

True Father: Love your enemy. This is the basic concept of world peace

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Anyonghaseyo, dear brothers and sisters!

Here again some inspiration, based on the words of True Father, True Mother and Heung Jin Nim:

True Father: "The question is, who will become truly God-centered? The center is true love. The person who is God-centered is a person of true love, and the church standing on that center is a true-love church. The world standing on that center is a true-love world." [1]

God's essence is true love, the love of the highest quality, a love that invests and forgets, a love that invests into everyone, even the most unlovable people, even enemies:

True Father: "God's heart embraces even His own enemy, and will never denounce or cut him [her] off." [2]

Instead of being resentful towards certain people, God is sympathetic towards everyone, ready to forgive them all:

True Father: "God is God because He has both qualities – the ability to take responsibility for those who sinned against Him and the ability to be sympathetic with them, ready to forgive them." [3]

According to True Father, only a person of true love can be called God-centered. Only a person who loves the way God loves, is truly God-centered.

We may do many great things, we may pray deep prayers, we may fast and do similar things. We may praise God from morning to night, we may even witness with great determination, but as long as we do not love the way God does, we are not really God-centered. Because "God-centered" means true-love-centered.

True Father: " Although people speak of becoming holy and noble, everything good comes down to the achievement of true love. Once that happens, all the problems of the world are solved. It is a rather dramatic declaration to say that the only thing we need is for men and women to achieve true love. Can this be more important than worship and religion? Ask God whether this is correct or not. He would reply that He is ecstatic over such a declaration and that no greater sermon could be given to you." [4]

It is certainly not religion or worship that will save the world. Only the achievement of true love will save the world. And the more true love we achieve, the more God-centered we are. And the more inspired and excited will God be:

True Father: "Whenever someone is fulfilling love, the entire universe comes under that person and will follow him. Even God feels the desire to be united with such a person." [1]

True Father: "Love holds supreme value. Once you have true love, even God will follow you, the world will follow you, everyone will follow you." [5]

The more we develop true love in our hearts, the more we resemble God and True Parents and become God's true children:

True Mother: "When you live your life as a true child who resembles the True Parents, you will understand and feel that other people are not strangers but your brothers and sisters..." [6]

Then we will see the people of the world as members of our own family, as precious sons and daughters of God, no matter what they do, have done or think. Then we will not have resentment against anyone, but will feel sympathy for them and are ready to forgive them. We will not judge them but rather are compassionate towards them and try to lift them up, letting them feel our love, no matter if they reject our love or not.

The more people learn this kind of love, the more the many conflicts in the world will come to an end. True love, including love for the enemy, is indeed the way to world peace:

True Father: "Love your enemy. This is the basic concept of world peace." [7]

Basically most, if not all, conflicts in the world are rooted in resentments towards other people, other ethnic groups or even nations and religions. From resentment comes hatred, violence and wars.

Only true love, which is really God centered, can melt all these resentments away, once and for all. Nothing else can do it, only the highest quality of love, loving like God:

True Father: "Therefore, for your family to enter the kingdom of heaven, you also have to stand on the condition that you have loved Satan. That is, you need to set the condition that you went out to struggle with Satan's world and won over it with love. You must be able to claim, "I did not crush my enemies; instead I brought them to surrender with love..." [8]

As long as we have certain expectations towards people, we may not be able to love those people when these expectations are not being fulfilled. Resentments then can easily emerge in our heart. And that makes every relationship difficult. Harmony cannot emerge. Conflict prevails.

But if we train ourselves to expect nothing from others, but to embrace them the way they are, with all their shortcomings, not judging them, then we will be free of resentment and can grow in love, and in this way we will be real peace makers:

True Father: "A peacemaker is one who will cause peace in other people's hearts, and he cannot but be peaceful in himself. That is how you resemble God, and that is what makes him [her] the son [daughter] of God." [9]

The more true love we develop in our hearts, the more peaceful will we be in ourselves, free from resentments. This way, by our love, we can cause other people to get liberated from resentments they might have against us. Heung Jin Nim shows us what the attitude of a real peace maker is:

Heung Jin Nim: "I could probably fight with so many people because I can see evil in them. Instead, I take responsibility for them and love them." [10]

As long as we think we need to fight against the fallen nature and "evil" in others, trying to "help" them to get rid of it, we risk to create resentment and struggle. We probably achieve the opposite of what we want. They do not get the help they need, and we do not grow in love but will rather dwell on resentment.

But if we take the attitude of Heung Jin Nim on board, we would not fight with others to change them, but rather develop our love towards them, no matter what their behaviour or response may be. That will make our heart grow, and it will help them to overcome what they need to overcome. And love can grow in the relationship.

This is of course more difficult than simply insisting on others to change. It means challenging ourselves to change our way of thinking. It means to make effort to grow in heart. But this is the only way to success, while demanding the change from others is just perpetuating conflict.

Love from Bruno

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