

My Journey, My Faith -- How I came to know God through my life -- Part 3

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What do we have to restore next? Cain and Abel. What about Cain and Abel? Cain killed Abel. I have three children who all have different characters. They fight a lot. It is natural for siblings to fight. I used to fight with my husband, too. Why? That is the way to perfection, the process of perfection. My husband and I have different characters. Men and women are different. Our ancestors' sins are also different. For us to fight is unavoidable. But this does not mean we do not love each other. It is the way to perfection and a process to become the image of God. Love will grow when a man and a woman reach perfection together. This does not refer only to sexual relationships. Rev. Moon said that when a husband and wife are relating to each other, they are trying to become the image of God. You must not simply think, "I want to satisfy my sexual impulse," or "I want to satisfy my spouse's sexual impulse." We should resemble God's image. We want to call God so we could be with him.

We are the image of God. If this could not be done by the ambassadors for peace, who else could do it? Nobody. According to Rev. Moon, world peace will not come to us on a world level. Peace comes on an individual and family level. If there were no peace within me, there could not be peace within my family. I spoke about my experiences today. I believe you all have your own experiences, too. Can there be peace in the society if there is no peace within the families of that society? No. Can there be peace in the nation if there is no peace in the various societies? No. There cannot be world peace if there is no peace in the nation. Therefore, world peace starts with me and my family.

Let me introduce an episode of one of my spiritual daughters. A spiritual daughter means that I introduced the Divine Principle to her and she [apparently a non-Japanese woman] became a church member. She got married (accepted the blessing) to a Japanese man, and they have a son and a daughter. In the beginning, she texted me about every event that happened between her and her husband. One day, she asked me, "Do you participate in WFWP activities? I don't because I'm a woman and I don't have any money or power. How could I help realize world peace? I am a nobody. I cannot do anything." So, I answered, "That is not true. World peace does not come to us on a world level."

Housewives and world peace

After she married a Japanese man, she moved to Japan. Japanese women are very beautiful. My spiritual daughter became jealous of them. She has dark skin and curly hair, but she wanted straight hair like the Japanese. But actually, many Japanese women want curly hair. I wanted curly hair, too. One day, she saw her husband having a conversation with a Japanese woman and got jealous and angry. When they got home, she sat on the couch and watched TV without a word. When her husband asked her some questions, she refused him by giving cold answers. When he asked the same question several times, she got so angry that she grabbed the TV remote control and threw it at him. Fortunately, it did not hit him; he avoided it.

She asked me, "Do you think I'm going crazy? What could this be?" So I asked her in return, "Do you remember what you did?" "Yes, I do." "Are you still doing this kind of thing?" "No way! Of course not. I'd never do it again!" I told her, "That is how world peace starts. You get mad when you have the feelings of anger, jealousy, and hatred inside you. But you must stay calm. When you remain calm, you will not have to throw the remote control at your husband. Why? For world peace. You must not throw the remote control at your husband! You must not get angry even if you go home and find a mountain of dirty dishes in the kitchen and your children running around. Do this for world peace. World peace does not come to us on a world level. It begins with you and your family." Then, she said, "Now I understand!"

From now on, I will contribute to world peace, too." "That's right!" I responded.

Ambassadors for Peace, let us all participate in God's history of restoration with our family. There was Adam's family, Noah's family, and Abraham's family, but there must have been other families back then. But those do not appear in the Bible. Only the representative families of God's history of restoration appear in the Bible. Therefore, the ambassadors for peace who are here today and their families must enter God's history of restoration.

The providence of God's history to restore human beings to the "original land" will be accomplished. Please believe that the day will come when we can return to the original land. It once existed, but we lost it. That is why we are living in a world of restoration. When the era of restoration ends, an era of the original land will begin. Then, a new book, a new Bible about us and our families will emerge. It is not just me and my family. It is God's history. We do not live only for ourselves. We must help God restore people's hearts.

Let's take the public path

Who did God lose? He did not lose his employees. He lost his true daughters and true sons. So, each one of us must become God's true sons or daughters. We must fight within our family and in our daily lives and routines. We must overcome the trials given to us by our loving God. There will be more lectures tomorrow, but if you summarize the Divine Principle, it is simple. There may be much of information, but the summary is this: Rev. Moon called this path described in the Divine Principle the "public path." The public path is the path for humans to return to God's original land.

How can I tell if I am among those traveling down this path or not? It is very simple. When someone provokes you, irritates you, or makes you angry, you must think of it as God's test. This was what Rev. Moon, the founder of the Ambassadors for Peace program said. You will meet a dead end if you are thinking about who is right and who is wrong. This is not good for you, your family, your friends or anybody else. So, when a trial comes, you must think of it as God testing you. Furthermore, you must thank the person who is challenging you. He is God's emissary and messenger deliver a letter from God. In this letter, it says, "My daughter, this is a trial to make you complete. He is my tool to make you complete. I cannot make you complete directly. He is there to show you that you have the fallen nature of anger and hatred. I want you to realize that you must improve yourself and complete the characteristic of love within you because you have the fallen nature of anger and hatred."

Let's develop loving hearts

Please remember that we do not have much time left. God knows when you will die. I am sure nobody wants to die before reaching perfection. We must support God, who has created the whole universe. God has indeed created everything, but human beings, who are his most important creation, have not reached perfection yet. The central characters of God's creation are his sons and daughters. We need God's help to be complete. We cannot die yet because we are in a position to support God. In that sense, we must be determined to complete our characters before we die. We have work to do. We cannot leave that work behind for our descendants. We must do it ourselves. It did not matter when we did not know about it. But now that we know it, we cannot postpone it any more, right?

Your daily routines await you at home. However, from now on, those routines will go down in God's history. You will be taking part in the history of going back to God's home. God is waiting for us. But God cannot touch us if we do not complete the characteristic of love within us. From now, wives must speak in a lovely way to their husbands. Women hold everything men like. Everything! Women play an important role in the family. Whether there is a storm in our families or not is up to us. Whether there is thunder and lightning is also up to us. To have sunshine in a family is up to the mother.

Sometimes, you wake up in the morning in a bad state of mind. You think of a person who said something rude to you and negative thoughts fill your mind. You remember the day when your husband hurt your feelings. You do not know why, but you suddenly remember the bad things that happened even a long time ago. What will happen in that case? Can anyone become happy? Would your family be delighted to see you in a bad mood? This is why my family is in my hands. I have the power to make a decision between heaven and hell. It is up to me. From now, it is not just for me or my family, but for God's history of restoration. Thank you very much!