and rituals and superficial campaigns in our movement since we were young. From our perspective, that’s what our faith is all about.”* As you can see, this hints at a very serious identity crisis in the making. This is definitely NOT the legacy that Father and Mother Moon intended to leave behind.

Looking back in history for perspective and some possible causes for this, it’s curious that while traditional Christianity has been emphasizing ceremonies, rituals and also miracles, these were ALSO not what Jesus was really all about. For example, while much of Christianity has focused on ceremonies and rituals, such as in the Roman Catholic or Eastern Orthodox traditions, these were not what Jesus was all about. In fact, he only performed one ceremony himself, the Last Supper, which was to help his disciples and the rest of us to remember him and be more connected to him in heart and spirit after his imminent crucifixion.

And in terms of miracles, which have also been a large focus of much of Christianity, Jesus explained twice that he did miracles so that people might believe in him.

Believe the works (miracles) that you may know and understand that the Father is in me and I am in the Father. (John 10:38)

Unless you see signs and wonders (miracles) you will not believe. (John 4:48)

Even Jesus' closest disciples who traveled and lived with him for nearly three years scarcely understood him, as Jesus expressed in his own words on more than one occasion. Jesus wanted us to transform ourselves and become like him, as he said in his famous Sermon on the Mount, or Beatitudes, culminating with:

You therefore must be perfect as your heavenly father is perfect. (Mt 5:48 RSV)

Again, Jesus' teachings and example to us were all about personal transformation. A classic example can be seen in Jesus' focus on the importance and value of it in the following verse:

Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift. (Mt 5:23-4)

Here Jesus elevates the importance of human relationship and winning the heart of Cain over ritualistic offerings. But many Christians still seem to be addicted to rituals and ceremonies and

miracles as in the Old Testament era. Why have so many traditional Christians done this? Perhaps it's because rituals and ceremonies are much easier to perform than self-transformation.

Ancestral influence could be another factor since some of our religious ancestors may have developed the habit of focusing on rituals, ceremonies and miracles over hundreds or even thousands of years. After all, Moses and his brother Aaron and others were used by God to perform many amazing miracles, and the Jewish faith definitely focused on rituals and ceremonies. Might there have been an ancestral and historical carryover into the Christian era? It may have been an inevitable phenomena.

One could therefore argue that there might be an identity crisis between Christianity and the real Jesus of 2000 years ago. Numerous books have even addressed this very issue, including the historic volume: *The Quest of the Historical Jesus*, published in 1906 by Dr. Albert Schweitzer. Many similar works have been published since then.

Back to Father Moon. The comment of the young person in the study group was not an isolated event. It has somehow become the thinking of many. Of course Father Moon loved to celebrate God and Holy Days and the numerous successes of the Providence with festive ceremonies. And, certain rituals within the Blessing Marriage, and others, are essential to restoration. However once

again, external ceremonies alone were not the core of his purpose, and his few groundbreaking rituals simply provided the foundation for new levels of personal transformation. This, plus living with a mature, divine heart on a daily basis, were the core of his purpose. When we consider the personal resolution of fallen natures, there was certainly more to it than this. But, his end goal was human transformation to full maturity and perfection, as described by Jesus before him and bequeathed to the first humans by way of God's Three Great Blessings in the Bible (Gen 1:28).

Then why another carryover of emphasizing rituals and ceremonies and even miracles in Father Moon's legacy? Again, perhaps it's far easier to celebrate our blessings and reconcile with God through rituals and ceremonies than it is to literally transform oneself from the inside out. And in terms of miracles, Father discouraged disciples from seeking miracles and often said the greatest of all miracles is transforming a self-centered person into one who lives totally selflessly – for the sake of others. Translation: God is looking for real, human transformation; not magic or quick fixes.

There is perhaps another factor coming into play and contributing to this potential identity crisis, as I see it. This factor seems to be largely rooted in cultural differences between East and West. Due to the understandable urgency of the Providence of God

to save humanity – all seven billion of us – very ambitious efforts have often been mounted. *“Quickly educate a significant percentage of all Christian leaders in America; bring tens-of-thousands of new members in a short time period; give the marriage blessing to a third of all of humanity, etc.”*

From a heartistic perspective, it is understandable and appropriate. God’s heart has been anguishing for millions of years and Father Moon always talked about wanting to shorten God’s work of salvation by even one day to comfort His grieving heart even a tiny bit more. Early disciples not only heard this sentiment from Father Moon, but the difficulties and persecutions they endured in those days enabled them to personally feel an urgency and commitment to what he was talking about.

Unfortunately, many contemporary believers and youth may have read or heard about the *concept* of God’s suffering, but few have lived a life which helps them to empathize with it. The ‘*dot-com,*’ ‘*get it now on Amazon*’ culture of today just bears little resemblance to war-torn Korea of the 1950’s and 60’s. In fact, Father Moon pointed out that this is one reason why religious people have historically walked a path of suffering and persecution. He said it served to help them understand and empathize with a tiny corner of God’s agonizing heart over his lost children.

The contemporary issue can be seen as Eastern and Western

believers tended to respond to the “very ambitious efforts” in their distinct ways. Eastern believers would often look at a “very ambitious effort” and if a practical strategy and method to literally fulfill it was not immediately evident, then they would tend to default to a symbolic accomplishment followed by a victory proclamation and celebration. Clearly, even symbolic accomplishments are better than nothing. They certainly count for something and sometimes were a necessary substitute for hard results.

Western believers, on the other hand, would tend to look at the same “very ambitious effort” and brainstorm a practical strategy and method by which to make the most effective real result possible, even if it would likely come up short of the literal goal. Symbolic accomplishment was somewhat of an imported concept via Eastern believers and struck many Western believers as a little strange and certainly something to minimize and not depend on or build the house upon. However, in the end, the symbolic accomplishment followed by the ceremonial victory celebration was the chosen *modus operandi* more often than not.

Thus, you can now see the roots of the observation by the young person and the beginnings of a potential identity crisis. While rituals and ceremonies certainly have had their appropriate place in Father Moon’s messianic work, his true focus has always

been real personal transformation.

In looking back, Father was all about training our personalities and educating even our ancestors and the spirit world around us. He would move leaders around to new assignments primarily for their own personal growth and development, sometimes even when practical accomplishments seemed just around the corner. He told us that adopting and investing our hearts in 360 families as our Home Church witnessing area was primarily for our own personal growth and development rather than only for those new souls being reached out to. He often took members from the front lines of mission work to invest further into their personal growth and development. He created and developed a special training center in Korea specifically to invest in the healing and development of believers' ancestors. He created the Ocean Church mission to give members the experience of harsh training on the high seas, primarily again for their personal growth and development. He sent PhD graduates out to door-to-door fundraising missions or deep sea fishing in order to balance their heady, intellectual education with heart-to-heart personal human growth and development.

In the new era, Father Moon taught us to transform this human world by doing whatever was necessary to embrace, love and restore Cain, including marrying our Cain and embodying God's unconditional love and happiness in that eternal marriage. That is

what Father Moon is all about. In this new era, reconciliation with God and one's fellow man is on a revolutionary new level with the eradication of Original Sin through the Blessing Marriage and through personal transformation built upon that new spiritual foundation. It's about loving Cain. It's about loving our enemies. It's about going beyond even the *concept* of enemies. It's about our '*being*' rather than external religious life and practices.

Father Moon's teachings, summarized in *The Divine Principle*, point the way to the realization of God's Three Great Blessings to each of us (Be fruitful, multiply, and have dominion – Gen 1:28) based on personal perfection of heart and character. The *Principle of Creation* section of *The Principle* is all about God's original intention and design for the full maturation of our personalities. It's all about spiritual growth and the goal of it. The *Fall of Man* section is all about the events and processes which block us and prevent us from growing to God's intended maturity and design and the consequences these have had on our minds, hearts and personalities. And finally, the *Restoration* sections are all about God's historical efforts to help broken man to repair himself. In total, it's all about human transformation.

However, as hopeful as that may sound, too many contemporary believers again seem to remain tenaciously addicted to rituals, ceremonies and miracles. Somehow the younger

generation has seen less human development and transformation to maturity and more ceremonies and rituals, or so they often feel. That representative young person said, *“Yes, but that’s the only thing we’ve seen in the Church since we were young; rituals and ceremonies.”* Some of the faithful are stuck; some of their ancestors are stuck – in rituals, ceremonies, and miracles. For many people, these have become distractions from the real destination and goal. What can be done about it?

It’s a simple matter of refocus. On what? *‘REFOCUS’* on the real man, Sun Myung Moon, and what he was really all about. We need to refocus in terms of serious internal and formal education, commitment of effort, time and financial resources, and as a result we need to refocus our personal goals and vision.

Father said he left us everything we would need. He said: *“I built a car for you and a super highway to the destination. All you have to do is put gas in it and drive it.”* That simply means become a person who loves God and his Cain children with our whole heart, mind and soul, as he taught us, as he does. In one sense, THAT is who Sun Myung Moon is... REALLY.

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