

## Father's Life in His Own Words - Part 68

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*In March 1959, Mother entered a Catholic nursing school in Seoul in lieu of high school; in this picture, she is sitting in the front row, fourth from the left.*

### Internal trials for True Mother and her mother

I told True Mother's mother, Grandmother Hong not to come to our home for three years. From the secular viewpoint, to my old mother-in-law, I instructed, "Don't let her see you just because she is your daughter. Don't enter by the front door where I can see you come and go. For three years, don't appear in front of me."

I had Mother stay in a small, rented room in Kim In-cheol's home for three years, cut off from everyone. That is to say, I made her stay in someone else's home. I didn't even allow her to come to the church twice a day. I gave her permission to come once a day during the evening, but not more than that! On top of that, when she came to the church, she entered through the front door, but when she left I made her leave through the back door. Who on earth treats his wife that way? I made her stay out of her own home.

Mother shed many tears during that time. Being married, she should follow her husband wherever he went, shouldn't she? But I didn't take her with me wherever I went; instead, I took the trinity of grandmothers and mothers.<sup>[1]</sup> Not once did I let her accompany me. How much she must have struggled until we had gotten through that course.

More than a hundred and twenty women competed with her. If they had remained unchanged, they would have been more terrible than worldly women. To protect her from the arrows of hatred from these others, she had to stay away for three years. She gave birth to Ye-jin during that time, and because it was drafty where she stayed, she suffered postnatal illness. She was shivering with the cold, and even her husband did not visit her. How could I go to see her every day?

Moreover, from the elderly women to everyone else in the Unification Church, all kinds of rumors spread. People said that Mother is like this or that and that we would get another Mother very soon. This and that. If we had countered them from our side, it would have led to breakdown. Therefore, Mother had to endure in silence. I had her endure this in silence. The others must have been taken aback. For instance, there were even rumors about our having the same birthday, that, "She made it up to make the horoscopic data fit in with Father's." Because she survived under such circumstances, everyone ended up thinking that she was praiseworthy. In the end, people came to realize, "No one but she could be our Mother."

Do you know how much I suffered in the background? One woman came to the room where Mother was staying with our new-born son, lay down on the floor and thrashed about, shouting "Give me this room! It is mine!" She made a fuss with her shouts of "Give it to me! Get out!" How could something like that possibly happen? How shocked and mortified she must have been to do something like that! She must have made thousands of years' worth of conditions to see the day she would become the Mother, and here

was young Mother, who didn't look as if she had made any conditions at all, sitting in the position over all of heaven and earth! That woman must really have been stunned. She was thinking, "I should have become True Mother!" That is so sad, isn't it? So I just looked at her and did not react, and Mother also just looked at her. The wonderful thing about Mother is that she remained calm even in such instances.

Unification Church women did not leave her alone. They clawed at her to make her miserable. If they'd had their way, they would have pulled out her eyeballs and cut off her lips with a razor. She was being tested in order to receive the certificate of Mother, and the teachers were looking everywhere to find an excuse to fail her. They tried to strangle her with the most difficult questions. Though she was in the position of Mother, during the period of her training, she wasn't exactly the True Mother. She first had to be in a position from which she could embrace all Unification Church women as their Abel, which is a very difficult thing to do. Unification Church members, especially the women, were bound to accuse Mother the most. They were bound to hack at her and make her fall down. She had to pass through that stage and reach the place where everyone loved her.



*True Mother (top) as a young schoolgirl*

Thus, she has to be hated the most at first, and then be liberated and become the woman who is loved the most; the people who at first branded her and hated her had to bow to her and say, "I'll gladly give her all of my blessings." Only then could she finally be elevated to the position of True Mother.

And so, though the women of the Unification Church did not like her at first, as the days passed and they saw the way she was treated, even the old women pitied her, saying, "How can Father be so hard on her? Now that he is married to her, he should stay with her. Why is he making her stay outside and not living with her?" Thus, all the insults they had thrown at her at the beginning were dissolved through indemnity. They came around to Mother's side. First the old women were won over to Mother's side, then the middle-aged women, and lastly the young girls; everyone came to stand on Mother's side, and thus everything fell into place.

### **True Mother's indemnity course**

What is the ideal spouse? The ideal spouse is the man or the woman we create. Just as God created Adam and Eve so that they might live together, so we re-create our spouse and live together. God spent seven thousand years to find the one person, Eve, didn't He? That's why total indemnity requires seven years. As a result, this became the first seven-year course.

During that time, I explained to Mother about the family rules and laws of heaven. Mother did not know it, but in this way, she restored, in substantial terms, the standard of a daughter, the standard of a spouse and the standard of a true parent in front of God, which had been lost as a result of the Fall.

If she said one wrong word - even if she said she liked something purely because she liked it - I made it a point to mention it. If she touched my back even once out of love, I would ask her, "Why are you acting in such a way today?" and taught her. She would follow me around, treading delicately, wondering what would come next in her education. And I would teach her some more. She had no freedom, no matter where she went. Her nerves were always on edge and she was always treading on thin ice, living each day

thinking, "Will I manage all right today? Will I manage all right tomorrow?"

Nevertheless, she lived each day feeling grateful to God. I know that she lived like that. So, do you think I'm a good husband or a tyrannical one? And yet I did not scold her. I would just say something to her in passing. Even under such circumstances, she still kept up with it all, and in the end she became the True Mother who is greater than even the holy Mother Mary herself.

### **True Mother's course of indemnity to restore Eve**

In the course of restoration through indemnity to relieve all sorrow, there must be a history of restoration through indemnity for the perfection of Eve. I passed through the history of struggles for the perfection and restoration of Adam and laid down a victorious foundation, and so I could stand as a perfected man. Hence, in order for the woman to stand as a perfected woman, she had to go through the course of restoring Eve through indemnity.

Those seven years were a period of suffering for Mother. During those seven years, she was meant to practice absolute obedience and set the condition of indemnity by overcoming all suffering in front of God, and thus to meet all conditions to stand before me as my perfected object partner. In short, it was a time of suffering for her as True Mother. You need to know that during those years she had to shoulder, as a woman, all the hardships the world placed on her. She had to absorb them all centering on God's will, and in the end overcome everything and be triumphant.

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[\[1\]](#) Trinities of women from two generations having a providential role in relation to Mother's calling