

FFWPU Munich, Germany: Wisdom, Love, and Courage

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Good morning.

I came to Germany to do legal things for Wonse. I was asked to give a sermon but as you know I'm not a leader anymore, I'm just a member of a church in my hometown. So today I want to give a testimony rather than a sermon about how I found a way to support True Mother at this turbulent time. A few days after I came to Germany, we heard the judge decided to place True Mother in detention. Thinking about True Mother, I couldn't sleep or eat, worrying about so many things and I felt somehow scared. I started thinking not about my perspective but True Mother's perspective. Then I realized it is not right to feel frustrated and worry about anything else except True Mother's health and safety. When a mother is away from home, the mother wants her children to be mature and take care of each other with forgiveness, love, and unity.

I started to think about how I can get rid of mistakes, worries, and fears to be mature and responsible. It came to my mind that Confucius said in the 'Book of Dialect', "Wisdom leads you not to make mistakes, love leads you not to worry, and courage leads you not to be scared." When you have love, wisdom and courage we can get rid of mistakes, worries, and fears through wisdom, love and courage.

Wisdom and knowledge

In the past, before I joined the Unification church, I didn't believe in God at all. I thought that there was absolutely no God and the only way to change the world was through revolution. But after learning about the Divine Principle, I came to completely and absolutely believe in God and I was amazed to discover the truth about God's ideal and that God has a purpose for creation. If we ask Christian ministers the fundamental question, "What would happen if there's no fall of man?", they could not answer that and they haven't even thought about it. But this is the most important question because it determines the direction and destination of history.

When we come to know God's Will, we can clearly come to understand what is right and wrong, what is good and evil and what is just and unjust. Without knowing God's Will, everything becomes mere talk, argument, and confusion. So I am deeply grateful that I came to know God's Will through the Divine Principle. Confucius once said, "If I heard the Tao - the Principle - I would have no regret even if I die that day." I know more than Confucius not because of myself but because I learned the truth through our

True Parents. I believe absolutely that God's Will will be accomplished no matter what happens. It is only a matter of time. To destroy our movement, Satan will have to destroy every member, all the books, and all the traces of our work, which is not possible. I am completely confident that our movement cannot fail and cannot be destroyed. I am positive that history will continue moving towards God's ultimate goal.

Love

Our True Parents have shown us the greatest love, true love. Throughout my life, I have never seen even one case where True Parents failed to practice true love. Sometimes, we may think that True Parents faced difficulties or that they failed in certain businesses but when we look deeply, we realize that True Parents never failed in practicing true love.

Courage

We have also witnessed True Parents' incredible courage. I remember when True Father visited North Korea and spoke directly to the leaders in Parliament. He boldly declared that the Juche ideology was wrong. Everyone was shocked and afraid. We thought, "We will never get out of North Korea alive." But True Father showed no fear.

True Mother, too, has shown the same courage. During the time of Covid-19 when everyone was afraid to gather, True Mother still held international conventions in Cheongpyeong, people from all over the world came and many said that it should be cancelled. But True Mother said, "We will go forward" and we did. Even in front of prosecutors True Mother spoke openly and proudly about God's Will and her identity as the Only Begotten Daughter and Holy Mother Han. Some criticized her arrogance, but she spoke the truth fearlessly, something even many of us hesitated to do.

Now in Korea everyone knows who True Mother is - the Only Begotten Daughter. Sometimes to be known, you must be bold. Even if the world criticizes you, that noise will make people pay attention. That's how, even after becoming well known through negative attention, this attention can turn into awareness and eventually, we can change the image to a positive one. This I believe was also True Father's strategy. If we remain silent nobody will know us. To be known, to bring God's truth to the world we must declare to the world who True Parents are. Just as Jesus declared himself the Messiah when he entered Jerusalem, True Parents are now proclaiming their identity to the world.

When we remember True Parents, we must not be afraid or worried.

My Personal Experience with True Mother

After my mission changed from being European leader to becoming leader of FFWPU, I began attending True Mother daily from morning until night in Cheonjeonggung. During the third year after True Father's Seonghwa, True Mother conducted the memorial ceremony and began to stand in the forefront herself. She told True Father, "Please rest in glory now, I will do everything." I could see how serious she was. Sometimes when I was waiting for True Mother early in the morning, I saw nurses leaving her room and I asked, "What happened to True Mother?", they said, "True Mother couldn't sleep all night, we were checking her health". Even after sleepless nights, she never skipped a single day's schedule, I was very worried about her health.

Sometimes, True Mother shared her heart with me personally. One day she said, "Some people are saying to me, 'Why don't you embrace Hyung Jin?'" , she goes on to say, "I gave birth to him by cutting my own belly." I understood that there's nobody who wants to embrace Hyung Jin more than True Mother and there is nobody who loves Hyung Jin more than True Mother. Mother goes on to say that "If I embrace him, we have to give up God's Will." This showed me that True Mother has absolute faith, absolute love, and absolute obedience to Heavenly Parents. We have to pray for that determined True Mother, not from our humanistic perspective, at this difficult time.

True Mother asked Reverend Kwak several times not to support Hyun Jin, eventually they both went away from True Mother. True Mother said to me, "Eventually I will save all the people in the world as the True Mother. I will restore everyone, but I cannot do that for Reverend Kwak because that is outside of Heaven's Principle." True Mother was not angry or hateful to Reverend Kwak but loved him so much that she expressed frustration and pain for not being able to save her beloved son.

Knowing this we must take care of ourselves, not just for ourselves but for our True Mother. When members fall away or oppose her it causes her great sorrow. So, we must keep faith, protect our hearts, and stay close to her.

Filial Piety and Maturity

True filial piety means living for our parents - both physically and spiritually. To live for the parents, we first have to think about, "What do my parents want most?". First, parents don't want their children to die, secondly to get sick, and lastly, they wish for their children to do and be good. To achieve filial piety, we first need to take care of ourselves, not for myself but for my parents. To be filial to our True Parents we have to take care of our spiritual health.

When we make money, it should not be to live luxuriously for ourselves but with the motivation to not have the parents worry about us. When we take care of ourselves and go to the gym, the motivation isn't just for ourselves but with the motivation to not make our parents worry about our health.

To have filial piety for our True Mother we have to take care of ourselves physically and spiritually with the motivation of, not myself, but for True Mother's sake. We have to have great faith, wisdom, practice love and have great courage like our True Parents.

Eventually True Parents will win. We remember after True Father went to Danbury, True Parents won the victory. Mainstream Christian ministries recognized us and even the American government allowed us tax exemption and religious visas. We are very sure True Mother will win the victory with true love.