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CHAPTER ONE

The True Family Originally Intended at the Time of Creation

Section 1. God's Will through Adam and Eve

Many talk about God's will and many believers have prayed, "Heavenly Father, may Your will be done!" The words in themselves seem simple, but it is difficult for us, when asked, to articulate precisely what God's will is. At present we are leading lives of faith to accomplish that will, but there is some contradiction in living a life of faith and praying for the accomplishment of God's will without knowing what that will is. (Blessed Family - 298)

What does the Unification Church understand God's will to be? What is Rev. Moon's understanding of God's will? God's will is understood to be the completion and fulfillment of the original ideal of creation for which God made this universe. Because God created the universe with certain purposes, it is God's will to realize such purposes. Who or what was at the center of this purpose? It was none other than Adam and Eve. That is why I perceive God's purpose of creation to be the realization of His ideal beginning with and from Adam and Eve. Then, what is the substance of this ideal? It is none other than the realization of the four-position foundation. The four-position foundation is the foundation of the family with God at the center. It is realized only when Adam and Eve become so completely united that they cannot separate themselves from the realm of God's love. With God at the center, they become an ideal husband and wife, giving birth to children of their own. When this four-position foundation is completed, Adam and Eve become one in their love as husband and wife and are secured within the realm of God's love. (Blessed Family - 298)

What was this ideal that was supposed to be realized through the ancestors of humankind? It was to realize an ideal family through the union of an ideal man and an ideal woman. Then, what is necessary for the realization of an ideal family? It is neither man nor woman alone. A family, after all, is a unit. It is represented by the union of a husband and wife, and the relationship of parents and children with the love of God at the center. Therefore, we reach the conclusion that God's will is the union of a husband and wife, perfecting a family centered on God's love. (Blessed Family - 298)

What is God's purpose of creation? God did not create Adam and Eve merely to gaze at them after creation. He did not create man and woman so that they would simply grow old and, in the end, die by themselves. No, He created them to mature with Him at the core of their being and at the core of their love for each other. He created them so that they could build a love nest centering on God and then establish the true Kingdom of Heaven on earth for all humanity. In this union, Adam, the man, represents heaven, and Eve, the woman, represents the earth. Therefore, although they are two separate persons, when they become one horizontally, heaven and earth are united. When these two people unite based on God's love, the cosmos is united automatically. (21-43, 1968.9.1)

Section 2. God's Absolute Requirements

Why did God create the universe? Because He wanted to feel joy through the created world. Although God is an absolute being, He does not feel joy alone. Joy cannot be experienced without an object partner. God does not require knowledge, money or power. Because God Himself is absolute and almighty, he does not need such things. No matter how science advances, it will never equal or surpass what God has created. The great universe exists in a certain hierarchy and in accordance with the laws of nature. When we consider the fact that God is the creator who operates this great universe, which is so far beyond the understanding or the science of human beings, we can safely say that God is also an absolute scientist.

Among all existence, there is no power that can compete with God's power. That is because God's power is almighty and absolute. Moreover, God is everlasting, unchanging and self existing. Considering all this, if God were to wish for something, what would He wish for? What would God desire that is beyond money, knowledge, or power? The issue at hand is: what is most desired by God? There is only one thing that God absolutely requires. That thing is absolutely necessary, not only to God but also to human beings, and that something is none other than true love. Then is it possible for God to receive love alone? Some people might say that God Himself can love by Himself if He wants to, but it is not so. What is required most by God and what no one knew, is that He needed an object partner with whom to share true love. (Blessed Family - 302)

If God is absolute, then the question arises: "Why did such an absolute being create human beings?" It was not for money, knowledge or power. He created human beings because that was the only way God could love. In this scenario, the relationship between God, the Father, and human beings, as the sons and daughters, forms an axis line. If this axis had been connected, it would have been impossible to separate human beings and God in their relationship of love. Do you think that a man or woman who has tasted God's original love would ever want to be separated from it?

Bees get a taste of nectar in the spring-

time. When you pull on the abdomen of a bee sucking on the nectar, the abdomen may be pulled off but the bee will not separate itself from the nectar. What would happen if you were to get a taste of such love? Even if you somehow separated yourself from it, you would return to it, clinging to it forever.

Once the foundation to operate the universe connecting to the axis of love is formed, the union of an individually perfected man and woman would form the foundation of a family centered on love. On the basis of this love, tribe, people, and world could be formed and realized. (137-57, 1985.12.18)

Section 3. God's Eternal Partner in Love

God created this world. If we were to ask Him, "Why did you create this world?" He would answer, "Because it is good." In other words, God created this world because He thought it was good, he felt joy from it, and wanted to receive more joy from it. How do you achieve goodness or joy from something? You receive joy in the form of love. Therefore, we come to the conclusion that God created this world to feel joy through the realization of love. For the realization of love, God created this world. God created the universe to feel joy through human beings and the creation becoming one and thus establishing a harmonious world of love. God feels joy from seeing and becoming one in love with human beings, forming true relationships of husband and wife and then establishing

a family, tribe, people, nation and world of true love. That was God's ideal of creation. (Blessed Family - 302)

God's only dream was to realize the ideal of love. But the problem is that the ideal of love cannot be realized by God alone. Such things as love, happiness and joy cannot be realized through only one being. They cannot be realized without an object partner. (Blessed Family - 302)

Although God is an absolute being, He needs someone to be his object of love. His object of love is none other than human beings. When humankind comes before God as the object of love, with perfected love, God becomes the God of happiness, the God who has fulfilled the ideal of joy. (145-267, 1986.5.15)

The answer to the questions, "Why does God need human beings?" and "Why does He need human beings in realizing Hisideal?" is: God needs human beings to perfect His love. What is God's love? We can say that God's love involves human beings liking each other eternally, but more importantly, it involves God liking human beings eternally. In this way, human beings are God's eternal objects of love. From the day God created Adam and Eve, God desired to love Adam and Eve as the object partners whom He would look at over and over again, and would wish to look at forever, to be with over and over again, and to live with over and over again. Having such object partners is God's ideal of creation. (Blessed Family - 302)

Section 4. The Purpose of Creating Adam and Eve

Genesis 1:27 says, "So God created man in His own image, male and female He created them." We can deduce from this that God has both male and female qualities. God needs an object because He cannot live alone. Therefore, He had no choice but to create this world. As a result, a man and a woman were created. (Blessed Family - 307)

God created Adam and Eve. first of all, to have physical form. Secondly God created Adam and Eve to perfect love. When Adam and Eve are perfected and become the substantial beings of love through which they can become one, God can come and reside with them, becoming the parent of perfected love to humanity. Then Adam and Eve, who are the substantial parents with visible form, can reproduce children and thus realize the ideal world. When that happens, the spirit world and the physical world are connected through humankind. This implies that God also created human beings for the purpose of connecting the spirit world and the physical world. So while Adam and Eve are on earth. God can reside with them in love as the true and substantial parent of humanity. Then when Adam and Eve pass on to the spirit world, He can continue to stay in the position of the parent with physical form through their lineage. It must, however, be clearly recognized that these plans were thwarted by the Fall of Adam and Eve. (Blessed Family - 307)

God is invisible and because God is invisible, He created Adam and Eve as His physical image. When Adam and Eve, in whose minds God resides, become perfect, marry, and bear children, God becomes the internal father and Adam the external father. When this happens, Adam resembles God completely. If Adam and Eve, who resemble God, had become the father and mother of humanity, it would have been clearly perceived throughout history that God, through their existence, does indeed exist. (Blessed Family - 307)

God created a man and a woman with the purpose of having them fall in love and unite into one. He did not create Adam for himself or Eve for herself. He created Adam for Eve and Eve for Adam. Also, God created Adam and Eve for his ownlove and joy. It was not for knowledge, power or money. The Almighty God does not need knowledge, money or power. He only needs love. (Blessed Family - 307)

God did not create Adam and Eve to give them knowledge or power, or wealth to live in affluence. The purpose of creating them was to establish them as the substantial beings of love. (Blessed Family - 307)

Section 5. The Time for Adam's and Eve's First Love

God told Adam and Eve "not to eat of the fruit," because it was not the time for them to love. Since they were still in their growth period, God gave the commandment to wait until they became mature. (Blessed Family - 310)

People grow up longing to reach the time when they pass through adolescence. We must know the reason we have to wait to be married until after adolescence. It is possible for a man and a woman to come together in love anytime, so why do we need to wait? Because of love, this is the only course. Since we need to pass through adolescence in order to become mature, we need to fulfill certain conditions during that period. (Blessed Family - 310)

Then, what should have been Adam's and Eve's attitude toward their education? Because God is the parent of Adam and Eve, they should have obeyed him and followed Him wherever He went. However, they did not do so; instead, they left their original positions by disobeying Him. Since God is the Absolute Being, they should have followed and obeyed Him absolutely. (Blessed Family - 310)

God told Adam and Eve to be fruitful and to multiply. That means that only after their physical bodies and spiritual bodies had become fully mature, should they have become a loving husband and wife and had children. Adam and Eve, as the lords of all creation, should have acted according to their Heavenly Father's time table; in other words, they should have waited until they were mature both physically and spiritually. Adam and Eve were always together, even as their bodies started to become mature. There must have been times when Eve, frightened by something, would jump into the arms of Adam, or hide behind him. Under such circumstances, she would have felt safe and comforted in the arms of Adam, while at the same time having strong sexual urges towards him. Adam, too, would have felt the pleasure of Eve in his arms, and would have had sexual urges towards her, because her body was very different from his. In this situation, who initiated sexual actions first: Adam or Eve? It was Eve who had jumped into the arms of Adam because she was frightened. From that time on, their sexual contact began to increase gradually.

God created the universe with love. Therefore, Adam and Eve should have made the created world a community of love centering on God's love and connecting it to Him. Since this was their responsibility, Adam and Eve should have thought about how and with what attitude they would share the love permitted by God. As matters of love are extremely serious, this determined whether they would live or die. (Blessed Family -310)

Where does love begin? It begins from the perfection of the individual. From the point of view of the Principle, you can only love after you have become perfect. The relationship of love can begin only when one has passed through adolescence and has become mature enough to fulfill the responsibility of becoming one in harmony with the universe. In the case of Adam and Eve, this did not occur. What kind of love was theirs? Their love was not love in the position to unify all creations in the universe. Their love was not mature. Their love should have been mature and natural. However, the sad fact remains that the love they shared was unnatural. (26-151, 1969.10.25)

Section 6. All Beings Are Perfected through Love

Individual perfection results from the continuous give and take action between the mind and the body, based on the foundation of love established by God at the beginning. Both the mind and the body should grow, mature, and then unite completely. Perfection can only be achieved when one's life is rooted in love, when it matures centering on love, and when that love puts out buds and bears fruit on that foundation. When the foundation of love is established in this way, God can then come and reside there, connected through love. Until love fully matures, the foundation to bear its fruits cannot be established.

All things were created according to the rules of love, and thus they continue to exist. When we look at plants alone, they bear fruit through the give and take action, or the circular action, between the stamen and the pistil in the flower blossom. This is true also for the animal kingdom and the human world; everything and everyone continue to exist through the circular motion of love. In this way, all things become perfected only after passing through the relationship of love. In other words, all beings can be perfected only through love. The human mind and body can unite into one only when they are in a position that conforms to the nucleus of God's love. Also, human beings can only completely mature when they enter the realm of God's love united in mind and body. Only then can they begin their journey of individual perfection as human beings originally intended at the time of creation before the Fall. (Blessed Family - 313)

When we explore the mind and the body, we find the mind to be oriented towards heaven and the body to be oriented towards the earth. When such a mind and body unite into one, what ideology is formed? We call this the cosmos-centered ideology. Do you know what this is? It is an ideology that wants to create a place where heaven and earth, the invisible world and the visible world, can unite into one.

If one wanted to dominate this cosmos, do you think it would be possible for that person to rule over the cosmos if his mind and body were not completely united? If his mind and body fail to become one completely, nothing can be achieved. When the mind and body become one centering on God, then God becomes the internal God and the person becomes the external God; the mind and the body become one centering on love. (Blessed Family - 313)

Adam must become one with God. Love is their link. Human beings are the horizontal representatives of the existing world and God is the vertical representative, and love bonds the two eternally. When human beings become one in body with God, their heart and emotions are exalted in infinite joy and happiness. In the end, God and human beings become one through love. Human beings also become one with the world through love, and the realization of the ideal world fulfilling God's purpose of creation begins from there. (35-156, 1970.10.13)

At sixteen or seventeen years of age Adam and Eve had passed through adolescence and began to notice the opposite sex. Just as a person becomes enraptured in the fragrance of a flower in full bloom, as they matured Adam and Eve were drawn to the opposite sex. Even God becomes enraptured in this fragrance. When God's love and Adam's and Eve's mind and body become one, the nucleus of the universe is formed, and together they can travel the path upon which they can take charge of all kinds of love.

However, they strayed from that path. Had they not done so, they would have united into one completely and God would never have been able to leave them. Nor would Adam and Eve ever have been able to leave God. Consequently, their descendants would have been connected, generation after generation, forming a tribe, people, nation, and the world. This world would then be a world of grace, the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. (Blessed Family - 310)

Section 7. What Human Beings Can Be Most Proud Of

God created a man and a woman. He intended for them to reach perfection, marry, become established as the heavenly husband and wife, and live in the heavenly kingdom. God's plan was to make Adam and Eve the first husband and wife in history and establish the foundation of the Kingdom of Heaven upon their relationship. If this plan had been realized, God's first two blessings, to be fruitful and to multiply, would have been achieved then and there. God gave Adam and Eve the power to multiply His children. Had they not fallen, they would never have passed sin on to humankind. Their children would have been born without sin and would have grown to perfection as sinless beings. What else would have occurred? By giving birth to such sinless children. Adam and Eve would have become the true father and true mother of humankind centering on God. They would have become the True Parents. (Blessed Family - 319)

If Adam and Eve had not fallen, but instead had reached perfection, they would have achieved not only individual perfection but also the perfection of heaven and earth. Moreover, a new family based totally on God's love would have been started. If a clan, tribe, people, nation, and world had emerged from this family, the world would have become a community of one large family serving God. The center of that community would have been God and Adam. The everyday life and the life course of the family of Adam, centered on God, would have been recorded as the historical tradition. His lifestyle, customs, conventions, and background would have established the traditions for history. Such traditions would be bound forever with God's love.

God's love is the source of life and the origin of all ideals. People could not leave His embrace even if they wanted to. If, by any chance, they did leave, they would have no choice but to return. Even in this fallen world we see that when someone who has been living with their parents has to leave their parents and brothers and sisters, they become lonesome and miss them all the time. In the same way, when someone is linked to the love of God, who is the subject of life and ideals, they would not be able to leave God. If they ventured to leave God, they would feel so lonely and unhappy that they would never be able to feel joy. Therefore, they would have no choice but to become one in the realm of God's love. Under these circumstances, human beings can be proud of three facts: first, God is our father; second, we are the children of God who can receive His love; and third, we are the heirs to the universe created by God. People brag when they marry into a rich family. Compared to that, words cannot express how proud you would be if God were your father and you could receive His complete love. (Blessed Family - 319)

If Adam and Eve had established God's ideal family, God's will would

have been realized. Adam's family would have served God as their father, becoming the family that would be the starting point of one united love as the ancestors of humankind. This family would have then become the basis up on which Adam and Eve would have united into one in love, thereby perfecting their ideals. (Blessed Family - 320)

Section 8. Adam's Family Should Have Set the Tradition as the True Family

If our human ancestors had not fallen, whose sons and daughters would you be? Without question you would have been born as God's sons and daughters. If Adam and Eve had not fallen, all human beings would have been God's true sons and daughters. You would not be people that are toyed with, dominated or slandered by your enemies as you are today.

The son of God has absolute power, and he represents the absolute authority and power of God wherever he goes. When a family is formed centering on this son, that family becomes God's family before which the entire cosmos should surrender. Moreover, when a tribe centered on that family comes into being, the whole of creation must safeguard that tribe and be assimilated into it. Due to the Fall, human beings not only lost their positions as the sons and daughters of God, but they are tormented by their enemies. If the first human ancestors had not disobeyed the commandment of God and had become one

with God forever, no one would be able to sever the relationship of love based on that unity. Once born as sons and daughters, and growing up as sons and daughters, no theory or doctrine could explain away or deny the father's identity. If someone were to question them about the identity of their father, even at gunpoint, they could not deny who he was. (Blessed Family - 330)

If Adam and Eve had not fallen, the first family of heaven would have been formed in the Garden of Eden, and that family would have prospered under God's sovereignty, immune to Satan's slanders. (Blessed Family - 330)

If Adam and Eve had not fallen, they would have received all of God's love. If they had united into one in God's love as the son and daughter receiving God's complete love, they would have given birth to children centering on God's love. Then, surrounded by God's true love, they would have established the traditions of the husband, of the wife, of the son, and of the daughter. If the tradition of the family based totally on God's love had been established, God's will would have been realized. (Blessed Family - 331)

By the will of God, Adam and Eve should have become perfect, received the Blessing, and, upon the basis of their family, established God's nation. They should have achieved perfection based on true love. If Adam and Eve had established their horizontal object partnership under God, the fulfillment of the purpose of creation would have been laid and that world would have extended to the cosmos. A world based on the tradition of oneness achieved through the union of Adam and Eve as husband and wife would then have been established. However, Adam and Eve disobeyed God's will and fell. (Blessed Family - 332)

CHAPTER TWO

The Way of Love in the Family

Section 1. God's Laws of Love Centering on the Family

Since the beginning of history, who has practiced true love focused on parents, true love focused on husband and wife, and true love focused on brothers and sisters? True love is absolute. (20-40, 1968.3.31)

The love of God is expressed as parentallove, conjugal love and children's love. These three great loves make it possible for human beings to exist forever. These great loves transcend even the loftiest human view of love. When these loves are perfected, happiness is perfected. When they are lacking, misfortune sets in. This is why people become happy when these three great loves unite. Is a motherless person happy? That person's misery is equal to the emptiness he or she feels. Is a fatherless person happy? A fatherless person envies those who have a father. Happiness leaves no room for envy. The same is true for love. If you envy someone or something, you cannot say you are happy.

You cannot be happy without a father and mother. No matter how great a man's ideals may be or how much he boasts, he needs a woman. He needs a wife. When a husband and wife have lived happily together and then the husband suddenly passes away, the wife will shed tears. A woman cannot live without a man, and a man cannot live without a woman. (20-38, 1968.3.31)

Also, no matter how happy a husband and wife may be together, they will be miserable without children. Do you need only sons? You need both sons and daughters. But what if the parents have only one son and one daughter? A son needs an elder sister and an elder brother, and a daughter needs an elder brother and an elder sister. Furthermore, they each need a younger brother and a younger sister. Everyone needs elder and younger siblings, and without any one of them, the individual would be unhappy. A family wherein the younger sister, younger brother, elder sister and elder brother are all united will be protected by God. This is because such a family becomes the origin of a clan, a people and a nation. My father, mother, elder brother, elder sister, younger brother, younger sister and me total seven people. This underlies the significance of the number seven as the number of perfection. You should know that I am talking here about perfection in reference to

love. Why is seven the number of perfection? Why is it that the creation of heaven and earth taught by Christianity was completed based on the number seven? It is because of this. It is said that three is the number of heaven and four is the number of earth. The number three is established by my father, mother and me. Then what does the number four refer to? It refers to brothers and sisters. (20-40, 1968.3.31)

You should know that seven is the number of perfection. The Father, Son and Holy Spirit refer to Adam and Eve with God at their center. The Father refers to the connection of top and bottom – that is, the vertical relationship – and parental love represents heaven and earth. Your elder brother and elder sister refer to east and west, and your younger brother and younger sister refer to north and south. When these unite, a threedimensional relationship is formed. This is the law of love. That is why there is no law of science that does not adhere to these mathematical principles. It is from God's laws of love that the fundamental concepts of the Principle of Creation arise. Once such laws of love are firmly established, peace will be realized. (20-40, 1968.3.31)

Section 2. The Reason Three Generations Must Coexist in the Family

I am proposing that the grandfather, grandmother, mother-in-law, father-inlaw, sisters-in-law and grandchildren all live together. Living together with God, the three generations of formation, growth and completion will settle down. You can love God only when you know how to love your grandfather - not just your father and mother. You will love God only when you can love your grandfather more than your father and mother. So why is the husband indispensable? Why are parents indispensable? Why are sons and daughters indispensable? It is because only when you have all the members of the family can you attend God. The Principle says that you need to have parents and you need to have sons and daughters. You need parents, next, a married couple and then a baby. Why is all this necessary? It is only logical that we need parents, a spouse and children in order to form a relationship with God.

You should know clearly why you need parents, a spouse and children. You have to know this. To form a relationship with someone, sometimes I must go below the other person. Sometimes we're in the center. Sometimes I must go above the other person, and sometimes we're on the same level with each other. In other words, I must form relationships in all four directions. Even in the case of a grandson, when he relates to his grandfather with love, his grandfather will say, "Oh, good! Very good!" So the Unification Church has been working hard to make such families the standard, focusing on original love in order to establish the original world. It is amazing that this is finally being taught throughout the religious world. (128-17, 1983.5.29)

Why does a wife cry when her husband dies? Why do people weep just because they do not have children? They are not crying because they are disappointed. They are crying because the fundamental principle of the universe makes it necessary to have relationfrom this belief. (70-76, 1974.2.8) ships in all directions - east, west, north and south. In other words, the force of existence in the universe consists of the of Love

force to support the ideal of reciprocation. This is why everything is engaged in give-and-take. Just as north and south interrelate with one another, the North Pole and South Pole interrelate with one another. Stars also interrelate with one another. Nothing can exist without a partner. Ideal beings united - that is, beings that have become completely one with each other - are supported by this universe. It is a principle that heavenly fortune embraces such entities so that they can continue forever.

Everything cooperates in this giveand-take action. That is why you need sons and daughters. Today, the West has accepted the idea that sons and daughters are unnecessary, but let's wait and see if that is right. You will find out in the spirit world. From where you stand, there is someone both above you and below you. You need the number three. You have to go through three stages. This is why everything comprises three stages. You need to have your parents, your couple and children. Not having children does not agree with the Principle of Heaven. When this is divided into two, there are three stages for men and three corresponding stages for women. By combining the two, an ideal world can be established with the unified number three. In other words, it is an ideal that includes grandfather and grandmother, father and mother, and me. The family ethic of the Unification Church stems

Section 3. Parents are the Origin

Orphans do not have a relationship with their parents. Everyone wants to be loved. The ideal manifestation of that love is parents. We can say that a person who can neither receive parental love from his parents even though he wants to, nor love his parents even though he wants to, is very miserable. Suppose there is a person who is much less attractive than some local orphan. Even so, as long as that person can serve and devote himself to his parents, he can feel very fortunate by comparison. He might think, "One may be handsome, yet if one does not even have parents, of what benefit is that?" He might also think, "I may be ugly and disabled, but at least I am fortunate to have a mother and father." (39-231, 1971, 1, 15)

What on earth are parents? Why can the strongest, most intelligent son in the world not ignore his parents, even if they are a burden? Why can he not control them with just one finger or do whatever he wants? You should know this. Since he is the strongest and most clever, he could say, "Hey, you!" and challenge them with his wits, but he cannot do that. Where is the origin of love? Where does love come from? From yourself? No. Love comes from parents. This is because the origin of love is not you, but your parents. There can be no result without a cause. So you know that when it comes to love, you are not the owner.

So when you come before your parents, you should say, "Yes, Mother and Father, you are right." When your parents remind you, "No matter how great your reputation is and how powerful you may be, you cannot do things that deviate from your duty to your mother and father," you will reply, "Yes, yes, yes, Mother and Father, you are right." Why? Because of love. It is because parents are the subject partners, and children are the object partners. The subject partner serves the object partner, and the object partner follows the subject partner. This is the Principle of Heaven. When this principle is breached, that house will collapse and end up worthless. However ignorant or uneducated a person may be, he knows the Principle of Heaven because he is born in accordance with heavenly nature. Therefore, even the strongest champion has to bow his head to his parents. (50-134, 1971.11.6)

Humankind continues to be plagued by conflicts based on power or knowledge. The time when the war of love can be waged has not yet come. This is why religious leaders say that their time will come when the end of the world approaches. When the end of the world comes, the power of the fist and the power of knowledge will pass away, and only the power of love will remain. The final age of worldly supremacy is none other than the Last Days. Can a strong elder brother come home and be the boss there? No. No matter how strong the elder brother may be, he cannot be the boss when he comes home. He may be a world champion in the ring, but he cannot be the boss at home. Even when an elder brother has several hundred doctorates, can he come home and be the boss? No, not even then. Why not? Because his parents are there. (50-134, 1971.11.6)

Section 4. The Reason We Need Brothers and Sisters

Why do we have brothers and sisters? Why do we need brothers and sisters? It is because with brothers and sisters, boys can watch their younger sisters and elder sisters, and from them learn how their mothers grew up; and girls can watch their naughty elder brothers and younger brother, and from them learn how their fathers grew up. This is called the love of brothers and sisters. So, you should love your siblings. Also, you should learn to love your siblings as you love your father and mother. You cannot love them if you don't learn how. So, through watching your brothers and sisters you learn how your parents grew up and you come to love them as your parents do. In this way, you will be able to love your mother and father even after you go to the next world. You need your brothers and sisters in order to be an owner of love without shame. Then, would it be better for brothers and sisters to love each other more than their parents or less than their parents? It is better that they love one another more. Why is that so? Because watching and loving your siblings is like watching and loving your mother and father when they were growing up. When you do this, it fulfills the condition of loving your parents from their birth to their death. So these brothers and sisters are connected to each other through such love. That's why I think this way.

Then in the case of the parents, the more children they have, the more they can learn about their spouses. For example, in the case of the mother, as she sees her sons grow up she could think, "Oh, that is probably how my husband was when he was growing up." So, loving the children is essentially the same as loving the husband the way he was before she met him. Also the husband could think, "Ah, my wife would have been like this daughter! She is showing me how her mother was when she was young," and so he would learn from her. Through loving the children, he fulfills the condition of loving every aspect of his wife. The mother and father do not say, "Let us love only the boys and not the girls." They love their sons and daughters equally, without discrimination. So by having sons and daughters, a beautiful circle of love in the family is formed. The mother and father will treat the children equally. All parents are like this. So hating your brother or sister is a greater sin than hating your mother. This is the first rule in family education. (184-60, 1988.11.13)

after having a fight with your brothers or sisters. The least you can do upon your return is to hold a party so that you can make them happy again. Ask for their forgiveness and tell them that you should love one another as you love your parents. Since brothers and sisters represent your mother and father, if your brothers or sisters are poor, help them and serve them as you would serve your mother. There is nothing more beautiful than this. The Kingdom of Heaven starts from there. (184-65, 1988.11.13)

Section 5. The Grandfather is in the Position of God in the Family

Today, the American system is a paradise for the young but not a paradise for the elderly. Because the American system is a paradise for young men and women – yet neither a paradise for children nor a paradise for grandfathers and grandmothers – everyone there is digging pits of hell that will lead them to ruin. This is happening because the American system does not fit the original form. (107-328, 1980.6.8)

In American families, the grandfather has to telephone the son before visiting him. What do people generally prefer? What would you like? When a beautiful daughter-in-law, with a loving heart, tries to buy the gray haired grandparents something better than she buys her loving husband, how beautiful and lovely this is! Although the grandparents are full of wrinkles, what a splendid sight it is when a pretty daughter-in-law buys them things with even more joy than the joy she feels when she buys things for her beloved husband! Before long, the grandparents will give her everything they have kept hidden inside – everything to do with love. Who is the oldest grandfather in the world? It is God. So you learn love for that Grandfather from your own grandfather. By learning such a tradition, you can receive the treasure of love from all the secret storage rooms of the Grandfather God. How wonderful that will be! (107-328, 1980.6.8)

Representing God, a grandfather and grandmother are the most experienced in the world. They do not sleep very long because they are old. So you should think, "Oh, my grandfather is God who protects my family without sleeping! My grandfather has become old by protecting us! I can see his age by the wrinkles on his face." This is a beautiful thought. If you have such an old grandfather and grandmother in your family, your house will not catch fire or be robbed. If the grandparents are not sleeping, what are they doing? They are praying. They pray, "Oh God, bless my sons and daughters. Please bless them." While praying, they will guide you, saying, "Hey, So-and-So, it is dangerous to go out today. Please listen to me." They will let you know, "Do not go out today!" "Do not fight!" "Son, do not go anywhere." "Daughter and daughter-in-law, do not go far today." So do you think the grandchildren need such grandparents or not? When they love each other, the grandmother and

grandfather will dance, the mother and father will dance, and the brothers and sisters will dance together. Those who live using this as their model are protected by the universe. If someone were to try to kill such a person, the universe would automatically prevent it. (107-326, 1980.6.8)

Parents need to get permission from the grandfather before sending their grandson anywhere. Parents cannot simply do whatever they want. This is because the grandfather stands in the position of God. (107-326, 1980.6.8)

Section 6. The Relationship Between Grandparents and Grandchildren

If a young grandchild comes home and asks in a bossy voice, "Hey, where did Grandpa and Grandma go?" how would you feel? Is it proper for him to demand, as soon as arrives, and in front of his mother and father and his brothers and sisters, to know, "Where are Grandpa and Grandma?" This is improper because he is speaking in an impolite manner. Here the grandparents are now over eighty years old, and this little brat audaciously stands firm in front of his father and mother and elder brothers and elder sisters, who are superior to him, demanding to know, "Where have Grandpa and Grandma gone?" Would any of them be shocked and scold him saying, "Where are your manners?"

Why do you think this happens? Normally, if someone did the same thing in another situation, you would scold him or her saying, "How can you treat Grandpa like this?" But if the grandchild stands firm and asks again, you will be pleased. You will reply, "Okay, okay, so you want to see your grandfather, do you?" When he asks where his grandfather is, is he asking for rice cakes or some food? What does he have on his mind? He misses his grandfather. So is it good or bad to miss him? It is a good thing!

All of heaven and earth misses him. He misses them too; and why is this? As he looks around at his elder brothers and sisters, he wants to sit on their laps. But as he looks at the situation and as he studies the mood of his elder brother, it is clear that his brother would push him away after he had sat on his lap for just a few minutes. Also, when he looks at his father who is very tired, he knows from experience that after he has sat in his father's lap about ten minutes, his father would become irritated. He learns to sense such things quickly. But when it comes to his grandfather, or elderly people like his grandfather, he knows Grandpa will stay still even if he sits in his lap for an hour or two. Of all the family members, his grandfather will embrace him the most.

It is not a bad thing to be embraced and touched by his grandfather who says, "Your nose is like this. Your ears are like that." He is patted, caressed and touched all over, but he does not mind. How great that would be! How splendid this is! This is the same as the tip of a tree becoming one with the root. Then, if the main root and the main sprout come to like each other, what will happen? All the other roots and branches attached to the main ones will not be able to avoid liking one another. You should think about this. When the main sprout and main root like each other, that relationship can embrace everything! Who is the main root in the family? It is the grandson – the first grandson. So the grandfather always has his eyes on his eldest grandson. You should know this. (139-15, 1986.1.26)

Section 7. The True Meaning of the Saying, "All Goes Well if there is True Harmony in the Family."

In oriental teaching, there is a saying that goes, "All goes well if there is true harmony in the family." This is a good saying. When we talk about a home, of course it has people at its heart. There are the grandparents, parents and children, but this is not all. The house itself is a microcosm of all creation. All things are gathered here. When we say, "my home," we normally think of it as the place where my mother and father and wife and children are. But my home is not just this. There would also be my grandparents, and the house itself and the yard. The surrounding environment harmonizes well with this microcosm of creation. This is essential for happiness.

If grandparents are in an environment that is not harmonized, they do not feel good. The sight of a grandfather and grandmother laughing with each other cannot be compared to the noisy laughter of a young couple. The deep laughter of wrinkled grandparents is quite dignified. You may not know this, but all things come together in harmony through the grandfather and grandmother's laughter as they harmonize with each other. The grandfather's laughter is deep and hearty. When he gestures, his movements are slow, but broad, high, deep and large.

Everything should be connected through the three stages of top, middle and bottom to bring about any harmony. That is why harmony does not come from a straight line linking two points on a horizontal level. That which goes through two points is called a line, and just two points cannot bring about the beauty of harmony. Would there be harmony when there is just a straight line? It has to curve and bend. So there can be harmony only when something goes through three points. So we have the grandfather, the father in the middle and then those who are underneath. Normally we think of a family as consisting of four generations. You have the grandfather and grandmother, father and mother, your own couple and then your sons and daughters.

We have a saying that refers to serving both parents and grandparents. How many levels are there? There may be five generations in a family, but normally there are four - your grandfather, your father, your own couple and then your sons and daughters. With this in mind, the Unification Church Principle introduces the three stages of formation, growth and completion. This teaching deals with living in harmony and declares, "All goes well if there is harmony in the family." Why is this? Is it because it sounds nice? Is it because someone wanted to be poetic? No. That is not the case. Harmony in the family means that four generations revolving around the grandparents unite - top and bottom, east and west, north and south, front and back, and left and right - and will live together in the joy of laughter. (139-12, 1986.1.26)

CHAPTER THREE

The Family Is the Model for the Kingdom of Heaven

Section 1. The Family is the Central Model for All Beings

When you stand in the world of space, you need top and bottom, left and right, and front and back. Only then is the status of your position stable. Your shape will vary depending on the position in which you stand: top and bottom, left and right, front and back. When dealing with matters that concern the relationships of top and bottom, left and right, front and back, and also problems in the family, nation and world, there is only one solution. Just as there has to be top and bottom, left and right, and front and back with the individual at the center, there also have to be parents and children, husband and wife, and brothers and sisters.

The same applies in a nation. With the leader of the nation at the center, all families should embrace the civilizations of east and west, and the civilizations of north and south, and all the people of the world as their brothers and sisters, and eventually establish a family model. This model is the same for all. You yourselves are the center of that model. This model represents a principle that requires that from you should come your family, which then expands to the nation, world, heaven and earth, and all the way to God. You not only want to be the center of the universe, you can be the center. In the same way, the family is the center of the universe. If you think of heaven as the parents, then earth represents the children. When considering east and west, the east symbolizes the man and the west the woman. So after marriage, the woman goes to the place where her husband is wherever it may be. This is similar to the west reflecting the sunlight that shines from the east.

It is the same with the relationships of brothers and sisters. When the eldest brother leads a task, the younger brothers and sisters will cooperate. Therefore each person should be in a parent-child relationship, a conjugal relationship and a sibling relationship. In other words, these three relationships must meet at one point. The central point is one. The centers for top and bottom, left and right, and front and back should not be different. If their centers are different the relationships of top and bottom, left and right, and front and back will all be unbalanced. So top and bottom, left and right, front and back, and the common central point add up to the number seven. To form the number seven in this way means to be a family that is united in true love with God at the center and where all these things form a complete sphere bringing about harmony and unification. We often say seven is a lucky number. So when we hear this about the number seven it seems believable. As long as true love never changes, this central core will turn forever without changing, realizing the ideal of the true family.

Also since everything is connected to the core, then each position, one, two, three, four, five, six and seven from this central core are equal. If the grandfather and his sons and daughters want something and the grandchild is not against it, then all three generations will come to want it. The grandfather and grandmother, husband and wife, and sons and daughters all follow the center. In terms of love, we say that the parent-child relationship is one, the conjugal relationship is one, and the sibling relationship is one. They are one body. What are these relationships revolving around? They are revolving around the true love of God who is the center of love. Based on true love, the parents and children, husband and wife and brothers and sisters all become one. In this way the value of everything becomes equal. (299-114, 1999.2.7)

Section 2. The Family is the Textbook of Love through Which We Can Connect with Universal Love

What is the universe? Everything in the created world is designed as a sort of

training aid to help God's beloved sons and daughters find the ideal of love. This is why everything exists in reciprocal relationships. Minerals are based on the reciprocal relationship of subject and object partners and so are atoms. Protons and electrons also exist based on the reciprocal relationship of subject and object partners. Without reciprocation they cannot continue to exist. Without give and take action they cannot exist eternally. Therefore, the universe is a world created in such a way that its center can only be reached through human beings. (137-59, 1985.12.18)

What is the universe? It is an expansion of the family. If you look at a family that has completely realized the ideal of family love, it has a top, middle and bottom (parents, husband and wife, and children), left and right, and front and back. This is the principle. So when we talk about top and bottom we mean the parents and children, when we talk about left and right we mean the husband and wife, and when we talk about front and back we mean the brothers and sisters. Through what do they all become one? It doesn't happen through power, knowledge or money. Then what can bring it about? It is love. This is an absolute truth. Otherwise the sphere cannot be formed. Then what are the top, middle and bottom in our family? They are a textbook of love. They are a textbook of love through which we can encounter universal love. Go out into society and put it into practice. How should we love? Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself." How should we follow this teaching? We are not sure. When you go out into the world and meet a grandfather, treat him as your own grandfather. Treat people like your own mothers, like your own fathers or like your own sons. When you go out into the world you should all live like this. The people of the top, middle and bottom, front and back, and left and right are all displayed in the exhibition hall of the world. You should know that the world is an exhibition of people. If you can love everyone with such love, God will dwell in the midst of that love. (128-22, 1983.5.29)

What is the Kingdom of Heaven? It is the place where you love the people of the world as your own family, and people who do this are the people of the Kingdom of Heaven. Your grandfather and grandmother, your mother and father, your wife, your brothers and sisters, and your children – what are these four generations? They are the textbook through whom you can deeply experience love, the true love of the universe as people of the Kingdom of Heaven. The family is the foundation, a type of textbook that teaches you this love. (129-96, 1983.10.1)

We can not live without learning the love of the universe. God has prepared things such as a textbook or scripture containing promises which openly say, "Love your grandmother and grandfather. Your grandmother and grandfather on earth are sent as representatives of the grandmothers and grandfathers in the spirit world. Therefore if you love them, I will take it as if you had loved all grandmothers and grandfathers."

Next God says, "Since your mother and father represent the countless mothers and fathers of the world, as a textbook and model of love, if you love them to the utmost, I will take it as a condition of you having loved all mothers and fathers. Furthermore if you as a man, representing all men, love a woman who represents all women, it will be a condition of having loved all women." Next He says, "I will take your loving your sons and daughters as you having loved all sons and daughters." Therefore the family is the training center to receive such training.

It is a training process for loving the world in accordance with the scriptures. We can ask the trainees if now they will go out to the world and love the grandmothers and grandfathers of the world in place of their own grandfather and grandmother, and if they say "yes," this will save the world. (130-273, 1984.2.5)

Section 3. A Training Ground of Love for Entering the Kingdom of Love

God's will is to realize the kingdom of love. If God's will is to develop and globalize the ideal world of love, the family is the experimental ground where you earn credits, all the way from an elementary school certificate to a bachelor's degree and PhD. The family expands to the world. If you look at the world carefully, you will see that it is a world where grandfathers and grandmothers live, a world where adults like your uncles and aunts live, a world where people like your elder brothers and elder sisters live, a world where youths live, and a world where children live. So these places where old, middle-aged, young people and children live are larger expansions of the family. (147-281, 1986.10.1)

The family is the smallest unit within the training center and is also a textbook for entering the Kingdom of Heaven. It has all the levels: the grandfather's level, mother's level, couple's level and sibling's level. These levels expand into larger groups of grandmothers and grandfathers, mothers and fathers, your own peers, and your sons and daughters, and together they form humanity.

Only families that can love all human beings as their own spouses and as their own parents, and serve them as their own sons and daughters, can inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. This is amazing. The right to inherit all the power and authority of heaven and earth created by God lies here. (143-285, 1986.3.20)

The family is a textbook of love through which at the time of death you receive the right to be registered at the Palace of Peace and the Kingdom of Heaven.

The family is a training ground of love. The extension of this family is the world. The world is made up of smaller worlds: there is a grandfathers' world, a grandmothers' world, a world of fathers and mothers, there are husbands' and wives' worlds and sons' and daughters' worlds. When these combine we have the whole world. Thus if you love the people of the whole world as you love your family and as you love God through the family, this will make a straight road to the Kingdom of Heaven. Thus the first commandment is, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind." And the second commandment is, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If you love God and love humanity, everything will be accomplished. If you cannot do it, your spiritual training will have been in vain. No matter how great a religion's spiritual discipline may be, if it does not know how to love God, humankind and the whole universe it will fail the test.

In the family you should deeply experience love by going through the official course of the training center which is an encapsulation of the whole universe and then expand this and love the world. You have inherited this from your family, your training ground, where you were raised with your mother and father. Therefore if you love your parents more than your wife, love your sons and daughters more than your wife, love humanity more than your wife, and love God more than your wife, everything will be accomplished. This doesn't mean that you should abandon your wife. If you love in this way, all the recipients of that love will come to love your wife as well. Is there a more glorious place than this? If you want to love your wife, follow this way. (143-285, 1986.3.20)

Section 4. The Family is a Model for the Heavenly Kingdom

What kind of fortune should a person in the child's position receive? They should inherit the fortune of the grandparents and parents. Why does one need grandparents? We need grandparents because they represent the living history of the past. The parents represent the present and the children symbolize the future. Children contain east and west and also north and south. They are also the center of the whole. The center of the grandparents, the center of the parents, the center of the children and the center of God – all these are founded on true love.

Thus, loving your grandparents and respecting them means to learn and to inherit all the past. You learn the present from your father and by loving children you learn about the future. What do you inherit through your grandfather and grandmother, and mother and father? You inherit true love.

Although your grandfather and grandmother are old, they are united in true love and so your mother and father are united. So you should be like them and inherit the future. We absolutely cannot inherit the future without becoming a true family. When we look at these three generations, it is like looking at the universe. The love of the universe resides in the true family that represents the present and future.

When we look at the animal world, male and female animals love each other, and this is a textbook from which we learn about the love of the universe. Without a grandmother and a grandfather we feel unstable. Only with them can we move straight to the Kingdom of Heaven. Grandparents, mother and father, and children will all go to the Kingdom of Heaven.

Those who have loved the true grandparents, the true parents, the true children, the true family, the true nation and the true universe will go to the Kingdom of Heaven. The model and textbook for all this is the family. (162-140, 1987.4.5)

The family is a type of educational material which teaches us how to establish the Kingdom of Heaven. It comes from heaven. If a person loves all the people of his grandfather's age in the world as his own, he will go to the Kingdom of Heaven. If he loves the people of his parents' age as his own, he will be able to travel freely throughout all the nations. He will have no boundaries even when he goes to the spirit world. If he thinks of the young people of all nations as his own sons and daughters, he will be able to travel freely within the Kingdom of Heaven even though there are twelve pearly gates and directions.

Therefore, the family is a textbook which shows us how to make a connection with the Kingdom of Heaven. When you apply it to the nation, you will become a patriot, when you apply it to the world, you will be a saint, and when you practice it in heaven and earth, you will become God's children, or holy sons and daughters. People have such a desire. (137-77, 1985.12.18) You should be able to embrace the sons and daughters of all races as well as their grandsons and granddaughters. In this way, you should stand in the position to become the owners of the family who, as true parents, love the people of the world with true love. By standing in the position to represent the family that practices true love and is connected to the original parents through God's love, you can finally enter the Kingdom of Heaven. (176-209, 1988.5.9)

Section 5. The Family Brings Together the Love of Three Generations

The family encompasses history, the present and the future. So what is the ultimate point that God has sought for six thousand years? It is the family – the family where love is interconnected and where all are united in love. Everything that exists comes under its dominion.

We cannot cut our relationship with this absolute source of love. The establishment of such a family was the original mission that God gave Adam and Eve at the time of creation. God did not want them to merely end up as a man, Adam, and a woman, Eve, but instead dreamed of a new family where they would be united. This is the first starting point towards establishing men and women. Thus to be able to enter the Kingdom of Heaven safely, you have to find a family and within the realm of that family in this world, enter and live in a place where you can feel satisfied in God's love. Only then can you go beyond

this world as well. (30-85, 1970.3.17)

In order to form the family realm of love you have to be unconditional. The parents represent the past, the husband and wife represent the present, and the children represent the future. Loving one partner during your lifetime is the equivalent to God loving the world. It is a place where in oneness the parents, a couple, and the children offer their love as an example representing heaven and earth and tell their descendants to follow them. The original homeland of the heart, the place where heavenly affection is felt will be remembered in heaven and earth. (30-78, 1970.3.17)

What has God been looking for up until now? He has not been seeking a subject partner; rather He has been looking for an ideal object partner. He has been looking for those who resemble God and possess the inner and outer aspects of the world He created. What is the starting point that leads to such a result? It is the family. There is nothing that can represent the universe better than the family. To be one with the parents is for past and present to meet. Here, you can love the past by loving your parents, love the present by loving your partner, and love the future by loving your children. Therefore, you can deeply experience the love of three generations. The place where these three kinds of love are concentrated is the family. (30-80, 1970.3.17)

Then where does life in the Kingdom of Heaven begin? It is the family. It does

not unfold somewhere else. The Kingdom of Heaven is just a three-dimensional expansion of the family and not something that goes beyond the family realm. Therefore when you embrace your husband or wife, you should think that this is a man of the world becoming one with a woman of the world. The place where you can make the condition of having loved mankind is none other than the family. You should live your life this way. To love your parents is to connect history with the present and to pave the road for God to come to you. Therefore you have to love your parents. To love your parents is to connect the human beings of history with yourself

as an inhabitant of the present, that is to unite the past and the present. Furthermore loving your children centering on yourself is to connect the present with the future. And the philosophy that practices and sings the praise of such love for a thousand and tens of thousands of years is Unification thought. (30-82, 1970.3.17)

Section 6. The Family is the Training Ground of the Heart

We cannot live separate from the heart. Even if you are the president of a country or possess global authority, you would not be able to live if you had no place to express your heartfelt joy. You would not be able to feel the deepest satisfaction from the people who are under your command, your officers or the people who follow you. You must feel it in your family. You should be able to return home and feel joy through your wife and children. In such a way you should be proud of this joy in front of others. This joy is a primal joy; not a secondary joy. It is the same with God. Even if He was to restore the whole world, without a family He would not feel joy. So we need our families after all. (25-85, 1969.9.30)

Parents should be the head of the family and teachers should be the head of the educational institutions which represent society. Parents raise you by giving you milk thereby assisting your physical development as well as helping you emotionally. Then what is school for? It trains you for your future life in society. If the family is the training ground of the emotions, then school is the experimental training ground of society. But society is not where training ends. Where does it end? It ends with the nation. The nation has a president. Why is it that people miss the president and want to be near him? When they have experienced everything, from the family to the society, they go on to the next level. The president is the fruit of the third stage after the formation and growth stages. A seed divides, sends roots down and a shoot up, and then, through circulatory action, growth begins. After such division comes a synthesis when flowers and fruit are produced.

Schools raise the people needed by the nation by educating the qualified elite to serve the nation. They are training and experimentation sites. Training is not real life but a preparation stage. You should not make the wrong preparations. What is the family? It is a training ground for the heart. It is a place where you train your heart to love. This is why you should live affectionately like brothers and sisters at school and also live affectionately like brothers and sisters in the nation. Parental education is needed at school, in society and also by the nation. Parents should pass everything in the realm of heart on to their children. They should create a foundation of heart for their children by teaching them to follow their parents' footsteps in living in certain ways in the family, the society, and in the nation. (180-130, 1988.8.22)

When you look at a family, it is not necessarily a good one just because it has a good house and a good environment. Conversely, no matter how bad a family's environment may be or how shabby its house may be, if it offers you peace and you are able to connect all things in your life to it, then it is a good family. It has a foundation of heart upon which the parents and children live for the sake of each other. This is the original homeland for our memories and the source of motivation for all living. Therefore it becomes the basis for determining our happiness in life. (29-16, 1970.2.15)

Section 7. The Family is Our Eternal Original Hometown

Family, the family is a good place. Why is it good? It is a good place because my mother and father are there. It is a good place because my elder sister and elder brother are there. It is a good place because my younger brother and younger sister are there, and it is a good place because my relatives are there. Thus, human beings feel nostalgia for their hometown and the land of their original hometown. They feel more deeply about their hometown than they do for the nation. The place you long for even when you live in the Republic of Korea is your hometown. What place do you long for even though you like Korea, even though you want to live in Korea, and even while you are living in Korea? It is your hometown. Hometown, what kind of place is your hometown? It is a place where your heart is lifted up in four directions and three dimensions. What is that heart? It is a place where you are tied up by love. Upward, your mother and father are tying you up; left and right, the bond between husband and wife is tying you up; downward, your sons and daughters and relatives are tying you up tight with three dimensional love. This is the original hometown.

People cannot help but long for their original hometown because they look upon this starting point of happiness based on love as the best. Then, what kind of place do you think God's original hometown is? What do you think God's land of original hometown is on this earth? We should think about these questions. If God is the God of love, He must surely have prepared a starting point for living on this earth, and where is this starting point? To know this, we must understand how God has prepared that starting point. What kind of place can become the starting point of the original hometown where God's family can be created? It is none other than a place where a son dwells who understands God as his real father. In other words, it is a place where the son, the only-begotten son who can monopolize God's love, exists. Also it is a place where such a daughter dwells. It is a place where such a son and a daughter marry and form a complete family. (23-151, 1969.5.18)

Then who should be in the original hometown? Those who you miss should be there. Your parents should be there and your brothers and sisters should be there. And those who you long to meet should be there. When you want to live with them there, would you be satisfied if you just saw them for a moment? Would you be satisfied if you met and just saw them for a short time? When meeting and living with them, you should not be tired even if you live with them for eternity. You should go and find such a place. This is the Kingdom of Heaven that today's religions pursue. (23-80, 1969.5.11)

Today, the reason we long for the land of our original hometown is that in that hometown there are parents, brothers and sisters, and relatives, who are closer to us than anyone else. They always guide us; they welcome us as they did in the past whenever we visit them, and they sympathize with us, console us and receive us with joy when we are having difficulties. Without this welcome though, even if you longed for your original hometown and returned there, your desperate longing heart would vanish, and you would go back with feelings of deep regret. You should know this. In the original hometown there have to be people who will welcome you. (23-80, 1969.5.11)

Section 8. The Family Is the Final Standard for Completing the Cosmos-centered Ideology

Everything divides from one into many, which eventually merge into a larger whole. In other words, one divides into many and then unites again into one. From here it divides again and becomes something even larger. Families exist within this larger created object. These families all have the same form as each other. The family is the place where the relationship of husband and wife is established and the place that unites the husband and wife. The tribe is a place that unites families, and the race is a place that unites clans. Races combine to form one nation. Here families play the central role, (26-189, 1969,10,25)

When the family is expanded, it becomes the horizontal world. This is why no society can manage without the family. If families cannot be restored, the world cannot be restored. Next we must realize the cosmos-centered ideal through these families. The word cosmos combines heaven and earth. Heaven and earth are like a person's mind and body. The mind and body must become one. Just as a subject partner needs an object partner, one man needs one woman. The union of a man and a woman leads to a family. God's foundation of love will not be attained without working through this family. (26-189, 1969.10.25)

The cosmos-centered ideology is a philosophy that unites the mind and body forming a family as the main body of love, and connects that idea to the spirit world and physical world. The character ju (宙) of cheon ju (cosmos) means a house. This is why we are using the word cosmos-centered ideology. Cosmos combines the spirit world and the physical world. What relationship does it have with us? We need a family. If you fail to be at one in your family, you have nothing to do with the cosmos-centered ideology. The family serves as the final standard for completing the cosmos-centered ideology. Those who cannot sing songs of peace and sing praise for happiness here will become miserable people either on this earth or in the spirit world. (26-189, 1969.10.25)

From where is the Kingdom of Heaven realized? It is realized from our families. Then what kind of ideology do we have? We have a family-centered ideology. The word cosmos-ism (cosmos-centered ideology) contains *cheon* meaning heaven and *ju* meaning house; so it means the ideology of heaven's house. Only then does the meaning of the cosmos (*cheon ju*) become clear. The sixty-six books of the Bible are filled with words that desire an ideal family. Furthermore what is it that all men desire? It is to have an ideal wife. Also the greatest desire of a woman is to meet an ideal husband. No matter how proud and famous a woman who has a doctorate may be, her desire is to meet an ideal man, an ideal man she can love and with whom she can have her beloved sons and daughters. This is the root of happiness. The ideal of the Unification Church does not lie somewhere else. The beginning is the family and the conclusion is the family. (26-102, 1969.10.18)

What kind of ideology is the cosmoscentered ideology? It is the true parentcentered ideology. After all, these are both ideologies upholding parents. This is the ideology of our house, the ideology of our nation, and the ideology of your individual self. Had human beings not fallen, whose ideology would rule the world? It would be the Adam-centered ideology. This ideology is none other than the way of true parents. It is the ideology of the mother and father. There cannot be an ideology higher than this. Hence the Unification Church should link matters of the heart with heavenly ideology through the way of true parents within the boundary of the original ideal family. As long as families that have internalized such an ideology remain, the Unification Church will not perish. (26-201, 1969.10.25)

CHAPTER FOUR

Our Course of Life Centered on Love

Section 1. Why Are Human Beings Born?

If we ask ourselves whether life or love is first, we can claim each to be first. But which do you think really comes first? It is love that comes first. Relating this to the core of the universe, in order for something to have value, there must be an original flow of love. (143-277, 1986.3.20)

When we examine where life comes from, we must ask the question as to which comes first, life or love. Until now we have not been able to discern this clearly. Love comes first, then life. Because what comes second must meekly surrender to what comes first, it is natural that we offer our lives for the sake of love. This is the way things are. This then provides an answer as to the true course for our life. Since our life is born in love, the conclusion is that we must walk the way of love and die for love.

The purpose of human life is to find the love that the macrocosm, not the microcosm, is able to welcome. It is to be born, to love and to die in the midst of the great universal love that God, creation, our parents, and the angelic world all acknowledge. This is how I see it. (Blessed Family - 1062) Human beings are not born based on their own choice. Then, are they born due to their parents' wishes? No. They are born due to God's desire. They are born through the love of their parents, which represents God's love. The person, who is born as a new life through parental love, representing God's love, is I.

Love has the power to create everything. The one who is born as the center of the whole universe by receiving all the love of the universe is none other than I. The highest purpose of life is to be born through love, be raised in love, live by love, and to leave love behind. The most valuable thing to do is to fulfill, in the family, the rules of love that lie at the center of the universe. (Blessed Family - 1062)

You should understand why human beings are born. They are not born for the sake of knowledge or political power. They are born because of love and from love. Then what makes love so great? It is the fact that love is the original source of life. You are born in the midst of your parents' love.

You are not born out of your parents' desire for money or knowledge. Since you are born in love like this, you should bear fruits of love. This is why you need children. A husband and wife become complete when they become one and have sons and daughters as their object partners. (Blessed Family - 1062)

Human beings cannot exist apart from love. Therefore, we can say that "I" live on the foundation of love. All things also originate in God's love. The existence of all things began on the foundation of love, so it is undeniable that human beings, as the center of the created universe, must also have begun in love. (Blessed Family -1062)

Since human beings begin in love and mature through love, they cannot live separated from the standard of love. (Blessed Family -1062)

Section 2. Life in its Original Form

What do you think is the cause of human existence? The cause of human existence is love. Then where do you think the purpose of human existence lies? The purpose of human existence lies in completing the ideal of love. Human beings came into being through love, and so their purpose is to perfect love by forming a foundation of love and expanding and connecting it. In other words, since the beginning is love, the purpose has to be reached through love as well. For this, a man and a woman in partnership must become one in love and connect front and back, left and right, and above and below. (Blessed Family -1062)

No matter how firmly we have determined to become an absolute being and establish an absolute purpose, this will be useless unless we are happy. Our daily life should be happy.

We live for the sake of the purpose. When we have achieved the purpose, something new will exist that is greater than existence itself. What is it? What is most precious for a man and woman? It is love. Love is the key element needed to experience happiness. No matter how lofty a person's purpose may be, if he fails to establish a love that can take dominion over his purpose, he will have to pursue a new purpose. Purpose cannot stand above love. (29-130, 1970.2.26)

What are you living for? There will be some who say they live to eat and there will be some who say they live to work or they live without a purpose. What do human beings live for? If you say you live for the sake of love, how great this answer is! Human beings are born as the fruit of love, live in love, and return to the eternal love of God's bosom. This is the original life of creation. (Blessed Family -1064)

One is born through love and grows up in love. Next, he leaves the love of his parents and finds and connects to the love of a partner, which is a love in another dimension. We can call parental love the formation-stage love and conjugal love the growth-stage love. No matter how much a couple may be in love, they cannot see the completion of their love until they have children. This is why they want to have children. This is completion-stage love. Therefore, the process of going through parental love, conjugal love, and children's love is the fundamental core of human life and the original path of God's ideal of love at creation. (48-11, 1971.8.31)

Life is born from love. One is born from love, grows up in love while being loved by his parents, meets a beloved wife and loves her, and dies in that love; this is what is called human life. Therefore, originally there should have been no sorrow or pain in human life. (Blessed Family -1062)

Originally, the focal point of the universe is the place where all vertical and horizontal combinations of love come together so that parental love, conjugal love, and children's love can unite. This becomes the point upon which the entire universe is focused and where the directions of all cells in the universe are oriented. All the spirits in the spirit world will be focused on this. Moreover, they will protect this place so no one can invade it. If this place is destroyed, it will be catastrophic. So a certain form is needed in order for it to remain intact. In the Unification Church, this form is called the four-position foundation. (Blessed Family -1062)

Section 3. For Human Beings, the Eternal Element of Life is Love

You shouldn't forget that while you lived as an embryo, you not only received

nutrition from your mother but you also received love from her. Likewise, people living on earth are not only receiving physical nutrition from the universe but also love from God, who is the essential element of life. (Blessed Family -1062)

Just as all plants absorb sunlight as an element of life, love is an element of life for people. Our hope is that the Kingdom of Heaven on earth or the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven be built where we can live eternally in love and in adoration. (Blessed Family -1062)

Human beings are born through love and grow through their childhood while receiving love. After a certain stage of growth, parental love is not enough, and their love expands horizontally through the love among brothers and sisters and the love of the tribe. In other words, they grow to maturity while receiving all kinds of love in heaven and earth. When they reach young adulthood, they particularly thirst for love with the opposite sex. Engaging in this love leads them to a more comprehensive love, through which they finally find the center of love. (Blessed Family -1062)

The paths that man and woman walk exist because of love and for the sake of love. My path is the path of love. I move in order to attain love, keep love, and form an environment of love. It is also for the sake of love that women put on cosmetics and receive massages. Wanting something and doing work are all for the sake of love. We overcome hardship and move on in order to attain precious love. (Blessed Family -1066)

From the time we are born, we are receiving parental love. As long as our parents are alive, they love us at any stage of life, be it the period of childhood, the period of youth, or the period of middle age. When we grow up receiving parental love, horizontal love of husband and wife is bound to happen to each of us. (Blessed Family -1062)

What do you think marriage is? It is a school, a place where the men learn something they did not know about women, and women learn something they did not know about men. All their grades should be A's in order for the husband and wife to be pleased. You have sons and daughters for the sake of learning how to love the world. Without them, you cannot be connected to the future.

Your sons and daughters are given to you as educational materials through which you can be connected to the future world. Fulfilling your filial duties to your ancestors and grandfather and grandmother is like receiving education from the spirit world. All these things are connected through love. The grandfather and grandmother, husband and wife, and sons and daughters are all connected through love. Just like the blood vessels in the human body flow up and down, you can go up and down all the way to your ancestors of 10 million generations in the spirit world and also reach your distant descendants through this. So you should know that this is how spirit world and the universe are organized. All things will be governed in this way. We can say that becoming a servant of love and a slave of love is the greatest happiness. (Blessed Family -1062)

Section 4. What is God's Love?

Try to discover God's love. How can we characterize God's love? It can be compared to a warm spring day where white clouds gently float in the sky, heat rises from the ground, insects fly around, ants crawl in and out to see the world, pussy willows shoot out by the stream, frogs sing new spring songs, bees swarm and butterflies flutter. You feel intoxicated in such an environment and feel sleepy, but in reality you are awake and feeling so good that you want to stay like this forever.

When God finds His ideal object partner, He gets the same feeling, as if He is in a beautiful garden of flowers where butterflies and bees fly around. When thinking of this, do you feel good or bad? These dull-witted men may not be aware of this. It feels good.

When you run into someone you are pleased to see, you hold his hand firmly and shake hands. When someone joyfully says, "Long time no see!" and holds your hand firmly, do you feel good or bad? If there is someone who says he feels bad, just kick him, saying, "You jerk!" When you are glad to see someone, do you hold hands tightly or not? Do you like it when someone grasps your hand firmly? You want to like it, but maybe you really do not. You have to know something to like it, and if you do not know it, then how can you like it? Be honest! If your husband loves you, you do not need anything else. You live clinging tightly to your husband. It is always great to see a man and a woman firmly holding hands, especially when the man's hand is as rough as a cow's front hoof. When watching movies, we enjoy seeing scenes like that. If the woman says to the man, "Oh, you have pretty hands," the man will be offended. This is how things are. Love is eternal. Love is united, not divided. You become one. When a man and a woman become a couple and love each other, they are bonded together. Of course this does not happen literally, but in heart they reach a level even higher than this. That is God's love. If you live with such love, will you be united or not? Think about it. Everything is destined to become one. (Blessed Family -1062)

When a man and a woman fall in love, all kinds of things happen, right? But if you find a way to know God's love and really taste it, then His love cannot be compared to anything in this world. If there is someone who has tasted this love, no amount of difficulty or sorrow can defeat him. Such a realm of absolute liberation should exist, should it not? The question is how to find it. (39-240, 1971.1.15)

God's love can largely be divided into three great forms of love. They are parental love, conjugal love, and children's love. The center where these three forms converge into one is God's love. (173-278, 1975.11.23)

Section 5. God's Blessing Allows You to Inherit Love and Joy

A glorious new morning will dawn when God assumes a physical body. The time He can love His grandchildren is a time more glorious than the time He can love His sons and daughters. How do you think God expressed His joy to Adam after having created him? God had to teach Adam about His parental joy, but that can be learned only when the children have their own sons and daughters. Children cannot know what parental love is like, but they do come to understand after having babies and a family. They understand that their parents loved them while raising them. Therefore, the day when your child takes a spouse is a day of glory, and the day your child has a child is a day of glory. (Blessed Family - 934)

You should know God's love. You should experience your parents' love and learn how to serve them. You should all experience conjugal love with your spouses and learn how to serve them. You should know your children's love. Do not just give orders to your children, but learn how to understand and serve them as well. Only then can you understand God's love. Without children, you are in an incomplete state. You cannot understand God's love. You cannot understand how much God loved human beings, His children. Furthermore, without being a husband, you cannot know the wife, and without being a wife, you cannot know the husband. Children do not know what parents' love is like until they become parents. So without sons and daughters, you cannot be true parents. (133-138, 1984.7.10)

Parents want their children to be married because they want to bequeath to them and completely teach them of parental love. When parents die, they leave their real selves behind with their descendants. This is why they need descendants. Love is something that continues forever. Since love is the highest human desire, everyone wants to inherit it with their arms wide open. When parents bequeath their love to their descendants, they can stand proudly before God in the spirit world. It is through the family that love becomes complete. Going to the heavenly kingdom through the family means that the realm of oneness of love has been realized. (Blessed Family - 934)

People should follow this principle. Seeds are sown in the spring; in summer, plants develop fully; and in autumn, they bear fruit. In winter, you should put things in order and carry the essence of this new seed of life deep within your heart. Only then will you have seeds to plant again when spring returns. This means that in the future you should be parents and raise sons and daughters like yourselves. (26-158, 1969.10.25)

Why do people feel sorry when they do not have sons and daughters? They

feel sorry because they cannot form a circle. When you see birds feeding their young, you can recognize the deep love of the mother bird. Western people may not know this, but in the Orient, children are liked more than adults. People show polite respect for adults, but they show the utmost love for children. You can realize how much your parents loved you when you have your own sons and daughters and raise them. (Blessed Family - 934)

Everyone should get married and have and raise their children so they can know both children's love and parental love. It seems that western people are not like this. They avoid having and raising sons and daughters. They hesitate to have children because the children may limit their freedom to marry and divorce. But when people fail to establish the fourposition foundation, they cannot go to the Kingdom of Heaven because they do not know God's heart of loving people. (Blessed Family - 934)

Section 6. Human Beings Seek the Center of Love

Human beings are born through love, grow up in parental love, and mature while broadening love horizontally. Horizontal love reaches the completion of the first stage when man and woman meet and grow together to the state where they can represent the love of heaven and earth and bear children as the fruit of that love. Children are born from the heart's core as a result of love. The child who is born from a man and woman who share love based on heart creates a path to the center of love. This center will lead them directly to God. By having children as a fruit of love, human beings come to deeply experience the love with which God created all things and human beings. By loving their children, they deeply experience the love they received from their parents and the parental heart. The love parents have been pouring into their children is not a materialistic love but an intrinsic love.

The love that parents give their children does not change even if heaven and earth change and historical ages change. By becoming a parent and loving your children, you will understand and deeply experience how God has been loving human beings. By becoming a parent and loving your children, you will feel and realize how much your parents have loved you.

This is why we revere our aged parents even more and fulfill the duties of filial piety with love. If you do not fulfill these responsibilities, you are unqualified to be parents and your love towards your children can only be considered hypocritical.

Human beings should feel and realize how much God has loved them by becoming parents themselves and loving their children. Furthermore, they will love God even more sincerely. A person should love their aged parents more than they love their children and love God more than they love their parents, knowing that this is the order and law of love. Because heaven and earth has a spherical shape, they share horizontal love and rotate, forming a circle on the first level. When they take a partner of the opposite sex and share love, they have children as the fruit and become parents. When they love each other and rotate, vertical love is realized following the horizontal love. This forms the spherical world and establishes the center of love at the same time.

The center of love that emerges through the movement created by these love relationships is also the core of existence of the entire world of creation. The earth exists because it is also moving continuously around this center of love. The center of love is where infinite force is gathered that enables continuous movement. The center that appears through the sphere of love in this manner is also a place where God dwells.

Therefore, all creation existing in the world is born and exists through God's love and moves in search for the center of God's love. God is a furnace of love. (126-245, 1983.4.24)

Section 7. Our Life Passes Through Three Ages

Human beings are born after developing in the mother's womb. They live on earth for a certain period of time, and then die. Prior to birth, the fetus spends ten months in the mother's womb where it has limited freedom. It grows by receiving nutrition from the mother through the umbilical cord. It opens and closes its hands, opens and closes its mouth, and wriggles its feet. This is all it can do. Nevertheless, for the fetus the mother's womb is a world of freedom and the whole world. After ten months the fetus is born into the contemporary earthly world, or human society. (Blessed Families and the Ideal Kingdom of Heaven - 1062)

Whyarehumanbeingsborn? They are born for the sake of love. For this reason, they are grounded in true parental love and grow in the mother's womb, which is a bosom of parents' protection and love. Children grow to maturity embraced by parental love that digests with joy all the hardships without complaint. Upon reaching maturity at about twenty years old, the child should meet their eternal love partner and be engrafted into heavenly love in which they live entirely for the sake of one another. Following this life course, this new couple should have their own sons and daughters and love them. Only when they experience the depth of God's love can the substantial realm of God's love of the object partner be completed. (143-283, 1986.3.20)

Human life can be compared to the life a fetus lives in the mother's womb. People will live a one hundred year span in the womb of the universal mother. Just as the fetus is ignorant of the world outside the mother's womb, the people living a physical life today are ignorant of the reality of the spirit world that awaits them after death. They can venture a guess. They have a vague sense that, just as they did not know about the human world while in the mother's womb, a world after death must also exist. Regardless of people's feelings or convictions concerning the world after death, the spirit world really does exist. Because the world after death cannot be perceived by our five physical senses, we must overcome the unbelievable through religious faith. (Blessed Family - 1062)

Human beings go through three ages. The animal world also has the water age, land age, and air age. Everything must go through these three ages.

For human beings to stand as the lords of creation and be qualified to rule over all things, they must be a complete life form, more complete than any other creature, in the water age and live therein. Next, they must exist in the land age and be the highest being among all creatures there. Then there has to be the air age. But human beings have no wings. How can they fly without wings? They should be able to fly higher and farther than any bird or insect. Then what do they have to do? This cannot happen when they are in a physical body. They cannot get far no matter how high they jump. However, because human beings are to be the lords of creation who have dominion and because they stand in the reciprocal position to God, a spiritual being, their stage of operation should be the same as God's. Human beings can travel faster than light that travels 300 thousand kilometers in a second. This is none other than spirit. (112-201, 1981.4.12)

We live in this world, but it is not everything. There is the spirit world.

Then what is the place we are to go to and live in? It is the eternal spirit world filled with the air of love. Our physical life is a time of preparation for life in the eternal world of spirit. (140-121, 1986.2.9)

Section 8. Earthly Life is Training to be in Rhythm with the Spirit World

I have a depth of spiritual experience. The spirit world is a place enveloped in the elements of love. On the earth, we breathe air, but in the spirit world, people live by inhaling love. The love you share in the spirit world is not secular human love but true love. (145-267, 1986.5.15)

When you go to spirit world, you will find that those who have fully loved their parents, brothers and sisters, spouse, and children - that is, those who have experienced deep love in their family life will be able to enjoy great freedom. They can go everywhere without restriction. Conversely, those in the spirit world who have no experience of love are narrow-minded; they find themselves isolated and alone, with no freedom whatsoever. The love between parents and children is a vertical relationship, the love between husband and wife is a horizontal relationship, and the love among brothers and sisters is a relationship that circles and surrounds. These three relationships differ from one another. Therefore, only when you experience deep love through these three mutually distinct interactions on earth can you circulate freely vertically, horizontally, and in a circle. Those who have not tasted parental love because their parents died early are in a rather tragic position because they are missing an important experience of love. Likewise, those who have not experienced the conjugal love relationship of husband and wife as well as love in the family, become poor people in the spirit world because they lack a crucial experience of life. Those who have no brothers and sisters will also be in a poor position in the spirit world because they lack this experience. (Blessed Family - 1062)

The reason to marry is to deeply experience parental love, conjugal love, and children's love. We need these experiences because the spirit world is filled with the air of such love. You need to have a family to train yourself to be in rhythm with the spirit world. Those who go to the spirit world without these experiences of love cannot follow the rhythm there. They will be as one without a nose to inhale such air of love. (Blessed Family -1062)

You are born from your father and mother. What is more fundamental is the fact that you are born from God by having borrowed your mother's womb. You find true parents through the universal parents and through your physical parents. Your physical parents are temporary, so the moment of your death is a time of jubilation when you go to meet the True Parents. The true love of the true parents is there. This is the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven, where the atmosphere is composed of love and filled with parental love. That love is not for me; it is a love that is in keeping with the unilateral law under the principle of service and sacrifice. In accord with this principle, you must love the universe and humankind. Your life on earth is the training ground for the development of such love. (105-108, 1979.9.30) How important is your life on earth? You only live it once. It is a short moment that only comes once. When compared to eternal life, the earthly life is but a point. It is too short a moment. At this moment, we must go beyond our physical life and make preparation for the spirit world. (207-99, 1990.11.1)

CHAPTER FIVE

The Love of Man and Woman in the Original Creation

Section 1. The Original Love of a Man and a Woman

When man and woman are in love, whether their love is in accord with God's will and the standard He requires of them is the question. Is their love in accord with the model of love in God's mind? We come to the conclusion that if the first man and woman had become one in love based on the love of God, then their love would have become the universal model of love. God must have desired such love from human beings. Likewise, man and woman must have wanted this love from each other. Such true love must be the core of the universe. It becomes the standard of measurement. (Blessed Family - 334)

God's love and human love are the same in essence. Love causes oneness. Why do a man and a woman long for each other? It is because a man can possess God only through a woman, and a woman can possess God only through a man. In other words, they long for each other because God comes and dwells where a man and a woman have become one in love. (Blessed Family - 334)

Considering that the source of the dual characteristics is God, we should

simultaneously sing praises for the noble value of God and for the dignity and value of men and women. (Blessed Family - 334)

When God's beloved woman lives in a man's heart and God's beloved man lives in a woman's heart as well, these two become his object partners, and when they love each other, God will be delighted to see this love and all things will rejoice. Heaven and earth will rejoice to see a man and woman with these values embrace. When man and woman embrace each other in mutual fondness, this mutual fondness becomes the point where the universe unifies. This is how the original image unfolds in God's ideal. (Blessed Family - 334)

Originally, a man should meet a woman with whom he can rejoice, and a woman also should meet a man with whom she can rejoice. More than this, it should be an encounter over which both God and all things of creation can rejoice. Then, all creation will be mobilized for this couple and want to be ruled by them. Birds will sing and butterflies will flutter and dance with joy. God will rejoice, people will rejoice, everything will rejoice. Had the first human ancestors started history by establishing such a position, the world would be the original, ideal world. (Blessed Family - 334)

Section 2. The Reason Men and Women Are Born

What is the original purpose of a man's birth? We cannot deny the fact that he is born for the sake of a woman. Likewise, woman is not born for her own sake. We should know that a problem will arise if a woman fails to comprehend on her own that she is born for the sake of a man. Because God, the great owner of heaven and earth, established this as a principle of creation, we cannot enter the world of goodness, truth, happiness, and peace or the world of love and ideal unless we follow this principle. (Blessed Family - 337)

A woman is born to meet a man, and a man is born to meet a woman, are they not? This is the highest truth. Therefore, we should find the realm of blessing that conforms to this principle. Deviating from this highest realm of truth constitutes the highest evil. (21-201, 1968.11.20)

Men and women are physically opposite. Whereas women are onedirectional, men are three-directional or four-directional. Women are more likely to enjoy staying at home, and men are more likely to enjoy traveling the world. The characters of men and women are opposite. How can men and women become one? They become one through love. Love unites human beings and God. (38-255, 1971.1.8)

Why is man born? He is not born for the sake of academic pursuits, money, or political power. He is born for the sake of woman. Man is born for the sake of woman. Men have larger physiques, not so they can earn a living only for themselves, but so that they can earn a living for their children and wives. Man's sexual organ and woman's sexual organ are different. For whom do they exist? They did not come into existence for their own sake. Man's sexual organ came into existence for the sake of woman. Likewise, woman's sexual organ is for the sake of man. Have you ever thought like this? This is not something to laugh about. What is the symbol of the love of man and woman? Where is the final destination of love? It is the sexual organ which makes them one body. (143-275, 1986.3.20)

The sexual organ becomes a channel through which the mind and body can completely merge through love. That which man has is not his, and that which woman has is not hers. Man has what belongs to woman, and woman has what belongs to man. Men and women are not born for their own sake. They should know clearly that they are born for the sake of their partner. Why are men and women born on earth? They are born in order to love each other. Since God is the great king of wisdom, He switched ownership of their love organs. (132-146, 1984.5.31)

A man has a sexual organ, but that does not mean that he is its owner. The same is true for woman. Those who have acted carelessly with no regard for their sexual organ's ownership will be judged. If men know that they will receive punishment under the most fearful law, would they dare think of other women instead of their own wives? Conversely, can wives think of other men instead of their own husbands? (Blessed Family -340)

Section 3. Men and Women Absolutely Need Each Other

Love is something you absolutely need, isn't it? Is that right? Human beings, a man and a woman, are an absolutely necessary element for love. Man needs woman and woman needs man. How much do they need each other? They need each other more than Korea, more than the world, and even more than God. Also, if there were no women, the entire human race would perish within a hundred years. No matter how much man boasts of unifying the world, all would be gone within one hundred years if there were no women. Therefore, women are absolutely necessary. (25-180, 1969.10.4)

When we say "human beings," we mean man and woman. When we look at a man, he has to be with a woman, and when we look at a woman, she has to be with a man. Man is not born through his own desire, nor is woman born through her own desire. Both need each other. After their birth, they discover they are either a man or a woman. (67-267, 1973.7.22)

When you were born as a man, were you born with or without the knowledge

that there are women? If a man were born and found out that there are only men, would he not feel bad? And if a woman were born and found out that there are only women, she would feel bad, wouldn't she? So when a woman is born. is she born with or without the knowledge that there are men? Although I was born without knowing it, the one who gave birth to me knew it. The reason one is born as a woman is that there is a man who needs her. Likewise, the reason I am born as a man like this is that there is a woman who needs me. Isn't that right? We are all born like this, with God's knowledge. (37-19, 1970.12.22)

Man absolutely needs woman. Man absolutely needs God, but before this he needs a partner called woman. Human history has been miserable because men have failed to correctly understand the absolute need for women. Conversely, women have not understood that they absolutely need men. Tasting true love requires a realm of ideal, and for this man needs woman and woman needs man. You should know that an absolute man and absolute woman pursuing true love are joined through their efforts of becoming one in heart. When such a man and woman are joined as one, God comes and dwells with them. (Blessed Family - 340)

God does not like to see a couple joined by true love separate; therefore, the love of an absolute man and woman is eternal. Although God is omniscient and omnipotent, God's existence absolutely has no meaning when He is alone. Similarly, no matter how handsome and healthy a man may be, these things have no meaning if he is without a woman. A man living in fascination with his own good looks and health leads an ugly existence and has no value before God. The problem is that there are many men in the world who have sunk into such narcissism and this constitutes a reason why history has moved toward tragedy. You have to know that God's providence works to change and improve the world immersed in such self-centeredness. (Blessed Family -340)

Section 4. Love Comes from One's Partner

Love cannot be realized by oneself. Where does love come from? Love does not come from me but from my spouse. Since love comes from my spouse, I must bow my head and serve her. This is where the heavenly principle of living for the sake of others originates. When something highly noble comes to me, I must honor and serve it in order to receive it. We must live the philosophy of living for the sake of others. (143-277, 1986.3.30)

When we are alone, love cannot manifest itself. Love does not appear when man is alone, but only when woman appears as his object of love. Only when the object of love appears, does love finally spring forth. (Blessed Family - 342)

We say that parental love is good and conjugal love is good because genuine

love is not something that is self-centered. Love is not something that starts from me but something that starts from my partner. You need to know this. Love comes from your husband and from your wife, and from your sons and daughters and from your brothers and sisters. Love does not start from your own self but from your spouse. Therefore, who is the owner of love? Your spouse is the owner of love. (34-331, 1970.9.20)

Where does love come from? It comes from your partner. If your partner is homely or ugly, love recedes; if your partner is nice-looking or lovely, love advances more quickly. The way in which love functions is determined according to your partner's attributes: her speech, her scent, her smell, and her taste. (Blessed Family - 342)

Where is the base of love? The base of love is not me. The word love must be used in reciprocal terms. No matter how handsome a man may be, if he has no partner, he is stuck because he cannot love alone.

The base of love is not me. "Love comes from me" are words that Satan has been using. I am not the base of love. You may think that you are the base of love, but there will be no progress in the future unless such a mindset is totally dismantled and transformed.

Until now, wives have put themselves at the center, and husbands have put themselves at the center, with both wanting to be served. This has been destroying relationships. Since the basis of love does not come from me, but from my spouse, if I am to possess that love, I must sacrifice myself for that love. Love requires patience and absolutely demands sacrifice. With this viewpoint, there is no place in the cosmos, other than on earth, where we can defeat Satan.

God is holding tightly onto love because it can be found only in accordance with the God-centered principle of love. The word compassion (*jabi*) cannot be expressed in the absence of love. The word benevolence (*in*) also cannot stand on its own. The words *jabi* and *in* are all used only in reciprocal terms. (46-35, 1971.7.18)

Section 5. Men and Women Harmonize in Love

Man symbolizes heaven and woman, earth. The two must unite and realize harmony. Men and women are different. Men's muscles are rugged and women's are smooth. Men have beards while women do not. Their voices are also different. If we compare men and women, we see their contrasting features fit together well. Harmony unfolds between them. When we look at the physical structure of human beings, their left and right sides form a correlative pair. These two halves are bound tightly together.

Ladies and gentlemen, do you like only high things or only low things? You like things that create harmony. Judging from the line formed by the horizon, fish live below and mammals, birds, and other creatures live above. Women menstruate once a month, like tidal variations based on the moon. Breathing is similar. A man and a woman establish a line of balance and create harmony. People like Disneyland, with its rides that go up and down, because Disneyland duplicates the motions of the universe.

Which do you think will be more pleasing, a man harmonizing with another man or a man harmonizing with a woman? A man harmonizing with a woman is better because that reflects the harmony of the universe. We should live in step with the beat of the universe, the universe that promotes harmony through the harmony of yin and yang. (Blessed Family - 344)

When man and woman create harmony, they initiate circular movement. When man and woman become one body through love and bear the fruits of love, God comes down and they go up and they meet in the middle. God becomes the center of this sphere, and spherical movement begins. The center of the sphere is the place where harmony of love is realized. It is the place where life emerges and moves, and it is the starting point of human equality and communal philosophy. This is so because the power of love is there. Thus, the force that embraces all interactions of the universe is love. (Blessed Family - 344)

For human beings love is eternal. It is one and never divided. Once a man and a woman are joined in love they are to live together for a lifetime and then eternally even after death. They are two bodies that become one body by uniting and revolving together. When the two bodies become one, they revolve as God does and form a four-position foundation of love, the expression of the ideal world of love. Only true love dwells there and false love cannot invade. When man and woman become blessed by God and achieve perfection, God comes to them freely. When they form a four-position foundation of love, they will come to love each other's mind through each other's body, and when they come to love the mind their body will follow. (Blessed Family - 344)

Section 6. Original Human Beings Are Enraptured with True Love

What is the holiest thing in the world? True love is the holiest thing in world. True love originates with God. If God exists, there is no other way than the way of true love. God truly desires the way of true love, and without traversing the way of true love, we cannot go before God. We have to know this point.

God wants to see, hear, eat, and touch through love. As for human beings, if they receive a kiss of love from God, their joy will make them feel as if they are going to explode from inside. This is where God's desire lies. God does not rejoice because He has diamonds or jewelry. (Blessed Family - 380)

The human body has five senses and every human being feels and confirms true love through the sensations of the five senses. If the eyes are directed toward true love, they will be colored by and intoxicated with true love. How beautifully those colorful, intoxicated eyes will shine! Think about how enchanting the smiling lips of a person immersed in true love are. Try to imagine the intense beauty of the five senses moving in intoxication with true love and the harmony of the five senses moving toward God.

Alone, God cannot experience the joy of such beauty. He can experience such beauty only when He has a partner, and this is the reason God created human beings. How would God feel as He observed a beautiful man and woman absorbed into one another through true love-intoxicated eyes, or kissing with true love-intoxicated lips, and playing the melody of a heart of true love? If there is an Eve of true love, God would want to completely traverse her world of heart. God would have an impulsive desire to explore the breadth and depth of this beautiful Eve's world of heart.

God would want to traverse both Adam's and Eve's world of heart, a world more beautiful than the created heaven and earth. It is certain that God would rather travel within the world of the heart of a person of true love than the universe. God would never want to leave Adam's and Eve's world of heart and true love. If, after God created human beings, He fell into their true love and became a child lost in that love, what kind of world would we have? Since God would dwell in their midst, the world formed by God and human beings becoming one would be a world filled with joy and beauty. (Blessed Family - 380)

If the true love of God had been perfected, the God of responsiveness would have no regrets at being totally absorbed by true love. God's nature is such that He would be totally happy with anything that happened within the realm of true love. If human beings were to live in this world of true love, they would live a happy life free from regret. Moreover, this world would be without war and free of complaint and misfortune. (Blessed Family - 380)

Section 7. Love Is Realized in a Completely Natural Setting

This is a story from my youth. One day, I caught a pair of birds and tried to make them kiss each other's beaks. To see them kiss I put them in a cage, fed them, and watched them. I did it out of a child's desire to see them love each other and sing happily together. This was an experiment, out of curiosity, to understand the principles of nature. I continued this experiment, which I now understand to have been quite naughty. It was only after a long while that I finally understood that love is realized only in a natural setting. Sincere love is realized naturally, in an atmosphere that is natural to the highest degree. Through a long journey of experiments I came to the correct understanding of love. (Blessed Family - 353)

When someone loses love, will having a university education help him to regain love? He will only accumulate knowledge, become individualistic, and come to worship materialism. Just as Korean bean soup tastes right only when it is served in a thick Korean bowl, character training can reach its purpose only when it is based on love.

The flower of world civilization should blossom on the basis of artistic harmony. In this sense, roasted ribs should be served on a heavy platter and Korean bean paste soup should be served in a thick, Korean earthenware bowl to bring out their proper tastes. Once you have become used to the rough, deep, and refreshing taste of Korean bean paste soup, you will never forget it no matter where you may go.

Likewise, once people have become used to the earthy, deep, relaxing taste of love, they will not change. Just as one easily tires of instant foods that are usually heavily sweetened, if one could obtain love easily and anywhere like instant food, we would be unable to call it true love. (Blessed Family - 353)

There are people everywhere today who taste love as if they were eating instant food. This is the problem.

Love does not deepen because you bathe in a fragrant bath. I would say that the love of a couple living in the countryside that washes themselves in cold water before going to bed is purer, longer lasting, and ever deepening. A couple that has to brush their teeth before kissing is not experiencing natural love. The toothpaste smell will prevent them from tasting the unique smell of the other. When I look at people who brush their teeth before kissing, I don't know whether they are trying to taste love or taste toothpaste. (Blessed Family - 353)

When you meet with someone you like and love, you want to embrace and kiss that person. This is a natural instinct between the sexes. You can think you are meeting your partner in order to love your surroundings – the universe. Finding a partner and establishing a relationship is a natural human behavior.

When man relates to woman and woman relates to man under the ideal of partnership, there will be no acts or incidents that violate the order of love. The true order of love emerges only when man and woman meet on the basis of the ideal of partnership. (Blessed Family - 353)

CHAPTER SIX

Transformation during Young Adulthood, and True Marriage

Section 1. The Significance of Marriage

We might say that marriage is a ceremony that allows us to open the door of the palace of happiness and enter in. Therefore, marriage is a great event for humankind. Love transcends time and space and is the greatest thing for humankind. Marriage is the ceremony that reveals and confirms this greatest love. (Blessed Family - 356)

Why do we refer to the marriage ceremony by saying, "receive the Blessing?" According to the Principle, if Adam and Eve had not fallen and had become mature, they would have stood in the position to receive the Blessing. In other words, if God becomes a subject partner, Adam and Eve become His substantial object partners.

We know the Blessing is realized as we perfect our individual character and get married on the foundation that can connect God as the subject partner of love to the love of the object partner. After all, maturity leads to marriage, and marriage leads to the appearance of God's love. If there were no marriage, then love would not have started in the human world. Who is the owner of that love? We should realize that the owner is not a human being but God. When God's love appears among us, it becomes God's joy and pride, and we experience this as God's love.

Love cannot be realized alone; it is only realized through a reciprocal relationship. Therefore, a man cannot realize love by himself alone. The same can be said of a woman. When Adam and Eve finally unite through love, they can receive God's love. From this viewpoint, we can understand that we human beings are born from God. (76-40, 1975.1.26)

Since all the principles of heaven and earth are based on the relationship of subject partner and object partner, a man and woman getting married is also a principle of heaven and earth. If a man is the right side, a woman is the left side. This is for the sake of forming a horizontal relationship in the universe, and also for the sake of forming a vertical relationship with God because the man is the subject partner and the woman is his object partner. Therefore, marriage is neither for the man alone nor for the woman alone. It is for the sake of being in accord with heavenly law. Therefore, men and women have different forms. They are born in such a way that they can be in accord with the heavenly law. (101-38, 1978.10.28)

Marriage is a relationship where two partners have give and take in a reciprocal position where they can console each other in times of loneliness, rejoice together in times of happiness, and help each other in times of difficulty. They unite so they can live on the basis of God's love while moving towards God. This is the life of marriage. God created men and women on earth rather than in heaven to realize God's love horizontally. In other words, when man and woman form a relationship and become one horizontally, their love can make a vertical relationship of love with God, the subject partner. This is extremely important. (Blessed Family - 356)

Section 2. The Reason for Marriage

A man is born to find a woman, and a woman is born to find a man. A man and a woman are born to become one and come in contact with God's love, which is at a higher level. They cannot come into contact with this love alone. Even if they were to contact it alone, it would be one-sided. They cannot come into contact with three-dimensional and spherical love. This is why a man and woman get married: to jump to a higher level, three-dimensional realm of love.

In the original world, the more closely united a man and woman become, a great center emerges as that force acts and forms a sphere. The more they are connected horizontally, the more the original source of love within the vertical power becomes connected with them. This is where the mind and body become one. (109-273, 1980.11.2)

Why do we get married? Marriage allows us to go to the Kingdom of Heaven. Without marrying, we cannot go to the Kingdom of Heaven. So we have to get married in order to be qualified to go to the heavenly kingdom. What is the qualification to go to the heavenly kingdom? It is to resemble God.

What do we have to do to resemble God? We have to be people who practice God's word. We will pass if we can make God's love my love, and make God's word my word. This is why I am saying to the world on behalf of God, "Humankind, you have to go to the Kingdom of Heaven!" Next, we will pass if we can say, "In order to go to the heavenly kingdom, I will love humankind like God and take them there with me."

We can conclude that we are people on the heavenly side and candidates to go to the Kingdom of Heaven. On the day we become like this, we will have the qualification to get married. Now, why do we get married? The answer is in order to go to the Kingdom of Heaven and for the sake of humankind.

A man should know that the woman standing in front of him is God's daughter and humankind's daughter. If you can love her as a woman who is loved by humankind and love her as God's beloved daughter, you are qualified to be her husband. But otherwise you are not. Women are the opposite. Do not think, "He is my man." Before saying that he is your man, think of him as God's son and a man representing the masculinity of humankind. You will pass if you are a woman who can love him more than humankind does and more than God does.

When you marry, you should think that as a man you will be the right foot and as a woman you will be the left foot, taking steps through the family to live for the sake of humankind and God. (88-316, 1976. 10.3)

The purpose of marriage is to unite the hearts of a man and a woman and to perfect the love of a man and a woman. Marriage is a declaration of the intention to show you can do this. If you have achieved perfection of love and perfection of heart through married life, then you have realized the ideal of the family. So you will surely go to the heavenly kingdom if you have succeeded in this by the time of your death. (Blessed Family - 358)

Section 3. The True View of Marriage

Originally, if a family based on God's love had been formed, this would have been the realm of perfection, the original ideal that was supposed to be realized without the Fall in the Garden of Eden. For this to happen, Adam and Eve would have had to totally unite mind and body, completely mature vertically, and realize, as a bride and bridegroom, the realm of partnership that brings joy to God and thus receive God's blessing.

Why do you love your children? It is because you have received God's great work of creation horizontally and in the physical realm and you want to feel the joy that God felt after creating Adam and Eve. Next, as God had dominion over all things of heaven and earth, He gave us the dominion to have us rule over all things, even though we are in the horizontal position. The world where we can stay in the position of maintaining order while holding onto that authority is the ideal Kingdom of Heaven.

Therefore, at the time of marriage, we come to inherit God's love and receive the authority of re-creation and dominion while standing in the realm of perfection. So marriage refers to the appearance of love and the endowment of the authority of creation and dominion. (76-45, 1975.1.26)

In our view, marriage is the seat cushion of the universe. Do you know the seat cushion of the universe? What is the best silk in the universe? Is it brocade? Rather than spend your newlywed life on a simple mattress, imagine that you will spread a mattress of universal brocade and make love on it. This is a moment when you determine ownership in your life with respect to love. You can say, "Ah, the possession of love has arrived in my own generation, and the possession of the being called woman has been determined."

What is woman? She is half the universe, and if you catch her, the universe will hang on to you. Think about this.

On the other hand, why should a woman be married? She gets married in order to attach herself to a man so that the two halves, each being 180 degrees, can unite and create a sphere of dominion comparable to the value of the universe. Considering these things, the philosophy of the Unification Church is truly splendid. (Blessed Family - 361)

You should have a creed that you get married not for your own sake but for the sake of your partner. It is wrong to expect to receive a talented person or a pretty person for your spouse. Once human beings understand the principle of living for the sake of others, they should embrace the idea that they will also get married for the sake of their partners. By our marriage standards, a husband should have the conviction that no matter how dull his partner may be, he will love her more than a beauty. (Blessed Family - 361)

Unless you decide that you will love your partner like God, like humankind, and more than anyone else in the world, you cannot be restored to the heavenly kingdom. If you, as a man, do not know how to love a woman, you cannot love God and humankind. (97-319, 1978.4.1)

You get married for the sake of humankind. It is for the sake of the common benefit of humankind. It is something that represents the world. The man is a man representing the world and the woman is a woman representing the world. (75-278, 1975.1.12)

Section 4. What Kind of Time is Young Adulthood?

Ladies and gentlemen, in young adulthood, a young man feels as if he were a prince of heaven and earth. It is a time when one thinks of everything by turning it upside down self-centeredly. Since young adulthood is a period of rebellion, young people can, without recognizing it, take a dangerous path at any time. This is why the problem of youth today has become a global problem.

In young adulthood, only things that center on you interest you. If something has a relationship with you, you are excited about it, no matter how insignificant it is. When you look at ladies around the age of twenty, they giggle for no reason. They laugh when they see a ripe persimmon drop from a leafless persimmon tree in the autumn.

There is a mysterious connection: everything is related to them, arousing the highest emotion. Hence, young adulthood is a turning point when you can come in contact with everything and make a connection with it. Why is that so? It is because it is based on God's original nature of creation, which seeks to completely – 100 percent – unite a man and a woman through God's love. (33-332, 1970.8.23)

No matter how pretty a lady may be, she has her young adulthood only once. At that time, she is the best of all flowers, and it is the most precious time of her life. Nevertheless, are there women who say, "I will live alone?" They are not women.

Also, among men, are there some with fine bodies who yet say that they will live by themselves at this great pinnacle of youth? In such times, they will surely come to look for their partner. They are like this, and who do they resemble? They resemble God. Could we find such a person if God were not like this? God is like that. It is the same for men and women – in the heart of their youth, which is the most precious time of their life, they go out looking for their partner. (32-248, 1970.7.19)

The most flowery time, the period of young adulthood when the flower is in full bloom, follows puberty. This is the seven years between the ages of eighteen and twenty four. These seven years frame a period when the beautiful flower of love blossoms and they are never repeated. How precious, then, is this beautiful period, which comes only once in your life?

Ladies and gentlemen, you know the peony, don't you? It buds with a very distinctive yellow flower. How many layers do you think one has? The petals are wrapped up tightly. Can you undo one? It is wrapped up tightly so it cannot be easily harmed. The same is true for men and women. When will you bring to full blossom your crimson love, the bud of love that is like peony flower? It is in this period that beauty, within the harmony of heaven and earth, reveals itself best. For human beings, it is the time of blossoming to the highest degree. It is a period to become the superb work of God and shine as His greatest expression.

The most flowery and beautiful time in one's development is the time of youth. Your looks in your youth are like the greatest flowers. A person who can love this period to the fullest will be invited to God's living room. A man and a woman who practice this kind of love can receive God's blessing and be invited into God's living room. If you men understand this, you should prepare accordingly. (26-151, 1969.10.25)

Section 5. What Causes the Transformation in Adolescence?

Children have vague dreams and just want to grow up healthy. As they enter youth and physical changes start to occur, their interest in the opposite sex heightens and their eyes sparkle with curiosity and beauty. They wear fashionable clothes and show off their style and become absorbed in beautifying and polishing their faces. If you look at a young woman's lips, you can see if she is at this age.

When women enter puberty, they begin to menstruate and undergo many physical changes. Their buttocks get bigger, their breasts bulge out, their lips become red, and sometimes their eyes twinkle mysteriously. Why and for whom do these changes in women come? Women's physical changes are for the sake of going round and round on a path they previously traveled in a straight line. They are changes for starting a movement that can go round

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and round. There is no harmony in the straight path. If you go back and forth along a straight path, things become exhausted and nothing remains. If you go up and down the straight path, you will only destroy the environment and undermine the harmony of the environment.

For the sake of the harmony and preservation of the environment, we need to move in a circular motion. So everyone must go around. In going around, you cannot go around alone, so you should revolve around your partner as the center. You can turn only when you collide with a partner. If you collide with a partner, a reaction occurs automatically and initiates a revolving movement. This is a principle of heaven and earth.

Therefore, the physical changes in women arise so they may meet a partner and go around. Their collision generates the force for going around. I say that women apply cosmetics and beautify themselves not for their sake but for the sake of others. (Blessed Family - 366)

Observe a beautifully dressed woman when she is looking at a man and you will see that her eyes are particularly bright. I say this is a natural outcome because she enhances her beauty and cultivates herself in order to find a partner. She goes around anxiously searching for a nice man, an ideal man. (Blessed Family - 366)

When a young man and woman in their young adulthood meet and talk, their hearts leap, right? Do they leap or not? You don't know? If I say they leap, will you say they leap? They leap. See. You get excited, right? If you get excited, some physiological change comes to your heart. So if the mind is not attentive to God but stands on the opposite side, it becomes evil. Who is your mind centered on? It is God. Love enables you to go up to the place where the God-centered mind and heart become one. Do you understand this? Human beings must have an ideal and hope centered on love because they have to live life in this position. Also, that which shines in the final place is love. (26-158, 1969.10.25)

Section 6. First Love in Young Adulthood

Adolescents' minds and bodies receive impulses to search for love. They go around as they please, without listening to their parents. The eyes of the mind and eyes of the body move as one. With noses of love, they come to like even smells they never liked before. With mouths of love, they come to like even the tastes they never liked before. They want to listen to stories of love, even staying up all night.

The more they touch their partner of love, the more desire they have to touch that partner. From the young adulthood, young people become wrapped up in feelings of love; their eyes become strange and they try to see everything in a favorable light. When your mind and body become one and shoot a gun of love, a bullet of love enters into the heart of your partner. Those who want such love of a man and such love of a woman, raise your hands. There is nothing love cannot digest. It can savor everything you eat and digest everything.

If someone has sincere love, even if he is a very ugly man, he will look handsome. Love is an amazing thing. Thus, whether you are a man or a woman, whether you are bright and goodlooking or dull and bad-looking, you can never forget the first love of youth. (Blessed Family - 373)

If a girl who has a life-and-death love for someone is forced by her parents to marry another man, do you think she will be happy or miserable for the rest of her life? In her eyes, the man of her first love looks as lovely as a flower, even if he has a twisted nose and ugly eyes. Even if the man chosen by her parents is someone everybody can praise in terms of looks, education, and so on, and the man she used to love is dull and ugly, she still hears the whispering in her heart for the man of her first love.

The first love occupies everything. Who is the subject partner of love? It is God. Since the subject partner of love is God, there is no one you can love but God. Originally, you were supposed to have your first love with God. But the failure to do so is the Fall. Whom did Eve love? She loved the archangel. She was supposed to love with joy, but she loved while frowning and weeping. (Blessed Family - 361)

Ladies and gentlemen, do you think at the time of the Fall, Eve said, "Oh, great! I have eaten the fruit and it is so delicious?" How do you think Eve felt when she was being raped by the archangel? She fell into the archangel's seduction while experiencing the pangs of conscience and hating it. She should have loved as a flower enjoys spring, with all of her cells filled with joy, but instead she experienced love frowning, with her cells shrinking and her heart dying.

If she had not fallen, whom would she have loved as her first love? She would have had her first love with God. The first love Adam and Eve were to have had with God would have contained all the forms of first love. The parental love as the first love, the conjugal love as the first love, and the children's love as the first love – all these would have attached firmly to God at the root.

These loves would not have had to go through various stages of restoration, such as individual and family restoration, over a long historical course as in your case; they are loves that would have all bonded simultaneously. Within the first love of God, all other loves – parental, conjugal, and children's love – would have bonded together all at once. (Blessed Family - 373)

Section 7. The Best Time of Marriage – When is Love Connected?

The omniscient and omnipotent God created for human beings a time when they can blossom with brilliance, and I would say this is the time of youth. God created them in such a way that they can cultivate their happiness in the time of youth in love. To the existing human world pursuing this ideal, God gave the Blessing called marriage as a gate through which a man and a woman can become happy in the glamorous time of youth.

No created being has value in its existence aside from the ideal of reciprocity. Thus, for human beings, it is completely natural to receive the Blessing and get married after having grown up. (Blessed Family - 366)

When is love connected? When does the force of love start pushing you together? Men and women enter this state in adolescence, when their organs become 100 percent mature. Everything is at a standstill. It enters a state of saturation.

Movement, without doubt, follows a path to a state of saturation. After reaching that point, it either stops or turns. It stops after entering such a state of saturation. The stage before entering the state of saturation is puberty. Puberty is a time when your organs are vibrant in the process of the growth of your body. In comparison to a balloon, it is like going from the state of being flat with no air, to the point of being full of air, and then to a taut state immediately preceding explosion. A slight bit more air and the balloon pops.

What is this explosion? How great will it be if it is an explosion triggered by the perfection of love? Young adults, at about age eighteen, become tight like a stretched rubber band. They go to the position right before explosion and from there can nicely roll forward into eternity. (110-80, 1980.11.9)

The spirit and body can become completely one when the original love is present within. Even in the fallen world, puberty refers to a time when the spirit and the cells of the body become one and can stand on a balanced line. The cells of spirit and body during puberty open all doors and welcome things with joy. Young people with a relationship with God will gaze upon the human world filled with joy and happiness as they reach puberty. (Blessed Family - 366)

But if they jump into love in a rush to experience it based on feeling happy or because they are intoxicated with the intriguing feelings of love, they can create a major problem. The door of love opens only when the time comes, and you have to wait until the door opens before entering it. You should open it proudly after you become an owner of love. (Blessed Family - 366)

When do you consider the optimum age for marriage? I would say the best time for marriage is when your mind and body are most vibrant and strong. As youth passes, vigor ebbs, and finding a partner becomes more difficult, even with a pure heart of love. (Blessed Family - 366)

Is there a place where perfect people, that is, a perfect man and woman, come to be? It is a place where they can receive God's love centered on the public will of heaven and attend God as the subject partner after completely uniting their mind and body. When they come to such a place, they will stand in the position of perfected Adam and Eve. When such people form a family and make a start, this is a historic start. This is the beginning of a historic life course. (26-160, 1969.10.25)

Section 8. Love of a United Mind and Body

Ladies and gentlemen, do you know about the three points? The point where the three points become one is the place where God, Adam and Eve become one. The place where God can be one with Adam and Eve is the place where their mind and body become one. (26-158, 1969.10.25)

Man's mind and body exist in the relationship of subject and object partners, and the mind and body generate the force of existence through their vertical and horizontal interactions.

A woman's force of existence is maintained because her mind and body have vertical and horizontal relationships. Men and women all exist within reciprocal vertical and horizontal relationships and this force is love. Only love can forge an ideal relationship of mind and body eternally. (Blessed Family - 376)

The five senses of the mind and the five senses of the body of even a poor farmer in the countryside will completely merge and allow him to taste an indescribable joy when the passion of love swells up and burns in his mind and body.

If you have a point of settlement where God's love can come and dwell in you, when God's heart makes a wave, your heart will also make a wave once, like the swinging pendulum of a clock. In this way, you will turn around together with God. Once you begin turning, you will keep turning around and around again. The centrifugal force becomes greater and greater and demands that you love your family, your society, your nation, and the world. (Blessed Family - 376)

When your mind and body become one and the time approaches when the gate of love can open, your mind will resonate with the universe, and you can sometimes become a poet or novelist.

Because you express a quality that makes love beautiful and happy, you can write poems or novels with a theme of love. With the eyes of love open, the mind and body acquire a desire to make a three-dimensional relationship in the universe. Thus, we smile when we perceive the workings of nature in the falling autumn leaves or experience becoming one with a flower out of a desire to compete in beauty with the flowers blossoming on a hillside in spring. (Blessed Family - 376)

Why do men and women like love? The human body consists of trillions of cells, and the time when these cells move as a whole is when one is in love. You should know that the time when all the cells of the human body move together is the time when a man and a woman are in love. (Blessed Family - 376)

When mind and body become one and shed tears of longing, the bones cry. It is the same in the case of animals. What happens when a female cow is in heat? It forgets eating. At that time, its entire nervous system makes it want only one thing. Likewise, when you love and long for each other with your mind and body as one, there will be no cell in your body that does not move. All cells will lose a sense of individual direction and focus on one point. If you meet your partner this way, you will explode. The power of that explosion becomes an incredible force. What are we trying to do when we love like this? We are trying to resemble God. We are trying to go to the place where we can participate in what God desires. In other words, we are trying to feel what God likes, together with God. (Blessed Family - 376)

CHAPTER SEVEN

The Love of a True Husband and a True Wife

Section 1. The Original Relationship of Husband and Wife

God exists in the dual characteristics of plus and minus. When this is manifested as a plus, it is Adam, and when it is manifested as a minus, it is Eve. (32-238, 1970.7.19)

The one son and one daughter are a son and daughter who have appeared as substantial object partners of the invisible God. As substantial object partners, the man represents God's plus characteristics, and the woman represents God's minus characteristics.

According to the principle of creation, the internal nature of God is divided into two characteristics. God harmonizes the two characteristics, and re-unites them in a form that resembles His original internal nature.

Man and woman each resemble one characteristic of God when they are born. Hence, the union of one son and one daughter is the unification of God's plus and minus characteristics. In other words, they become a harmonious being like God. For this reason, the two people, that is, the husband and the wife, are a union that represents the whole of God. The man becomes an incarnation of the true father's body by representing God's plus characteristics, and the woman becomes an incarnation of the true mother's body by representing the minus characteristics. Each man or woman is also a representative of God. When a husband and wife become one through love, this is like embracing heaven and earth.

This is an encounter on the universal level. Since the husband represents all men, he is a representative of the father and a representative of the elder brother at the same time as he is the husband; and since the wife represents all women, she is a representative of the mother and a representative of the elder sister at the same time as she is the wife. Thus, they cannot but love and respect each other. (9-83, 1960.4.16)

The man is the yang (plus) image of God, and the woman the yin (minus) image of God. The husband and wife together would be like wrapping heaven and earth in a wrapping cloth. Therefore, the husband and wife can feel God's ideal heart of love. (13-67, 1963.10.17)

The man symbolizes heaven, and the woman symbolizes earth. The two must

unite, forming harmony and parallel lines. (Blessed Family - 868)

The relationship that is called husband and wife is not limited to itself. You should know that it represents heaven and earth. (Blessed Family - 970)

The perfection of the love between a man and a woman is the perfection of the universe. If this love were to be shattered, the order of the universe would be destroyed and the vertical world would be utterly demolished. The loving embrace of a man and a woman itself serves as an occasion where the universe becomes one. This is how the original image is realized in God's ideal. (Blessed Family - 868)

It is because of love that human beings are born as men or women. Love can bear fruit when a man and woman become a husband and wife, thus becoming one. Since men and women are substantial manifestations of God's love through dual characteristics, the separate substantial manifestations must find God's love in order to unite as one.

If they hope to encounter God's love, the man and woman must become one in love. Otherwise, they cannot encounter God's love. By encountering God's love, we live on a level equal to God. This equal level means a position where we can stand next to God. (144-132, 1986.4.12)

When a husband and wife become one in God's love on the foundation of becoming completely one in love, they can advance all the way to God's position. As well as going up to God's position, all that God owns comes to be my possession. The power of God's love is so amazing. God allows them the authority of participation, and at the same time they come to inherit the entire ownership of God. (144-132, 1986.4.12)

Adam's desire was to dominate heaven and earth. The value of husband and wife, which Adam embraced and loved, represented the central value of the world. (64-84, 1972.10.24)

We should clearly realize how holy and valuable the love is that emerges from the people created by God and who were untainted by the Fall, that is: original man and woman. (145-267, 1986.5.15)

Section 2. The Reason We Need Conjugal Love

What kind of place do you think the Kingdom of Heaven is? In short, we can say that the Kingdom of Heaven is a place entered and inhabited by perfected people. If the Kingdom of Heaven is a place inhabited by perfected people, who have true love, then what kind of people would those with true love be? Human beings are either men or women. When we consider how the perfection of God's ideal love can be realized on earth, we reach the conclusion that it cannot be realized apart from men and women. God's love cannot be completed without perfected men and women who possess the ownership of love. (145-266, 1986.5.15)

True families must realize a family Kingdom of Heaven. The realization of a family Kingdom of Heaven will surely lead to the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth. Why is that so? If you want to be stimulated in your current position by the real feeling of the Kingdom of Heaven of the future, you absolutely need a partner, and as you receive that stimulation in your family through your partner, you can deeply learn the ideal of the future heavenly kingdom in what you feel in your daily life today.

The husband and wife need each other in order to deeply learn this. This stimulation will enable the husband and wife to live eternally. Progress cannot move forward without stimulation.

Conjugal love provides stimulation to build the ideal Kingdom of Heaven. In other words, conjugal love pulls the future joy into the realm of the present, gives stimulation, supplies the driving force, and brings them to that place.

That love contains the love for the nation, love for the world, and God's love. Thus, that love can pass freely anywhere. After all, only a husband and wife who love each other are able to enter the Kingdom of Heaven.

This is why a married couple that loves each other on this earth with such a philosophy is always living in the heavenly kingdom. Jesus said that the Kingdom of Heaven is in your mind, didn't he? But today the Unification Church says, "The Kingdom of Heaven is in your family." If the Kingdom of Heaven is not realized in the family, the purpose of the Unification Church will not be fulfilled. But if it can be realized, that purpose will be fulfilled. From this point of view, you should find and walk the right path centering on the Principle. (37-7, 1970.12.22)

In the future, in order to realize the Kingdom of Heaven, just as a husband and wife love each other, a married man should be able to love all the women of the world with a heart with which he loves his own wife. You should think this way: "I have selected my wife as a representative partner from among all the women of the world." Likewise, towards her husband, a woman should think of him not just as a husband, but also as a husband who has been selected as a representative from among all the men of the world. (Blessed Family - 869)

Everyone, let me explain how women should behave. While loving one man, a woman should love him not only as one person, but also as a man representing all the men of the world. That man represents the father, the elder brother, and the husband.

What does this mean? A woman should think of her husband as her father, her grandfather, as well as her elder brother and younger brother.

Through such a connection, a woman should be able to love her father, her grandfather, her elder brother, and younger brother. Only such women can have a partner. If you were to like only your husband and dislike your father, grandfather, elder brother, younger brother, and everyone else, this would violate God's commitment to the greater good. Therefore, what should you do? You should carry a heart that can love all men of the world, and have an outlook that your husband, as their representative, whom you embrace and love, is a man who is like a fruit of all these relations. If you have a heart that can love your partner as your parents, your elder brother, and younger brother, by transcending all nations and borders, you can be regarded as God's son or daughter. This is the philosophy of the Unification Church. (83-219, 1976.2.8)

Section 3. An Ideal Conjugal Relationship

A true husband is a person who says, "Since I am born for your sake, I will live for you and die for you." It is the same with a true wife. If such a couple has a family where they are well suited to each other and live for each other's sake, going beyond their own selves, this family will inevitably become an ideal family, a family of happiness, and a family of peace. (77-106.1975.4.1)

No matter how capable and talented a man may be, the motivation of his birth does not lie in himself, because he is born for the sake of a woman. Without women, can men be born? Conversely, even if a woman puts on beautiful cosmetics and boasts of being an actress in America, she is not born for her own sake.

Hence, a man should have broad shoulders and a woman should have

broad hips so that they can fit together well. Therefore, where are the ideal husband and wife of true love? An ideal husband and wife appear when they serve each other, rather than their own selves, and when such hearts converge into one.

This is an absolute fact. According to the Principle, if we ask where can we find ideal people or happy and good people, we cannot find them in a place where people try to live for their own sake, but in a place where they try to live for the sake of others.

The husband should be able to give his life for his wife, and the wife should be able to give her life for her husband. Since such a couple will be connected to the realm of God's love and receive direct protection, they won't fall. (Blessed Family - 880)

When a man loves his wife, he should love her more than any other man in the world loves her. Also, when a woman loves her husband, she should love him more than any other woman in the world loves him. This is an ethics of love to be followed by a husband and wife who have realized a true family. (Blessed Family - 964)

True parents live and die for the sake of their children. This is because love is established there. Likewise, a wife and husband of true love, a happy wife and husband, can appear only when they live for each other's sake and become one in love. This is an ideal married couple. (Blessed Family - 880) A bride and bridegroom should not become one through money, political power, or honor, but through God's original love. (Blessed Family - 880)

In conjugal relationships of the secular world, the wife receives energy from her husband when he makes money. She receives energy when she sees the money that he has made, and he receives energy when he sees her receiving energy. Yet if no more money is coming in, they become anxious and their married relationship may even break down. A true married couple should become one in love centering on God. (Blessed Family - 880)

They should make gradual progress in their love. Through the wife loving her husband and the husband loving his wife, a couple should create a family that loves God. (Blessed Family - 880)

People should love their spouse as God's representative. If they love each other from a humanistic viewpoint, their shortcomings will be revealed and eventually they might even seek a divorce. (Blessed Family - 880)

I have heard that nowadays when brides on Cheju Island receive crop fields at the time of their marriage, they register the fields under their own name, so that they can claim their ownership in case they divorce their husband. This is quite a strange couple, isn't it? These brides distinguish between their own money and their husband's money, and also when they have money in their hand, they claim crisp bills as their own and the wrinkled up bills as the man's... This is not love.

They should open up the money purse and use the money. When one asks, "What happened to the money?" the other says, "I have used it." Whereupon the one responds, "You have put it to a good use. Use more; that's good." This is how it should be. But if you say in anger, with quivering lips, "Oh no, you have spent more money!" then you are in error. You will be happy when you are able to give without limit, and able to give and take at any time as you please, whether in a deep place, in a low place, whether by night or by day. Hence, you will be miserable if you are unable to give even if you want to give, and unable to receive even if you want to receive. (Blessed Family - 880)

Section 4. Even God is Enraptured in the Love of a True Couple

Each one of us, as an individual, has a mind and body in mutual conflict, and thus we should unite our body with our mind as the center, preparing a foundation of reciprocity in our mind, where God can come and dwell.

When such a man and woman receive the Blessing, sharing perfect love and delighting in joy, in God's eyes this is like a flower that has blossomed on earth. Moreover, all the forms of harmony that unfold through their love are like a fragrance to God. God comes to them because He wants to live amid such beautiful flowers and fragrance. The foundation upon which God's love can come is none other than the place of conjugal love. This is the place where all things and the universe harmonize. It is the Unification Church and its teaching that explains such ideas and the path to follow. (Blessed Family - 887)

What melody does God like most? It is the sound of the laughter of an eternal married couple that like each other and rejoice. When such a couple can understand and embrace the world and live a life with a heart that can take in the entire universe, their laughter becomes natural. Isn't the beautiful sight of such a man and a woman before God like a flower to Him? This is not a simple ideal or abstraction. I am only talking about the original world. (Blessed Family - 887)

Looking at a mountain, a husband and wife may ask for whom the mountain has come into being, and also while thinking about the whole universe, they ask for whom has this universe been made? Then, they answer by saying that it is for me, and at the same time for you. This is what a married couple is like.

Fulfilling the purpose of the birth of this universe and valuing the central purpose is the way through which a husband and wife can unite. The husband and wife talk to each other centering on heart, personal character, and love. The husband and wife go the same way. Even if a lady is a country bumpkin, what will happen if she marries a government minister? They go the same way. Although that country lady may only have an elementary school diploma, everyone will have to bow their heads to her as she is a minister's wife.

This is how a husband and wife go together. Between a husband and wife, is there a separate love for him, and a separate love for her? For them, love is both your love and my love at the same time. It is your love and my love. (Blessed Family - 887)

True love is that with which you love with your entire bodies as one, and with your whole hearts and blood vessels as one. Who are the people who can love like this? It is a husband and wife. If there were no husbands and wives in the world, would life have any appeal? (26-151, 1969.10.25)

When you look at the conversation of a loving couple, their words are more beautiful than any poem or painting in the world. Moreover, how beautiful and splendid are the words, "just between two people in love," and "just by ourselves," and "just the two of us"! (Blessed Family - 887)

These are all good, but what do you think is the best among them? There is no one but your partner. If I call my partner and say, "Hello!" she will answer in a corresponding manner, saying "Hi!" and if I call her saying, "Hey," she will answer saying, "What?"

If the husband calls his beloved wife, saying affectionately, "Honey!" she will answer affectionately, saying, "Hello, dear!" But if he speaks to her bluntly, she will answer in like manner, saying, "What's the matter?" Just like the mountain echo, everything is reciprocal. (37-11, 1970.12.22)

When you look at the laughter of people intoxicated with love, they are also reciprocal. When a man laughs, he opens his eyes even bigger, and when a woman laughs, she gently closes her eyes. If the husband's eyes get bigger and bigger, and the wife's eyes get smaller and smaller, we can say that they are a happy couple intoxicated with love. (Blessed Family - 887)

Section 5. The More a Husband and Wife See Each Other, the More They Want to See Each Other

When do a man and woman feel happy? We can say they feel happy when they become partners and share love. If a man were to relate to a woman by swinging his fist or using physical force, this couple would never be able to attain happiness.

When the man embraces and protects the woman with his strength and loves her, she will be able to feel true happiness. The love between a man and woman does not work just with strength or just within the mind. The woman will be able to experience a real feeling of happiness when the man confirms his loving heart with his strength, and when she returns love to him with her body and mind. They will be a truly happy husband and wife. (Blessed Family - 887) A person always needs stimulation. Happiness does not come without stimulation. So stimulation is necessary. Just as daily meals taste good and fresh only when you are hungry each time you eat, the love between husband and wife should be always new and fresh.

The more the wife and husband see each other, the more they should desire to see each other and long to be together all day. (23-57, 1969.5.11)

Love has value when two people long for each other. In asking for love, if you have a mouth, you should open it, and if you have eyes, you should open them. Only then, will the giver of love be happy. If you just remained dumb, love would run away on its way to you. You should know this.

How offended you would be if your lover were not serious and behaved halfheartedly! Do you like to be together with or separated from your beloved? The closer you are to each other, the better. Why is this so? It is because everything works together. (Blessed Family - 887)

What is the thing you like the most? Is it food? If you see some food when you are hungry, you will eat it with joy, but this pleasure is temporary. If someone gives you food, even after you have become full, you will not like it.

But this is not true with the one you love. Is there anyone who says of his lover, "I want to forget her. I don't like her." Even if you have seen her over and over again, you want to see her yet again and again. Isn't this right? You want to see her again, even if you have seen her, and you want to see her yet again, even after you have seen her again. This way, you first stand one in front of the other, and alternate until you turn like a wheel of a cart. Unification takes place here. (37-11, 1970.12.22)

A wife who knows love sometimes gets an impulse to bury her head in her husband's bosom and enjoy an afternoon nap. This is because she is drunk with happiness and doesn't have a clear mind. Before marriage the man appeared to her as scary and strange. After the marriage, she misses him and has to see him many times in a day. This is how women's hearts change. So sometimes she calls him and asks him to come home during the lunch hour for a quick visit. It is the same with a man who has come to know love. Whenever he has a chance, he will want to sleep with his wife's knees as a pillow. So he will run home whenever he has free time, regardless of whether it is lunchtime or a coffee break. Also, if she wants certain things done, he will not hesitate to do things he didn't like doing before marriage, things about which he used to say, "Such things are a woman's job. Should a mighty man do it?" I would say that such changes commonly occur to men and women who have come to know love. (Blessed Family - 887)

When God created human beings and blessed them, He did so in such a way that the husband and wife would be happy. A husband and wife who have opened and entered such a gate of blessing are lost in whispering to each other. They only say sweet things that praise each other. For instance, "I have been waiting like this in order to meet you. My life will reveal its value like a flower through you. I was born in order to love you, and I have been waiting for this day." There would be nothing in the world that is as sweet as secret words of love. The secret words whispered by a husband and wife, even when together in bed, will be a refreshment to dissolve all the fatigue and hatred of the world. (Blessed Family - 887)

Section 6. How Conjugal Love Develops

When a man and woman meet through the mediation of God, how do they express their love? When you look at the process of the development of love, the first is the lips, the second is the breasts, and the third is the sexual organ. It is the lips that a woman, when she first meets a man, feels shy about and hides before starting to love him. This is why she covers her lips with her hand. It is because love starts with kissing.

When love matures, sons and daughters are born as its fruit. For a woman, her sexual organ is the holy place of love, and the key to open that gate is held only by her husband. If a husband has two or more keys to a woman's holy place of love, he is Satan. Also, if the wife's holy place could be opened by any key, when it is supposed to be opened only by the key held by her husband, she is also Satan. When the key of love held by the husband opens his wife's holy place and enters there, the most precious sons and daughters in the world will be born.

The value of sons and daughters is such that they are an encapsulation of love, not exchangeable for anything in the world. Through sons and daughters, parents will experience the heart by which God created the first human ancestors, Adam and Eve. This is why the parents rejoice when they look at their children, singing out, "You are my love, whether I look at you this way or look at you that way."

No matter what your baby does, who is born through love, you do not hate him but simply love him. This is because he is part of your body, made of your own blood and flesh and your love. Whether he pees, takes a poop, or has a runny nose, he is simply cute and lovely. It is because love is dissolved into such things. (Blessed Family - 894)

In the relationship of husband and wife, if their love is joined through a strong force, they must be joyful and feel their partner is lovely, no matter what that partner does. If the wife says that she hates the smell coming from her husband's body or if the husband thinks or feels that he hates the way his wife moves, this is only because a perfect love has not been realized between them. This married couple only joined together for some superficial purpose or interest. (Blessed Family - 887)

In your family life during marriage, in order to feel true joy, you should bring God into the center and make a relationship where you can love each other while watching God rejoicing together with you. A man and a woman getting married and making love is not something you should be ashamed of. This is something most dignified, holy, and beautiful. However, since the first human ancestors violated God's commandment, the history of love has been a sinful one and has been flowing in a shameful direction. (Blessed Family - 887)

Did anyone watch Adam and Eve dancing naked in the Garden of Eden? So, when there is no one else around, you can do such things. When a husband and wife dance naked in the room, is this something to worry about? But if they do this in front of others, they deserve censure from society. But if done just between a husband and wife, who will care if they dance naked or what else they do? So blessed couples, you can go ahead and dance naked. What does it matter when a husband and wife do it just between themselves? (21-236, 1968.11.24)

You should think that although there are many men and women in the world, there are only the two of you. You should devote yourself completely to this one woman, with the thought that she is devoted to you. This is the Principle. (Blessed Family - 887)

True happiness can be found in a place where you laugh, sing, and whisper together with your spouse, both of you intoxicated with love. I would say that the one who listens to the whispered words from his beloved is a happy person. It is because having words of love whispered in your ear can give you feelings of happiness, as if you were dreaming. (Blessed Family - 366)

Section 7. Why You Feel Sad When Your Beloved Passes Away

Why does a woman cry when she loses her husband? It is not for some vague reason that she is sad after losing her husband.

Love embraces all four directions. At the same time, there has to be relations of front and back, and left and right. Because love is like this, the husband stands next to his wife in a relationship of left and right, and realizes a love that embraces the four directions. When such a wife loses her husband and falls from the position of being supported by the universe into a position of having no support, she feels the pain of his loss, as well as the pressure from the universal power. (Blessed Family - 901)

Why do you feel good when you see your beloved wife? When you are alone, you cannot stand in the position in which you are supported by the spherical four directions of the universe. But with your spouse, you make a horizontal love relationship where you have give and take with her and establish a position where you can contact the vertical power of the universe. Thus, the one who has a spouse becomes infinitely happy through the supportive power of the universe. This is why when you see your beloved wife, your entire mind becomes focused and you cannot see anything but her. So you dance and sing with her, spinning round together. Why do you dance, sing and rejoice? To expand the realm of support. (Blessed Family - 901)

Many people oppose Rev. Moon, the man who goes to America to educate and train American young people, even staying up all night and sometimes dancing, singing, and having fun with them? I do this in order to expand the realm of support that is connected to me.

Because the expansion of the universal realm of support starts with me, I push forward without fear, even if I am opposed and have to go to prison.

No matter how much you sing joyfully and say this and that, do you like to live alone? When one partner of a married couple dies, the other grieves and weeps. Do you think a person can prepare his own path? Why do we say that a person is miserable if he is without a spouse? It is because he cannot experience the occasion in which heaven and earth can rejoice.

He has deviated from the regulation of the law of heaven and earth. Clearly, only through universal law does the fortune of heaven and earth turn, and are the requirements of happiness and its motivation determined.

He is sad because he has drifted far from the law, and within the law of heaven and earth there is no room for such sorrow. What does it mean if you are happy and joyful? It means that there is a place where you are welcomed by the world. Sorrow indicates a place where you don't belong. This is how joy and sorrow part ways. (19-334, 1968.3.29)

When one of the partners of a married couple dies, the other cries. This is because when the remaining partner falls into the position of having failed the universal law, the universal power pushes him out and his sorrow increases. Then, what makes you happy? If you become someone who conforms to the universal law, the universal power embraces him. The greater the power, the stronger it comes to embrace him. And the stronger it embraces him, the further he enters the internal center that brings joy. So, where do sorrow and joy separate? They do not separate within you. They separate based on the principle of power, that is, the universal law.

Then, what is the universal law? It is a man and a woman from beginning to end in total oneness, and also this is the way of the heavenly fortune.

You aren't suppose to go alone, but as a united man and woman, that is, a husband and wife who are one heart in walking the path. Everyone, have you ever heard words like these? So those who fight, cry and scream, and create a big commotion will be quickly removed. They will be considered a failure and not a success in the realm of the universal law. Then where do they go? They will go to the garbage can. Their mind knows this, and this is why it instantly feels sorrow. (24-223, 1969.8.17)

Section 8. Conjugal Love Should Be Eternal

If someone asks a loving husband and wife how long they will be in love, and one of them says, "Just while we are young," would the other feel good or bad? For how long do you want to be in love? Eternally, but first of all until you die, and then you will want to love eternally. Eternity is something that represents the whole in the future. To say that one will love until death is to say that he will love by giving everything he has. Isn't this right? "Eternally" means the whole, and "until death" means an intention to love the whole thing. Only then will your spouse be happy. These young women here, when they get married, they are sure to ask their husband, "Do you love me?" When their husbands say they do, they will then ask them, "Do you love me completely?" The husbands will have to say they totally love them in order to make them happy. This is the same with men. They cannot do anything about it. This is how things are in God's harmony. (37-23, 1970.12.22)

When people get married, they say they will love each other until they die. In saying this, one can either just say, "I will love you until I die (Juk-dorok sarang-handa)" or draw out the first word, "Ju-u-u-u-k..." for ten years, a hundred years, or a hundred million years, and then say the rest, "...dorok sarang-handa." Which would you like better? Would you rather just hear it simply as, "Juk-dorok sarang-handa"? The young women here, how about some answers? You would be happier if your spouse says, "Ju-u-u-u-k" for say, a hundred million years, and then "dorok sarang-handa" than if he just said, "Jukdorok sarang-handa." The more drawn out it is, the better. If a husband meets his wife and says, "Ju-u-u-u-k," and ten years later, he says again, "Ju-u-u-uu-k," and then says "Juk-dorok saranghanda" after he passes over the age of fifty. If only he can do it, she will say she loves him beyond measure. This is how it is. She will like him, even if he has a big belly and waddles when he walks. (37-25, 1970.12.22)

What kind of people are true wives and true husbands? When people mature, they have a family. Taking their spouse as an eternal partner of love, they should form a family of love where their initial love grows as the days go by. When that love at the family level expands to form a tribe, these tribal members will be eternal embodiments of love, which can expand love eternally. Such a husband and wife will be a true married couple and a true husband and true wife. Also, such a husband and wife will be able to participate in God's love. (Blessed Family - 880)

In the eyes of the wife, her husband has to look the best and be number one. Also, in the eyes of the husband, his wife has to look this way as well. The best relationship is the one that is formed during first love. It is the best, no matter what others say. This cannot be bought at any price. If you can have such a world for eternity, how splendid this is! Everyone should at least reach that level. The wife should follow and serve her husband well. Such things should not appear just in literature or just as a movie scene. Rather, you should live like that throughout your whole life. Since the best history and best culture had been turned upside down, I have been creating a new history in order to establish such a world and to live in such a way. (23-56, 1969.5.11)

What kind of couple are the ideal husband and wife we speak about in the Unification Church. They are a married couple who can turn the highest art into reality. They are a couple who can turn the highest literature into reality. Before we come into contact with the highest level of art in the world, the highest and sweetest love shared by the husband and wife has to be the best work of art in the world. It has to be the best work of literature and the real body of literature. (22-269, 1969.5.4)

CHAPTER EIGHT

True Parental Love

Section 1. Parental Heart Wants to Give Everything

Parents who have given birth to and raised children all understand the desire to receive blessings and feel happiness through their sons and daughters, whom they love dearly. Also, if they have established a correct standard through which they can experience joy, they will want to bequeath this to their offspring for eternity. Even fallen parents hope that their children will grow up as fine people who can be followed and revered by all nations and praised eternally.

The parental heart seeks to protect children from harm and is concerned about them day and night. The heart of fallen parents can even be like this. For example, a mother ignores the diaper smells from her baby while nursing her child at her breast. Thus, if fallen parents have such a heart towards their children. how earnest must God's heart have been. longing to love Adam and Eve based on their original hearts? You should all think about this. When you nurse and nurture your babies, you sing them lullabies and whisper to them, wishing that their lives will be a success. Any parent has such a heart.

No matter how incompetent or lack-

ing parents may be, if one of their children suffers from a disability, the parents' hearts are devastated to the point of breaking. If this situation is then resolved, the relief and joy are overwhelming in proportion to the original pain. If such is the heart of a fallen parent, what must be the heart of God? (20-209, 1968.6.9)

If a son commits a crime and is sent to prison, the parents tearfully forgive and reach out to him, instead of saying, "Serves him right!" This is why parental love is extraordinary. Similarly, if a son is sentenced to execution, his mother will be totally grief-stricken and seek any way, even changing the world's legal systems or risking her life, to save her son. (91-147, 1977.2.6)

Such is the unchanging and sacrificial nature of the parental heart towards the children. (50-281, 1971.11.8)

Do loving parents keep an account of the times they love their children, saying: "We bought you shoes and clothes a few days ago with our hard earned money, which cost us so many dollars and cents"? When parents love their children, they want to treat them even better than princes and princesses, and still feel sorry that they cannot give more. Parents have the heart of wanting to give their children something better. This is why we cherish parental love. You should all know this. Parents give and yet feel that it is not enough; they love and yet feel as if there is some love they have not yet given and want to give more; and even after giving, they still feel unsatisfied with what they were able to give their children. This essence of parental love is then what connects us to eternal love. This is the original motivation for the beginning point of love. (60-82, 1972.8.6)

When relating to their children, parents want to give all their best possessions. That is parental heart and reflects the nature of God. Then, what kind of being is God? God is a being who wants to give all His precious attributes to those who truly become His children. (56-147, 1972.5.14)

Section 2. Parents Desire to Be Surpassed by Their Children

If I were to ask those of you who are middle-aged or older, "When you were young and looking for a spouse, did you want to find someone better or worse than you?" you would all give the same answer: "Someone better". No matter whom you ask, in the East or West, you will hear the same response. Similarly, in the relationship between parents and children, parents never want their children to be second-rate. For example, if a good-looking couple marries and has a baby who is nowhere near as good-looking as the parents, the couple still wants to hear praise about the appearance of their child. (77-102, 1975.4.1)

No matter how attractive a woman is, she will still be happy if she hears a passer-by compliment her baby with: "Wow, he's so much better-looking than his mother!" Even though this implies she is much less attractive than her baby, no mother would protest at hearing this and grumble, "What? Is he much more attractive than me? Then does this mean that I am much less attractive?" Rather, she would be unable to contain her joy. This is the maternal heart. Whom do you think such a heart resembles? Mothers are resultant beings, not causal ones.

Any family where the son achieves less than his father will decline. If the father is the president of his country but his son's accomplishments fall short of his, and if this pattern were to continue for some generations, that family will gradually decline and ultimately be driven to a miserable state. Therefore, if a son asks his father, "Shouldn't I do better than you?" would the father reply "How dare you say that!" or "Of course, go ahead!"? Of course, he would say the latter. (41-281, 1971.2.17)

When determining who to entrust with responsibility for the family, no parents would want to choose those inferior to them. Why is this so? It is because parents always hope their children will outshine them. The same is true with respect to the nation. The rulers of a nation should wish for their successors to be greater than they are. Whether in the family or in the nation, the desire should always be for successors who are superior to them in every regard. This is something that is desired eternally, and that transcends the fortunes of history. (Blessed Family - 1002)

If true parental love is to perpetuate forever, someone must inherit its tradition. Since our children are clearly our successors, we must educate them to become the heirs of this tradition and enhance it onto higher levels. While each generation should recognize the importance of the existing tradition, they should not just inherit it, but also develop it for the future.

Such a tradition can only start in true families with parents who are constantly burning with hope that their children will surpass them. Such parents will consistently encourage their children to succeed. Parents who long for the day when their children surpass them will devote their utmost efforts to prepare the best possible environment for them. Such parents will sacrifice everything for the sake of their children's happiness, and push them in the direction that will make the children better than their parents. (Blessed Family - 1002)

Parents are happy when their children outshine them. Thus, women who bear children who do not do as well will not have the dignity to enter heaven. You should be able to love your sons and daughters more than your own mother and father loved you. Moreover, when your children also think like this, a world of love will emerge naturally, and the Kingdom of Heaven will be realized. (97-310, 1978.3.26)

Section 3. Parental Love Is Eternally Unchanging

What is the original motivation of parental love? While conjugal love is changeable, why is parental love toward the children born of that conjugal love unchanging? Parental love does not originate from conjugal love. Unchanging love does not originate from the horizontal conjugal relationship, but is surely related to the origin of a vertical flow. Who would such a vertical subject be? He is known as God. Vertical love is not the kind of love that a husband and wife can enjoy as they please. In the case of vertical love, it is impossible to say that you will love, when you want to, and not, when you don't want to. It cannot be severed. It cannot be severed by man who is in the horizontal position. Thus, the love parents have toward their children never changes.

In today's democratic society caught in the floodtide of individualism, children say that they have changed according to the new trends of the age. They want to disassociate from conventional norms, yet even though they argue about the old ways and new ways, their parents' heart does not lead them to say, "You go your way, and I will go mine." Parental love is not like that. Even animals are the same. In loving their young, they transcend their lives. (48-154, 1971.9.12)

Where did parental love come from? If we are resultant beings of the First Cause with some relationship to Him, we have come from within some destined power of this First Cause. This is not something we as human beings can touch. As such, have you ever heard anyone say, "Let us revolutionize the love with which parents love their children; let us become the standard-bearers of that revolution"?

Let's suppose some parents come forward with the idea of revolutionizing parental love and reinventing human history, claiming, "Even though we are parents, we will not love our children." Yet, the moment their baby's umbilical cord is cut, a loving heart will naturally arise in them. Every life form, whether on a higher or lower level, is created in such a way that it cannot but love its young. Thus, since the act of loving their children inspires parents to invest and use their lives as stepping stones, it is clear that parental love brings us closest to an eternal and unchanging standard.

When seeking an absolute standard, although parental love may not achieve this by itself, it can be a stepping stone closest to absoluteness for human beings. It can be the only foothold. Then, looking at the history of the world, I wonder whether it has not become a permanent foothold. Where did such parental love come from? It is not learned based on advice from one's father or the admonition of one's spouse; nor does it come from one's own decision to love. It happens naturally. Love is something that comes naturally. (48-156, 1971.9.12)

If we analyze the essence of love, there is no need to revolutionize love. When parents love their children, this is part of true love. This is why the heart with which people loved their children from the time of the first ancestors is the same heart with which we descendants several millennia later love our own children. Moreover, the heart with which our descendants several millennia later will love their children will also be the same. Love is eternal. True love is something pure that does not need to be revolutionized. Then, what kind of love is God's love? If God establishes certain beings in positions with an absolute standard, acknowledges their existence, and loves them, then that love needs no further drastic change. (18-11, 1967.5.14)

Section 4. Parental Love Sacrifices Everything

Love cannot be fulfilled alone. Without an investment of life, love cannot be established. When considering the love in the parent-child relationship, there is a clear bond of life. Thus, as long as a bond of life remains, and as long as there is hope within that bond, love will surely remain. No bond of love can be made apart from a bond of life. Thus, love requires an investment through a bond of life, and then the degree to which you invest your life will determine the value you feel. (32-14, 1970.6.14)

For example, parents' love for their children is not just based on their daily relationship; rather, it is a love that comes from their bone marrow. Parents have a loving heart that cannot be forgotten or cut off from, no matter how you may try. This is why parents love their children until their last breath. As soon as parents feel they have a bond of life with their children, a heart of love naturally arises in them. Parents do not love their children based merely on a deliberate decision because they are their children. Instead, parents cannot help loving their children beyond any personal intention or connection, due to the life force connecting them. Such things are felt very clearly in our family life (32-14 1970 6 14)

What kind of being is God? God is a being with a heart that desires to give and give endlessly, which is also why we seek Him. If God were just a merchant who says, "Hey, this costs so many dollars and cents," we would not pursue that kind of God. Why should all people love God and follow Him? Why should we like God? It is because He gives and gives everything to all people and still feels ashamed, saying, "I can only give you this much now, but wait just a while, and I will give you a hundred and even a thousand times more." God is not content with what He has given so far. God's heart seeks to give abundantly, while also promising even better things in the future. If we are with such a being, we can be happy even in a state of poverty. When we reach the situation wherein we

are experiencing starvation, in a shocking way we experience the stimulation of future hope within the present reality.

What this means is that through such hope, we can make a new resolution. When a mother feels sorry that she cannot give enough, if her child hugs her, saying, "Mommy!" will it just be a physical hug? How grateful she will be! It is a chance to shed tears of mutual comfort looking to the future. It is not an occasion for despair, but a place of explosive growth where they can take the hope of tomorrow as stimulation for the present, make a joint resolution together, and encourage each other. Therefore, such an experience is not a miserable one. Only within such a realm of love can we find the stimulation to look to the future and sing praise for its value within the realm of reality. Hence, we come to the conclusion that there is no misfortune for those who live within that realm of love. (36-290, 1970.12.13)

Parents want to sacrifice everything for the sake of their children. This is like God. What does this mean? God does not invest Himself for His own sake. Likewise, parents want to live for the sake of others rather than for their own sake; they want to stand in the position of God, who lives for the sake of others. If God were to say that He only exists for Himself, this would not be true love. Love, life, and hope are realized when parents sacrifice themselves completely for the sake of their children and are bound together with them. (69-61, 1973.9.10)

Section 5. Parents' Love for Their Children Is Absolute

In my childhood, I would often look at bird nests. Once I climbed a tree to look into a nest, and the mother bird started pecking at me. She was desperate and willing to die to protect her nest, and not only once. When I brushed her aside, she flew away, and then came back. Seeing this, we cannot deny the powerful instinct of animals to transcend their own lives to protect their offspring. It is similar with human beings. You should be able to invest your life for the sake of love. That is the way of a true person. What kind of people are truly good? They are those who establish love as their root, and try to protect their loved ones even at the cost of their own lives. This is where goodness is initiated and where the rationale for reciprocal goodness is established. This is something that never changes. (186-15, 1989.1.14)

When I was in Danbury prison, I witnessed an interesting thing. A slope was being bulldozed into a tennis court. However, when the rainy season came, work had to stop for a few weeks until the weather cleared up. During the delay, a water bird built a nest only three meters away from the path the inmates used for their exercise. The water bird was not easily noticeable as her colors allowed her to blend into the background. Therefore, while she was guarding her eggs, no one realized she was there, even through they repeatedly walked right by her. When the water bird curled up, she looked just like a round black stone from the side. but when her eggs hatched and the baby birds started feeding, they were pretty noisy and gave away their location. Several of the inmates tried to mess around with the water bird, but she proved very capable of protecting her young. When she returned with food, she never landed close to her nest, but chose different locations, then slowly crept over to her chicks. Every day she approached from a different direction in order to protect her young. This is how she protected them. As her chicks grew larger, she would make lots of noise and peck any inmates who came too close. She was clearly warning them to stay away. Who taught the water bird to be like this? It is the power of the universe. All things of creation are on a level plane, centering on God's love as the axis. They may have different positions on that plane, but their level of love and care is the same. (136-23, 1985.12.20)

When a honeybee tastes nectar while visiting flowers, it attaches itself with its legs and sucks with its abdomen sticking out. I know bees very well. If you pull one with tweezers while it is sucking nectar, it will not let go, even if its abdomen is torn off. True love is like this. You can even cast away your life. True love is not based on calculated gain. Being able to forsake and disregard one's own life is the path of true love. Parents walk that path. Consider the case of parents, who love their children: if a child is in mortal danger, parents will willingly die in place of their child. Parental heart willingly goes the way of death for the sake of love. This is true love. (144-209, 1986.4.24)

Suppose a man becomes extremely wealthy through his own hard work, sweat, and tears, such that he could boast of his achievement throughout the world. If his child is then faced with a life-and-death situation, material things will no longer matter to him, and he will sacrifice all his wealth and even his own life to save his child. (34-160, 1970.9.6)

Section 6. Parental Love Is Eternal

Is there a limit to parents' love for their children? Parents love their children not only during the childhood years, but throughout the child's entire life, and even into eternity. If a relationship is established between a parent and a child through which they can feel increasing worth and value, then infinite force, infinite stimulation and something infinitely new will arise within that relationship. (32-12, 1970.6.14)

The love of a mother or father is one of the greatest forms of love in the human world. Even people in high positions in society are vulnerable to the needs of their children. Parental love toward one's children is unconditional and unlimited because it is the mother of all kinds of love. Thus, orphans who grow up without receiving parental love, thirst after it most of all. Although they may have a house to sleep in and food to eat, orphans always lack and long for something in their heart, and that is the love of a parent. (Blessed Family - 1017)

Most of you were raised by loving parents. Whether the children are young or old, their parents always love them. Even if parents have a seventy-year-old son, they will still look at him the way they used to when they raised him long before; this is parental heart. As children age, the parent's heart continues to draw ever closer, the sense of responsibility toward their children increases, and the heart to live for the sake of the children deepens. We can see this clearly when we observe how parents relate to their children in society. (Blessed Family - 1017)

Parents go through many difficulties for the sake of their children, but do not feel the hardship. Why? It is because they love them. After giving their flesh and blood, do parents keep a record? No. Rather, they are pained at not being able to give more. The same is true for the mothers here, isn't it? When you breastfeed your babies and they don't feed well, you feel worried. Isn't it true that your babies take away your flesh and blood? In a sense, aren't they the greatest of all thieves? Yet still mothers feel anxious when their babies do not feed properly. Why do parents love their children so much? It is because this is the law of love. (39-334, 1971.1.16)

When a mother watches her baby feeding at her breast, her touch and feeling is centered on love. Also, when holding her baby, a mother experiences a beautiful atmosphere because heaven and earth enter a state of peace. This is why, no matter how much trouble babies can be, mothers have room in their hearts to accept and even encourage such behavior. There is no limit to the love parents feel for their children. In one sense, a baby is an enemy who sucks out his mother's flesh and blood. Yet there is no mother who thinks that way. A baby allows the discovery of many new things. For instance, a baby stimulates new hope for the mother and father. At such times, there are also new realizations. This bond is unchangeable. (Blessed Family - 1017)

Section 7. Parental Love Sets the Standard for All Forms of Love

Parental love is the highest. Those who have been raised with the empowerment of true parental love become well-rounded people and understand the dynamics of love. The family is the school of love. The children will never forget their parents' love. The full experience of parental love is impossible without parents. (62-16, 1972.9.10)

What should the love among children be like? What should they use as the standard for loving? Brothers and sisters should love each other just as their father and mother do. From whom should we learn about love? We should learn from our parents. (66-120, 1973.4.18)

Children should be able to say to their mother and father, "Our mother and

father are the greatest in the world. They are the ones who stand in the position of God!" When children see an unchanging heart and love between their parents and say, "Let us learn from this love and become united among ourselves as well," this is the realization of an ideal family. When children grow up and reach young adulthood, they go looking for a partner with whom their mind and heart can be one. This is realized through marriage, where a man and woman totally respect each other and strive to establish the standard of love and heart. You should have a family in which the mother and father can unite with God's heart and love, and then the children can take after their parents and also unite with God's heart and love. (Blessed Family - 913)

It is the order and tradition of love for the one in the position of the elder brother, as a representative of the parents, to sacrifice himself and love his younger siblings centering on the parents' love. The position of the elder brother brings with it the responsibility to suffer most among his siblings. It is the same with the position of parents, who suffer the most for the sake of the children. If parents shed tears and sacrifice for the sake of their children, the children will naturally want to follow their parents. (Blessed Family - 913)

When they relate with God as the center, children can express love to each other in many different ways. The older child should love the younger sibling in the same way the parents love him. In a family united through such love, the love within that family will blossom, and become the love within a society and the love within a nation. In this way it eventually becomes the love of the whole world. (28-151, 1970.1.11)

What is the reason you receive love from your parents? It is because your father and mother's motivation to rely on each other and love each other originates in you. Do you understand? Thus, when brothers and sisters love each other centering on that motivation, their love also will not change. Similarly, when you think of your neighbor as if he were your own self, the right social environment will develop. The family is the formation stage, the society is the growth stage, and the nation is the completion stage. You must go through all three stages. All families must be linked together. Only then will love develop among them and unity be realized on the national level. Society is divided into many sectors. Companies have a CEO, and how many heads of state does a country have? Isn't it just one? One person is responsible. In this way, a unified pattern is established, while the scale just increases. Becoming one, yet also being divided into many parts is the essence of the four-position foundation. (26-153, 1969.10.25)

CHAPTER NINE

True Education for Children

Section 1. What Kind of Education Should Parents Give Their Children?

What kind of education should parents give their children? Not education of knowledge but of love. Children should be educated through their father and mother uniting. Parents should teach their children that God likes their mother and father, mother likes father, father likes mother, I like my parents at the same time as they like each other, and they like me. Thus, at the beginning, Adam and Eve were to receive an education of love from God centering on His love. Then where is the origin of it? It does not start with human beings. Since God is the Parent, Adam and Eve should be educated in love by Him. Then from where do Adam and Eve establish their standard of value? It is from God's education of love. Until when are they to be educated in love? They should grow up in parental love until they have become able to reckon the whole standard of value that their Father knows, in other words, until they have become mature. Yet there is no record in the Bible that Adam and Eve grew up receiving God's love. There is no mention of them receiving love, but instead their story disturbingly starts with the narration of how they fell. This spoiled everything. Then was there a standard by which Adam and Eve were to be educated in love by God? Without it, there could be no such thing as God's ideal. The question is what the standard of education of love should be.

We want to go to heaven, but we cannot receive such an education there. We must receive it here on earth before going there. If that education were not given to us on earth, it would be a big problem. What is that education? (51-171, 1971.11.21)

Heaven is the world of the heart. It is not a heaven of religious doctrines or of religious denominations, but of the heart. Why is it that God wants to find His citizens and adherents on earth? To make His sons and daughters. What kind of sons and daughters does God want to raise? Those to whom He can express His heart, saying, "This is how I feel." (9-293, 1960.6.12)

Then, what kind of attitude must Adam and Eve have if they are to be educated? Being in a parent-child relationship, they should always follow their Parent wherever He goes. When He goes, they should follow Him anywhere and anytime. When He ascends a mountain, they should ascend it with Him, if He descends into a valley, they should descend there with Him, and if He enters a cave, they should enter it with Him. They should always be with their Parent. If God had to be separated from His children, could He be separated? Since He is the Absolute Being, He will absolutely want to see them. Since He is the Absolute Being, He likes them absolutely when He likes them. You cannot say, "Well, God, if You want to come, do come, and if You don't, don't. If You want to stay there, do so, and if You don't want to stay there, don't." You must be absolute, (51-173, 1971, 11, 21)

If you are in a position of oneness with God inside and out, you will be people of erudition even without being taught. You would be even more knowledgeable than through research. How are heaven and earth structured? How is the spirit world structured? How is human life structured? Even baby insects all go and find their food when they are born; so the lords of creation do not find their food or know about life and death through being taught. They are supposed to know it at first sight. We were supposed to be such charming people, but due to the Fall we have not become such people. Although we are fallen, our original nature still operates in the relationship of subject and object partners. Since filth that has accumulated from the Fall has been covering it, its operation will be stronger when that is

eliminated. When the dirt is completely eliminated, the original nature will burst out. So far, people have been pursuing the way by which this can happen. (56-131, 1972.5.14)

Section 2. What Should Parents Teach Their Children?

What are the contents of the truth? However great anyone may be, they cannot stand in the place of your parents, spouse or children. What is the highest of all truths? Parents, spouses and children. There is nothing higher. Then what is the center of the truth? It is love. From such a principled viewpoint, what is the center of the highest truth? People say that God is the Original Being of truth, goodness, love and life. What does this mean? They all mean the same. The truth cannot be established without love and life. Those who want to become people who can talk about the real truth must have the will and desire for the truth within their lives. Here, desire stands in a reciprocal position to your standard of personality. So what is the nucleus? As the Original Being of life, love and truth, what kind of being is God? He is the Father and simultaneously the Mother of humankind. Parents are the nucleus. (21-183, 1968.11.20)

What are our most precious assets that we can leave behind? God's love and true parental love, which cannot be found in the secular world, are the greatest inheritance we can bequeath to our children. We must educate them well about God and what God's love is like. As our children do not know about them, we have to be parents who can love them like God on His behalf so that they can find Him through us. (93-335, 1977.6.17)

What is the Unification Church seeking to accomplish? We are saying, "Let us give our lives for the sake of the highest love, and God, humankind and the world." There is no higher education than teaching: "Such an initiative, direction and purpose started for the sake of love. Men and women, mothers and fathers, sons and daughters, and everything in the universe started for the sake of love." Those who live like this and go to the spirit world will surely not be ashamed to stand before God. (93-189, 1977.5.29)

Blessed parents tell their children to study. Your sons and daughters do not become children of filial piety and loyal citizens just because you tell them to study. There is no way that could happen. They could say, "Although our parents have suffered in the Unification Church, we will not walk such a path." You must teach them the way of love that can assimilate that. Thus, parents should take their children around, loving the people in their village and praying and shedding tears for the nation, even if they have to skip meals. The children may think of it as bad when they are little but when they grow up they will say, "Our Dad and Mom are the best."

They will understand that their mother and father do not shed tears for them. The more mature they become, the more they will come to realize that their parents tried to love the nation, serve God's will, and save humankind even though they had to abandon them. You should not live as you please. If you are only worried about your children, they will not succeed.

Raise them by feeding them the food of love. Give them a sense of the direction they can take with love. As they grow in age and wisdom, when they discover a gold mine, they will think it is a mountain with just a small gold nugget, but as they dig deeper, they will realize that the mountain itself could be made of gold. (139-77, 1986.1.26)

Section 3. Parents Must First Set an Example

In order to educate their children, parents should first put their words into practice. They should set the example of being loyal to God's will. This way, they should create an atmosphere in which, whatever they say, their children can revere them without ever talking back. Otherwise, their children would not follow them. (31-268, 1970.6.4)

In order for this to happen, parents should give their children a heavenly education. In teaching their children, parents should first be exemplary. Before teaching their children to practice filial piety, they should first be children of filial piety. You yourselves must be sons and daughters of filial piety according to heavenly law so that the connection of heaven's tradition of filial piety can be established from there. Educate them to practice filial piety just as their parents practiced filial piety in the family, and to be patriots just as their parents struggled for the nation even while being driven into desperate circumstances. (30-112, 1970.3.17)

Parents do not make their children practice filial piety just by telling them to do so. Parents must have the ability to cause a heart of wanting to practice filial piety to spring up within their children. These things do not happen in one morning but after a long period of influence. What does it mean to exert influence? Parents should set the example in their daily lives for their children to follow their way. You should be experts in putting such things into practice. (29-97, 1970.2.25)

When teaching your children, do not just say, "Become great people" but rather, "Go such and such a way in order to become great people." Fathers must fulfill their responsibilities as fathers and elder siblings should fulfill their responsibilities as elders. In other words, by your becoming people who know how to discern the connection to walk the path of true men and women, and who do not deviate from heavenly law, don't you think that the path will emerge by which you can go through the principled course and become the citizens of the one nation? (Blessed Family - 1039)

What should parents do? They should teach their children in such a way that

brothers and sisters can love each other just like their mother and father. At the same time, they should teach them, saying, "As we love the nation, you should also love the nation in this way." Then, they will not need any other education. When you pray, ask God to make your children do it this way since you are doing it this way.

You can set your children up in such a position only after you have first set the standard. If you have stood in such a position, God will naturally lead your children in the same direction. Thus, if you fail to reverse the trend here, you will be called to account when you pass on to the spirit world. (13-103, 1963.11.1)

In your families, you should make your children think that their Mom and Dad are greater than any kings or queens in the world. Also, you should show them that their mother and father are close to each other in a way unprecedented in the world. You as blessed parents should establish such a tradition.

Furthermore, you should plant the tradition in the innermost core of your children so that they can say, "Our mother and father make us proud, more than anyone else in the world." If you look at parents in the secular world, they fight and make a big mess even when their children protest, crying, "Mother! Father! Why are you fighting?"

If your children, who have grown up in your family without tears, witness such sights in the secular world, they will feel, "Surely, our Mom and Dad are the best in the world! They are truly great and holy people!" To bring this about, you should set them an example. You should establish a parental bond through which you can receive adoration flowing out from the innermost core of your children's hearts and thereby establish family precepts and traditions implicitly. By doing this, their children in the next generation will say, "We will stand in the same position as our parents!" (23-184, 1969.5.18)

Section 4. Parents Are Best Friends and Best Teachers

Where does love come from? Never from the self, but rather from one's partner. Without a partner, love cannot arise. Within humankind, woman complements man, and children complement their parents. Love is not realized without partners. This is called "the love of three object partners." Those who have not experienced the love of three object partners cannot stand in a position of having substantially experienced God's perfect love.

"Let us give birth to sons and daughters and rejoice to the same extent that God rejoiced after having created Adam and Eve." This is taught in the Unification Church's Divine Principle.

Having created Adam and Eve, God said, "From now on, you will rule over the world. Our family will be the central family of the world. Please grow up quickly, grow up quickly." He felt joy and satisfaction while protecting and nurturing them with hope, desiring to see the day of their marriage upon their coming of age. By the same token, fathers and mothers want to raise their children well, and find good partners for them to become good husbands and wives. When that happens, the family prospers. (57-119, 1972.5.29)

Who are your children's best friends? Not young guys from the neighboring village. Their best friends are none other than their parents. That is as it should be. Moreover, parents should be liked by their children even more than their friends. That is how you should think. Therefore, parents must be their children's best friends and best teachers.

In educating their children, parents should not say, "Hey you, don't do that!" and teachers should not say, "You brat, I will hit you in the calf if you don't do what I told you. Don't do that!" They should educate them in love. Parents should educate their children in such a way that if they are asked, "Hey, do you think you should do that?" they would reply, "Right, this is not good because if I did it my parents would be sad." Thus, parents ought to be their children's best friends and teachers.

Do you think Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden had friends? If Adam had a friend, it was only Eve. Next, there was just God. God did not want them to be friends with the archangel, who was a servant. Yet they were ruined because they befriended the wrong person. So parents should be the best of all teachers, the best of all friends, and manifest the best of all forms of love. Love begins from God. That being so, conjugal love ultimately stems from parents. So if parents say, "Hey, you like each other not because of yourselves but because of the virtues of your parents," their children should reply, "It would have been disastrous had our parents not raised us this way and found such partners for us."

Hence, marriages based on personal choice fail to meet that standard. By whom should children be educated in love? By their parents. They should see their father and mother love each other with great fun cooing like pigeons and learn from it. They should say, "Wow, when I see my father and mother together like that, I feel lonely when I am alone. I also need a partner whom I can love cooing like my parents." Their parents should also teach them to be like this. Then the children will come to repeat what their parents have been doing, the world will become a world of goodness and human history will become a history of goodness. The Unification Church seeks to accomplish this. (57-121, 1972.5.29)

Section 5. Chastisement with Love

According to the Revelation to John, one should be either cold or hot but never lukewarm. In the world of love a lukewarm attitude will not do. If you have a heart of love you can even chastise with a stick. When you raise your children, if they fail to keep a standard even though you loved them, you should sometimes treat them coldly. If you do not scold them when they are at fault, they will lose their capacity to distinguish right from wrong. You should know that although your Teacher may look amiable, I can sometimes be strict. I can be merciless toward evil, but toward goodness I can be hot like a furnace at thousands of degrees. (103-32, 1979.1.28)

When I heard recently that a teacher at a school in the West was in trouble with the authorities for using corporal punishment, I said to myself, "Now that nation will perish!" Students should not mind it if their teachers guide them in the right direction, even though it may mean using strong chastisement.

In Korea, there is a saying that goes, "Give one more rice cake to someone you dislike, and wield a stick for someone you like." There is no other way to ensure that the right tradition is continued. Children should be able to shed tears before the love of their parents, forgetting the pain of the punishment. (Blessed Family - 1027)

The closer you are to someone, the more you can scold him, saying, "You scoundrel! Why did you do that?" instead of rewarding him. If it is some lad from the neighboring village, you can turn a blind eye to his wrongdoings; but if it is your own child, you will spank him on the calf and scold him, saying "You little scoundrel, did you do something good or bad?" The intensity of your concern for him must exceed the severity of the punishment; otherwise, it will be a sin. If the severity of the punishment surpassed your concern for him, he could become one of your biggest enemies. Even if you punish him out of love, yet the severity of the punishment exceeded the degree of your love, everything would be shattered. Nevertheless, in the opposite case, that would be all right. That is to say, on a scale of one to ten, if your love for him is at a level of ten but incurred a minus of five through the punishment, he would still be grateful at the level of five. (26-32, 1969.10.18)

If your child does not accept it well, in order to bring him to repentance, you should love him with a greater love than you have shown him in the past; then even a delinquent child would be able to repent and turn around. However, if you scold your child repeatedly, and speak loudly about how well you have raised him, he will begin to pack his bags. But if you love them with a greater love, shedding tears as if your heart would melt for them, they will turn around. Greater love tends to take the lead in assimilating and integrating all other lesser forms of love. (Blessed Family - 1027)

Even in secular society, parents who tell their children not to study when they seem tired do not truly love them. They should tell them to stay up and study, even if they have to spank them. Why is it so? They are concerned with their future well-being rather than just their present. Parents do this because they have great dreams for their children's future. (Blessed Family - 1027)

When you give birth to and nurture your children, do so with true love. Through this, if your family members unite closely and learn to love their nation, they will be called patriots.

Hence, parents watch over the growing process of their children and educate them and sometimes wield the stick of love so that they can grow up in the right way. Children should not complain or protest because of being scolded or even spanked by their parents for their mistakes. Taking it as a lesson, they should repent seriously and strive to make amends for their errors. Such people will be able to grow up correctly and draw near to the center where God abides. (Blessed Family - 1027)

Section 6. Why Tell Children to Study?

Do students go to school because they want to study? They first go to school because they are made to. In particular, elementary school students attend because they are afraid of their parents and not because they want to study. Everybody is like this at the beginning. Yet even as they do so reluctantly, they get to have a feeling for it and start going in order to learn, thereby surprising their parents. As they come to grips with the subject matter, they find it stimulating, and studying becomes fun. Fun itself is considered bad. Yet as a result of what they discover through their studies, the scope within which they can freely do so broadens. They find this stimulating, and it makes them study more. There is not even one person who likes studying for the sake of studying. They like it because it broadens the scope of their activity. (36-120, 1970.11.22)

To students going to school, parents say, "Study hard!" This is not an easy path, but a difficult one. Yet their parents' words are an admonition for them to prepare for the future. It is also preparation for the future when professors stand on the podium and diligently teach their students. It is also preparation for the future when farmers go out into the crop fields and work hard. It is a preparation to build God's Kingdom on earth. (147-203, 1986.9.21)

What do you go to school for? Where do you want to use what you have learned at school? It must be for happiness. There would be no way for happiness to exist if we got rid of love. Thus, we can say that we go to school in order to shorten the path of love. (Blessed Family - 372)

The gate of happiness opens for people when they get married. It is very good to study in order to open the door of happiness, but if you study just to make money or attain political power, it is wrong. Your learning must enable you to practice true love. (Blessed Family - 372)

Why do young women want to go to university and obtain a bachelor's degree? They are trying to get good husbands. Nothing else can match that. Also, however great people may have become, they are miserable if their family members are disunited. (Blessed Family - 372)

You young women should all say that your studies are also for the sake of meeting true men and becoming true mothers. To become true mothers, you should first study for the sake of the nation and become true wives who attend true husbands. If you fail in this, you will not be able to have true husbands nor have true children. Women should be true wives and live with their husbands until one of them passes on. If women study in order to marry good men, shouldn't those who are university graduates all live with their husbands all the way through? But are there more people who do that or more who get a divorce? You don't even have to check. Illiterate people live together longer and better. (25-79, 1969.9.30)

Men and women are born to go through a long period of education and become people of sound character so that they can meet their ideal partner of love and lead happy lives. In secular society nowadays, people say that they do not study to meet a marriage partner. Yet in reality, it is in order to find a good partner. If you share a beautiful love with your partner and live happily, material things and honor will follow. (Blessed Family - 372)

Section 7. The Teachings of True Parents and Teachers

Parents work for the sake of their children. There are no parents who work only in order to feed themselves. When poor parents with many children work hard in the fields or on worksites, carrying heavy loads with an A-frame on their back or weeding a field with a hoe, it is for their children's happiness to last indefinitely. The sweat of toil dripping from their foreheads is not for their own sake. When the fruit of this sweat mingles with their loving heart for their children, a new history of creation will unfold there. Although they may weed a field or carry a back frame on a worksite, each tread of their footsteps is carving out a new history. (25-97, 1969.9.30)

Among the forty million citizens of our country, there are many parents who do not love their children. From their midst, if there were parents whose loving heart for their children could last for more than ten or twenty years, children of filial piety could not but appear in their family.

Children will realize their parents' hard work for them just by looking at their faces and hands. When they come to feel their parents' love emanating from their innermost core, the profound circumstances of times long past will flow out there. Through that, parents help their children to contribute to the nation, thereby becoming national or global parents.

Also, when you study with ardent hearts to fulfill your parents' wishes, you will become the new pillars of the nation. Those among you lacking such an emotion or feeling are not studying properly. If parents educate their children with patriotic hearts by saying, "We love you, strive hard for you, work hard and sweat for you because we want you to think of this country more than yourselves," then those children who have been educated in love by such parents will strive to become the patriots desired by them. Whenever they recall their parents' love, they will think of their forty million compatriots. Also, they will study hard with a heart of wanting to serve their people, and if that people were to become miserable, they would feel more miserable than their parents about it.

Yet they do not become patriots just by having such a heart. They must also have a substantial foundation they have established while having that heart. Only then will it be something that the people of the nation can admire forever. Otherwise, it will all pass away. It is serious when we think of all these matters.

If there were teachers at your school who strive to transmit correct ideas to their students by all means, while worrying about the destiny of the Republic of Korea, they would hold their students' hands in tears and admonish them thus: "Do not follow us, but rather follow the nation. We want you to do good things for the nation rather than for us." Students taught this way will fulfill the purpose that their teachers could not fulfill. This way, if teachers devote themselves and dedicate their whole life for their students, and if parents devote themselves for their children, cherishing the value of the nation and the world higher than their own, the students of those teachers and the children of those parents will become the pillars of the world. (25-97, 1969.9.30)

Section 8. An Education to Live Together with the World

Jong-gyo (religion) means "foremost teaching." God's foremost teaching is to teach and love humankind. There is nothing else. This is why true parents teach their children what the world likes and what God likes. (Blessed Family - 1046)

Human morals teach that children should love their parents, and husbands and wives should love each other and their children. Have you ever thought about for whose sake children should love their parents? Have you ever thought about for whom husbands and wives should love each other and for whom they should love their children? Human beings have lost the Lord who is responsible for love. God has spoken of infinite love. He said that what will remain in the end is love. That love is God's love. You should all know what it is that you long for. You must have a purpose in loving. For whom do you love? It is for the sake of God. We should love for His sake.

Those who love for their own sake: see what happens after you die – where you will go. You give birth to children, breastfeed them, and shower them with affection, but for whom do you do all that? It should be on behalf of heaven and earth, because of this nation and the world, because of God. The heavenly fortune following God's love is moving beyond the world to embrace heaven and earth. Yet if you love your children who are born through that connection just because of you, this is unacceptable. Those women who embrace and breastfeed their babies should do so with ardent hearts that they are embracing God's beloved sons and daughters on behalf of heaven and earth. (8-105, 1959.11.22)

Do you want to be blessed? Do you want to live eternally? Then you should be public-minded people. In educating your children, do not love them just as your own, but rather as those who can serve as an offering for the people of the world. Also, when you embrace and breastfeed your babies, you should do so with an attitude that you, in the position of mothers representing humankind, are breastfeeding babies who represent humankind. Furthermore, rather than loving and breastfeeding your babies only, try becoming mothers who think of other people's children as their own. Babies who grow up on the milk of such mothers will surely become great people. It may not happen immediately, but as such families continue down the first. second and further generations, world leaders will be born among their descendants. This is the formula. It will happen this way. (31-167, 1970.5.24)

Great mothers embrace and teach their children to be able to endure in any position of difficulty in order to become beings of goodness who can move the world. This is because they have realized the heavenly principle that goodness never perishes. (13-238, 1964.3.24)

For what or whom do you think

goodness moves? Not for one's own sake. When you eat, do so for the sake of the cosmos rather than yourself. Also, when you get married, do so for the sake of the Will rather than yourself.

We should go forward aiming for the world. When we experience things, this should be centered on the world. Those who do that may not seem to be cool people but actually they are. After you go beyond your life span, which passes by in the twinkling of an eye in seventy or eighty years, there is a way to live eternally, but people do not know that. If you know a way to enter the world of eternal life within the temporal realm and make a connection with that world, that eternity will become yours. (36-185, 1970.11.29)

Even if you had to eat millet rice and be dressed in rags, if you live centered on the world, becoming the source of endless and broad topics of conversation, telling your children, for instance, "When their house was like a hut, those people lived in such miserable circumstances, but later they became so successful," your children living in such a place will be excellent people. (28-188, 1970.1.11)

CHAPTER TEN

The True Family of Humankind Must Be Restored

Section 1. The Purpose of God's Providence of Salvation

The question is: what is it that God needs most? What is God called? He is the King and Owner of true love. If He is the King and Bridegroom of true love, it is an absolute principle that He needs a queen to become His partner. Who can be partners of true love for the absolute God? True human beings. It was Adam and Eve who were to attain oneness with God's love. You need money, knowledge and power, but if you lack a spouse, all these are in vain. Husbands need their wives and children, and wives need their husbands and children. The place where such objects of love live is called the family. Families who attend God, the Subject of love, must form the base for the beginning of God's Kingdom on earth centered on His true love. The core family is comprised of a man and a woman who are united as the object partners of God's love, who fulfill the desire of the conscience, who have sons and daughters within God's love, and who live happily as a family,

Just as human beings wish for the appearance of a beloved partner a million times or infinitely more valuable than themselves, God also wishes for His beloved partners to become beings of infinite value. Such people are true men and women. None of you have realized the fact that such a man and woman were none other than Adam and Eve, who were supposed to reach perfection without falling. (270-238, 1995.6.7)

Due to the Fall, God lost the true mother and children of Adam's family. There have been no true sons and daughters for God. There has been no family of God who could inherit the lineage of His love. Our minds and bodies came into conflict, having inherited false love, false life and false lineage through the fallen parents. Adam and Eve became enemies. Bloody wars broke out among Adam's sons and daughters.

Therefore, God's providence of salvation must be completed. The providence of salvation through which God restores everything is the providence of restoration and it is fulfilled in this manner: sons and daughters with unified minds and bodies should attain absolute oneness as couples centering on God's love; they should then build true families where they can live attending God eternally; and then, inherit His lineage by connecting with Christianity, the religion positioned as the Bride. Together, they will reorganize through God's true love a unified family, tribe, people, nation and world. (270-243, 1995.6.7)

What is God's purpose in establishing religions? You should clearly know that it has to be His will to form a beloved family, tribe, people and nation centered on His most beloved sons and daughters, in whom His bone and flesh can become one. Then you should know what kind of person the Messiah is. He is the one who will finally come to earth with God's eternal true love as the root and perfect the ideal desired by all religions. Thus, the purpose of God's providence of salvation has been for him to become the True Parent, regaining the lost true love, true life and true lineage by establishing ideal families all over the earth. (270-242, 1995.6.7)

Section 2. Adam's Family Fell into Satan's Possession

Due to Adam and Eve's fall, God became unable to regard them as the true ancestors or parents of humankind, or as His sons and daughters. Although Adam and Eve were God's only son and only daughter, they came to stand in a position where He could not relate to them as such. Also, after they became mature, He wanted to bless them as a couple in order to dispel his solitude.

Yet they failed to do that as a bride and bridegroom, not to mention as His children. Beholding them, God valued them infinitely in proportion to the magnitude of His desires for them; yet through their fall, He could experience neither filial heart nor conjugal heart to dispel His solitude.

God hoped that Adam and Eve would in the future stand in a position where they could establish the way of loyalty and filial piety before Him as the ancestors of hope and the sovereigns of all humankind. Nevertheless, they failed to become the companions who would dispel His solitude. (20-80, 1968.4.28)

Where did the Fall start from? What is the fall that occurred in the family? Is it eating the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil? The fall that can occur in the family can be nothing other than that which involves the act of love. Do you think they fell by eating a fruit? Does original sin result from eating a fruit? It is said that the parents' eating of the fruit was the sin, but what is that fruit through which the descendants of thousands of generations have become sinners? This has to do with the blood relationship. If the root of sin is planted through lineage, it lasts forever by virtue of the law of heredity. The only thing that can make this happen is the wrongful use of love. (23-167, 1969.5.18)

The wrongful use of love is the cause of the Fall. Through an illicit sexual relationship, Adam united with Eve, who had already united with the archangel, and thus they became husband and wife and formed a family, centering not on God but on Satan. Therefore, all humankind as their descendants came to inherit Satan's lineage. Accordingly, although Adam and Eve's sons were originally to become God's first and second sons, because Eve established a relationship of illicit affection with the archangel, her first and second sons fell into Satan's possession. According to the ideal of creation, love determines ownership. When a relationship of love is created, the subject partner and object partner involved in this love necessarily come to own each other. This is the Principle. Therefore, from the viewpoint of such a principled standard, since Eve fell through illicit love with Satan, the rights of ownership over the human beings born as her descendants passed to Satan, the archangel, who became able to proudly assert those rights. (Blessed Family - 325)

Since Adam and Eve fell and did not fulfill God's ideal of creation, they became fallen parents instead, and consequently multiplied children with original sin. As a result, human history came to consist of the development of tribes, peoples, nations, and the world through the family of fallen Adam and Eve. Hence, the ideal of true parents who stand in the position of perfecting God's original will has remained unfulfilled from the Fall up to the present day. Also, the true family, tribe, people, nation and world centering on true parents remain as only an ideal. (Blessed Family - 325)

Section 3. The Hope of Fallen People

Through the Fall, the ancestors of humankind, Adam and Eve, created the

fallen lineage. They failed to become the true parents who were to have attained oneness with God, and they failed to give birth to sons and daughters of God's direct lineage in the original ideal world desired by Him. Instead, they forged a bond with Satan and became satanic ringleaders who gave birth to children of death. Today, humankind still has false parents. Hence, humankind must deny the lineage of those false parents and meet the true parents. (14-279, 1965.1.3)

The hope of fallen people is to meet God's son. Lamenting the injustice of having been born as Cain's children, they are wandering around seeking God's true son. We must find him. Yet how much will humankind have to suffer in seeking him at the individual level and at the family level? Thus, God sent the Messiah, who represents the realm of the son at the national level.

Then, if people received the Messiah, they could find God's son at the level of the individual, family, tribal, people and nation. The advent of the Messiah was to convey the joyful news that humankind could meet God's son up to the national level. (Blessed Family - 480)

We, who were born with the fallen lineage, have to meet God's son who can transcend the basis of Satan's accusation. Having done so, we must go on to meet him as our parent. You have had fallen parents, but not true parents. Hence, you need to seek true parents whom God can love. Next, we must seek the family of those parents. After that, we must seek God's love, and upon finding it, we meet God. In this way, fallen people must seek their God-centered siblings, parents, home and hometown. You should be aware of the fact that humankind is supposed to walk this path.

Thus, if parents and children who are worthy of God's love form families together through that love, they can automatically prosper. They will sing songs of love in a setting that can bring success to everything through harmonized families. When this happens, a race centering on God's love will automatically be formed. Yet, because Adam lost such a family, its standard must be found through religion. Until that family is established, a tribe, people, nation and world cannot be established. (Blessed Family - 480)

What would be our ideal, desire and hope? The conclusion should be as follows: first, attending God as our Father is our greatest hope; second, we are to become His beloved sons and daughters; and third, we are to inherit everything He owns. There cannot be a human hope greater than this. (Blessed Family - 480)

Section 4. The Goal of Restoration is Adam's Family

Adam's family is the goal of the providence of restoration. God launched His providence of salvation immediately after Adam and Eve fell, but when Cain murdered Abel, that providence had to pass from Adam's family to Noah's family. Through Noah's family, God sought to build the foundation for His providence on earth by annihilating all humankind through the flood judgment and establishing a family that transcended the basis of Satan's accusation. This task again devolved through Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses and Jesus down to the present age. Thus, the providence of restoration seeks to finally establish Adam's family, which was lost due to the Fall. (Blessed Family - 482)

What has God been seeking until now? Not a subject partner, but rather an ideal object partner. God has been seeking that which resembles Him and possesses both the inner and outer qualities of the world He created. What is that starting point? It is the family. Nothing can represent the universe better than the family. (30-80, 1970.3.17)

Where does all of history conclude? With substantial children and parents. In other words, it concludes at the level of the family. These are the fundamentals of the universe. Without parents, children cannot be born. Children should have dominion over all things centering on the parents they were born from. Adam and Eve also were to rule over all things. This applies to everything. (35-276, 1970.10.25)

Ultimately, what is it that God sought to establish through His providence of restoration over six thousand years? What did He have to establish before establishing a nation, a race or a church? It was the family. That is to say, it was to establish His object partner and family. The family is indispensable in the formation of a nation. Accordingly, the basis of everything is the family. (22-302, 1969.5.4)

Since the family of Adam, the ancestor of humankind, was destroyed, we must restore it. Jesus had to come as the unfallen Adam. As such, he was the second Adam. Since Adam, the first ancestor of humankind, became a fallen ancestor, God sent Jesus as an unfallen true ancestor in order to establish His original will. We must establish Adam's family centering on such true ancestors. (20-334, 1968.7.14)

The Bible testifies to the Fall of the ancestors of humankind. Then, did that fall involve one or two persons? Both Adam and Eve fell. This is the problem. Even though the Fall had taken place, if it had occurred through Eve alone, the problem would have been simple. In such a case, God as the Creator could have re-created her. (23-33, 1969.5.11)

Why did God have to start from the family? Because everything went wrong there – that is to say, in Adam and Eve's family. The loss of God, the expulsion of the angelic world, the loss of the world of creation, and the loss of the value and love of humankind, all occurred through an unprincipled union of man and woman in Adam's family. (100-275, 1978.10.22)

The individual salvation pursued until today by religions, especially Christianity, does not represent perfection, but is rather a rudimentary form of salvation that is no more than beginning from the very first step. The goal of salvation has family salvation as its unit, and that which is called the foundation of family salvation refers to families who can lead the world and bear responsibility even for global salvation. Realizing families where such a realm of heart is firmly established should be the highest ideal of our life of faith. (Blessed Family - 482)

Section 5. The Restored Family Was to Be Realized by Jesus

What did Jesus come to do? He came to establish a family. The history of salvation is the history of restoration. Those who are sick need to be healed. Jesus came in order to save fallen people. Then what is salvation? Since the family was destroyed, it must be restored. What must be done to achieve that? It is not possible without returning to the original position that was lost. Then why must humankind restore the family? Why did Jesus have to come to establish his family? Because the original family had been destroyed. Humankind is sick and in need of healing; people are fallen and must be restored. (23-18, 1969 5.11)

You should know that God is a being who conducts Himself according to principles and laws. Since Adam was lost, he must be recovered from the satanic world. Since he erred and failed to play the role of husband, despite being in the position to dominate and possess Eve, she was taken by Satan. Thus, she must be recovered from the satanic world. Can this be done without a struggle?

God laid the national, religious, tribal and family foundations. Thus, He established Joseph's and Zechariah's families. Then, if Jesus from Joseph's family and John the Baptist from Zechariah's family had united, God's will would have been fulfilled in a short time.

What would have happened had John the Baptist believed in Jesus? Also, what would have happened if Jesus had received John the Baptist's younger sister as his bride? The will of God could have been fulfilled. When I say things like this, don't Christians immediately oppose me? They make a great hue and cry over it. Yet, however much they oppose me, it will be to no avail. Those opposing me now will realize that I'm not lying when they pass on to the spirit world. (Blessed Family - 488)

Originally, Adam and Eve were supposed to achieve unity as substantial father and mother and complete the perfection of the family of love, which is God's ideal of creation. Yet since this was not accomplished, Jesus had to come in order to complete it. Also, Jesus was to come as the bridegroom and receive a bride. Then, if they had united with God's love, restored the original position of the perfected Adam in the Garden of Eden, and bonded in that love, nobody could have made them repeat the Fall. (Blessed Family - 488)

What was God's will? It was for

Adam and Eve to establish the standard of the perfection of man and woman and establish God's family based on His love. Yet, was this done? God's family was not established. Jesus understood and also believed in this aspect of God's will, but due to the disbelief of the Jewish people, Israel's historical four-thousand-year foundation for Jesus and Judaism collapsed, and Jesus died miserably on the cross. Until now, who has understood this heart-wrenching situation? No one! You came to understand it through me today. That being the case, how glad Jesus must be! As the bridegroom, Jesus could not perfect God's family without establishing his bride as the true mother. Without Jesus' family being established, the will of God would remain unfulfilled. (Blessed Family - 488)

Without a God-centered family first being established, neither the nation nor the world could be restored. This is why Jesus sought to establish God's beloved family after coming upon the earth. Thus, as the bridegroom, he must find his bride. Since it is centering on one man that true parents, true couples and true siblings can emerge, this will be decisively fulfilled by the reception of the Groom and Bride at the prophesied Marriage Supper of the Lamb. (Blessed Family - 482)

Section 6. The Restored Family of the Returning Lord

What kind of family is a restored family? It is the substantiation of his-

torical hope. Until now, God has been guiding His providence for six thousand years in order to restore this one family. Where should this substantiation of historical hope be realized? It should be realized in none other than this actual society of the present time. It should not be realized in the future.

This is the standard of historical hope and the standard of the hopes of all peoples of the present time. It is the standard of the past, present, and future hopes of humankind. The numerous saints and sages who have entered and left this world longed for this family. (21-51, 1968.9.1)

The restored family finally appears as the returning Lord receives his Bride. This family, which must be recovered, is the family desired by humankind. Throughout the history of the past six thousand years, countless faithful religious leaders, who had been sacrificed by numerous rulers and potentates, ardently wished that the Lord would come and avenge their anguish upon their enemies. Yet the Lord cannot do that alone. If he could, he would have done it already. Thus, God's family must appear. It must be instituted and lay a new foundation on earth. Then it should be able to blow up the satanic world with the dynamite of the heart. (21-25, 1968.9.1)

With regard to the restored family, who would constitute its center? Since a family of true children sought after by God is His purpose of creation, the center of that family must be God's true son. Then who do you think he is? He is the one who comes vested with full powers to inherit this universe. He is the returning Lord. That Lord must come and form a family. (21-46, 1968.9.1)

What is our bitter sorrow today? It is that Adam and Eve failed to begin history by forming a true family as a true father and mother in the Garden of Eden. This is God's bitter sorrow before it is humankind's bitter sorrow.

The purpose of God's creating human beings was to establish such a family and build the kingdom of peace on this earth. Nevertheless, this family was shattered and as a result God has been guiding the history of restoration repeatedly over a long period of six thousand years, harboring bitter grief. You should all know that in this process, God has, until today walked and crossed over treacherous paths of sorrow innumerable times to fulfill that destiny. The one coming to bear the responsibility of solving all that is the returning Lord. Then what should the returning Lord do? He should form a family. He should do so not in midair, but on earth. Only then will a tribe, people, nation and world arise from it. (21-51, 1968,9,1)

The coming Jesus must, without fail, establish the family desired by God, and this family has to be a true family. Until now humankind has been seeking true love. In no case should false love exist in the family or society. Thus, a true family, a family desired and shared by all humankind, must appear to channel God's greatest love. Without such a family, God's tribe cannot be instituted, and without such people, God's nation or world cannot be realized. Thus, it is only in the family that the highest standards can be realized – the highest ideal desired by God and the highest that human beings can relate to in His providence of grace and salvation. (32-197, 1970.7.15)

Section 7. The Original True Family Is Established in the Unification Church

What have all the religions of history been doing until now? They have been seeking one man. They have encouraged celibacy. They did not allow for new things. If they continue like this, they will perish. Yet when they reach the level at which they can say they have found that man in their historical search for him, they will have to seek the woman after that. What kind of place is the Unification Church? It is a church seeking to restore the family. (30-218, 1970.3.23)

So far, religions have been pursuing individual salvation, but the Unification Church goes beyond that by pursuing family salvation. What we save is the family, and in going to heaven, we do not go there alone. The Unification Church's view of salvation does not allow for the husband to go to heaven while the wife gets sent to hell; rather it promotes both of them going to heaven together. It does not support the view that parents may go to hell apart from their children in heaven; rather it advocates for both parents to be together in heaven with their children. Our church is of a different dimension from other religions because it teaches that the way for us to go to heaven is together with everyone, our beloved families and even our beloved tribes. Hence, it stresses the importance of the family, whereas established religions emphasize celibacy. The family is central to our way. The family exists for the sake of the world and God. You should clearly know that this is the path for Unification Church members to walk; it is the course for their daily life from now on. (34-358, 1970.9.20)

Parental love, conjugal love and filial love motivate us to forge those bonds that fulfill our desires to be eternally together; these love bonds transcend laws, systems, all backgrounds and circumstances, and even ourselves. No social system can ignore this way of life, and no nation can be formed if it ignores it. As such, the Unification Church pursues family rather than just individual salvation. Our church's purpose aims at the fulfillment not of individual but rather of family salvation. It is on this point that we are unique. (34-328, 1970.9.20)

What is the common purpose to be shared by all people ultimately? What is the common gate they must pass through? It is neither the nation nor the world; it is neither the communist nor the democratic world. The communist and democratic worlds are superseded by the original family who can build the unified world. Then where have the order, the education and the standard of purpose for this been until now? Such a resolute standard has not appeared on earth. Until it appears, there cannot be a kingdom, an ideal nation or a country of peace. Thus, we desire to see the day when such an ideal original family – one we must seek, welcome and live with – appears on earth and consummates the destiny of history. Only then will God's providence for the earth be fulfilled, and the promised land of the Sabbath, the nest of the Sabbath, be founded. (23-31, 1969.5.11)

What is the desire of our Unification Church members? It is to become a restored family. This is where all our desires lie: the family is the source of the peace of all nations, of the happiness of heaven and earth, and of the new dispensation. The beginning of the new heaven and new earth, and the passing away of the first heaven and first earth, the root of all values of human life, and the starting point of hope – lies here. They are all there. Then who are at the center of the restored family? They are the true ancestors. The true ancestors are the True Parents. (21-46, 1968.9.1)

Section 8. The True-Family-Centered Ideology and the Religion of True Parents

The world has become the way it is by receiving a tradition that deviates from God as a result of the Fall. Thus, True Parents must come and establish a new ideology. What kind of ideology should it be? Should it be based on the world or the cosmos? It is the true family-centered ideology. Without its appearance, a true global ideology cannot emerge.

Its representative must be God's true son. He should be the heir who internally inherits everything related to God's heart. He should also be His external heir, the heir of the ownership of all things. In other words, he has to be someone who can inherit God's heart, God's body and all things. Only such a son can stand in God's stead. God's Kingdom will finally be realized only when he comes.

What is the true family-centered ideology? It is that of God's love. Isn't it simple? Without love, however much people may brag about being number one in the world, they are pitiful. Am I right or not? The true family-centered ideology is an ideology of children eternally following their parents, of younger siblings eternally following their elder siblings, and vice versa. It is an ideology that calls for a nation in the position of a younger sibling to follow the nation in the position of an elder sibling. (21-49, 1968.9.1)

What kind of ideology is that which is centered on God's love? It is a transnational and transglobal ideology of people seeking to give first rather than to receive in their reciprocal dealings. The world of such an ideology is the ideal world to come in the future. That ideal world is not one of projecting power and ordering people around, but rather that of the ideology that affirms the brotherhood of all peoples, in which all hearts can move of their own accord to harmonize with God's love. The future world will be like that. In a time to come, the religion of family level saviors must emerge. This we call the true parent-centered ideology. It is the true parental religion, which is that of living daily as true parents in realizing the four-position foundation. When this happens, parents will become the saviors of their children within their families.

If you read the very end of the Revelation to John, you will find the key to the history of restoration. It exemplifies the greatness of the Bible. The contents about restoration were inserted into the last chapter of the Bible to reveal a principle of restoration. Revelation 22:17 states, "The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!' And let him who hears say, 'Come!' Whoever is thirsty, let him come; and whoever wishes, let him take the free gift of the water of life." Do you know what "the Spirit and the Bride" means? The Bride is the wife of the Lord, and the Spirit is a spiritual being, and from here, the Mother who manifests both the spirit and flesh must emerge. Since Jesus is a man and the father of humankind, he must find the mother among women and save the world anew. Christians do not know this. I am simply dumbfounded because, although I try to enlighten them, they reject me and even call me a heretic. (21-49, 1968.9.1)

What is the cosmos-centered ideology? It relates to the family that would always deny the desire to own gold and material treasures more than enough to fill the universe in order to live intoxicated by God's love. In that state, what belongs to children also belongs to their parents, and what belongs to parents is connected intact as belonging to God. (35-280, 1970.10.25)

What kind of ideology is cosmos-centered ideology? It is the true parent-centered ideology. In conclusion, they both are parental ideologies. They are the ideologies of our home, our nation and all of you as individuals. (26-201, 1969.10.25)

CHAPTER ELEVEN

The Family Is the Eternal Foundation of Happiness

Section 1. Why Do We Like the Family?

Why do we like the family? Because it provides the foundation on which you can freely exchange love and happiness. Hence, people yearn for their hometown, the place where their parents and siblings live. (38-328, 1971.1.8)

The family is a good place. Why is it good? Because your parents, siblings and your relatives are all there. Thus, everyone is homesick for their native land, their hometown. They think of their hometown more than their nation. Even while living in the Republic of Korea, the place they long for is their hometown. (23-151, 1969.5.18)

Why do you all like your families? It is because the family serves as the basis of free activity centering on parental love. By the same token, God must be able to act freely. When society becomes one that is composed of internally-oriented human beings, who have the shining core of love however shabby they may look, God will be free. Is that not so? When you visit someone's house as a guest, do you not feel uncomfortable? Why? Because no bond of love exists there for you. You feel awkward because that love does not emanate in all directions. Thus, the path we are to walk is one of character. (99-305, 1978.10.1)

What is the best thing in the family? It is not decided by you. Then what would be the highest value of the family? It is the parents. Even for you as individuals, power, knowledge, honor or money could be valuable; yet none of them could be superior to parents. Your spouse would come next, and then your children. In fact, in your family, is there anything more precious and valuable than your parents, spouse and children? There is nothing more precious. Then why do you like your parents and why do you like your spouse and children? It is because love is there. Parental love is something absolutely needed by the children. Also, fraternal love and filial love are absolutely necessary in the family. (112-289, 1981.4.25)

Who are the most beloved people in your families? Are they not your parents? Why do you like them most? It is because they are closest to you in a relationship of love throughout their lives. Your beloved spouse comes next. If husband and wife love each other unconditionally rather than conditionally, and if this love becomes one that is reciprocated within their conjugal relationship, even if it may not be closely related to an eternal love absolutely given by Heaven, that love will be the greatest thing to bring happiness and harmony to their family. This is how I see it. Filial love, the love children have toward their parents, is next. If children can sacrifice themselves for their parents and love them with a bright and positive attitude rather than despair, while longing for ideal circumstances in which their love can sprout as the hope of tomorrow, that love will be one with pure and true value for the happiness of that family. Thus, if there is a family that is complete with true parental love, true conjugal love and true filial love, we cannot but conclude that it is the most ideal family in this world. (Blessed Family - 913)

Section 2. The Family Is the Base of Eternal Happiness

In our daily life, on what basis would you say someone is a happy person? Can people be called happy because they possess some external ability, power or authority? They cannot. Also, are people happy because they have enough money to keep them from envying others? No. Furthermore, can people become happy through acquiring global knowledge or attaining a position from which to control the world at will? It is absolutely not the case that people become truly happy with just those things. (23-11, 1969.5.11) Even if some people think they now have enough so as not to envy anything in heaven and earth, and sing songs of joy, such external things cannot be a source of happiness. External things may be a means of finding happiness, but they cannot be happiness itself. Then what has to be determined in order to be able to feel happiness? You must have beloved parents, spouse and children. Nobody can deny this. If you lack just one of them, you will feel sorrow correspondingly, and dissatisfaction will inevitably remain in your heart. (21-140, 1968.11.17)

All people on earth generally feel that the family is a base of happiness. The family must have parents. In the world, children without parents are called orphans and treated as pitiful people. The family has parents and the conjugal bond at the same time. It is pitiful to be without parents, and also to be without a spouse. However much spouses may have loved each other, there is utter misery and dejection when one of them loses the other. Not only that, it is surely a misery when a couple cannot have children. (23-11, 1969.5.11)

The family must have parents, spouse and children. Only then will it become the foundation of happiness. God's purpose in seeking to restore humankind must also be for His own happiness. The establishment of the ideal of God's foundation of happiness cannot take place apart from human beings. That point of convergence can only be brought about through His relationship with them. In the same way that we feel happy when all the ingredients needed for our emotional well-being are present in our family, God also wants to feel happiness in such a setting. (32-197, 1970.7.15)

From where does happiness arise? What is the setting in which we can sing songs of joy? It is the family. Family happiness cannot be attained if there are emotional problems or if there is no heart or love in the family. (23-120, 1969.5.18)

If a couple has no children, there can be no happiness there. Also, if children have no parents, there is no joy for them. Where there is a man, there will have to be a woman as his partner. The same holds true for woman. In the case of husband and wife, their desire is to keep their love at a higher dimension within the subject-object relationship. Further, they must have children.

A unified family is realized only when a couple has parents above and children below. A family should be united vertically and horizontally this way. Then centering on whom are they to unite? It is impossible just with human beings. Since they alone cannot pursue a higher value, if there is an absolute Subject Partner of love, the parents will want to become one with that Subject Partner as the center. The place where parents and children attain oneness in love centering on that Subject Partner will be a place of happiness and hope. Everything must be brought into oneness and unified through something more valuable and stimulating. This is not possible just with our human love, but only from the absolute Subject Partner position. (Blessed Family - 913)

Section 3. The Family Is Basic Unit to Realize God's Kingdom

Our family and God's Kingdom have the same form. Our family comprises parents, spouses, children, and siblings. It can be unified through love. Here unity can be attained, life transmitted, and the ideal substantiated. Thus, you must be able to honor conjugal love and parental love to qualify to go to heaven. The grandparents bequeath their love to the parents. God's Kingdom will not be realized if any of these forms of love is denied. The conclusion is that you must love your parents more than you love each other as husband and wife, and your grandparents more than your parents. This becomes the core and ideal motto of God's entire kingdom. (Blessed Family - 942)

The starting point of God's Kingdom is not an individual or a nation, but a family. Hence, Jesus comes to this earth seeking to establish the bond of groom and bride. Is the individual the starting point of the Kingdom? It is the family that is the basic unit for realizing God's Kingdom. (30-82, 1970.3.17)

God's Kingdom is a place that once you are there, you do not want to leave; it is a place where that Being lives that you would like to see again and again even after seeing Him hundreds of times. If all people commonly desire to go there, see God, and live with Him, the world will be unified, but this is not something that happens all at once. First, the individual foundation must stand, then the family foundation must stand, and then it should expand through the people, nation and world. (Blessed Family - 942)

Where is God's Kingdom? It does not suddenly fall from the sky, but is the place where we develop the sphere of daily life for interaction between parents and children, fully enjoying the use of all creation as a basis of our ideal. (78-35, 1975.5.1)

You should know that your families are in the position of representing the sovereignty of the heavenly nation. Since the parents represent the sovereignty, the children represent the citizenry and their possessions represent the territory of that nation. Being filial to your parents leads to being loyal to your nation and that leads to the path of sainthood. These days, families have become a source of all manner of shameful things, but God is coming forward desiring that the family become a holy foundation. (35-305, 1970.10.30)

People must necessarily have families. In the family, there are parents, children and possessions. Then, who are the substantial beings that can horizontally develop all of the vertical history of the Old, New and Completed Testament Ages and represent it? They are all things, children and parents; that is to say, they are the parents, their children and their possessions. These are all needed within the bounds of the family. (29-156, 1970.2.27)

The conjugal Kingdom of Heaven is realized only through a couple attaining oneness in God's love. Nobody can break their oneness and there is no danger that it may split or fall apart. What kind of love have you sought? If you have sought God's love, your mind and body should attain complete oneness so that God's love can come and dwell in them. Thus, the conjugal Kingdom of Heaven must emerge and the family Kingdom of Heaven must be realized. The family Kingdom of Heaven will be actualized when mothers and fathers completely unite in love, and sons and daughters also find spouses just like their parents. When parents become the plus and children the minus, the family Kingdom of Heaven will come into being. (Blessed Family - 942)

Section 4. The Realization of the Ideal of Love Starts in the Family

From where should the ideal of love start being realized? From the Unification Church? The nation? The world? Even if someone unified the world, if he failed to unify his own family, he would be an unhappy person. The ideal of love should first be realized in the family. The family is the nest of happiness. Therefore, God's Kingdom begins from there. When Jesus, who came to the earth to realize God's Kingdom, said, "I am the Bridegroom and you are the brides," he was referring to the family level.

Who makes up the family? First, parents; second, children; third, husband and wife: and next brothers and sisters. Then how are the members of the family intertwined? Through love. Therefore, what can unify the family? Love can unify it. Since love is unchanging, the grandparents' love can become one, the parents' love can become one, and the love of the husband and wife can become one. It is because love contains the quality of unity that they can be one. Also, it is because love contains the motivation of human life that the lives of the grandfather and grandmother can be connected, and also the ideal can be connected to it.

The grandparents bequeath their love to the parents; in other words, they give it to their children. The children of our grandparents are our parents, and we are the children of our parents. The place that is centered on such love is God's Kingdom, which will not be realized if any of these forms of love are denied. Since God is the Subject Partner of love and the one who can integrate past, present and future, you must love your parents more than you love each other as husband and wife, and love your grandparents more than your parents.

Man symbolizes heaven and woman symbolizes earth. Since man is subject, he does not like to be interfered with. Woman likes being loved more than she likes to love. Since man symbolizes heaven and woman symbolizes earth, their union is identical to the universe becoming one. Since the universe can be governed only through love, you can be the subject partner of the universe only through love, and you should think of your partner as being bigger than the universe. The connection between the two worlds of heaven and earth is unchanging love.

Those who have led earthly lives intertwined with love will enter heaven. The spirit world is the world of love. When God and individual people completely unite, man and woman will automatically attain oneness, and when a perfect couple appears, heaven and earth will be unified. Where does God wish to dwell? Since love arises between a man and a woman. He wants to dwell where a true man and a true woman make love Since God is there, that love can be eternal, achieve eternal unification, and possess eternal life and ideal. Therefore, the one who has grasped that love can occupy everything. The purpose of the family that is formed through true love is not just for itself but for realizing God's Kingdom. Based on the standard that seeks to converge with the purpose of unifying the universe, the family should be expanded to the people, nation, world and cosmos. Then once it has reached the world, it should return. (48-10, 1971.8.31)

Section 5. Heaven is a Place One Enters as a Family Unit

What is heaven? You talk about going to paradise or heaven but it is not a place you enter alone. Heaven is a place that you must enter with your parents and siblings. (15-278, 1965.10.30)

What is the secret for entering heaven? It is not a place meant for individuals, but rather for family units. Not only that, but also your tribe must be there with you. You are blessed if you have a big tribe for God on earth. If a family has many sons and daughters and great wealth, don't we call it blessed? If you want to be blessed like this and enter heaven, you must do so as a family unit and not alone. (22-166, 1969.2.2)

You can never enter heaven individually. As I found out, heaven is not such a chimerical place as believed by Christians. Originally, heaven is a place you are supposed to enter as a family unit. Families are meant to go there. Families go there. The place parents and children enter and live together with God as the center is the ideal world. Yet would you be happy because you went to heaven together with your mother and younger brother while your father and elder sister went to hell? You enter heaven as families. It is for families to go there. (22-271, 1969.5.4)

Heaven is the place that people who have not fallen, had a holy wedding on earth in God's bosom of love, had children God likes and rejoices in as His grandchildren, and received His love, enter altogether as a family. Would it be heaven if you entered it, but your child failed to do so? Paradise is a place parents, spouses, and children enter separately, no matter how close and affectionate they might have been. It has nothing to do with the family. Would such a place be heaven? Heaven is the world in which entire families follow their parents to interact with God as the center. Would it be good if a son is desperately screaming in hell and yet his parents are living happily in heaven? Could such a place be heaven? (19-104, 1967.12.31)

Heaven as taught in the Unification Church is not a place you enter alone but together with your family. From the perspective of God's ideal of creation, would the place men and women enter separately be heaven? No. The place they enter in twos is heaven, which is the place such that if the father enters it, so will the mother, and if the parents enter it, so will the children. As dads and moms should stay together, would it really be heaven if daddy went to heaven while mommy went to hell? (34-208, 1970.9.6)

Originally, heaven in accordance with the principles of creation is a place entered by families. You would be happy only if your parents, children and entire clan entered it. If parents went to hell and only their children went to heaven, what kind of heaven would that be? Therefore, as the Unification Church paves the way for going to heaven in the future, we must attain the family level. Otherwise, we will not be able to get into heaven. Through the family, we must escape from the level at which Satan can accuse us. We must escape from the historical level of accusation and the contemporary level of accusation. (21-62, 1968.9.1)

Originally, God did not create us so that husbands went to heaven while wives went to hell. At the time of creation, God intended that the heroes of the ideal, namely, fathers, mothers, sons and daughters, form a tribe, people and nation. Shouldn't it go this way? Yet due to the Fall, hell came into being. (16-33, 1965.12.26)

Section 6. Universal Principle of the Four-Position Foundation

Why are people sad when their loved ones pass away? When that happens, they feel it immediately due to the operation of the superhuman force that fills this universe. The more this force enters them, the more they feel the universal force centering on the vertical relationship with God. Yet when their loved ones pass away, that force leaves them, and they immediately feel the result of its departure. This is a tragic fact. People have to be perfect products but this situation makes them weaker. Human life pursues perfection, but when people come to have an element of failure that is the opposite of it, the universal force will drive out the conditions for it, and this appears as pain. You will all need to understand this clearly. (30-85, 1970.3.17)

Children of filial piety feel ineffable grief when they lose their beloved parents. Parents also feel grief when they lose their children. It is the same with spouses. That also holds true for our descendants. This is eternally immutable. (30-82, 1970.3.17) You will grieve when your spouse passes on. This is because according to universal principles the three stages of parents, spouses and children are supposed to form a four-position foundation centering on God. Those who deviate from these universal principles will be expelled from the realm of success, and this is why they experience pain and sorrow. (96-28, 1978.1.1)

Why would a woman's death cause her husband to weep? Because the path of having sons and daughters, who represent the third purpose of life, has been shattered by her death. If he fails to fulfill that purpose, he must collapse. He can do nothing but die. He can do nothing but weep. Electricity has plus and minus charges; if one of them is lost, the other cannot operate. The way of people is the same. (27-345, 1970.1.1)

Not having children causes unhappiness. Some may think that conjugal happiness would suffice despite being childless, but it is not like that. Since the four-position foundation is a universal principle, when husband and wife come together and attain oneness, they must give birth to children and form that foundation. This is a universal law. If you fail to realize a four-position foundation, you will not be considered as successful. Also, you should not just have sons. If you did, you would only have tasted the love of a son, but not that of a daughter.

Can you know the taste of honey through someone's explanation? Just an explanation would not work. Before explaining, one would have to open your mouth and feed you the honey and then tell you that this is the taste of honey. Then, why do we say that not having a son brings about disappointment and unhappiness? People with only daughters say that those having sons would have nothing more to desire. Westerners are a bit dull in this regard. Through emphasizing individualism, they have lost all such feelings. Therefore, they must regain them. Hence, they now are returning to Eastern thought in order to do so. Thus, your families must have husband, wife, sons and daughters. This way, they must attain complete oneness and go forward in sync with heavenly fortune from beginning to end, going on to live eternally, which is not possible alone. Even if you could live alone eternally, you would be carrying a bag of suffering around in the eternal world. You would not be able to receive the elements necessary for happiness. (24-223, 1969.8.17)

Section 7. The Heavenly Way People Should Go in the Family

People should love their neighbors' parents, grandparents and children just as they love their own. Only then will the relationships of above and below, left and right, and front and back arise. Only when they arise will the vertical standard of heart be established and the heavenly way emerge. Hence, they should practice this. Since members of the Unification Church practice it, they can build ideal families.

The church is the place enabling the expansion of the vertical foundation horizontally in all directions. The more the better. Why is that? Because we are crossing from the family level over into the tribal realm, and from there into the national realm. Thus, as you witness to more and more people, the heavenly foundation arises through you and the standard of value of character advances toward God. So what must we do with this vertical standard? I am saying that we should manifest it horizontally. (70-152, 1974.2.9)

On the day of union between mother and father, the family progresses, and on the day of union between children and parents, it progresses to a higher dimension. Then what will happen on the day of union between family and tribe? A new spirit for the race will emerge. We should not forget that when we are prompted to go toward a higher dimension, everything will be integrated at the national level and we will be able to live as the kindred of loyal subjects. (Blessed Family - 913)

Now even I will become a grandfather before long. This is the same for you: when you get old you will become grandfathers and grandmothers. We are born as a son or daughter, get married to become a father or mother, and then become a grandfather or grandmother; that is the course of our life. Thus, because grandparents, parents, spouses, and children constitute the formula course of life, the failure to love them runs counter to the heavenly way. If they are not fundamentally bound together, there would be no way to bring the world into order.

If you go to the West, you will see that grandmothers and grandfathers are pitiful. You do not know how much they long for Oriental customs. They are saying, "Oh, Oriental thought reveres grandparents like God, and sons still go to consult their aged parents even when they are in their seventies and eighties. So how wonderful it must be!" Thus, those who do not know how to love their grandparents cannot love God. Who is the oldest grandfather? He is God. Since God is older than all grandfathers and younger than all babies, without loving people as a whole, you cannot love Him. So if you say God is old, He is the oldest person, and if you say God is a youth of the future, He is a youth more than anyone else. As we want to love Him, we have to love all the people in between, and since people of the past in the spirit world also want to find hope and live within that realm, we must love them as well. It is only logical that we will then be able to go the way of following and loving God. (70-152, 1974.2.9)

Section 8. The Unification Church Seeks to Realize the Family Kingdom of Heaven

There is a reason why I have not been building churches until now. It is because we do not need many people in the church. God's Kingdom is realized not from the church but from the family; that is to say, it starts from bride and groom. Woman was born in order to see man, and vice versa.

The first cry a baby makes when it wakes up from sleep and opens its eyes is "Mommy!" Husbands should call their wives more than babies call their mothers. Those who do not do that are wretched people. Also, wives should call their husbands even more than that. They should relate to each other as a couple who can call each other like this. They should live like that as a couple in the joy of conjugal harmony. If they live like this eternally, they will not envy youth even when they get old. (23-54, 1969.5.11)

The day that we meet the Messiah will come only after we have passed through the age of the word and the age of substance. Only after that day has arrived can we begin our lives in the Kingdom of Heaven. On the day of that meeting, you will have to attain such a state that his mind will become your mind, his heart will become your heart, his form will become your form, his difficulties will become your difficulties, and his wounds will become your wounds. Only when you attain such a state and feel that his mind is your mind and his heart is your heart can you become families of the Kingdom of Heaven. Only when you can complete this on earth can the families of the Kingdom of Heaven be established. (19-250, 1968 1 15)

What is true love? It is parental love, conjugal love, and filial love. Love is bound to be shattered before long without a tradition of sacrificing for one another. The bond of parental love is not shattered because parents make sacrifices for their children. Also, children who have grown up receiving genuine love from their parents can never lose their devotion to them. Furthermore, as the realm expands in which spouses serve and sacrifice for each other more and more in the position of saying to each other, "You have lived for my sake," blessing will come to that family. Such a family constitutes the hallowed spot upon which God can descend. (43-308, 1971.5.2)

From where does the life of the Kingdom of Heaven start? From the family. It does not happen anywhere else. The Kingdom of Heaven is just a threedimensional expansion of the family, and not something transcending that form. Thus, when you embrace as spouses, you should think that you are thereby uniting all men and women of the world. The place where you can establish the basis of having loved all humankind like this is none other than your family. (30-82, 1970.3.17)

Now, I feel that I must teach you the norm of the family, a norm of daily life that a family of the Kingdom of Heaven should have. The Unification Church is a family structure. It puts the family first. (22-333, 1969.5.11)

Henceforth, our worship service should proceed not in the format of a sermon, but rather a report. That report should contain something families can be proud of. Thus, entire families should worship together, and families who are performing well should serve as examples to guide those who are not. Let us therefore build a family Kingdom of Heaven. We should clearly know that until this is done, God's Kingdom on earth will not be realized. (23-62, 1969.5.11)

CHAPTER TWELVE

Seeking True Families

Section 1. Nothing Was Created for its Own Sake

What is the basis of individualism? One cannot claim anything as his alone. When a child, through the love of its parents, grows from an egg in the mother's womb and is born, 99.999 percent of its existence is from the mother's bone, flesh and blood, which was combined with the 0.001 percent from the father's sperm. There is no concept of "myself alone" in nature. Nobody is born with a concept of "myself." None of us, however great, could claim that we had become great all by ourselves. Bone, flesh and blood are all inherited in the mother's womb. We should acknowledge that the important parts of our body are an extension of our mother's body. All the essential elements of our body were included in the egg and sperm. There is no exception. Therefore, there is no basis for self-centered individualism. (287-25, 1997.8.10)

When we think of above, we automatically acknowledge below. Can individualism stand only with the concept of above by itself? There can be no concept of the individual by itself. Talking about right presupposes the existence of left. In the relationship between front and back, front presupposes back. The word man also cannot exist by itself. It presupposes woman. This is not just the claim of any one person, but is a universal fact.

Why was man created? Usually men say that they can live alone by themselves, so they don't care why they were created. Yet man was born for the sake of woman. Without woman, there is absolutely no need for man. Actually, nothing was created for its own sake.

Consider our five senses. Were our eyes created merely in order to look at themselves? In the same way our nose, ears, mouth and hands were all created for the sake of our partner. The force that can mobilize and focus all five senses is true love. Eyes, nose, ears, mouth and hands are the tools that were created for the sake of true love. Nothing was created for its sake alone. If people take things belonging to others, and use them as their own, aren't they thieves? Therefore, any man who arbitrarily uses his five senses and his body for himself alone is a thief, because these were created for his wife.

What is the difference between man and woman? Their bodies, and the sexual organs in particular. Then, who absolutely needs the male organ? It exists for the sake of woman. One of the sexual organs is concave and the other convex. Why were they created that way? Both could have been pointed or both could have been flat. Yet they were made differently. Why? Each of them exists for the sake of the other. Woman absolutely wants what is man's and vice versa. You did not know that the female organ absolutely belongs to man, and the male organ absolutely belongs to woman. By occupying each other's sexual organs, man and woman come to know love. Only through the experience of the two attaining perfect oneness can we know the highest level of love. Nobody can ever deny these facts. Everyone must acknowledge them. An ideal couple comes into being in the place where the two achieve complete unity. Absolute love exists in that very place. God will come and dwell in such a place where love is absolutely unchanging. (287-27, 1997.8.10)

Section 2. The Most Holy Place Where God Can Come to Dwell

What are God's attributes? He is absolute, unique, eternal and unchanging. Then who is the owner of love? It is neither man nor woman. It is none other than God. By centering on love and through love, God and humankind become one. This is because they both absolutely need love. What kind of love does God need? He wants absolute love. What about you? It is the same for us. Just like God, all of us need absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal love. We must all resemble God. (279-246, 1996.9.15) Where is God's most holy place? It was to have been the male and female organs that were untainted by the Fall. This is the place where love was to have dwelt. This is God's holy of holies. (134-185, 1985.4.7)

What is love? It is the most holy place where God can come to dwell. We must cleanse the fallen world through love. I have already made it clear that Adam and Eve, who had to pass through the period of adolescence smoothly, failed to do so and went off the track, bringing about the Fall. Eve, the ancestor of humankind, first fell by having an illicit love relationship with the archangel, and then because of this, she also fell physically through her relationship with Adam. Thus, their sinful lineage has been transmitted to their descendants.

You must understand that God can never comfortably dwell in a place where even small traces of Satan persist. For people to receive God's love, they must first die and be born again. In human society, would a man have any reason to like his wife if, after their marriage to each other, she is unable to forget about her first husband? Likewise, God has been carrying out the providence of salvation, guiding people to atone for their sins by way of restoration through indemnity. (Blessed Family - 344)

What do you think the color of love would be? Do you think it would be black at night, white during the daytime, and yellow in the evening? In the central color of love there is a strength that can bring peace and unity and create the concept of the equality of humanity. Isn't the Unificationist concept of love beautiful? The color of love in today's American society is, in short, a disgusting color of death. Instead of realizing the world of the eternal ideal of creation through conjugal love, they are sinking into the pit of death. Those who thoughtlessly enter the most holy place of love will suffer the fire of judgment. Until they receive the Blessing, men and women must keep their most holy place of love undefiled, and once they have made love, they must continue to keep it undefiled. However, Americans generally are wicked men and women who violate love's sanctuary.

Americans who do not accept marriage through the Blessing are nothing but patients who cannot see ahead because they are blinded by fallen love. If American society continues to behave like this, it will have no hope for the future but instead will be filled only with despair. It is crystal clear that it will eventually be destroyed – not by God's judgment but rather by people who have lost their humanity. (Blessed Family - 344)

Since we in the Unification Church have come to know the providence of love that has been hidden for six thousand years, we have sought to broaden the foothold of the Blessing in order to perfect the ideal of creation based on God's love. Through the Blessing, love's most holy place has come to be created. You need to understand that from here, life emerges anew. (Blessed Family - 344)

Section 3. Man Owns Woman and Woman Owns Man

Around what axis do subject and object, or yang and yin, unite? Kissing? Love is abstract rather than concrete. What is the substantial body upon which love can settle? You do not know what makes man, man and woman, woman. It is none other than the sexual organs. Is there anyone who dislikes them? If you like them, how much do you like them? Until now, you may not have thought it virtuous to value the sexual organs, but from now on you should cherish them. What will the world be like in the future? If it is a world that absolutely cherishes the sexual organs, will that world be good or bad? Will it prosper or perish? This is not a joke. When God was creating human beings, into which part did He invest the greatest creative effort? The eyes? The nose? The heart? The brain? All of these organs eventually die, do they not?

What is the purpose of the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification? If humanity were to completely transcend the traditional fields of morality and religion and yet be absolutely in harmony with the sexual organs, earning the welcoming applause of God, what kind of world would it be?

Who owns the male and female organs? The owner of the husband's sexual organ is his wife, and the owner of the wife's sexual organ is her husband. We did not know that a person's sexual organ is owned by someone of the opposite sex. This is a simple truth, which is undeniable. Even after history progresses for thousands of years, this truth will not change.

Typically a man thinks his sexual organ belongs to himself, and a woman thinks her sexual organ is her own. That is why the world is perishing. Everyone has been mistaken concerning the ownership of the sexual organs. People have been thinking that love is absolute, eternal and dreamlike, but had they known that the ownership of eternal love lies with the opposite sex, the world would not have become like it is today. There have been numerous PhD holders and scholars, and yet none of them has ever thought about this. Can any of you deny it? If you could ask your parents, grandparents, great-grandparents, the original ancestors - and even God who is the Origin of the universe - they would all agree with this. It is an iron rule which will remain as a universal principle even after the universe has existed for billions of years. The natural conclusion is that when you stand before God, He will judge you as righteous or unrighteous according to this immutable law.

In fact, the Fall of Adam and Eve originated in the violation of this law. Each of them erroneously thought that their sexual organ was their own. Due to this mistaken view, they were driven out and could not be acknowledged anywhere in the universe. In the mineral, plant and animal kingdoms, masculinity and femininity – that is, the sexual organs – are reserved for the sake of one's partner of love. Adam and Eve did not know this. Then why do the sexual organs exist? For love. Thus male and female exist in order to find love. (279-244, 1996.9.15)

If all men and women admit that their sexual organ belongs to their spouse, we all would bow our heads and become humble when we receive our spouse's love. Love comes to you only through your partner. There is no love other than love for the sake of others. We must remember that we can find absolute love wherever we absolutely live for the sake of others. (279-259, 1996.9.15)

Section 4. Love Has No Evolution or Revolution

Love cannot undergo evolution or any type of revolution. The original form of love itself is perfect, unchangeable, eternal and absolute. (Blessed Family - 351)

Love has no evolution or revolution. Love is eternal and perfect – a truth that does not change for eternity. If you think love evolves and you consequently start to experiment with it, you'll discover this notion to be incorrect. If American society, for instance, thinks of love as a livelihood, it is inevitably doomed to perish. There would be no reason for God to bless its future. If such a society does not self-destruct, then I will make it perish by exploding a bomb of love. What is clear is that love should never be used expediently or as a way to make a living. (Blessed Family - 351)

From the time a married couple first makes love, a husband has no desire for

any kind of revolution or evolution of love from his wife. This also is the hope of a wife toward her husband. It is the hope of both husband and wife to maintain the purity of their first love. They do not want any colors to be added to their pure love, nor do they need any revolution. They desire that the pure love itself be preserved for eternity.

Why does the threat of divorce ever arise between two spouses who love each other? When we learn that a couple, intensely in love with one another at the beginning of their relationship, has decided to get divorced, we realize that something has gone wrong. No matter what a couple's reason for getting a divorce may be, the break-up indicates that something has changed - their relationship has changed. Ultimately, the couple came to the point of divorce because they failed to protect and nurture their love for one another. Love itself has not changed, but their minds changed. (Blessed Family - 351)

When a man and a woman become husband and wife, the important thing is how to achieve unchanging unity between them. When they sing of eternal happiness in such unchanging unity, this is eternal happiness. The standard of an ideal heart of love can only be established with an unchanging subject. (Blessed Family - 351)

Say you marry a man because he is handsome and you like him, and then a week later he becomes disabled in an accident. If, because of this, you want to divorce him, your love for him cannot be called true love. It is false love. (Blessed Family - 351)

In the developed nations today, white people are in the higher positions to lead and influence the world, whereas black people are more likely to be found in lower positions under their dominion. Yet when parents love their children, the intensity of their love knows no such difference as that between whites and blacks. Nobody dominates anyone. This never changes. The heart of parents loving their children, the heart of spouses loving each other, the heart of people who truly love each other cannot change no matter how much history changes, develops, or goes through a process of revolution. (32-243, 1970.7.19)

Section 5. Chastity for Woman and Purposefulness for Man

Are you allowed to love whomever you like? When a man beckons to you on the street, should you women follow him or not? You should not. You are not supposed to follow him, are you? You should not have that kind of tendency. You should protect your bodies until the time is right. You should not hand over your pure love to devilish men. Men who strut and loiter on the street are all devils. Would you place your fate into the hands of such men? This is not a simple matter. Since you have but one life, if you take even one wrong step, you would be unsettled for the rest of your life. Isn't that so?

This is true for men as well. Up until now, women have been strictly directed to maintain their chastity, but from now on, men should be directed likewise. Only in this way will they be restored. Isn't that so? However evil and heartless this world may be, you should not do things that will lead you astray from the principled path. (26-160, 1969.10.25)

You should not defile your purity during your adolescence, the precious time when you can overcome and indemnify the bitter failure of Adam and Eve who lost their purity during their youth. In preserving that purity, which is pristine and of great value, you should have the mind and determination that even if you had to live alone for a thousand or ten thousand years, your love would never be misused. (37-107, 1970.12.22)

Certain men, when they see a pretty woman, wish that she were their wife even though they already have a wife of their own. We speak of such men with two minds as having the disposition of a thief. Since Satan was the first to have two minds, it would not be wrong to call men with two minds Satan. Such people are no different from Satan. (Blessed Family - 348)

The time is coming when men should also keep their chastity. If a man errs in this regard, it is as if his clan has committed a serious crime against God's will. Just because a person has a respectable position does not mean that he is permitted to be unfaithful to his wife. If he does so, his clan will perish. Such a time is coming; you cannot do that if you understand Unificationist teachings. (38-280, 1971.1.8)

We have now entered the age when men, too, must remain chaste in order to bequeath a historical tradition of purity. The Christian communion is for the sake of establishing the tradition of Jesus' pure flesh and blood. (13-67, 1963.10.17)

There is a saying that goes, "Chastity for woman and purposefulness for man." What this means is that chastity is for the sake of fulfilling God's will concerning love, and purposefulness is for the sake of fulfilling God's purpose. Since it is said that chastity is for women, women should know only one love, and since it is said that purposefulness is for men, men should go forward unwaveringly for the sake of one purpose only. Adam and Eve should have known the right path and should have maintained purposefulness and chastity, yet they did not and they fell. (Blessed Family - 348)

A man, in loving a woman with God's love, should stand in a position where he can say, "I have loved her totally with an eternal and unchanging love from beginning to end." Also, a woman, in order to stand in such a position, should seal her body tight. Just like a peony blossom formed from many layers of petals, she should hide herself deep inside. Then, when the springtime of the harmony of heaven and earth comes, she should harmonize with it and start a new life. We should all know this well. (26-156, 1969.10.25)

Section 6. The Fall: The Root of Free Sex and the Origin of Individualism

Why did God grant Adam and Eve their sexual organs during their creation? Would He have married them when they reached maturity or not? The problem lies in their Fall, which changed their lineage. This is why God drove them out of the Garden of Eden.

Originally, Adam and Eve were to have become God's body and wife respectively. The Fall, in a sense, introduced a disease into God's body and ideal, as Adam and Eve acted like His enemies. Can you imagine how miserable God's heart must have been as He watched this taking place? The Fall is the grave in which Adam and Eve buried themselves. It was an act of expropriation. In other words, the Fall became the root of free sex and the origin of individualism.

What kind of nation is America today? It is overflowing with extreme individualism, excessive pursuit of privacy and free sex. Does God favor these things? What is the intention of such extreme individualists? Aren't they saying that they would abandon heaven and earth, the world, their nation, their society and family - and even their grandparents, parents and siblings - and begin wandering around waywardly as gypsies and hippies? In the event that it should rain or snow they will have no place to go, and they may end their lives in suicide. Our original mind does not desire extreme individualism or a ridiculous guarantee of privacy. Rather, it wants to live receiving love – from the universe and the nation, from our neighborhood and village, and from our parents. Nevertheless, because people walk the opposite path, their conscience is stricken and they feel a contradiction with their original mind. Thus, more and more people would rather die than live and so they commit suicide by taking drugs. Here we witness the truth of the proverb, "You will reap what you have sown."

What seed did Adam and Eve plant in the Garden of Eden? They planted the seed of free sex, that is, the seed of unrestrained sexual relationship. Can that be denied? This is why they covered their sexual parts. Isn't it human nature that when children get caught eating some cookies hidden by their parents, they try to cover up their wrongdoing? If the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil had been a literal fruit, Adam and Eve should have covered their mouths or their hands. So, why did they cover their sexual parts instead? It cannot be denied that the Fall was caused by fornication.

Now, let us discover the dividing line between heaven and hell. Is it in midair? Where is it? It is none other than your sexual organ. This is a serious matter. This concept has turned heaven and earth upside down. Who can deny this? This is explained in the chapter "The Fall" in the Divine Principle, the teaching of Rev. Moon. If you doubt this, ask God. You cannot reject Rev. Moon's Divine Principle, with a contents that you could not possibly have dreamed of – all presented with logical explanations and in a well-ordered structure. Those who use their sexual organs aimlessly like a person deprived of good judgment will be bound for hell, and conversely, those who use theirs according to God's absolute standard of love will be led high up into heaven. This is a clear conclusion. (279-254, 1996.9.15)

Absolute sex has God at its center, whereas free sex is centered on oneself and Satan. Historically, world literature and the media have often stimulated free sex. Therefore, from now on, all of us – including politicians, economists, writers and journalists – must unite and lead the way to prevent free sex. Free sex should disappear completely. (287-29, 1997.8.10)

Section 7. The Realization of World Peace Through Absolute Purity and the True Family Movement

Today, we face a serious youth problem. As Adam and Eve planted the seed of free sex through falling in fornication in the shade in the Garden of Eden during their youth, so in the Last Days, which is the time of harvest, there will necessarily appear the global phenomenon of rampant free sex among the youth. God knows what Satan wants in the Last Days. Through free sex, Satan wants to stop every last person from returning to God. In other words, he wants to destroy all humanity and create hell on earth. Isn't the world in which we live today turning into hell on earth? Accordingly, we will find the way to heaven by going in the direction diametrically opposite to that of this hell on earth. When the returning Lord comes to save this world, he will teach this diametrically opposite way and lead us to heaven.

Then what is the way that is diametrically opposite to the way of free sex? Since the false parents created the way of free sex, the True Parents must appear and rectify this. God cannot intervene here. No sovereignty or military, no economic or political power can do it. Since this trend was caused by the false parents, unless the True Parents come and use their scalpel to operate, there will be no way for humanity to be saved. The one who has sinned must indemnify it.

It was within the first family that a false marriage took place. This event distorted the lineage 180 degrees. Therefore, the True Parents must come and bestow marriage that is in a direction 180 degrees opposite, in order to open the way to heaven. (279-256, 1996.9.15)

Since the Fall occurred through a false love relationship, humankind lost true love. Therefore, the problem arises as to how true love can be recovered. Fallen humanity's loss of true love came about through fornication. That is to say, since true love was lost through the sexual organ, it can only be recovered through a reversal of the Fall.

As false love was planted this way in the Garden of Eden, the phenomenon appearing as its result at the time of harvest in the Last Days is the youth problem. Thus, the age of sexual chaos is manifesting itself. There is nothing other than absolute sexual purity that can resolve this state of affairs. Only this idea of absolute sex can prevent family breakdown and prevent juvenile delinquency. (287-16, 1997.8.10)

What did God expect from Adam and Eve? He expected absolute purity and love. Where there is absolute sex, couples of absolute purity will emerge, and concepts such as free sex, homosexuality and lesbianism will automatically disappear. I have dedicated my entire life to the path of overcoming tribulations, in order to initiate a movement that promotes absolute purity and love all over the world. Now I am grateful to God because the time has come when I can command the world, sounding a fanfare of victory.

It is the family that sets the cornerstone for the road to world peace. Yet it is also the family that can destroy that road. It was in Adam's family that the foundation of hope and happiness for all of humankind was shattered. Therefore, I cannot but give thanks to God that today we have established the Family Federation for World Peace and Unification which has opened the way for your families to go in a direction diametrically opposite to that of the satanic world. Without this path, there can be no freedom, happiness or ideals.

From now on, please make the absolutely pure sexual organ, unique sexual organ, unchanging sexual organ and eternal sexual organ the basis of your pursuit of God. These organs are the basis of love, life, lineage and conscience. From here, the true family will be connected to the true nation and true world, forming a peaceful and ideal world. Wherever you go, please try to spread Rev. Moon's message through television or other media. You will never perish.

What force can turn around this world of hell? It is impossible to achieve this without living in God's love – that is, according to the absolute, unique, unchanging and eternal standard. The original owner of our sexual organs is God. (279-257, 1996.9.15)