



BOOK THREE

TRUE LOVE



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CHAPTER ONE

What Is True Love?

Section 1. Love Is the Source of Peace and Happiness

The more love we have the happier we become. Love is such that once it is in our hand; we never want to let it go. The source of life cannot be governed by human will. Only true love can influence our motivation, our course, or the end of our life. Human beings were born of love, so they must live for love and even die for love at the end of their lives. (298-298, 1999.1.17)

What would be the color of love? Do you think it would be inky-black at night, white in the daytime and yellow in the evening? What do you think the color of love might be? The power to achieve peace, unity and equality for all can be found in the central color of love. However, if you carelessly venture into love's most holy place you will be judged by fire. (Blessed Family - 344)

When you find someone to love, your face becomes radiant. What brings that about? Not guns or threats, only love. Then what kind of love is that? That love is true love, the love that is the owner of the universe, the center of the universe, and the original fountain of the

universe. (95-39, 1977.9.11)

Love is the cardinal point of happiness, the invisible order, and the peace that serves the common good. It is the common asset of all humanity and the symbol of God's will and power.

(Blessed Family - 850)

Love holds supreme value. Once you have true love, even God will follow you, the world will follow you, everyone will follow you. Once you stand in love's place of honor, all creation will follow you. (217-193, 1991.5.27)

True love is the kind of love that makes you and another feel good even if you stay together forever. It is the kind of love that makes you feel good, even though you just stay together, live together, watch together, talk together, feel things together and listen together. (127-9, 1983.5.1)

Love is liked and welcomed by all people. For this reason, everyone desires to be born, to live, and to die surrounded by love. Such a person is indeed a happy person. (193-136)

If we think of love as small, it is very

small; and if we think of love as large, it is very large. A slight wink from a loved one would make you feel as if heaven and earth were turning upside down. A smile from the one you love would make you feel as if all of heaven and earth were within your heart. If you think that love is perceptive, it becomes perceptive; if you think it small, it is small; if you think it big, it is big; if you think you can see it, you can; and if you think you cannot see it, you cannot see it. Love alone can break down the barriers. People in love are completely possessed by it and each word they venture to speak will be based on the love that claims them. (51-161, 1971.11.21)

The power of love is greater and mightier than the power of an atomic bomb. An atomic bomb can only bring death to people, but love has the power to save people from death and give them new life. Atomic bombs are not creators; they bring judgment and destruction. The power that can unite the world into one is not the brute force of arms, but true love. (Blessed Family I - 850)

Each nation has its border, its cultural background, and its customs. The only weapon that can transcend these is true love. (205-250, 1990.9.9)

As history unfolds and love is perfected, political, economic and cultural problems – all conflicts and disputes – will be fully resolved. The complex problems faced by humankind in the world today can be fundamentally solved only

through the perfection of true love. (Blessed Family - 380)

We must seek for true love, but where can you go to encounter it? True love is unchanging and eternal, whether it is day or night. However, true love is not something that exists merely for oneself. (Blessed Family - 380)

It cannot belong to just one person; it belongs to everyone, and is shared by the universe. True love connects to the family, the society, the nation, the world and the universe. (294-63, 1998.6.11)

If true love were perfected, our responsive God would have no regrets even if He were completely immersed in it. God will rejoice over anything and everything that happens, as long as He is surrounded by true love. If people could live in a world of true love, they would all live happily, without regret, throughout their lives. Moreover, there would be no war, discontentment or suffering in that world. (Blessed Family - 380)

Even all things of creation will show their blessings upon those who devote their lives for the purpose of love. Flowers will want to bloom in their gardens, and even birds will want to build their nests in the backyard and sing their songs. This is because those people know the value of all things of creation and truly love them. (Blessed Family - 1062)

Even God yearns for love. Because love is so expansive, even God is engulfed

in love. That is how it should be. It is only logical. What God is wishing for more than anything else is love. That is why love is greater than He is. (132-113, 1984.5.27)

Love, which is the center of all vitality, does not change. Love occupies the center of ideal circumstances, and is in unity with God. Therefore, as long as God exists, there is love. (157-226, 1967.4.10)

You can find money, knowledge and power in the midst of love. The power of love is eternal. Those who know real love do not have to learn anything in the spirit world. (202-86, 1990.5.6)

What is true love? At the intersection of vertical and horizontal, true love forms a ninety-degree angle and must fit in anywhere it goes. It should fit in Eastern homes and in Western homes alike. True love can fit in anywhere and everywhere, regardless of whether there are differences in racial, cultural and religious backgrounds. (180-86, 1988.8.7)

The universe contracts and expands. In other words, it breathes in and out. It is not political power that controls the contraction and the expansion of the universe. Neither is it knowledge or money. It is the giving of love. (121-103, 1982.10.24)

When you look at the world with eyes filled with love, you would say of a bird flying past you, "Why is that bird chirping? Oh, he must be missing his beloved." Lines of poetry and prose would natu-

rally spring to mind. The history of our everyday lives is harmonized with nature and reproduced in the symphony of love. That is why a breath of love, a caress of love, a song of love and a whisper of love are all pleasing. (112-257, 1981.4.19)

The most evil of forces dissolves in the presence of true love. Though one just looks at or passes by true love that is enough. (Blessed Family - 380)

Love is certainly the element that forms the essential part of a person. It is at work before that person is given life, and it is the source of life itself. (177-313, 1988.5.22)

A life lived for love is a productive and fruitful one, and a life lived without knowing love leads to exhaustion and destruction. God, humankind, and even the universe desire to live for the sake of love. This is the original way of life. (Blessed Family - 1062)

True love is absolute, unchanging and eternal. (God's Will - 219)

There can be no development or revolution when it comes to love. Love in its original form is perfect, unchanging, eternal and absolute. (Blessed Family - 351)

The love attained in a natural setting and in the most natural atmosphere is real love. (Blessed Family - 353)

Once someone opens his or her eyes to love, the body and mind of that

person will want to form multi-dimensional relationships within the universe. That person will thus come to understand the order of nature from the leaves falling in the autumn wind. He will smile to himself, wishing even to become a flower blossom in order to appreciate the beauty of a flower blooming in a spring garden. (Blessed Family - 376)

The fastest action in the world is the action of love. If two people located at opposite ends of the earth were to fall in love with each other, their love would pull them together, overcoming the distance between them. Love has such power. (112-204, 1981.4.12)

A person who has received grace and is receiving love from God looks beautiful. (33-86, 1970.8.9)

When we reach the state in which we can feel the love of God, we can relate with and transcend everything. We can have everything when we are centered on the emotions of original love. Even the organs of our bodies were created for just one purpose, love. The eyes were formed to seek for love, the nose to smell love, and the ears to listen to the sounds of love. Of all the words we hear, the words that we never tire of, that we always like to hear, are the words, "I love you." Love is the only topic that all beings enjoy. That kind of love is the true love that the entire universe welcomes. (298-298, 1999.1.17)

The attributes of love do not lead us

to love only things that are good. It is only logical to define true love as that which loves the very lowest thing more than something high. (33-89, 1970.8.9)

Love is such that even God is bound by its authority. This means that even God is weak before love. The all-powerful God cannot prevent a smile from spreading across His face when He sniffs the scent of the love of humankind. Even God likes to hear love stories. (298-298, 1999.1.17)

What is the most holy thing in the world? It is true love. True love starts from God. What God truly wants is the path of true love. You must understand that if you do not follow the path of true love you cannot become close to God. Through love, God desires to see, hear, eat, and touch. (Blessed Family - 380)

Happiness will begin in the world when people can live based on love. The things people want to attain, such as perfection and the realization of their ideals, cannot be achieved without love. That is why everything in the universe exists on the basis of love. Everything in creation began through the original love of God. (137-207, 1986.1.3)

In this world, when we give things away, they are gone. Yet, in the case of love, the more we give, the more we receive in return. That is why we delight in love. No matter how much love you give, it will continually fill you, so you can always be happy and joyful. You may

like money, but once you give it out, it is gone for good; and however much you may like power, once you use it, it runs out. But in the case of love, the more you give, the more unlimited a supply you will have. (121-105, 1982.10.24)

What is true love? It is something that even grandmothers and grandfathers can never relinquish, even in death. Once you get hold of true love, you delight in it so much that you cannot live without it. It is the same for all people: men and women, young and old. (171-67, 1987.12.6)

After tasting love, would a grandfather ever say, "Oh, I am tired of the taste of the love I knew in the past! It is different from the aroma in our civilization today. I don't like it! I would rather smell something other than the scent of love!"? Bread or rice stimulates every cell in your body to say, "Ah that tastes very good!" That is why love forms the nucleus, the core of all things. Love is like the essence of everything. When you treat anything and anyone with that kind of love, a path will open up along which you can freely go anywhere. (139-197, 1986.1.31)

True love is the type of love that lasts forever: true love in the spring, summer, autumn and winter; true love when you are in your teens, adulthood and old age; and true love even when you go to the eternal spirit world. This is unchanging love. (194-303, 1989.10.30)

Who is the owner of love? It is not

man or woman. It is God Himself. God and human beings can become one only by centering on love; only through love. This is because love is absolutely essential to God and human beings. (279-246, 1996.9.15)

Wherever there is the harmony of love, circular motion takes place. When human beings and God become one through love, and this love is brought to fruition, God can come down and human beings can go up, and they will meet midway. God then becomes the center of the sphere and spherical motion occurs. The central point is where harmony in love is established and the place where life first stirs. It is the starting point of equality and sharing together. This is because the power of love is there. The power that acts on and embraces everything in the universe is love. (Blessed Family - 344)

Love is something you can never feel by yourself. The same can be said of happiness. Even the concept of peace cannot be applied to just one nation; it describes the relationship formed between one country and another. Only when you can love based on a relationship made with someone on an equal footing can you feel true happiness. It is the same for freedom. You cannot create true freedom just by yourself. The freedom that you acquire within love, together with love, is true freedom. In the presence of true love, even if someone wields absolute authority over others, even with a whip in his hand, that will not hold people back; instead, it will bring them a richer

joy and happiness. This is because love is something given to others for their benefit, through which someone sacrifices himself to save them. (Blessed Family - 342)

Love is the pillar that stands at the center where the mind and body automatically unite into one. The individual, family and tribe, as well as the nation, the world, the universe and God are all situated at the central point, at that one pillar. That center point does not move. That is why the place of true love is the eternal place of settlement. (230-135, 1992.5.1)

Jesus once said, "I am the way and the truth and the life: no one comes to the Father, but by me." However, he left one thing out, the most important thing of all; love. He should have said "I am the way and the truth and the life and the love..." but he left out "love." These words should be inserted into the Bible. When Christians hear me saying such things, they will exclaim, "How blasphemous!" But if you ask God about this, He will reply, "Of course!" From this we can see that God really likes love, but He likes true love the best of all. (149-15, 1986.11.1)

Section 2. Love Is Boundless Giving

Love requires one hundred percent devotion. When God was creating the universe, He invested Himself one hundred percent through His love. That is why true love begins with living for the sake of others. (189-202, 1989.4.6)

God is not a dictator. God gave everything for human beings. The reason God is close to us is because He wants to live for us. That is why we want to follow Him eternally. To live for the sake of others is the natural law, and so to maintain our state of existence in the world we must live that way. Only through living for the sake of others can the connection be made between East and West, and between past ages and the present. (187-89, 1989.1.6)

Giving and giving again for the sake of others puts you in the same position as God giving of Himself at the time of the creation. By putting everything you have into something, you are creating a second self, and it is the same as God investing everything He had at the time of the creation. The history of re-creation is the course of restoration through indemnity. Indemnity is offered through the history of re-creation, and so only when one invests everything one has, can re-creation take place. (82-239, 1976.1.31)

The logic of eternal life operates solely through investing oneself again and again. You will never come to ruin if you live for the sake of others. From giving small things, you will move on to giving bigger things. Then where does this lead? It comes back to you. (204-106, 1990.7.1)

Love does not satisfy us even after we have given it; instead, when you give you want to give more and you feel ashamed when you are unable to. Those who feel ashamed even after giving are truly the

owners of love. In love, the more we give, the more we receive in return. The more we carry that out, the more the power of what is given is exceeded by the power that comes back. In that way, you will never perish; rather, you will prosper. There is no way to be prosperous without love. (38-326, 1971.1.8)

Love can never be exhausted. The more it is set in motion, the greater it gets. According to the laws of mechanics, something in constant motion becomes exhausted in time. In the case of true love, however, the more it is in motion, rather than being used up, the greater it becomes. (219-18, 1991.8.25)

The essence of love is such that when you live for the sake of others, your love becomes greater, but when you want people to live for you, your love diminishes little by little. (129-264, 1983.11.13)

What is true love? It is giving, and then forgetting about it; it is giving and giving and then giving some more. (240-298, 1992.12.13)

Even though you may give and give and give, the world of love lasts forever. (121-173, 1982.10.24)

The word “love” is truly mighty. There is a Korean saying that “One well-spoken word can clear away a large debt.” What that means is that with just one word you can indemnify something. Even if you have a debt of billions of dollars, one word of love can more than indemnify

the debt. (227-253, 1992.2.14)

There is no other than the house of true love that has the authority to govern this universe of infinite magnitude. Love comes from living for the sake of others. Even God, the great almighty Creator, has to bow His head to love. (162-287, 1987.4.17)

Love is something that even God cannot fulfill alone. Love can only be attained on the basis of a relationship with another. Where does love begin? It does not begin from oneself; it grows and develops through having a partner. (Blessed Family - 342)

Where is the root of true love kept? Even though God is all-knowing and all-powerful, the root of love is not kept within Him. Although the omniscient and omnipotent God is the central figure of true love, He does not want to keep the root of love within Himself. God wants love to take root in the person who is to be the object of love. (177-269, 1988.5.20)

The more love you give, the more love you have. It never ends. You will have the reserves to give out on a larger scale. However, everything else comes to an end; money, knowledge and authority all come to an end. Everything that has to do with human circumstances and sentiment in the world comes to an end. Yet eternal true love never comes to an end, no matter how much you continue to give. Love is amazing in that it

continues into eternity. (121-243, 1982.10.27)

Love is something you cannot fulfill if you are centered on yourself. Love does not begin from oneself; it begins and is later fulfilled through one's partner in love. Therefore love cannot be fulfilled without a counterpart. (145-215, 1986.5.11)

You cannot attain love by yourself. Even the greatest person in the world cannot achieve love if he is alone. This is because love is formed only in the relationship between a subject partner and an object partner. Accordingly, even the omniscient and omnipotent God cannot feel any stimulation or impetus if He attempts to attain love for His own sake. That is why we need a partner. (219-14, 1991.8.25)

The core of the universe is human beings, and the core of human beings is life. The root of life is love, and the root of love is God, but this love cannot be realized by someone all alone. You need a relationship with a partner to realize love. As God is the origin of love, the only beings qualified to be partners in that love are human beings. (48-205, 1971.9.19)

The word "love," and even the word "hope," cannot be used in reference to someone who is alone. Even life cannot come from being on one's own; life can only come through the bonds of relationship. (69-59, 1973.9.10)

Now, let me ask you a question. The

two things that last for eternity are life and love. Then which comes first, life or love? Which is it? For God, love did not exist before He did; love came to exist after God existed. That is why, for God, life comes first and love comes second, but for human beings love comes first and life comes second. (105-75, 1979.9.23)

What kind of beings did God create us to be? We were created to be the object partners of God's love, to have His absolute and unique value. He created man and woman to enter with Him into a partnership of love, thereby endowing them with greater value than that of even the whole universe. Human beings are born from love and raised with love, and they live in love until they die in love. But it is not as if they just disappear. Since the subject of love, God, is eternal, unchanging and unique, when we stand in front of such a God, as the object partner of His love, we have eternal life. (142-143, 1986.3.8)

God's purpose in creating Adam and Eve was to feel joy. This was not the joy of looking at them, or speaking with them, or touching them, but a joy based on love. He created us for the attainment of joy. (114-11, 1981.5.14)

God is the Absolute Being, but He needs another being to be His partner in love. That partner is none other than a human being. Once human beings, who are His partners in love, appear in front of God with perfected love, He can then become the God of happiness, and

the God who has found His ideal of joy.
(145-267, 1986.5.15)

God had only one dream, which is to realize the ideal of love. However, God cannot accomplish this dream on His own. Neither love, nor happiness, nor joy can be achieved by one entity. They can never be realized without partnership. (Blessed Family - 302)

Where does love come from? It manifests from your partner. If your partner is ugly and you dislike him or her, you want to withdraw your love. And if the partner is beautiful and good, the dynamics of love are set off that much quicker. In other words, the workings of love are determined by the qualities of those in partnership, such as their words, beauty, fragrance and flavor. (Blessed Family - 342)

Where does love come from? It does not come from us, but from our partner. Since it comes from our partner, we should bow to and live for that person. That is why the law of nature instructs us to, "Live for the sake of others." Since something so precious and valuable is coming to us, to receive it we should practice the philosophy of living for the sake of others. This means we must revere and live for our partner. (143-277, 1986. 3. 20)

It is not without meaning that I am vibrant and active in many fields; I do so because I have a purpose. That purpose is none other than to realize the

world of love. Human beings exist with the aim of realizing and attaining love. Since the purpose of human life lies in the realization of true love, the value of human existence is also decided by this true love. How wonderful this is! (Blessed Family - 1062)

All people hope that their partner in love will have thousands of times the value, or infinitely more value, than they have. In the same way, God wishes for human beings, His partners in love, to be beings of infinite value. When someone is perfected, he or she achieves a divine nature, thus becoming as flawless as the Heavenly Father and attaining the same value. (277-196, 1996.4.16)

What is true love? It is a love that moves you to want to stay with your partner for a thousand years, and that makes you want to love that person forever. With such a love, there can be no hell and Satan cannot get at you. (Blessed Family - 380)

If God is seeking an absolute partner in love, whom will He place in that position? It is none other than human beings. It follows that a partner in love who has become one with the eternal love of the Creator must also live forever. An important issue for religion is how to establish a logical understanding of eternal life based on relationships of love. Eternal life does not lie in a man or a woman. It does not lie in God. You must clearly understand that eternal life is in the love of God. (218-210, 1991.7.29)

If one has no subject partner in love, you feel empty and alone. But if there is a subject partner of love, then everything feels full. Only when something is filled to the brim with love can everything else be filled up as well. You can then give out love infinitely and truly. The reason you exchange love with others is in order to achieve an ideal and to multiply that ideal. The world of love transcends distance. Love is so fast that even light cannot follow it. Love is the fastest thing in the world. It is also the brightest and the most perfect. Love is the only thing that fills things up completely. (95-39, 1977.9.11)

Who is closer to the center: someone who is willing to sacrifice love to sustain life, or someone who is willing to sacrifice life for the sake of love? Who is closer to the truth? One who sacrifices his life to attain love is close to the center and close to what is true. This is because the one willing to sacrifice love for life is self-centered, whereas the one willing to sacrifice life for love is not. (174-15, 1988.2.23)

As I wandered through the five oceans and the six continents, I preached earnestly about the path of love. I have sought to shine the light of love on all people, who, living without love, are like a desert. If the path people are ultimately to follow will lead them to that other world of love, the most important thing for humanity must be the "love beacon." Only that beacon of love can lead humanity to the original homeland. (Blessed Family - 404)

Once you become one with God, circular motion manifests in all kinds of forms and figures. That is why the older sibling must love the younger, following the example of their parents in loving them. In such a family that is united into loving oneness, the love within the family blossoms. Then that love becomes the love within a society, and then the love within a nation. In this way, it later becomes the love of the whole world. (28-168, 1970.1.11)

Lost in the rapture of love, God created man to live forever. Therefore, aging is not the enemy. People are born from love, they live with love, and finally they are harvested as the fruits of love. When you die, you are harvested as a fruit of love. We have lived receiving the love of our parents and our children and after having experienced love as a couple, we have loved our children as their parents. Therefore the love of God and everything we have sown in the inner world of love is to be brought to fruition over the course of our lives. When we pass on to the next world we reap the fruits of our lives and take them with us. (83-198, 1976.2.8)

God maintains life on the foundation of true love; His omniscience and omnipotence should be based on true love. Only then can He stand as the ideal subject partner for humankind, a subject partner who has transcended history. If He seeks to assume the position of the subject partner with only the power of life, then all things of creation will not want to unite together. Even microscop-

ic animals and plants wish for a master of love to tend them and take care of them. They like to feel the touch of loving hands. You should not say, "I'm stronger than anyone else, so you have to do as I say!" Only when love is involved is life set in motion. The root of life begins in love. The basis for God's continued existence is not life, but love. (173-84, 1988.2.7)

Section 3. Harmony Arises in the Presence of Love

It is nice just to think about love, to see it and to taste it. That is how love is. (Tongil Segye 1980. 2 - 10)

Love is the coming together of East and West, of North and South. It is the coming together of heaven and earth. Love therefore assumes the form of a sphere. (225-46, 1992.1.1)

True love is the love that is at the center, connecting the vertical and the horizontal. (195-242, 1989.12.1)

Can you imagine how enraptured a person's lips would look, smiling as they give themselves over in true love? Just think of how beautiful the five human senses appear when they are enraptured in true love and how beautiful is the harmony of the five senses as they move toward God. God cannot experience joy through beauty all by Himself. He can only experience beauty when He has someone to relate to. That is why God created humankind. God desires to travel the world of the human heart, with all

its inner beauty, more than He desired to create heaven and earth. (Blessed Family - 380)

Even God breathes. He breathes true love. As God also keeps in rhythm with the universe, the universe continues forever, centering on true love. Therefore, only when you reach this level can you enter the realm of God's breath and live forever. (201-191, 1990.4.1)

The universe is round and so is the sun. What do all round-shaped things center upon? They cannot become rounded by themselves. They can only become rounded on the basis of a relationship with something else. The world that is one existing entity, a substantial entity that integrates such relationships, continues on the basis of this realm of circular relationship. Considering this, what is the original source that can form such a circular relationship? The original source of this harmony is the motion of love. (164-78, 1987.4.26)

Love is like a nerve. When one of our hairs is pulled, our whole body moves toward the pulling force. In the same way, when you pull on love, the universe is pulled towards the pulling force. When you move love the whole universe moves in accordance with it. (89-90, 1976.3.2)

People must live life enraptured with something. One who is enraptured by something is truly happy. Artists are enraptured by art. People of a literary bent are enraptured by the books they write, or by the great masterpieces they

have read. Such people are happy people. That is why people should live enraptured with the multi-dimensional and ideal love of God and follow only Him.

(59-316, 1972.7.30)

What is the most precious thing sought after by man and woman? It is love. Love is something that people like forever, and God does too. Love is what the whole universe likes most of all, and forever. (179-33, 1988.7.3)

Although it is invisible, love is the most precious treasure on earth. That is because it is unchanging in nature. Gold is precious because of its unchanging color, a diamond is precious because of its unchanging hardness, and a pearl is precious because of the unchanging harmony of its colors. However, these precious treasures do not have life in them. True love, on the other hand, is a treasure that has life, and is therefore more precious than all of them. (201-142, 1990.3.30)

Everyone likes love. Ultimately, through love we come to love more and more. (60-80, 1972.8.6)

Love flows into the hearts of individuals, into the heart of a family, into the heart of a people. It flows everywhere. And wherever it flows, everyone welcomes it. There is no way to block love. Everyone wants something higher, don't they? God created people to relate with one another through the power of love. The one who has been living and breathing along with the universe, connected

through the ties of love, does not need any formalities when he arrives at the palace of God. He can open the gates to the palace at will and go to the inner sanctuary where God is residing, and call out, "Heavenly Father!" Then God will answer, "Oh, my child, you are here!"

(164-47, 1968.8.11)

What is the only problem of the human world? It is love; whether it burns brightly. In order for the light of love to be bright, that light has to burn both internally and externally. With what should it burn? It should burn with the desire to love. In light of this, you can realize that our life, during which we deal with the ordinary affairs of the world, is just a stopping point on our journey. (194-55, 1989.10.15)

Where is God? We say He is omnipresent. This means He is not in one specific place. He is wherever love is. You need to know this. Based on love, He is omnipresent. We too can be omnipresent when love is our central focus. That is a privilege we can enjoy when we possess love. (149-23, 1986.11.1)

The word equality is meaningless without love. Genuine equality is possible when people live for the sake of others centering on love. (140-142, 1986.2.9)

Through love, a man and a woman can be on equal footing and a mother can be on equal footing with her son even if he is the nation's president. All things that possess love can have equal status. We must realize this. (129-49, 1983.10.1)

Humankind stands at the center of all things of creation. What then, is at the center of human beings? It is true love. God's love forms one vertical line. In order to set up the center of heaven and earth, there also need to be lines of love from both man and woman; the woman's goes to the man and the man's goes to the woman. In this way, these lines of love create a circle that rotates. When a man and a woman appear with true love it is perfected love with a negative charge. When perfected and true negatively charged love is formed the positively charged vertical love of God is automatically present. That is how the principles of the universe work. (120-210, 1982.10.16)

It is only possible to form a reciprocal relationship with the universe when you have love. Without love, such reciprocity can never take place. The reason love is said to be gentle and humble is that with those qualities it can be abundantly and fully put in motion without resistance. When something is gentle, humble and sacrificial, it can relate with anyone. It can go anywhere without resistance. In essence then, this is not really sacrifice. The key to working without resistance is living for the sake of others, sacrificing for others and serving others. Why must we sacrifice for and serve others? We must do so in order to perfect the respiratory organs for our second life. (122-329, 1982.12.1)

All beings that reproduce come together in twos to multiply. It is love that brings about harmony in reproduction. This is true of the multiplication

of all living things in the natural world. Even in the case of water, there is female water and male water and fish do well in areas where these waters mix. Many fish live where cold water and warm water mix. That is ideal. There must be harmony. (177-271, 1988.5.20)

The birds living in the north fly south to raise their young, and the birds living in the south fly north to raise theirs; this migrating back and forth follows a rhythm. Since they were born there, the birds return to the place of their birth to have their young. Fish living in cold water lay their eggs in warm water and fish living in warm water can only lay their eggs in cold water. A harmonious unity of yin and yang must be established. That is why they migrate. (132-74, 1984.5.20)

Love cannot be achieved without a relationship with a partner. Even the absolute God has no way to experience love by Himself. Love cannot be realized without finding a partner; thus the creation was an effort to place an absolutely qualified partner in front of the absolute Creator. We human beings are that masterpiece of creation, fashioned so that even God could find the love He also needs. (140-282, 1986.2.14)

When you are intoxicated in the love of God you would not become bored even if you were to stare at a grain of sand for a thousand years. (83-198, 1976.2.8)

When we think to ourselves that we were born in the universe of love we

become infinitely happy. (298-300, 1999.1.17)

True love is not something that can be forced; it is willingly expressed. When loving someone, do not just have the intention to receive because ideal love can be realized only through the action of giving and receiving. (66-123, 1973.4.18)

If love were something that could be pictured by anyone, touched by anyone, and whose form could be known by anyone, you would lose interest in such a love in less than one day. However, that is not how love is. Love is something that even if it is not there, it feels as if it is, and even when it is, it feels as if it is not. Love operates like a mysterious mirage in all shapes and forms, which are good when you think they are bad and bad when you think they are good. (175-197, 1988.4.17)

True love perfects the ideal of unity in the universe. However great a masterpiece is, if you don't find the flavor of true love in it, you will spit it out. It is the same even with the true love between husband and wife. (112-165, 1981.4.12)

Human beings like love the best because love is the subject that unites everything and makes it our own. People can never fathom how good love is. (18-328, 1967.8.13)

Just as parents love their children, the more you love, the more your joy increases. Love brings things into oneness. If there is a person who is one with

God through His love, no one will be able to separate him from God. What wonderful love this is! (18-329, 1967.8.13)

Bees concentrate so intently on getting the nectar in the flowers. Their heads are thrust into the flowers and their abdomens stick up in the air. You cannot pull them out even with a pair of tweezers. They do not come out even if you pull so hard that their abdomen comes off. Why would they if the nectar in the flowers tastes so good? Then if nectar tastes so good, how much better is the taste of love? Which is better, the taste of love or the taste of honey? (137-57, 1985.12.18)

Without love, unity cannot be attained. Words alone are not enough to unite two different people into one. Then what is needed to unite them? If they are united around material things and the material things disappear, they will simply separate. Suppose a third person introduces them and they unite by some means or another. If that third person disappears, they will separate. Then what is necessary for two people to be joined together as one, eternally? There must be love. (51-74, 1971.11.1)

Love alone has the power to unite the five senses. You may not know what that love is, but it makes the smell of an old man, which is unpleasant to most people, seem sweet and pleasant to his wife. Even if the face and hands of the old man are all skin and bones, his wife will like that face and those hands. It is

precisely love that makes it so. (148-318, 1986.10.26)

When the wind of love blows, the whole world seems beautiful. Everyone becomes a poet or a romantic when he or she falls deeply in love. (145-317, 1986.10.26)

The taste of love is similar to that of the schizandra berry. The schizandra berry has a sour and bitter taste, but is really a blend of five tastes. I do not know much else about the schizandra berry, but I know its unique taste. It tastes strange at first, but after you swallow it you want to eat more. (173-87, 1988.2.7)

A flowing love that embraces the spring and has still more to give in reserve, a love that melts the snow and thaws the ice in a cold winter – infinite love, immeasurable in height or width – should form a bond with us and never leave us. It should take its place in the core of our being. Without love, we cannot find anything of value in the world. But when we can vividly feel and sense such a love inside us, that love can more than compete with the universe. Someone with absolute love in the center of his heart, meaning love that is the same from the beginning to the end, can compete with the universe even though he is merely one individual. (33-75, 1970.8.9)

Even when we look at a tuft of grass, we must be able to do so from the standpoint of God, and when we look at a flow-

er, we must do so while relating to and embodying the heart of God. Even when we look at insects, birds or other kinds of animals, we must be able to experience the connection between our inner feelings and the heart of God. (6-340, 1959.6.28)

Those who live with the love of God inside their hearts are sons or daughters of God. These are the central figures of the whole universe who can govern heaven and earth. Love is the essential element enabling people to attain this position. (9-173, 1960.5.8)

Our minds can be infinitely enlarged through heart, rather than through knowledge. A heart of love is so big that it can more than embrace the universe, so once we develop this original and mighty domain, even God will want to come and take naps there. Since we cannot embrace God through our knowledge, we must know how great a heart of love is. (Blessed Family - 1053)

Love transcends all national borders, for God's love knows no boundaries. It is transcendent of the five different races of humankind, drawing no distinction among the black, white and yellow races. That is why the love of God is great. When love begins to flow regardless of the environment in which it is flowing, the environment adapts to this flow and develops. God will be pleased only when we adopt the perspective that can make this happen. That is why we must walk the path of love. (164-93, 1987.4.26)

Section 4. The Rights of Equality, Mutual Participation, and Inheritance

How can you rise to the position of becoming the absolute God's object partner? Can you do it by making effort? By using force? None of these methods will work. However, if you form a bond of love with God, you can immediately ascend to an equal footing with Him. (69-75, 1973.10.20)

When you have command over the nucleus of love, you can control God. If the wife of a very special husband happens to be plain in appearance, she will still be able to control her husband through their bond of love. It does not matter if he is a wonderful person with a doctoral degree, he will have no choice but to be under her command. Such is the power of love. (137-61, 1985.12.18)

If you wish to be on an equal footing with God, to have the right to a position equal to God's, you must possess the love of God. (145-269, 1986.5.15)

In love, there is the right of equal participation. What that means is that if the father is in a higher position, the son, though he is in a lower position, can immediately rise to the father's position. Because of the amazing truth that the right of equal participation is inherent in love, love is eternal even though you may be separated from your loved ones. (143-277, 1986.3.20)

The person who has embodied true love attains the ability and the right to immediately possess everything God desires to see in the original, ideal world. Such a qualification, however, must be attained on earth. By loving your fellow countrymen, loving the people of the world, and loving all things of creation, you can feel the true love of God. (112-204, 1981.4.12)

Only the person who possesses the love of God can have the privilege of inheriting the authority of heaven and earth, which were created by God. (149-272, 1986.11.27)

When you form the loving connection with God, you are then given certain special rights: the right of governance, the right of equal status, and the right of inheritance. (143-277, 1986.3.20)

In the domain of love, those with the best character are given the ability to exercise the same capability as God. (126-142, 1983.4.12)

The love of God and the love of human beings are essentially the same. Love is something that strives for unity. Why do men and women yearn for each other? It is because a man can possess God only through a woman, and a woman likewise through a man. Love is mutual affection. (Blessed Family - 334)

Which is more precious, life or love? People cannot exchange their most holy place even for their life. Though a man

or a woman may have life, that life is not connected to the most holy place; however, since love is connected to the most holy place, love is more precious than life. (132-112)

Who becomes the owner? It is the person who serves others the most. The person who serves others the most can govern and take command. Also, it is natural law that an inheritance will come to the person who lives for the sake of others. In love can be found the right of mutual participation, which means that both can freely participate in each other's lives any place, day or night. Do you need permission to go into your sons' and daughters' rooms? Do children need permission to enter their parents' room? Of course not. If, within yourself, you have the mechanism with which to love God, you can be with Him wherever He goes. (170-199, 1987.11.15)

What is the difference between true love and authority? In true love, you give love and then forget that you have given it. What is the line between good and evil? Evil is where something is given with the intention of receiving all the benefit for oneself, and goodness is where, even though you give, you forget that you have done so. Even in a household, those who serve others more stand on the good side, and the one who lives for others most becomes the master of that family in the end. Let us say there are ten friends. Which would be the best among them? The one who cares for all the others. Then the ten friends would make the

one who was taking care of them the central figure and serve him. This is how the universe is inherited. (141-252, 1986.2.26)

What should a person leave behind him to be remembered for eternity? The first thing is a legacy of love, and the second is a legacy of true life. You must leave behind your love and your life. Love did not exist before God did; love is there because God exists. That is why, for God, life is first and love is second, but for human beings, love is first and life is second. (105-75, 1979.9.23)

When you ask the whole universe, from the smallest elements to human beings, "What is it that the person who possesses you has to have?" all of them would answer that they would like to belong to a person who has love. This means that all things of creation are seeking an owner of love. (132-158, 1984.5.31)

God wants to bestow all of His authority on human beings. To do so, God and human beings must become one based on love. God's ideal of creation is the ideal of oneness. That ideal of oneness based on love is the purpose of creation. (39-340, 1971.1.16)

A human being is the body of God, who is assuming physical form. Since we are the physical body of God, we are the external God. God wishes to bestow such a privilege on us. (39-340, 1971.1.16)

Why are we instructed to do good works? When you carry out an act of

goodness, you must sacrifice to do that, and sacrifice means investing yourself. Then why is it good to invest yourself? By investing yourself, you can reach the point of connecting with the source of heavenly fortune, with cause and effect, with the essence of power, and with the mainstream. You can then be supplied with infinite power. Since good people are supplied with this infinite power, everything they do will turn out well. (164-323, 1987.5.18)

Section 5. Perfection Is Attained through Love

God created the world with the purpose to realize his ideal of absolute love through the oneness of Himself and human beings. He created human beings as His highest and very best object partners of love. Accordingly, of all the forms of creation, only human beings are His object partners uniquely embodying His image. Human beings were born as visible beings in front of the invisible God. When human beings are perfected they become God's temples, meaning that they are the corporeal beings into whom God can freely and comfortably dwell at any time. God's ideal of true love is realized and fulfilled through human beings in the form of the vertical parent-child relationship. (277-198, 1996.4.18)

What do human beings live for? If you answer, "They live for love," that is a wonderful answer! Life, as originally intended at the time of the Creation, is for us to be born as the fruit of love, to

live with love, and in the end to return to the bosom of our God of eternal love. (39-340, 1971.1.16)

Human beings are born to bear the fruit of love on earth. The purpose for which we live on earth is to bear the fruit of love that God desires to see. That is why life on earth is brief. It is just one season, a short time. (130-158, 1984.1.8)

As we are born from love and matured through love, we cannot live separated from the realm of love. (Blessed Family - 1062)

Since we are born of love, it follows that we must walk the path of love, and ultimately die for love. The purpose of life is to find love that is welcomed not by the microcosm but rather, by the great universe; it is to be born, to live, and to die surrounded by the universal love that is recognized by God, the angelic world, all things of creation, and our parents. (83-164, 1976.2.8)

The mind and body of a person unite when he stands in the same position as the nucleus of the love of God, and he reaches maturity when he enters the realm of God's love united in mind and body. Only then can he start on the path to individual perfection as a person in the original mold, untainted by the Fall. (Blessed Family - 313)

God is the king and owner of true love. Since God is the king of true love, and the bridegroom, it is an absolute

principle that He needs His partner, the queen. Then you may ask who can be the absolute God's partner in true love? The answer is true people. It was Adam and Eve who were to become one with God's love. (275-53, 1995.10.31)

The path trod by a man or a woman exists because of love, and for love. Our path is the path of love. We are following this path in order to acquire love, defend love, and establish an environment of love. (Blessed Family - 1062)

Even if a person sets his goals well, if he cannot establish the loving authority through which he can manage that goal, he must pursue a new goal. The purpose of this goal cannot be greater than love. (29-130, 1970.2.26)

Adam must become one with God, and what joins them together is love. A human being is the two-dimensional representative of the existing world, and God is the three-dimensional representative. Between them is the bond known as love that joins them together for eternity. (35-156, 1970.10.13)

Think of even a poor country man who works all day, weeding the fields and farming the land. If the passion of love is kindled such that it fills up his body and mind, the five senses of the body and the five senses of the mind will completely unite into one, and he will experience unsurpassed joy. In the same way, if you have inside yourselves the place of complete settlement, in which the love of God

can reside, you will become one in heart with God, so that just like the swing of a pendulum, if God's heart beats once, your heart will beat once too, and your body will be turning around together with God. Once you begin to revolve, you will continue to turn. The more you turn, the more momentum you will gain, and the action of centrifugal force will demand that you love your family, love your society, love your nation, and love the world. (Blessed Family - 376)

From whom originates the love that embraces and forgives everything? Love does not start from human beings. It starts from God, who is the Subject of love. God created human beings with love, so He desires to receive love from them. Love is perfected as God returns to humankind that love He has received. (Blessed Family - 380)

Love is absolute. Even God, who has absolute knowledge, absolute capability and absolute authority, is absolutely obedient in front of absolute love. (206-24, 1990.10.3)

True love must start from a certain point, turn through 360 degrees and thus return to the starting point. Only then is it true love. It cannot be true love until it reaches that point. (178-309, 1988.6.14)

The purpose of life is to occupy the love of God. If you do not occupy the love of God, even if you think you have achieved all your hopes, you have not achieved anything. Although you may

be very happy, that happiness cannot become eternal happiness. (38-326, 1971.1.8)

And so when you love you can attain immortality. It is God's love that stimulates the reciprocal action that continues forever. (38-273, 1971.1.8)

The most sacred thing on this earth is true love. True love begins from God. Since God exists, there is no other way for things to be. What God truly desires is the path of true love, and you cannot dwell in His presence unless you walk this path. Through love, God wants to see, hear, eat and touch. Similarly, if human beings receive the kiss of love from God, they will feel a joy so great that it will seem to burst inside them. This is what God truly desires. Owning diamonds and jewels will not bring Him joy. (Blessed Family - 380)

It is not without meaning that I am vibrant and active in many fields. I do so because I have a purpose and that purpose is none other than to realize the world of love. Human beings exist with the aim of realizing and attaining love. Since the purpose of human life lies in the realization of true love, the value of human existence is also decided by this true love. How wonderful this is! What kind of person can harmonize with the essence of God's love? A self-centered person has no value at all. Only the person who is willing to invest, with the sincerest devotion, everything he has in his life for others – only this kind of person can live continuously in the realm of

God's love. This is how it has been with the great people and saints of history. (46-36, 1971.7.18)

The love of God is love for the sake of others, love that seeks to live for others. When there is such a love – true love – things automatically rotate. How did the universe begin? It began from the point of rotation. All existing things, by their intrinsic nature, have to rotate. Then what can keep on rotating forever? The love that is willing to give eternally, that is, eternal love, will keep rotating forever. Since the giving and receiving forces become one and want to give and give, they have no choice but to expand. (128-291, 1983.9.11)

Since God, the origin of true love, is the parent, humankind is situated as His sons and daughters. From the children's viewpoint, their parents are the best examples of love. The relationship between parents and children is a vertical, perpendicular one, whereas the relationship between husband and wife is a horizontal, equal one. Therefore when the parent-child relationship and the husband-wife relationship meet at a right angle, and to this formation is added the relationship between siblings – a "front to back" relationship – the resulting configuration of loving relationships together form a sphere. Thus, all existing things created through love are spherical in form. The entire universe is in the form of a sphere. (34-215, 1970.9.13)

Just as human beings wish to see

God, God also wishes to see true human beings. But no matter which of two He says He wants to see first, the other one will certainly complain. And so God has no choice but to put love first. If He puts love before everything else, He can see the man and the woman together at the same time, touch them at the same time, and share with them at the same time. People fight to possess the precious things of the world, but there is no fighting in love, because in order to possess it, two must unite into one through living for the sake of each other. Everyone likes love and it is only love that can fully satisfy our desires. Therefore, it is possible to carry out God's providence of salvation based on this principle. (Tongil Segye 1986.9-17)

We must find true love. Then where can you find it? True love lasts forever, and remains unchanged, day or night. Something that exists for oneself alone cannot be true love. True love cannot belong to just one individual. True love belongs to all, and is jointly owned by the whole universe. True love connects the family, the society, the nation, the world, and the universe. (Blessed Family - 380)

Where is the root of true love kept? Even though God is all-knowing and all-powerful, the root of love is not kept within Himself. Although the all-knowing and all-powerful God is the central figure of true love, He does not want to keep the root of love within Himself. God wants to plant that root in the person who is to be the object partner of His love. (177-269, 1988.5.20)

Where did love begin? It began from God. God created this world because He needed His ideal partner in love, and so even the Creation of heaven and earth had its origin in love. (213-79, 1991.1.14)

The fountainhead of the power of the mind and heart is love. So, when the explosive force generated by the give and take action of the mind is connected to God, that force can be multiplied hundreds or even thousands of times. It can realize the hopes of the people of the world. At the same time, it can even establish the Kingdom of God as our own, in which we can live together eternally. The key is love. (18-328, 1967.8.13)

When human beings attain oneness with God, their hearts and emotions are enraptured in infinite joy and happiness. God and human beings ultimately 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 at the time of Creation, is begun from there. (35-156, 1970.10.13)

When human beings reach the divine spirit stage, they can realize that universal principles are contained in the smallest grain of sand, and the harmony of the limitless universe is contained in a single atom. The fact that all existing things are the result of complex forces cannot be denied. From molecules to atoms, and from atoms to elementary particles, nothing exists without reason. Everything in existence has conscious-

ness and purpose. Therefore all existing things have passed through the loving hands of God, and so exist in a relationship of heart with God. Joy can be felt when a certain purpose is achieved. Since the consciousness of God's purpose is inherent in all things, God feels joy from their creation. (9-166, 1960.5.8)

How strong must your love be for you to advance to the realm of God's love? The false love found among humanity today is below that of the archangel. The love in the fallen world is a love that has been invaded by Satan. The people born and living in that realm are making a commotion over whether, due to issues of love, they can continue living or not. Such love is like a whirlpool, with neither order nor direction. Only dirty things collect in a whirlpool. Yet once human beings form a relationship with the love of God, they naturally follow the direction of that love even though they are not taught to. (130-23, 1983.12.11)

God's ideal begins from a new love centered on God – in other words, from the place where love that is in accord with the laws of creation exists. (19-314, 1968.3.17)

Why do people like love? It is because you have no choice but to like it. The rope that binds a mother and the father together into one is love. Steel chains rust over time and eventually break, but the rope of love lasts forever. Moreover, parents and children cannot be bound together with food or money. They can only be bound together with love. (18-328, 1967.8.13)

The perfection of humankind cannot be achieved through knowledge, authority, or money; it can only be achieved through love. That love is not the secularized love of this world, but original love, and through that love everything is perfected. (God's Will - 697)

CHAPTER TWO

The Reality of Love

Section 1. God's Love

1.1. Love originates from God

God is the God of love. St. Paul asked who can cut off the line of God's love within Christ. Even Christ would be nothing without God's love. This is why we like God's love more than anything else. God's love is the source of life, the source of happiness, and the source of peace. You can understand this if you have spiritual experiences. (24-324, 1969.9.14)

God's love is stronger than the sun. When the sun rises in the morning, the buds of plants turn towards the sun. Likewise, God's love is the source of life, the source of our original mind, and the core source of ideal elements. That is the way it is. (99-230, 1978.9.25)

Since God is the substantial essence of love and the central being of love, He has no Alpha or Omega. Genuine love cannot have a beginning or an end. The world of heart enables us to experience something so precious that we can be proud for a thousand years for having lived for one hour, and be proud for ten thousand years for having lived for one

day; and this is true love. Love is something that makes us feel even the energy by which our cells expand. The world where God's love exists is like that. That world is hard to describe in words. It is a joyful and enchanting world, where all of our cells are dancing and we feel as if we are flying on the clouds on a bright spring day. (20-25, 1968.3.31)

How shall we describe God's love? Imagine a warm spring day with white clouds floating gently in the sky. The air shimmers above the ground, insects and ants scurry about exploring the world. Beside a flowing stream, catkins blossom and frogs sing new songs of spring, welcoming swarms of bees and butterflies. And there you are, enraptured in the atmosphere, in that twilight state we experience when drifting peacefully off to sleep, and yet awake in a happy mood, rejoicing forever. God's love has such a flavor. With your ideal partner given to you by God, you will feel as if you are in a flower garden where butterflies and bees fly around. Are you happy even to imagine this, or unhappy? These thick-headed men here will not understand this very well. (37-29, 1970.12.22)

Love fills the place where God dwells.

It is a place where the more you give, the more desire you have to give; and the more you receive, the more desire you have to give ten million times what you have received. So is this heaven or hell? There you will feel an explosive stimulation because you can give more and receive more, a stimulation that makes you feel as if all your cells exploded. God's love is like that. (39-335, 1971.1.16)

What kind of being is God, who has created heaven and earth? He is a being of utmost goodness, the fundamental root of all things, and the subject partner of love. This is why, after creating all things in heaven and earth, God wanted to give all the precious things in the universe to human beings. If there is someone God can truly trust, love, and entrust things to, He will want to hand over to him all of the most precious things. (13-247, 1964.4.12)

What kind of taste would God like most? If God has a sense of smell, what kind of smell would He like most? If He can hear, what would He like to hear, and if He can feel, what would He like to feel? There is only one thing God likes, and that is love. Nothing other than love can focus God's five senses and fill Him with joy.

If God is looking for an absolute partner of love, what would He choose? We can conclude that it will surely be a human being. This is why we say that among all things of the universe, human beings have the highest value. (218-210, 1991.7.29)

God's love expresses parental love, conjugal love, and children's love. Of course, it includes brotherly love, and when it expands it also contains the love of the nation and world. We say that God's love is parents' love, husband and wife's love, and children's love. This is the most wonderful thing that can be said. (67-171, 1973.6.3)

What kind of love does God really need? He wants absolute love. It is the same for us. Just as God needs absolute love, unique love, unchanging love, and eternal love, we human beings also need absolute, unique, unchanging, and eternal love. We should all resemble God. God created because of love. (279-246, 1996.9.15)

Since He created because of love, He likes watching a man and a woman loving each other. For this reason, when God appears before the world of existence, He appears as the essence of love. (86-82, 1976.3.7)

Just because God has been giving love to people, can He say, "I have given to you completely, now why don't you give back?" God, who has absolute love, is still anxious and troubled that He has not been able to give all the love He wants to give. God cannot assert Himself. Giving love completely is God's purpose in creating people and thus His heart burns to pour out all of His love to the human world where He has as yet been unable to give complete love. It is because He is such a God that the more

we think of Him, the more we feel good. If He were a God who says, “Since I have given everything, now you have to give back,” we would not need Him. (36-77, 1970.11.15)

In giving us love, how much would God want to give? God’s love is not given according to a limit that says a certain amount is enough. It is a love that wants to give infinitely. Even after giving everything, God will still say, “I want to live in you because of you.” What is the essence that brings this about? It is love. If love is present, God would be happy to live even as a servant. The father can feel joy even when his beloved little son climbs onto his dining table and poops there. Love transcends the law. (36-77, 1970.11.15)

As an omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent being, there is nothing God does not have and there is nothing He wants to keep back for Himself. Although He has everything, if there is something He wants to present and be proud of as being more precious than all, what would that be? God needs only love, and nothing except love. There is nothing He needs but love. (108-223, 1980.10.16)

God said, “I am love.” What does this mean? It means to like love by night and day, while working, resting, dancing or crying. This is why He said, “I have love, in its entirety.” In entirety indicates that everything is contained therein. The one who likes love most is God. Since God has such love in its entirety, when we

taste His love, we will not be able to let go of it even when we die. (44-188, 1971.5.7)

It is said that God is the original being of truth, the original being of goodness, the original being of love, and the original being of life. But what does this mean? All these have the same meaning. In order for the truth to be established, love and life are indispensable. So the central core – the original being of life, original being of love, and original being of truth – is God. What kind of being is God? He is both the father and mother of humankind. The core is the parents. Seen in this way, God is a simple being. (21-183, 1968.11.20)

God created human beings as His children. As He watches them grow up, becoming brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, and parents, God establishes Himself as the master of love at all these stages. Thus, human beings, who have enabled God to be the master of love, can be seen as more precious beings than God. It is like you regarding someone you love as millions of times more valuable and precious than yourself. God is the bone of love. You should know this. With respect to love, God’s love is like the bone and human love is like the flesh. The bone and the flesh become one to take shape. This is the principle operating. (181-206, 1988.10.3)

What is love? It works as a lubricant and a rail upon which things turn. Without love there is no lubrication. Automobiles need oil to move. Movement needs

lubrication. Everything needs lubrication if it is to move. Only love can be the lubricant for the highest joy. It does not disappear because it is rooted in the eternal God. Action brings progress. (180-161, 1988.8.22)

God's love appears in a place that does not change. God's love is unchanging, and thus, eternal. If God's love appears to us, it appears on the foundation of an unchanging heart. Thus, for our entire life, we should eat for the sake of that love, sleep for the sake of that love, and act for the sake of that love. As long as we have an eternal and perfect standard for the sake of love, God's love will appear. Otherwise, the public principles of this universe would all be in vain. (83-179, 1976.2.8)

God is our father. Day and night, He worries that His children may be harmed; He protects us lest troubles happen; and He defends us lest some opposing circumstances appear. He is that kind of parent. Going in search of the essence of such a parent is the way of goodness and the way of love. Human beings, as His children, need to receive God's perfect love. (57-85, 1972.5.29)

Until now, God has given love to those people and even those tribes and nations that were near His side. He has blessed them by adding things again and again lest they should think of them as too small and not receive them. Even this was not enough, and He gave them the life of His beloved son. Even after giving over his only son to be killed, God again

wants to give more love. This is why, on the day when this love is returned, all of heaven and earth will turn into an ideal Kingdom of Heaven. By the principle of love, the more love you receive, the more love you give in return. So when we give God a hundred units of love, God will return to us a thousand, ten thousand units of love. (38-166, 1971.1.3)

If only we have God's love, we can remain in God's bosom, we can squeeze God's nose, and we will have no boundaries wherever in the world we go. We will have a free pass everywhere. (91-227, 1977.2.20)

If you were to receive a kiss of love from God, you would feel joy triggering an explosion within you. It is here that God's desire is fulfilled; He would not rejoice over having diamonds or other jewelry. (Blessed Family - 380)

Where do God and human beings connect? They connect where their lives intersect, their love intersects and their ideals intersect. What is this point? It is the place of the parent-child relationship. From this point of view, God is the subject partner of love, the subject partner of life, and the subject partner of the ideal. In relation to His children, God ignores His authority and dignity. However sinful and incompetent His children may be, if they embrace him He will not say, "You scoundrel, don't do that!" Rather, God will embrace them, rub them, and love them. Experiencing this will melt your bones. (69-79, 1973.10.20)

God has the desire to give again unceasingly even after having given for thousands of years. It is for this reason that we are looking for God. If God were a cheap merchant who says, after giving, “Hey, that will cost you such and such an amount,” we would not need such a God. (36-290, 1970.12.13)

What happens when you come in contact with God’s love? Your hair will dance, and so will your cells. When you become a hundred percent intoxicated in this love, you will want to live forever rather than withdrawing. If someone were to try to wake you up, you would tell him not to. Mysterious things will happen. As the saying goes, “A saint’s delight makes him forget the passage of time.” There is indeed a way to become enraptured in such a high level of love, beyond human imagination. (59-316, 1972.7.30)

Love can fill anywhere, and reach everywhere. What do you think happens when loving people embrace each other? Do they just hold each other’s hands and say, “I love you”? Perhaps they would like to be hugged so strongly that their eye balls pop out and water comes out from their nose and mouth. When they embrace, they don’t just stand still but turn around. The universe will turn only when they become one in love like this. (81-18, 1975.11.23)

God is the father of human beings, and human beings are the sons and daughters of God. They were created

through God investing the core of His bone, the core of His flesh, and the core of His bone marrow in their entirety. Thus, when human beings pull God, God cannot but be pulled along; and when God pulls human beings, they cannot but be pulled along. (20-207, 1968.6.9)

Why do people like and follow God? It is because God is one who gives and again gives everything for thousands of years and yet still feels ashamed. He says, “Now I can only give you this much, but wait a bit longer, and I will give you something that is many hundreds of times, many thousands of times better.” This is because He is someone whose heart is not content with today’s giving but promises to give better things in the future. (36-290, 1970.12.13)

Why do human beings live forever? I am asking why everyone is seeking eternal life. We are seeking an eternal partnership of love because this way we can have the value of object partners of love before God, who is the absolute subject partner, and because we will inevitably live eternally before the God of absolute love. When you come to stand in this place, God becomes you and you become God, above and below alike. If only you become one in love, you can put God in your pocket and He can go in. (137-67, 1985.12.18)

When we become connected to such a realm of God’s love, what kind of feeling will we have? We will feel as if we are looking at the beautiful flowers and

smelling all the fragrances in a spring garden. At such times all our cells will dance. (24-324, 1969.9.14)

If God's love is the vertical love, the love of a man and a woman is a horizontal love. If a man and a woman are to meet, they must engraft their horizontal love onto the vertical love. It must join at a ninety-degree angle. A love that does not fit this, a love that is not connected to the vertical standard, will end up as a nomadic love and be destroyed. Hence, when you enter the realm of love where the vertical and horizontal are aligned, you will be able to rule the whole universe through love. When you have a relationship with the whole universe, you will not need any knowledge, power, money, or even life. Life also lives eternally within love. (136-203, 1985.12.29)

It is not Adam and Eve's bodies that God likes but their love for each other. What is the final thing that God wants from human beings? It is the place where God meets His sons and daughters and loves them. And the final destination desired by human beings is also a place where they attend God as their father and receive love as His sons and daughters. (56-145, 1972.5.14)

For God, Adam is the core of God's self, and the core of the ideal love of the future. So Adam is God's body. On the other hand, Eve is God's wife and body. Adam is a spiritual partner relating to God's body and Eve is a physical partner. So when Adam and Eve become

husband and wife and love each other, with whom are they sharing their love? They are in love with God. This is why marriage is exceptionally holy. (102-208, 1978.12.31)

God needs no knowledge, as He is the one who created knowledge. God needs no power, as He is omniscient and omnipotent. God needs no money, as He can make diamonds and gold whenever He wants. There is only one thing God needs, and it is love. Can God receive love by Himself? You may wonder whether God cannot just receive love as He pleases; but it's not like that! What God needs most is a partner with whom God can share true love. You have not known this. (137-52, 1985.12.18)

What is the flavor of God's love? It is a wonderful flavor that combines everything. It has a power such that when you like it and grasp it, you can grasp it without limit, and when you unfold it, you can unfold it without limit. Hence, with love, you can fill everything and reach everywhere. (81-18, 1975.11.23)

God is the original source of love. It is from here that parental love, conjugal love, children's love, brotherly love, the love of blood relatives and the love of an ethnic people have emerged. (50-267, 1971.11.8)

Among all forms of love, that which is invisible is the highest. If love were visible, it would not be so interesting. It is because love is invisible that it can be

the highest, widest, and deepest. So, to say that “Love is like the Rocky Mountains; love is like Niagara Falls” is correct. Just as the invisible love is this precious, God, who dwells in an invisible place, is also a precious being. It is correct to say that in order to find such a precious God, we need to enter a selfless state, a state where “I” do not exist. God resides in an invisible, quiet realm that is deeper than we can perceive. (96-261, 1978.2.12)

All kinds of things happen when a man and a woman fall in love. But if you find a way to find God and really taste God’s love, you will see that God’s love is beyond comparison with anything in the world. If there is someone who has tasted such love, no suffering and no sorrow would be able to conquer him. Should there not be such an absolute realm of liberation? Finding it becomes the issue. (39-240, 1971.1.15)

Since God is an Absolute Being, there is no other place to attend Him. The people in love want to go together, be together, and live together. How do they want to live together? They want to live together by digging into God and becoming one. This is the essence of love. (56-147, 1972.5.14)

Is the mind narrow or wide? You don’t know what your mind looks like but the mind is infinitely large. Then how good is the mind? The mind desires to give huge sums of money to each and every person in the world, and then give

more. This is how splendid the mind is. This is why human beings can blossom as flowers of infinite love and infinite hope. Why is this so? It is because they infinitely resemble God’s characteristics. (27-59, 1969.11.23)

How large is your mind? It is large beyond any measure. Also, if it is small, it is miserably small, so small that not even the tip of a needle can go in. The mind can be expanded infinitely and be shrunk infinitely. It has that essence or nature. Why is the mind formed like that? It is made as God’s home, where God can dwell. (145-312, 1986.6.1)

Love takes the shortest distance. These may be simple words, but they are precious words. Why does it have to be perpendicular? This is the problem. Why does it have to be level and balanced? In order for love to be perpendicular, it must go the straight path, the shortest distance. When you go visit someone you love, do you take your time walking leisurely just as you visit a neighboring village or do you go swiftly and straight like an arrow? Whether night or day, whether spring, summer, autumn or winter, no matter how long history may be, love tries to take the shortest, straightest path. (187-50, 1989.1.6)

Of all things in the universe, love takes the shortest, straightest path. When something falls, it takes the shortest, straightest perpendicular path to the plane it hits. (187-50, 1989.1.6)

1.2. The purpose of love is the ideal of the loving union of God and man

What is the center of heaven and earth and fundamental root of the universe? When I entered a mystical state and prayed to God, He said that it is the relationships between the father and the sons and daughters, that is, the parent-child relationship. Those who do not know would understand this as relationships between the physical father, mother, and sons and daughters, but I am talking about a fundamental relationship with God. (19-158, 1965.1.1)

What is the summit where the father and the son can meet? They meet at the central point where love intersects love, life intersects life, and ideals intersect ideals; in this light, love, life and ideals are in one place. At that point, God is love, and so am I; God is life, and so am I; God is the ideal, and so am I. The first connection and first point of unification where this can be realized is the point at which the parent-child relationship forms; otherwise, these things cannot be. This is a certainty. (69-78, 1973.10.20)

If God is an Absolute Being, the question is why that Absolute Being created human beings. It was neither for money, nor for knowledge, nor for power; rather He created them because this was the only path available for God to feel love. From this point of view, God who is the father, and human beings who are His sons and daughters, form an axis. If this

axis had connected God and human-kind, absolutely nothing could sever the relationship between God and human beings united as one in love. (137-57, 1985.12.18)

Originally, the flower of love should bloom at the point where Adam and Eve are most joyful with each other, where the highest power of life is manifested, where the greatest powers come together, and where all ideals come together. So God's dream is of a love that blossoms like a flower, with its fragrances permeating the whole world and beyond, a love that God experiences, smells, and which intoxicates Him completely. (104-44, 1979.3.28)

If a family was created from the loving union of God and human beings, where God was able to make a relationship of love with human beings and become one with them through the true, great love that He has desired as an ideal from the time of creation, today we would all enter the heavenly kingdom just as we are, without having to worry about heaven and hell. (275-54, 1995.10.31)

God likes love, but what kind of love does God like most? It is true love. Then, where does true love keep its love-root? It does not keep its root in God. This is strange, isn't it? Although the omniscient and omnipotent God is the master of true love, He does not want the root of love to start from within God. God thinks of planting love's roots in those who can be an object of that love. (177-269, 1988.5.20)

Are arteries greater or veins greater? Which is greater? They are equal. Then, which is greater, God or people? They are equal. When it comes to love, if God is the artery, we human beings are like the veins, so we have the value of having the privilege to be God's equal. "I am my own Lord throughout heaven and earth. I am omniscient, omnipotent, and omnipresent. There is nothing that does not go through me." What makes this happen? Love does. This is understandable. (109-146, 1980.11.1)

Which comes first, love or life? Love comes first. Just because the universe came out of God's life does not mean that life is highest. It says that love is highest. Although God started creating heaven and earth with life, the starting point and motivation of this life is love. It is because of love that life came into being. (86-79, 1976.3.7)

When a man and a woman come to stand in the position representing God centering on love, they become connected to everything in the universe. When this happens, everything God possesses becomes theirs. The reason true love is great is that through true love you can become God's object partner and God can also become you. The Bible says that God and Jesus dwell within you. It is from here that we can say that the father is in his son, the grandson is in his grandfather, and the grandfather is in his grandson. The grandfather and grandmother should make a relationship of heart with their grandchildren.

Only then, will the vertical line of love start. Also, the grandchildren must become one with their grandfather and grandmother. Since the grandfather and grandmother are in the position of God, they should be attended like God. Otherwise, the axis of love will not be determined. The horizontal line will arise after this is established. Human perfection starts with creating a vertical relationship with God. (298-308, 1999.1.17)

Where is the crowning height at which we yearn to receive God's love? It is the place of the son and the place of the daughter. God has heavenly emotions, and we human beings have human emotions. What kind of place is our destination where human affection and heavenly affection can combine? It is the only place desired both by the absolute God and by human beings, that is, a place where they can share love together as the sons and daughters centering on one set of parents. (39-9, 1971.1.9)

How valuable are the sons and daughters embraced in the bosom of love and born in an environment of love! If there is one central person in the universe whom God wants to visit every day to look at him, touch, and whisper quietly to, how precious and happy that person would be! Through love you are empowered to live as such a central person in the universe. (163-114, 1987.4.19)

When Adam and God become one and their love overflows, Adam can become God. When Adam becomes com-

pletely one with God in love, God dwells in Adam. The Bible also says, “Do you not know that you are God’s temple and God’s spirit dwells in you?” It is saying that we are God’s temple. (48-230, 1971.9.19)

We human beings, as creative masterpieces produced by God, were born resembling God. Because God is eternal, we also must have an eternal character, and this is why our mind does not age. People should live eternally, and only when they live eternally can they have the value of being a masterpiece. This is why people become lords of all creation. (159-279, 1968.5.19)

God’s love does not end merely as God’s love. That love expands horizontally through people and never fails. When positive and negative electrical charges interact, opposite poles result. And such things occur again in other situations. This way, God’s love expands horizontally. (34-235, 1970.9.13)

What is the holiest thing in the world? The holiest thing in the world is true love. True love begins from God. If God exists, there is no other route. You should know that what God truly desires is the way of true love and that without going through the way of true love you cannot go before God. God wants to see, hear, eat, and touch through love. Also, when human beings receive a kiss of love from God, they will feel joy exploding within their inner being. This is where God’s wishes lie; He does not rejoice over having diamonds or jewelry. (Blessed Family - 380)

Before people can want to be the best on the world stage, they must be able to become the best as an original family of Adam and Eve. If Adam and Eve had taken the position of the prince and princess of the direct lineage before God, they would have become the best, as a man and woman respectively. But through the Fall, they lost the positions of the prince and princess that have the right of the first son or daughter. This remains as bitter sorrow in human history. So in order to regain God’s true love, human beings have been walking the course in life to restore the positions of the first son and the first daughter. (226-48, 1992.2.1)

The bodies of Adam and Eve who have not fallen are houses wherein God can dwell. Had Adam and Eve become the body of love, body of life, and body of lineage eternally unified through true love, making God the center of their heart, the mind and body would not be fighting today. The Fall means that humankind inherited Satan’s life and blood through Satan’s love. This is why this lineage must be transformed. The providence of salvation will be completed only when the wild olive tree is transformed into the true olive tree. (226-48, 1992.2.1)

Section 2. True Parents’ Love

2.1. Sinless true ancestor and Savior of humankind

What is a true parent? Had the Fall not occurred, God would have been the

vertical love and Adam and Eve God's body. They would have been just like God's body. God is like the bone and Adam and Eve like the flesh. God also has mind and body. God becomes the internal parent in the internal position and Adam and Eve become external parents in the external position. As the internal parent and external parents become one, they become intertwined through love. We come to attend the internal parent by attending external parents. In other words, the union of God and human beings in love would have resulted in true parents, that is, perfected human beings. Without unity in love there can be no perfect person. (184-71, 1988.11.13)

What has history been searching for? What has this age been searching for? What should the future search for? It is true parents. Therefore, without everything being led to this, we cannot find real happiness in the course of history or in the universe. (26-199, 1969.10.25)

What kind of people are True Parents? True Parents symbolize the hope of all people. They symbolize the absolute hope before fallen humankind. They are the fruit of history, center of the age, and the starting point for the future where human beings can be connected to this world where they are living today. (35-236, 1970.10.19)

Consider the three Chinese characters that make up the term True Parents (眞父母). It is through True Parents that history is governed, through True Par-

ents that the foundation for returning to the new, original world emerges, through True Parents that the internal connection to subjugate Satan is established, and it is through True Parents that the center is determined that will occupy the external world, conquer Satan, and finally liberate God and resolve His sorrow. Thus, you should first be grateful for this amazing grace with which you can live together with True Parents and act by honoring True Parents' commands. (43-144, 1971.4.29)

The hope of humankind is to meet True Parents. True Parents are the ones whom you should meet even though you walk the path of death. Even if you may lose all history, all ages, and all of your descendants, if you meet True Parents, you will regain history, regain the ages, and regain the future. You should know that True Parents are such people. (35-236, 1970.10.19)

You should shed tears for God and True Parents. No one can follow the path of restoration without shedding tears. This is because God has been walking the path of tears until now in order to save humankind. (God's Will and the World - 163)

You should understand how amazing it is that I have come to this earth with the name of the True Parent. What are the most blessed words among all the words in the world? For fallen people, the words True Parents are the words of greatest blessing, greater than regaining a nation or the world after it has been

lost. You should know that these words are more precious than anything in heaven and earth. (127-220, 1983.5.8)

The simple words True Parents command history. Until now countless sages have walked the path of sacrifice in order to find and establish this word. The name they have established with hope after going through continuous bloody strife, struggling and screaming, is the holy name of True Parents. Before True Parents there should be true children. So have you become true children? That which is true does not change in the past, in the present, or in the future. (33-109, 1970.8.9)

God's history of restoration can be seen as a history to establish True Parents. Therefore, from the time of Cain and Abel until today Heaven has been fulfilling the providence to internally restore True Parents. Whoever opposes or interferes with the fundamental providence to realize this purpose will be deserted in front of the heavenly principle and eventually perish. (9-10, 1960.3.27)

The Messiah is the True Parent. We are true children. We have to stand in the same realm of destiny and participate in it. (55-97, 1972.4.23)

When the Messiah comes to this earth, although he comes as an individual, he is not an individual. His value is such that he is the fruit of the religious faith held by all humankind, the fruit of the hopes of all humankind, and the

fruit of the love desired by all humankind. To this fruit all the historical courses are connected; that is to say, the past, present, and future are all connected to him. Furthermore, the individual, family, tribe, people, nation, and world are all connected to him, and so is all of heaven and earth. (13-143, 1964.1.1)

The role the Messiah must carry out when he comes to this earth is the role of the True Parent. Then, who is the True Parent? He is the horizontal parent with horizontal true love, who stands in place of the vertical true father. Christianity says that the Messiah is God and God is the Messiah, but this is wrong. God is the vertical true father. There is only one. You cannot see this any other way. The Messiah is the horizontal True Parent. (186-40, 1989.1.24)

You should know that until the appearance of True Parents on this earth, there had been many tearful stories in the background that you cannot even imagine. I don't know how many tears I have shed without you knowing about it. Only God understands this. (Blessed Family - 449)

Who are the True Parents we know? They are the ancestors of humankind and thus you should attend True Parents just as you do your own. (118-147, 1982.5.23)

Why are True Parents coming to the people on this Earth? True Parents are coming to restore human beings into that which they most like. What is that?

It is to make you into true parents – little True Parents. (125-117, 1983.3.14)

Where does true love begin? True love begins in True Parents. This is the best news among all good news. Although there may be some good news declared in the world, and although “husband” and “wife” are good words, there is no better news than that of True Parents. This is because without the appearance of True Parents, no true husband or wife can appear in the fallen world. You must understand this clearly. (131-187, 1984.5.1)

Human beings need True Parents. Why is that so? The fundamental task to connect us to the axis of true love has been completed for the first time in history. This is unprecedented in history, and it will not be repeated in the future. You should know this clearly. The axis is one, not two. This axis is true love. The love that your mother and father are engaged in right now is not true love. (137-107, 1985.12.24)

The purpose of God’s providence has only one focus. The place where God’s ideal is realized is none other than that. This is where we can meet our lost parents, our lost True Parents. The basis for this is the center of everything. This reality is called True Parents. There have been many junctures in history, but this is the most valuable one. You should think about how important this is. All the saints have fought for this foundation, and for the sake of this issue. (52-94, 1971.12.23)

What is it that human beings desire? It is to attend True Parents. Although six thousand years ago Adam and Eve should have been blessed in holy marriage and all humankind should have become God’s descendants, the Fall made human beings Satan’s descendants. Therefore, on this earth we must re-establish the True Parents, who are on the side of heaven and who were lost six thousand years ago. We must be reborn through connecting with True Parents’ love. Only then can we become citizens of the heavenly kingdom. (19-202, 1968.1.7)

God absolutely needs True Parents, for even the omnipotent God is unable to fulfill the providence without True Parents. Also, the hundreds of billions of spirits in the spirit world absolutely need True Parents, for without the birth of True Parents the spirits in the archangelic realm cannot find value in their work to support the realization of God’s will on earth. You need True Parents so you can stand before God. (Blessed Family - 454)

All history has been for the sake of receiving True Parents. Religions have been seeking True Parents, the world has been seeking True Parents, and nations have been seeking True Parents. They all have been seeking the way to True Parents. (God’s Will and the World - 75)

Throughout the ages of history, people had no way to unite because they had lost their parents and become orphans. Everything should have been resolved through the love of the original parents,

but this could not be achieved. So True Parents are the ones everyone needs. (128-107, 1983.6.5)

What has been our hope throughout history? It is to attend True Parents. The reason God established the nation of Israel and the Jewish faith was to receive the Messiah. The Messiah is True Parent. Also, it was to receive the Lord of the Second Advent that God created Christianity and the Christian cultural sphere, and the returning Lord is the True Parent coming as the third Adam. (God's Will and the World - 75)

Where does everything come to its conclusion? Everything concludes at the point of meeting True Parents. The appearance of the True Parents of humankind is the hope of history, the hope of the nations, the hope of philosophy, and the hope of the providence. The time when True Parents appear is the pinnacle of history that comes only once – an unprecedented time, never to be repeated. (51-354, 1971.12.5)

What kind of people are the True Parents? How do your physical parents differ from True Parents? Who are the True Parents? What is it that they do? In terms of love, how do your own parents differ from True Parents? They have different concepts of love. Their concepts of love differ. Your parents teach about love centered on the earthly realm, while the spiritual Parents teach a love that is centered on the spiritual realm. The content is different. (129-99, 1983.10.1)

Democracy is an ideology of brotherhood, but above that there is a parent-centered ideology. You should be aware that the age of the parent-centered ideology is coming in the future. Do you decide who will be your parents by holding an election? Can you elect the returning Lord through a vote? Can you choose God through an election? You cannot. Democracy has the basis to foster an atmosphere of distrust. Why? People do all kinds of things for their own profit. They do all kinds of things, using their money, mobilizing manpower, plotting against others, slandering them, and so forth. (211-343, 1991.1.1)

2.2. True Parents give birth to humankind through true love

You were born of the blood of false parents who were chased away from Heaven with no connection to true parents. Thus, in order to move away from this lineage, you must trample upon that lineage again and again and pull it out again and again. Without changing your lineage at the fundamental level in this way, you cannot enter the heavenly world. (22-271, 1969.5.4)

In transforming the lineage, unless the condition for victory is fulfilled inside Adam's bone marrow and the core of His flesh and blood, through binding God's love to the seed that will be the child in the future, God's child cannot be born in the future. This is a logical certainty. Isn't this recorded in the Bible? If so, the Bible is surely God's word. (35-162, 1970.10.13)

What kind of savior is the savior demanded by the fallen people? He should be the True Parent who can be one with God's will and receive God's love and God's blessing, not in the position of the fallen parent, but in the position of unfallen Adam and Eve. As such a True Parent, he must be the savior who can give birth to humankind. Otherwise, people cannot rise to the point of having no connection to the original sin. (22-269, 1969.5.4)

I have said that although the Messiah may change your lineage, it is you yourself who have to act in order to change it. Without such a standard being established, we cannot reach the path of salvation. It is by no means achieved easily, but only through a situation where our life is at stake. The change of lineage is possible only when you fulfill a forty-day period of fasting and prayer or experience a state of death in which you are vomiting blood. (God's Will and the World - 62)

Why do we need True Parents? It is because we must take root in the realm of the heart. Now, there is a different root. Through the Fall, all the trunks and branches have become different. Here, a new root started with true parents, and what emerged from that? A trunk and branches grew, and you are being engrafted. You should cut yourself down and become engrafted. After the engrafting, you will become one with the great mainstream of the universe. You must cut off everything from the satanic world, down to the root. (164-155, 1987.5.10)

What is it that all people desire today? It is to welcome the True Parents before establishing a global nation. Also, from whom would your future descendants want to originate? Your sons and daughters want to be born through the lineage of True Parents, not your lineage. This is why True Parents become the starting point of the new future. (35-236, 1970.10.19)

What should True Parents do? They should correct the false lineage that is the root of the satanic world, reverse the false life, and open the true path away from the path of false love. The Bible says that those who wish to die will live, and those who wish to live will die. Why must this kind of paradox appear? It is because you must die to the satanic world. (169-37, 1987.10.4)

It is only through the body of True Parents that we can be re-created with completely new life and be fundamentally reborn. Only through True Parents is complete salvation possible, both spiritual and physical. Our blessed children born will thus go to the Kingdom of Heaven without going through the process of salvation because they have no original sin. (God's Will and the World -125)

Being True Parents and True Parents' children is the eternal and unchanging destiny. No one can sever this relationship. This is the path we must walk eternally. There is only one path, not two. There is no other way. There is no secret method. We must walk this path. (203-192, 1990.6.24)

True Parents bring the people of the world together and marry them from the position of parents. Here, they not only transcend racial differences but even marry good people with bad people. Although True Parents deny evil love, evil life, and evil lineage as a whole, they do not abandon Cain, who killed Abel, but rather bless him at the same level. Like the tides of the sea, when the ebb tide and flow tide meet and are in balance, at the time of the transition period of good and evil that is the conclusion of the providence of salvation (restoration through indemnity), they bless good people and bad people together, thereby completely expelling Satan.

The Fall occurred through the false marriage in the Garden of Eden, and so True Parents are reversing this by marrying people in the proper way. Through True Parents sweeping away that which was done by the false parents, they are abolishing hell and carrying out the work to bless in marriage even the tens of billions and hundreds of billions of ancestors in the spirit world. Through the family foundation of the earthly descendants, which is based on true love, the ancestors in the spirit world and the descendants on earth are becoming one vertically, and furthermore, through the foundation of such families, East and West are forging a connection. (300-224, 1999.3.14)

What should the adopted son do? He should be engrafted to the true son. You must cut the wild olive tree and engraft a bud from the true olive tree. We must

create a movement of wild olive trees becoming true olive trees. To be reborn you need to receive True Parents' lineage. So it is True Parents that humankind desires, and what Jesus and the Holy Spirit desire is the feast of the lamb. (19-164, 1968.1.1)

First, you should earnestly long for the Parents. You cannot receive salvation without attending the Parents based on their being the motivation for your life, the entirety of your hope and the root of all your ideals and happiness. Have you ever tried offering attendance like that? You should understand this clearly. Hence, you should have the conviction that you are a son or daughter who can become eternally one with True Parents, and have this conviction so firmly that you transcend the consciousness of your own being. Otherwise, it will not work. (30-237, 1970.3.23)

It should be enough to have your natural parents, so why do you need the Spiritual Parents? It is because you are fallen. What have fallen parents taught you so far? They have chased away the better part, more than half, and taught you the way by which you continuously deteriorate centered on yourself. A clear line is created that keeps you eternally in the satanic world based on the love of your parents. There is no way of cutting this off. Then who are the True Parents? They teach you greater and greater things on this foundation so that you can be fit for the heavenly kingdom, the eternal kingdom, so that you can keep

in rhythm after you go to the eternal kingdom. They teach you so that you will have no difficulty breathing. (129-99, 1983.10.1)

Section 3. Parental Love

3.1. Parents' love is the love of the essence

Children are the fruit of their mother and father's love and the result of their investment. They are the extension of their mother and father's life and the realization of their mother and father's ideal. Those who have had children and given their love to them will know. This is why they say about their beloved sons, "This is the substance of my love, the extension of my life, and the realization of my ideals – my second self." Since children are born on the foundation of love, life and ideals, the more their parents see them, the more adorable they become, the more their lives are filled with vitality, and the more they appear as ideal partners. (69-78, 1973.10.20)

Can parents change? You should know that, through the ages of history, there has been no time when parents' love was revolutionized. This means that no matter how many revolutions occur, love has to continue eternally because love is not something that can be revolutionized. Such parents, as subject partners of such love, need you absolutely. They need you uniquely, need you unchangingly, and need you eternally. (74-18, 1974.11.10)

Why do children long for their parents? It is because their house of love is there. (137-140, 1986.1.1)

Why do we respect parents' love? It is because they sacrifice without expecting anything. They do not want any return from it. They are satisfied with loving, and happy just with that. They are happy just with giving. Receiving everything does not always make you happy. One who gives has more blessing than one who receives. Why is he blessed? It is because he can represent God's side. (46-35, 1971.7.18)

Parents' love towards their children is not merely love based on ordinary reality but a love that comes from their bone marrow. They cannot forget, even if they try, and they cannot sever it even if they try; such is the heart of love parents possess. When they feel that they have a connection of life with their children, parents naturally develop a loving heart toward them. (32-14, 1970.6.14)

What is true love? It is a love that lives for the sake of others; it gives and just forgets about it. It does not bother to remember having given. Moreover, it does not become exhausted no matter how much it gives. When parents say to their seventy-year-old son, "Now watch so you don't get hit by a car!" the son does not feel awkward, nor does he get tired of hearing it although it has been repeated countless times. If parents are like this even in the fallen world, will people get tired when they give and receive God's

love in the original world? (North South Unification from the Viewpoint of God's Will - 346)

In loving their children, parents do not assert themselves but love the children selflessly. Parents do not always love their children in a grand way based on their authority. (59-298, 1972.7.30)

Although parents may sacrifice themselves, they want their children to grow up as wonderful people. Parents are unchanging masters of love. Parents have an unchanging heart towards their children, although the children may do all kinds of unusual things. So the unchanging love of parents is precious. (141-241, 1986.2.26)

Even when parents suffer for their beloved children to the extent that their bones melt away, they do not feel the hardship. Why? It is because they love their children. Do they cut out and give their flesh and blood and then record how much it costs in a notebook? No. Rather, they are anxious and regretful that they cannot give everything. (39-334, 1971.1.16)

What is the parent-child relationship? What kind of relationship is there centering on love? In the parent-child relationship, if the parents' love is the cause, the children are the fruit and result of love; this is how I see it. The result and the cause did not begin separately but in the same place. What does it mean to say that the love of your parents is the cause and you have appeared as its result? It means that you have come

as the result of your parents' love in the present. So the children, in the parent-child relationship, have been born in the equal positions of the cause and result that are one in love. (127-13, 1983.5.1)

The parent-child relationship represents the vertical aspect. Thus, the love in the parent-child relationship cannot change. This has been the case throughout history, hasn't it? Conjugal love possesses four directions because it is connected with the horizontal aspect. Thus, parents cannot forsake their children, nor can children forsake their parents. (145-274, 1986.5.25)

The joy with which the children relate to their parents should really be a joy that represents the world, and the joy with which the parents relate to their children should be a joy that can satisfy the desire that represents the world. The parent-child relationship really must be the fundamental root of the universe. We can conclude that the fundamental root of joy begins from there, and if sorrow has a beginning, there is no place that is more sorrowful than this. (62-17, 1972.9.10)

What is the parent-child relationship based on? It is blood ties. The word "father" involves love and lineage. To be children of direct lineage, you should be one body in love. You should be connected through lineage. Blood creates life. It possesses the life that has inherited the parents' traditions. Through what? Through love. (142-266, 1986.3.13)

Where were we born? We were born in a place where our parents' love blossomed like a flower of great beauty. This flower blossomed beautifully, and, what's more, it had a fragrance; it blossomed as a perfect flower whose fragrance was loved by the mothers, fathers, God, and even the whole universe. We were born in the middle of this. Children are planted as seeds in a place of joy, a place where their mothers and fathers born as men and women encapsulating the universe made their love blossom. (83-162, 1976.2.8)

Who are you? You are ones who have participated together in the fundamental root of the beginning of your parents' love. This relationship cannot be severed because the cause and result started in one place. The source of parents' love, which is the cause, and the love you have in your life, which is the result, are one. In this sense, it is possible to say that a parent and a child are one body. Without love we cannot talk about one body or oneness. We receive our parents' love from the time we are in the womb. The love and all the attention of our parents should be focused on us from the moment our mothers become pregnant with us through the essence of love. Why is that? Because we are the fruit of love. So we were born in love and receive a connection of life through love; when we grow up in love and reach the time when we can meet our partner, we receive our partner. (127-13, 1983.5.1)

Nothing can destroy the parent-child relationship. It cannot be destroyed

even by an atomic bomb. It can never be destroyed, broken, or abandoned. (21-68, 1968.9.9)

The parent-child relationship cannot be severed no matter how hard you try. That is because it is your children who have the nature of a subject in your love and life. If you cut that off, you come to stand in a position of denying yourself and denying your life; hence, you cannot deny the fruit of love. This brings us to the conclusion that parents can abandon their own lives for the sake of their children. (83-161, 1976.2.8)

Regardless of how happily a husband and wife live together and love each other, which would be the happy couple, one without children or one with children? A couple without children is an as yet unfinished work, an incomplete couple. Is this so or not? (92-218, 1977.4.17)

There is no principle that strikes parents who love their children. They cannot be hit. The universe naturally protects them. You need to know this. A place where loving parents embrace their loving children and rejoice cannot be attacked by the principles of the universe; rather, it receives its natural protection. People have not known this. (130-151, 1984.1.8)

When a child becomes sick or crippled, is it natural that the noble, deep heart of his parents flows to this crippled child. Is this wrong? The heart of such a handicapped person is like a valley, and

the heart of the parents like a big area on the hilltop. The heart of such parents flows from the top to that deep valley. (147-165, 1986.9.7)

There is nothing bad in the heart of parents who live for the sake of their children. The more worn out their clothes, the more miserable their situation, the further they dig into the deep valley of tears. (173-262, 1988.2.21)

Ladies and gentlemen, what would happen if a baby were to be ashamed of taking a poop? He does not feel ashamed even after taking a poop or peeing on the floor; rather, he even smiles openly watching his mother clean up after him. This is possible only with love. In love, there is nothing dirty. Love can overcome everything. (116-84, 1981.12.20)

A mother breastfeeding and raising her baby in her bosom has an earnest heart. The parents' heart is such that even when their child poops and pees and makes a smell, they forget about these instances because of their love. When such is the heart of even fallen parents toward their children, how much more eager the heart of God must have been, who, as the subject partner of love, wanted to love Adam and Eve through the original heart? We should think about this deeply once more. (20-209, 1968.6.9)

The heart of parents is that they feel as if something is lacking even after they have given. They want to love more, wondering if they have loved enough

even after loving, and feel regretful and sorry after giving. Because this is the case, that heart can be part of the essential core of eternal love. This is the original motivation at the beginning of love. (60-82, 1972.8.6)

When parents divorce, this is like cutting their children in half with a knife. The public law of the universe does not allow this. Parents who violate this will receive punishment and be followed by misfortune wherever they go, unable to find happiness. (298-300, 1999.1.17)

When a baby becomes hungry, its mother's breasts become swollen with milk. When the milk swells them up and the breasts begin to hurt, there is abundant pressure. The heart of a mother embracing her child and giving him her milk is difficult to express in words. When the swollen breasts go down, the mother feels relieved and happy. No one can understand this feeling unless she is a mother. Moreover, as a mother watches her baby suck her breast while touching it, love springs up abundantly in her heart. (187-99, 1989.1.6)

If you were to ask a mother with a child whom she would rather lose, her husband or her child, if she really loves her child she would say that she would never give up her child but would give up her husband if she had to. Husbands may be sorry to hear this! These days, ordinary people say, "Well, if your child dies you can have another one, can't you?" However, this is a last option. When we probe

into the principle of matters of order, we see that the husband and wife are horizontal and come last. The history of love is like this. (48-212, 1971.9.19)

What on earth is original love? It is the love by which parents can give their life for their child. Their love goes beyond their own life. Why must this be so? Originally, the universe was not created for the sake of life. Because it was created for the sake of love, it is love that comes first. Thus, it is rather that life goes along with love, and not that love goes along with life. Thus, genuine love acts by sacrificing life and by going beyond life. You should know that this is the love of Heaven, a love that can connect with the universe. (132-152, 1984.5.31)

Consider the life of the salmon. The salmon dies after laying its eggs. Nevertheless, the male and female salmon become one in laying their eggs... This means that salmon couples are deeply in love, as if they have been sentenced to die. When the female fish lays her eggs, the male makes a hole in the ground and protects them there. This is truly an ideal couple. After laying their eggs, they die. To see the various situations of male and female salmon dying is very shocking. In so doing, the body of the mother becomes food for her young. (128-259, 1983.8.28)

If there is a Creator, why do you think He created the salmon in this way? Seeing this, we can grasp how important our young are, and how important love

is. It is most natural to say that God created the salmon as a model to show that love, and our young, are the most precious things. The life of the salmon is truly an amazing textbook for humankind. (128-259, 1983.8.28)

3.2. Parents' love is complete even after being shared over and over again

Why is it that we love our children? Why is it that we cannot help loving them? It is because loving our children is like inheriting God's great work of creation on the horizontal, substantial level. We are feeling the joy God felt after creating Adam and Eve. We are inheriting God's love and God's authority to create. (76-45, 1975.1.26)

Although people may not understand this, parents who have raised many children can see that their heart of love is wide, large, and deep. People who have raised many children can feel on their own that they cannot strike even their wicked enemies. They are standing on that broad a foundation and living according to that broad a law. (51-318, 1971.12.5)

When an infant is born, he follows the electric current of love and automatically seeks out a nipple. It does not matter whether she is ugly or beautiful – she just has to be his mother. This is indeed a sight of unmatched harmony and holiness. (298-304, 1999.1.17)

People are born in love and grow up while receiving love. Each of us is the fruit of our parents' love. You are the visible, real fruit of what your mother and father's love is like. Parents have to love the person who is the fruit of their love. Through this fruit the infinite love bears fruit yet again. Here is the path whereby we can be connected to individual love, family love, tribal love, global love, universal love, and even to the fundamental love of God. (126-245, 1983.4.24)

You are a unique participant and companion in love in front of your parents. With love, you can be equal to your mother and father and rise to an equal position. This is a privilege of love. Parents want to bequeath everything they own to their sons and daughters, whom they truly love. To inherit the universe, you can jump in and inherit a hundred percent when you have found an equal position of value of love in the tradition of love. This is why parents want to have children of filial piety. Children of filial piety pass on the inheritance of love as participants in the eternal love of their parents. (140-233, 1986.2.12)

A baby, who is born through love, can do whatever he likes, and you do not dislike him; rather, you like him no matter what. This is because that baby is made from your flesh and blood, and is a second you, created through love. So whether he defecates, or urinates, or has a runny nose, he is cute and adorable. This is because these things are soaked in love. (Blessed Family - 887)

The love between the parents and children comes from the parents. We receive our parents' love from the moment of birth. We receive parents' love and grow up, and then engage in the horizontal love between husband and wife; in order for the love of the husband and wife to continue, they must have children and love them. The parents can feel genuine love only when they have children. The love of brothers and sisters alone cannot tell us what parents' love is. In other words, we can come to know that love only when we have experienced the circular course starting from your parents and completing the circle by becoming a parent ourselves. (66-119, 1973.4.18)

To each of us, the love string of our mother – our parents – and the string of our ideals are connected, and this cannot be cut off by anyone. Rather, all the power of the universe is protecting it. Thus, wherever I go, my parents will follow me. My parents always want to be with me, even in the spirit world. Thus, it is a sin to dislike your parents accompanying you. Hence, you should know that thinking of and loving our parents like they are our own body and practicing filial piety has the highest value for human beings. (298-300, 1999.1.17)

It is from our parents' love that we were born. We were born by being engrafted to our parents' love. Before the connections of life and of lineage are made, through love, the connections of lineage and the connections of life are in place. Why is it that each individual is

so precious? Each person is not precious just because he has life, but because he has participated together in his parents' love. It is parents who have loved, but it is the individual that is the fruit of their love. Each one is precious because he is born having both the beginning point and the fruit. (140-233, 1986.2.12)

Genuine parents will strive to continue the tradition of love. This is the same for Orientals and for Westerners. All parents try to establish the universal tradition of love by transcending their own tribe. People, whoever they are, try to bring together their family in completeness and harmony and live a happy and peaceful life. Regardless of whether one is from the East or the West, everyone thirsts after such a life. In this case tradition is the essence. This is because only tradition is connected with the future. (Tongil Segye 1978. 11-11)

Which is greater, conjugal love or the love between parents and child? Western people think that conjugal love is greater. But that is not so. Love for a child is greater than the love between husband and wife. In conjugal love, the husband and wife fight because they think the other does not love them, but parents and children fight thinking they must love the other more. This is because the love of parents and child is the center and vertical, and follows the road that is close to the heavenly law. Thus, we find that the love that serves others is closer to genuine love. However strong a man may be, and however tough a woman

may be, they will bow down to that love. (90-84, 1976.12.19)

The reason parents are precious is that they give for the sake of their children. So things come to be the other way around: when the parents get old, they become children. Long before, the parents were their children's teachers, but as they become seventy and eighty years old, they become like children. At that time, the child takes the place of the father or mother. The child should love his parents just as they raised him. This is the principle of heaven and earth. (137-95, 1985.12.24)

Section 4. Conjugal Love

4.1. Conjugal love is the flower of the whole universe

Man is a being having God's yang image, and woman is a being having God's yin image. A married couple is like the wrapping of heaven and earth in a cloth. They can feel the heart of God's ideal love. (13-67, 1963.10.17)

God is a being with dual characteristics vertically aligned, and human beings are physical beings with dual characteristics horizontally aligned. As such, the ideal of husband and wife is for the two to become one and form a completely rounded, apple shape. This would serve as a parent body able to pull and attach the ideal of love in the four directions, having the form of their four characteristics. (127-79, 1983.5.5)

When the husband and wife love each other explosively on the basis of the heart of loving God and loving humankind, God and the universe will be enraptured by this couple. This love cannot be anything other than that for the sake of God and humankind. Where does the root of this love lie? It does not lie within oneself. God is the source of love. He is the source of love for humankind. (35-239, 1970.10.19)

What is an ideal married couple? It is a couple who can realistically manifest the highest art and a couple who can manifest the highest literature. When we encounter the highest ideal and highest world of culture, we can see that the sweet love shared by a husband and wife is the highest love and the most sublime work of art in the world. The life of a husband and wife should be a most sublime work of literature; it should become the subject of a literary work. (22-269, 1969.5.4)

People always need stimulation. Happiness does not come without stimulation; there has to be stimulation. Just as our hunger makes each meal taste like something new, the love between husband and wife should always be fresh. The more the husband and wife see each other, the more they should long to see each other and want to be together all day. In light of this, you need to do a study on me and do a study on God. (23-57, 1969.5.11)

Establishing a family where God's love and the three great kinds of human

love can blossom together is the desire of the world, the desire of humankind, and the desire of the future. You should know that the love of husband and wife is a precious and beautiful thing that can finally spread the fragrances of history in front of the principles of heaven and earth and appear as a new flower. (35-241, 1970.10.19)

Love is eternal. There are not two kinds of such love. There is just one. When a man and a woman are joined together in love, they must live together on earth for a hundred years, and even after they die they are to live together eternally. Although they have two bodies, they become one body, and as they rotate together they create oneness. When their two bodies become one, they come to rotate with God and establish a four-position foundation of love. This is nothing less than the ideal world. False love cannot invade; only true love can dwell there. (Blessed Family - 344)

A husband and wife who are joined together by the love in their hearts should create a family whose members' mutual affection has, through a lifetime of experience, surely gone beyond the sphere of their own daily lives. That love should merge without fail into oneness with God's purpose. Otherwise, they cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven, the dwelling place of God. (35-179, 1970.10.13)

The perfection of the love of a man and a woman is the perfection of the universe. The day this love is shattered, the order of the universe will be destroyed

and the entire vertical world will collapse. (Blessed Family - 544)

Through their becoming one in love as husband and wife, a couple attains the capacity to create in the same position as God, and their child is the result of that attainment. (52-314, 1972.2.3)

Heaven is looking for a husband and wife who are bound together as a pure man and woman and can represent heaven and earth with a passionate, crimson-colored heart of love. You should have such a love as a husband and wife and raise your sons and daughters in that love. (127-100, 1983.5.5)

The scene of a man and a woman hugging and kissing is one of the opposite poles of a flat plane colliding and generating the light that is to illuminate the path to finding love. When a white light appears there, colors should be added to create a light of colorful brilliance. You should know that when these lights are mixed by the vertical love of God, they will be transformed into a splendid, ideal world of brightness – like the colors of the rainbow. (134-170, 1985.4.7)

In these times people everywhere are engaged in love that is like instant food. Love does not deepen just because you take a bath in a bathtub filled with its fragrance. I would say that the love shared by a couple from the countryside who wash in cold water before going to bed, is purer and becomes deeper with the passing of time. (Blessed Family - 353)

A bride and bridegroom should not unite through money, power or honor, but through the original love of God. They should create a family that loves God, with the wife living for the sake of her husband, and the husband loving his wife. (Blessed Family - 880)

A man is an incarnation of the True Father and a woman an incarnation of the True Mother. Therefore, when the husband looks down on his wife, he looks down on True Mother; and when the wife deceives her husband, she deceives True Father. (Blessed Family - 869)

The power by which the man can have dominion over the woman and the woman can have dominion over the man is love. No power other than love can enable them to take dominion over each other; only love has dominion. (Blessed Family - 344)

In terms of physical strength, women cannot match men, but when love is involved, the wife and the husband push and pull each other and become one. If a person becomes an object partner of love before God, will God like it? He will. (270-242, 1995.6.7)

The melody God likes most is the laughter of a husband and wife who are happy in their love for each other. When such a couple lives a life with the heart to embrace the world and accommodate the entire universe, that laughter will spring forth naturally. In God's eyes, the beautiful sight of such a couple would be

like a flower. This is not just an ideal or abstraction. I am talking about the original world. (Blessed Family - 877)

A conversation between a loving husband and wife is more beautiful than any poem or painting in the world. Furthermore, how beautiful and splendid are the words that people who are in love exchange – “just the two of us”! (Blessed Family - 887)

When a man and a woman receive the Blessing and experience joy while giving and receiving perfect love, God looks at this as if it were a flower that has bloomed on earth. Moreover, all things of harmony that come into being through their love are like fragrances to God. God dwells here as He wants to live surrounded by such beautiful fragrances. The foundation upon which God’s love can enter is the place of love between husband and wife. This will be a place where all things of creation and the universe come into harmony. (Blessed Family - 887)

4.2. Conjugal love cannot be fulfilled if it is shared with another person

According to people’s original nature, they do not want their partner’s love for them to be divided. The completeness of the horizontal love relationship between husband and wife is destroyed if that love is shared; whereas, this is not so in the vertical love relationship between parent and child. This is because of the

Principle of Creation, which mandates that the husband and wife attain absolute oneness in love. In love, people have the responsibility to absolutely care for their partner. (277-200, 1996.4.16)

If you are a couple that is bonded by the strong power of love, you should feel joy and have love for your partner no matter what he or she does. If a wife says that she hates her husband’s smell, or a husband thinks or feels that he doesn’t like the way his wife’s body moves, this is because the couple has not realized complete love. Such a couple has come together for a certain purpose that is to their own advantage. (Blessed Family - 887)

When a husband and wife live together, they are happier if they experience hurricanes, rain storms and thunder as part of the ups and downs of life, and pursue the ideal of love while experiencing such diverse feelings, rather than living comfortably throughout their whole life. (167-212, 1987.7.19)

Rather than money or knowledge, we need love in order to solve the problems between man and woman. (161-293, 1987.3.1)

When you listen to people’s voices, you will find that women’s voices have a higher pitch than men’s. Why were women’s voices created to be higher pitched? In terms of physical strength women are weaker than men; but in terms of heart and affection women are higher. Then, what about men? Men love

broadly. Women are higher in terms of the love for their husbands and children, but men have a deeper heart of love for their relatives and country. This is why we learn from our mother how to love our sons and daughters and our family, and from our father how to love the world. To lean too much to one side creates instability; a balance is struck by linking these two kinds of love together. (129-55, 1983.10.1)

In the first three years or so, you won't fit together well. How can a man and a woman with different family backgrounds, customs, and norms of propriety fit together? They should make effort to fit together until they become one. (Blessed Family - 895)

Only through love can greater things come forth... The level increases only through a love that lives for the sake of others. Therefore, fighting couples will produce children who will lead the nation to destruction. However, loving couples that live for the sake of others will produce God-like, wise princes and princesses who have extracted the full essence of heaven and earth. (204-106, 1990.7.1)

Why do a husband and wife fight? It is because each of them tries to receive love from the other. Those groups whose members try to receive love cannot last long. A family where everyone tries to receive love will be shattered, but a family where everyone tries to love others will not be shattered, no matter how much

someone devotes himself to breaking it down. The love whereby each tries to give to the other is eternal. (36-75, 1970.11.15)

Love is simple and foolish. It does not care about any situation. If I truly love someone, I am not concerned whether someone is watching us from the side. A love that is conscious about someone watching is a love within a certain limit. How simple and foolish is the love that does not care whether someone is watching. (33-113, 1970.8.9)

Economic difficulties cannot be allowed to create a rift in the husband and wife relationship. Neither knowledge nor ignorance can dilute the love of husband and wife. (Blessed Family - 880)

Heaven is looking for a husband and wife who, bound together as a pure man and woman, can represent heaven and earth with a passionate, crimson heart of love. (127-100, 1983.5.5)

Why do you think the problem of divorce could come up between people who love each other? Considering the fact that those who have divorced or who want to divorce all once had a love relationship transcending life and death, there is something wrong. There can be many reasons for divorce, but it ultimately signifies that something has changed – something between two people. It happens because they fail to maintain and cultivate their love. Love itself does not change, but people's hearts change. (Blessed Family - 351)

In marriage relationships throughout the world, power comes when the husband earns and brings home money. The wife is naturally strengthened upon seeing the money he brings home, and the husband naturally gains strength seeing his wife so empowered. But if they are unable to earn money they become agitated, and their relationship may even break. A true husband and wife, however, should create oneness in love with God at the center. (Blessed Family - 880)

Some men, when they see a pretty woman, wish that she were his wife, even if he has his own wife. Of such a man with two minds, we say that he has a thief's disposition. Since it is Satan who started out with two minds, it is not wrong to call a man "Satan" who has two minds. If there is such a man, he is no different from Satan. (Blessed Family - 348)

A husband and wife can be considered a pair; however just as every face differs, people's fortunes differ. They have different destinies in life. Even if the husband has a bad destiny, if his wife has a good destiny, her destiny can change the husband's destiny for the better. Conversely, even if the wife has a bad destiny, if her husband has a good destiny, this can change her destiny for the better. Therefore, we can say that the destiny of husband and wife is like creating level ground by tearing down mountains and filling up valleys. After creating level ground, they can plant trees, plough fields, and pursue a variety of plans for their love as they keep

the ideals of husband and wife. From the standpoint of such principles, you should not just see the external appearance when you find your spouse. Marriage is a fearsome thing. (God's Will and the World - 543)

You thought you would be happy after meeting your husband, but there are bad times as well. You should not hope for good things only. Would it be good to be bathed in sunlight continuously for twenty-four hours? There must also be nighttime. Isn't it natural that something that is high comes down? (30-141, 1970.3.21)

A happy family is one where when the husband returns home he discusses with his wife everything that happened while he was out, and this reveals new things to pioneer. A happy family is one where they join their strengths and research together. When the parents do this, the children will contribute their strengths and join in with them, expressing their hope to build such a family. (29-113, 1970.2.25)

A loving husband and wife should not unilaterally stipulate and fix in their minds what their spouse's face should be like. If you imagine the face of your partner as having only one appearance, nothing could be more boring. When you look at your partner's face with joy, it will appear to be joyful; and if you look upon it with a loving heart, it will look beautiful. You should always see your partner's face as new, like that of water swirling

when it flows with new shapes appearing at every turn. (Blessed Family - 880)

Human beauty does not just reside in the face. It can be seen and felt from all directions. Beauty is three-dimensional, like a ball. Whether seen from above, seen from the side, or seen from any direction, a person has his or her own perfect beauty. So you should not carelessly evaluate your wife's face. Many beautiful women are poor, but women who have virtue or good fortune are of a different type. We often see that even in the case of a woman with a pretty face, her face becomes strange after having just two or three children. So we can conclude that those who can maintain their beauty even after childbirth are beautiful women. (God's Will and the World - 543)

When a husband and wife love each other, each should love their spouse as a representative of God. When they love each other from a humanistic perspective, the shortcomings on both sides will come out, and this may eventually lead to their divorce. (Blessed Family - 880)

Love has value when people miss each other. In asking for love, use your mouth to speak and watch with your eyes open wide, so that you can please the one who gives love. You should know that if you remain dull, love will turn back on the path and run away. If a person giving love is not serious but has a passive attitude, how offended the other would be! (Blessed Family - 887)

If a husband and wife brush their teeth before kissing each other, this is not natural love; the toothpaste smell will keep them from being able to savor the unique human body smell. When I look at those people who brush their teeth before kissing, I don't know whether they are trying to taste love or taste toothpaste! When we look at the world these days, it is full of calculating, artificial, and hypocritical love to the point that we are confused about what human happiness is; such love is the main culprit leading the world to ruin. (Blessed Family - 353)

Soybean paste soup tastes best when it is served in an earthenware bowl. The rough and thick taste of soybean paste soup is something you can never forget once you have developed a liking for it. Likewise, when people have developed a liking for the rough and thick flavor of love, they will never change. Just as you quickly get tired of instant foods, which are sweet, if you could get love easily anywhere like instant food, you would not be able to call it true love. (Blessed Family - 353)

Who do you think saw Adam and Eve dancing naked in the Garden of Eden? You can do such things when there is nobody around. When a husband and wife dance naked in the room, is this something to be concerned about? Between the husband and wife, who cares what they do, whether they dance naked or do other strange things? What does it matter when a husband and wife do it by themselves? (21-240, 1968.11.24)

Even pigeons call “Coo, coo, cool!” and rejoice together, so if there is a sound of a husband and wife’s meeting, a sound of truly loving people meeting together, what kind of sound would that make? It would be no less than the sound of thunder. (Blessed Family - 887)

The loving words a husband and wife whisper to each other in bed become a tonic to dissolve all fatigue and hatred from the world. Among those words that you whisper, you cannot say, “You have to love me.” Just as love is natural, the secret words of love should be tender and beautiful. (Blessed Family - 887)

When a husband and wife make love, even if the husband’s father or mother may be sleeping next to them, it is fine even if they scream when they reach their climax. They should make everyone in the local villages know about their love, so they will say, “That couple is so much in love, and when they make that funny sound at night, village rats are shocked and roosters stop crowing.” If someone asks why such an incident has occurred that shocks rats and causes roosters to stop crowing, you can say, “Why do you think? It is because of the shouts of love that shake heaven and earth!” (136-32, 1985.12.20)

The place of conjugal love is a flower of the whole universe. In the place where a newly married husband and wife, who appear as an encapsulation of the historical ages, become one, God comes and settles down. How solemn and fearsome

an occasion is the first meeting of a bride and groom in the midst of love. When you think that you have created a path to God and take on the role of a complete minus in love, it is from here that the heat produced by the love of heaven and earth begins to increase. After you create a cozy environment for your life and the environment for your ideals, then you should go to your wife’s room. (179-90, 1988.7.22)

These days you do not wear traditional Korean socks, but in the old days people used to wear them for months, until they had holes and the toes showed. Then they came to have all kinds of odors; but still to the nose of a loving wife, those odors were better than a nice fragrance. You will go and lick even smelly toes when you are in love. They will taste crisp, sweet, sour, and intriguing. When you measure like this using an antenna of love, the extent to which you like it will rise way above the extent that you dislike it. (194-49, 1989.10.15)

Is it easy to re-create your sons and daughters? You have to do all kinds of things to give birth to a new son or daughter, all the extreme things. So is the spit of your loving husband dirty or not? If your husband’s spit gets on your palm, and you are wearing a silk dress and have no place to wipe it off, would you be willing to lick the spit off your palm or not? Speak honestly. You have to say “I want to lick it and swallow it” for it to be true love. Love knows no dirty things. (194-165, 1989.10.22)

When conjugal love catches fire, two lives become one and then the lineages unite and start boiling in love. In the midst of that, the owner plants the seed. When the male-life essence and the female-life essence meet this way, and through the combining of centrifugal and centripetal forces that are set in motion through love, everything will turn. Things go up and things go down.... When a seed sprouts in an upward spot, it becomes a son, and when it sprouts in a downward spot it becomes a daughter! This is a theory, but I do not know if it is really true or not. Since this idea resonates with the theory, if you study it and find out whether it is really true or not, you will be a candidate for a doctorate or a Nobel Prize. (300-53, 1999.2.21)

Having children is the act of conquering the upper realm of God. This is an event to lead you to love your child from God's position and experience the inner heart of God and how much He loved human beings after the Creation. (224-28, 1991.11.21)

A love-centered life will solve everything. Even the tiger eyes of a greedy old man, when he is in love, will take on the shape of the moon as it is in a painting, and his frozen mouth will break into a smile. Love can completely melt down something that has been frozen and love can freeze something that is melted. Love is something that has the capacity to contain two extremes and still go further. If you look carefully at the Chinese character ho ("to like"), it

combines the characters for "man" and "woman." There is a saying that a fight between husband and wife is like cutting water with a knife. When you cut water with a knife, does it leave a trace? It does not. Even after fighting, once a couple puts their foreheads together and smiles, peace returns. (127-245, 1983.5.15)

The love of husband and wife is for the sake of reaching up to God. (127-109, 1983.5.5)

Genuine love is to love with the entire body as one and with the heart and lineage as one. It is a husband and wife who can love like this. If there were no husband and wife in the world, would there be any excitement in living? (26-151, 1969.10.25)

Even in the fallen world, when a man and a woman fall in love, they say, "Ah, there is an electric current here." The electricity that arises from moment to moment starts from the archangel – it is unicellular. The electricity of love that arises in the original world is the lightning of the love of the universe. It surpasses the former in strength several thousand times; moreover, the sound of the movement of the cells of each human organ is like the sound of thunder. The principle view of love is that the man and woman engaged in true love of the original world cannot meet God unless they concentrate all their might towards the contact point where the lightning of love meets. This is also the completion of the purpose of creation. (Blessed Family - 380)

Do you think God sees you making love or not? Would God, who transcends time and space, close His eyes at night, when the five billion people of the world make love? How would He feel when He sees them? How many good wives and good husbands are there? Think about it. All kinds of things should happen there. Reluctantly playing a wife's role, reluctantly being dragged along, reluctantly trying to please your spouse – you should not live like that. That is not love, is it? Is that life? How great it would be if the whole world turned into an environment where butterflies and bees flew around freely and we could live in harmony within heaven and earth according to God's ideal of creation – just as in the Garden of Eden, with the fragrance of flowers – so that God could fall asleep in bliss? Have you ever thought about this? Try living like this. (222-252, 1991.11.3)

Why don't women have beards? When God saw Adam with a long beard, He was not pleased; so when He made Eve, He made her without a beard. So what is the greatest masterpiece among all God's creation? It is women. Women are the greatest masterpiece, but who are they for? They are a great work of art for men. Think this way. (38-180, 1971.1.3)

Section 5. Sexual Love

5.1. Sex is the original palace of love, the most holy place of heaven

Where is God's most holy place? It is the sexual organs of men and women,

where love dwells. This is heaven's most holy place. (134-185, 1985.4.7)

What is the symbol of the love of a man and woman? Where is the final destination of love? It is the sexual organs that make a man and a woman one body. The sexual organs become a channel that can bring their mind and body into complete oneness through love. (Blessed Family - 337)

What is the difference between a man and a woman? First of all, their bodies, including their sexual organs, are different. Then, for whom is the male sexual organ absolutely necessary? The male sexual organ exists for a woman. One sexual organ is concave, and the other is convex. Why are they made like that? Both of them could be made pointed or both could be made flat, but why do they look different? It is all for the sake of the other. The man's organ is absolutely wanted by the woman, and the woman's organ is absolutely wanted by the man. We have not known that the woman's organ absolutely belongs to the man, and the man's organ absolutely belongs to the woman. By owning each other's sexual organs, man and women come to know true love. (299-119, 1999.2.7)

The sexual organs of men and women are the treasure store of the royal palace. They are the treasure store of the royal palace of the heavenly nation. Even God cannot do whatever He wants with her sexual organ. Only the priest can open the lock to it. A woman should

not get undressed before two priests. She is allowed to undress herself before her master; any one else is a devil. See what will happen to the perverted men of today. (194-345, 1989.10.30)

The sexual organ is the royal palace of love, a royal palace giving birth to eternal life, and a royal palace where one receives the blood ties and lineage that will inherit the heavenly tradition that will never, ever change. It is a royal palace of true life, a royal palace of true love, and a royal palace of true lineage. It is the most precious place. You cannot do whatever you want with it. You cannot open it without God's official approval. No one can touch it except your husband or your wife, who has received the official approval from God and the universe. (216-207, 1991.3.31)

Why do you think the sexual organ exists? It is because of love. It has come into being in order to find love. What is the sexual organ? It is a royal palace centered on true love, a royal palace centered on true life, and a royal palace centered on true lineage. It is the most precious thing. Without it, God's ideal, God's family, and God's will cannot be realized. The sexual organ is the one starting point for the achievement of the perfection of all these. (216-218, 1991.4.1)

If there were a world that absolutely valued the sexual organ, do you think it would be a good world or a bad world? Would it be a world of prosperity or a world of ruin? When God cre-

ated human beings, what do you think is the part God made with the greatest concern and devotion? Do you think it is the eyes? The nose? The heart? The brain? These things will disappear when you die, will they not? (279-244, 1996.9.15)

The sexual organ is the royal palace of love. What has happened to that royal palace of love now? A person's sexual organ is the royal palace of love, the royal palace of life, and the royal palace of lineage. It is such a precious thing: a holy thing. But the Fall has turned it into something dirty. From the original viewpoint of God, it is not something dirty, but something holy. It is the most precious thing. Life, love, and lineage are connected to it. Satan defiled such a holy thing. (218-176, 1991.7.28)

Your sexual organ is the original palace of love. Your sexual organ is the original palace and royal palace of life. Your sexual organ is the royal palace of lineage. Only if love, life, and lineage are accomplished can your sexual organ be the royal palace in which God can dwell. Since God is the King of all kings, and the one who is to go to the original palace and reside there, in order to attend God, you have to attain the original palace of love, the original palace of life, the original palace of lineage, and the original palace of conscience. Amen, amen, amen! May it happen as decreed by my word! Amen! (280-197, 1997.1.1)

The sexual organ is the point at which two people become one as a unified body

of life with love at the center and is the place where the blood of a man and the blood of a woman blend into one, in one melting pot. You should know that this place is more precious than your sons and daughters, more precious than your husband, and more precious even than God. They will call me a heretic for saying things like this... What is that place like? It is a place that is more precious than your children, more precious than your husband, and more precious than your parents. Without it, your parents would have no value, your couple would have no value, and your sons and daughters would have no value. Because it is so precious, it is kept under lock and key as the most precious treasure of your whole life, in order to keep it from being seen by anyone in the world. The key to the man's organ is held by the woman, and the key to the woman's organ is held by the man, and there is only one key each. There must be one key only. Do you want to have ten, twenty keys as in free sex? Do you want it to be like a ruined house without an owner, where the door is open and all the passers-by can come in and out? (280-199, 1997.1.1)

What is the original palace, the sexual organ, with which a man and woman make love? It is the royal palace of love, the royal palace of life, and the royal palace of lineage. Your grandfather and grandmother live revering this place; your mother and father also live revering it; your couple also lives revering it; and your sons and daughters to come in the future will also live revering it; is this

not so? Is there a woman or a man who live not regarding it? Then why has it turned into something bad? The sexual organ is said to be a vulgar word. Why is it vulgar? It is a holy word. We should consider it a holy word. It is because of this that eternal love is connected and from this that eternal life and eternal lineage appear. It is the most precious thing. (210-101, 1990.12.1)

A man and a woman who keep and protect their purity are likewise protecting the universe. This is because keeping the order of love between men and women is the fundamental root of the universe. Why were men and women born on earth? They were born in order to love each other. Since God is a great king of wisdom, He allowed for the exchange of the love organs between man and woman. Just as the man does not own his sexual organ, neither does the woman. Behaving according to your own desire and ignoring the owner will cause you to receive judgment for violating love. If the husband knows that he will receive a punishment by the most fearsome law, would he dare to forget about his wife and have thoughts about others? Conversely, can wives forget about their husbands and have thoughts about others?

(Blessed Family - 337)

God is a fair person. Hence, since it is not right for people to fight over who owns what, God designed for the planting of the man's possession in the woman and the woman's possession in the man. Love may seem to be something wicked,

but it is really something breathtaking.
(136-23, 1985.12.20)

Love must create harmony; there is nothing dirty in love. Although the sexual organ is the most precious thing, it is close to the dirtiest area of the human body. Why is that the case? Since harmony is a principle in the creation of heaven and earth, the male and female sexual organs, as the most precious things, are placed here. God thus installed them properly near the dirtiest place. (194-49, 1989.10.15)

Where are the sexual organs of men and women located? It is the safest zone, and at the same time next to the dirtiest place. This shows us that God is truly a king of wisdom. He teaches the human world, "Love even rules over something so dirty." As you know, the sexual organs are close to the anus. The pathway for urine and the pathway for sperm are the same pathway as well. (194-175, 1989.10.22)

Would you rather cut off one of your fingers, or your sexual organ? This is not something to laugh about. There should be a vertical standard. The four limbs are horizontal. This is why the vertical sexual organ is right in the middle. Isn't this part of a trinity? It represents God. Among the possessions that a man has, two parts of the sexual organ represents the dual characteristics of Adam and Eve, and the one that stands stiff represents God. (205-348, 1990.10.2)

You get married in order to meet God. These are amazing words. God

does not exist separately from this. When you enter that place, God is living there. (203-255, 1990.6.26)

The sexual organ is more important than your head. There is no origin of true love in your head. There is no origin of true life in your head. There is no origin of true lineage in your head. Where is that origin? It is the sexual organ. That is for sure, isn't it? There is everything in the sexual organ. There is life, there is love, and there is lineage. It is the original palace of love. The root of life also lies here. It is the same with lineage. This is the most precious place, not only in the human body but also in the world and throughout human history. Without it, the multiplication of humankind would be impossible. (203-104, 1990.6.17)

For human beings, the antenna of love is their sexual organ. The man is convex and the woman is concave, so when the two are joined together, they become round and disappear. It is like a negative electrical charge and a positive electrical charge meeting and producing a clap of thunder, and then returning to zero. They return to their initial state. (187-54, 1989.1.6)

If the man had his own sexual organ, he absolutely would not want to give it away, and the woman would not want to give hers away either. Then, the man and the woman would have no way other than to stand confronting each other like that for a thousand or ten thousand years. However, since they have

made this exchange with each other centered on love, they share their sexual organs out of mutual need, and their giving and receiving will create circular motion. Value appears only when giving and receiving takes place through an exchange. (140-244, 1986.2.12)

In the fallen world love has turned into the most dangerous thing. It is because of the Fall that mismanaging love shatters the world and turns it upside down. People have not clearly realized why love has become false and dirty, but have still tried to keep and protect it because of their instinctive desire that true love should appear. (Blessed Family - 344)

Through the Fall, the sexual organs of men and women have moved in the opposite direction of the original palace and have opened the gate of death and the laws of death and destructive hell. The sexual organs have become a wicked agent that has ruined the heavenly way; hence, it has become something bad. This has been a secret hidden in history up to now. (197-175, 1990.1.13)

Where is the royal palace of love? Don't think it strange when I say these kinds of things. If we do not rightfully correct this thinking, the world will all become distorted. If history cannot be fitted together properly, wickedness will fill the world. I have experienced the agony of delving into the fundamental problem of humanity and the fundamental core of the universe, and the place I arrived at as a result of this

endeavor was the sexual organ. When I arrived at the sexual organ and thought about it carefully, I found that the harmony of heaven and earth unfolds like a whirlwind from that place. This is an amazing fact. (197-24, 1990.1.7)

Why does the man have to be on top when making love? It is because only in this way is the vertical line established. Where does the seed come from? It comes from heaven. Through what does it come? It comes through love. This one thing proves everything. Also, the seed comes from the father, through the vertical, convex organ of love. When the convex fits into the concave organ, the whole of heaven and earth shakes. (187-52, 1989.1.6)

If you jump into love to experience it early because love makes you happy and being intoxicated in love makes you feel mysterious, this is a grave matter. The door of love opens only when it is time, and you must wait until it opens before entering. You should open it proudly after becoming an owner of love. (Blessed Family - 366)

Why do men and women like love? The human body consists of as many as 100 trillion cells, and the time when these cells move as a whole is when they make love. The time when all the cells of the human body can move as one is none other than the time when a man and a woman make love. (118-14, 1982.4.26)

Even in the fallen world, when a man and a woman fall in love, they say, "Ah,

there is an electric current here.” The electricity that arises from moment to moment starts from the archangel – it is unicellular. The electricity of love that arises in the original world is the lightning of the love of the universe. It surpasses the former in strength several thousand times; moreover, the sound of the movement of the cells of each human organ is like the sound of thunder. The principle view of love is that the man and woman engaged in true love of the original world cannot meet God unless they concentrate with all their might towards the contact point where the lightning of love meets.

(Blessed Family - 380)

Who will become God’s partner in love? Will this be a man by himself? Will a woman alone be His partner? What kind of partner would God want? Would it be money as a partner, knowledge as a partner, or power as a partner? No. Because God wants a partner of love, He meets human beings by being present at the place where a husband and wife unite through their sexual organs.

(279-250, 1996.9.15)

You think of the whole of your body as yours, but love is not yours. Love is completely in the possession of your partner. In the Old Testament, we find words such as “holy place” and “most holy place.” The holy place symbolizes a person, and the most holy place symbolizes the house of love. Every person has a holy place and a most holy place. In other words, the holy place is a house where

you can attend God. As for the most holy place, since only God can have dominion of privileged love over it, it is a place to make a relationship with God. There are surely not two high priests keeping the most holy place. There is only one. You should know that long ago, the one who had the key to Eve’s most holy place was Adam, and the one who had the key to Adam’s most holy place was Eve.

(132-246, 1984.6.20)

You should know that the mouth of a man or woman is a holy place. The mouth is the formation stage in the love relationship. For women, their breasts are the growth stage and their sexual part is the completion stage: these are the holy places of our body. The key to these holy places cannot be held by anyone; no one can have it without inheriting it through the heavenly way. (123-195, 1983.1.1)

Religions should walk a path of tribulation; they should fight against the body. The most serious enemy is sex that is connected with the pulsating of the devil’s blood. You should be liberated from lasciviousness, liberated from that type of love, in order to get away from the lineage woven with Satan’s blood. In this way, if you want to be engrafted to a new type of life, you must build a relationship with God. Only then will love begin. God is the traditional center of love and also the ancestor of life, whereas, the most fearsome thing in the universe is the man and woman problem.

(194-345, 1989.10.30)

When you are in love your blood heats up, doesn't it? It shakes, doesn't it? Do you know why it shakes? There is a mixing. East, west, south, and north are mixed; above and below are mixed and become one; everything focuses in the direction where love sparks fire. You move into love freely with no restraint in order to completely invest yourself again and again. Completely investing yourself for the sake of the man and completely investing yourself for the sake of the woman, you forget all about your life and your material possessions. Because that is the path of love, and because it is the path that never ends, you will like it forever. (204-100, 1990.7.1)

When God gives people a gift, would He give them a bad gift? He gives the best of the best. Where is that? It is something that exists in a deep place. God would want to take it out from His deep, inner place and give it to the one He loves. This is why love is good. (194-175, 1989.10.22)

True freedom presupposes responsibility. If people were to insist on and practice only the freedom of individual love without fulfilling their responsibility, how much chaos and destruction would come? The perfection of human beings, who are to realize the lofty ideal of love, is possible when they take responsibility for love. People should be grateful to God who gave them the freedom of love. Their first responsibility is to become the master of true love, truly free and thanking God for the freedom

of love and knowing how to cultivate and control oneself. This responsibility for a love relationship should not be taken merely because of law or social convention. Instead, a person should establish responsibility through one's own self-control and self-determination within the life-committing vertical relationship with God. (277-200, 1996.4.16)

When a sexual organ is used in the same way a blind person wanders aimlessly and without direction, it will, undoubtedly, lead you as its owner to Hell. By the same token, one will be led high up into Heaven when he or she uses the sexual organ according to the standard of God's absolute love. This is a clear conclusion. In the Garden of Eden Adam and Eve planted the seed of free sex in the shade, by falling through fornicating while in their youth. In the Last Days, therefore, which is the time of harvest, the phenomenon of an expanding trend of adolescent free sex will surely appear. (279-256, 1996.9.15)

5.2. Love is not something that is learned

Did you learn how to love at home? What kind of father would tell his child to learn how to love from him? Also, does a mother tell her child to learn how to love from her? Furthermore, did the parents learn from someone how to love their children? Did the bride and bridegroom learn from someone that they should love in a certain way? They did not learn it, but they know it well. This

is something truly mysterious. (23-20, 1969.5.11)

When parents love their children, do they receive instructions from someone on how to love them? You women gathered here, when you loved your babies after they were born, did you learn the way to love them? Is there a school somewhere that teaches love? Is there something like a bachelor's or doctoral degree in this field? There is no such thing, but everyone reaches a perfect score in this. The more lacking you feel yourself to be, the more complete your love is. Something that is complete does not need to be learned or have anything more done to it. The less that needs to be added to or subtracted from something, the more complete it is; hence, complete things do not change, and unchanging things last forever. (38-228, 1971.1.8)

Love is difficult to understand in words. No matter how many explanations are given for parents' love, people without parents cannot understand it. No matter how many explanations are given for conjugal love, people living alone cannot grasp it. After all, you feel the love of your partner when, as a subject partner or object partner, you can have a point of convergence in your actions that you can perceive – such as loving what your partner loves or connecting to his or her whole being. (58-290, 1972.6.25)

It is through this power of love that a newborn baby and young animal can

find their mother's milk naturally, without their having received education or training. (Blessed Family - 1060)

Sincere love is a heavenly law, and thus it is realized naturally before it is taught. Parents' love does not become bigger or smaller according to whether the child's face is cute or ugly, nor is there a child who changes his love and respect for his parents according to whether they are good looking or bad looking. Are there children who say, "You have an ugly face, so you are not my mother"? There would be no parents who say, "Although I gave birth to you, you are not my child because you have an ugly face." If there were such parents or children, we would not be able to call them human beings. (Blessed Family - 1060)

True love is to be attained through experience and understood through feeling. True love is not something that can be mastered through words, writings, or general education. It can be completely attained only through daily living. In their process of growing up from infancy, Adam and Eve were supposed to reach perfection by experiencing and feeling the heart of true children, the heart of true brother and sister, the heart of true husband and wife, and the heart of true parents through step-by-step daily living. They would have finally become ideal people who perfected the purpose of creation only when they deeply learned through experience God's true love as a whole. (277-196, 1996.4.16)

Section 6. Filial Love

6.1. Children result from a concentration of parental love

Children stand before loving parents as representatives of the world. (Blessed Families and Ideal Kingdom - 934)

Why do they call childless people lonely? Our children are there to enable us to deeply experience the circumstances of the heart of God, the subject who created the entire universe through love. Our children are born through us, on the basis of our own motivation, but by having and loving these children we come to realize, “Ah, this is how God loved people.” (136-201, 1985.12.29)

The reason why parents sacrifice themselves for their children is that they want to return to God through their children. They come to deeply experience parental love while loving their children; this leads them to feel and be aware of God’s love, which is a manifestation of something original. Since those who cannot have children can neither feel parental love nor come to understand God’s parental love, their love is always incomplete. (Blessed Family - 1002)

What kind of children can reside in the Kingdom of Heaven? They are those that pay off the debt of parental love on their own. When their parents become old and senile, the sons and daughters should endure the difficulties of their care with the same heart their parents

had toward them when they were little, cleaning up their urine and bowel movements. Only then, will they be children of filial piety. (35-241, 1970.10.19)

Even when a child is spanked or scolded by parents having love, the child is still happy. (Blessed Family - 1027)

Parents have given their very lives for the sake of their children. Children should likewise sacrifice their lives for the sake of their parents. Since life comes from love, sacrificing one’s life in front of that essential love is a logical conclusion. I say that this is not a contradiction. (Blessed Family - 1009)

When children strive not to be indebted to their parents, the parents feel their worth. (Blessed Family - 1009)

When parents use a stick with loving hands, and cry loudly after spanking their child, can the child fight back and curse them? True love carries dual values in harmony. (Blessed Family - 1027)

A great mother embraces her children while teaching them the principle of becoming a person of goodness who can move the world: being able to endure whatever difficulties are encountered. This type of mother has penetrated the heavenly principle. That goodness does not perish. (13-238, 1964.3.24)

You give birth to a child, give your milk and think he/she is cute, but because of whom do you adore your child? You

should adore your child on behalf of heaven and earth, on account of this nation, this world, and God. The power of heavenly fortune in accordance with God's love is moving beyond the world to embrace heaven and earth. The mother who embraces and breastfeeds her sons and daughters should do so with the eager heart that she is embracing God's beloved sons and daughters on behalf of heaven and earth. (8-105, 1959.11.22)

Parental love is the basis of a child's pride and happiness. Children receive life from their parents who have created harmonious oneness in true love, and they want to be raised in such love. The most precious responsibility toward children is not just to raise them externally but also to provide the life elements of true love that will make their spirituality complete. (277-200, 1996.4.16)

No matter how much a father loves his child, his love cannot match the mother's love. (Blessed Family - 905)

The mother has devoted herself more than anyone else, and has suffered more than anyone else; hence, we can say that she is more loving than anyone else. In this sense, women have an elevated and precious position in the arena of emotions. No matter how much a father loves his baby, he does not know that love to the degree the mother does. For this reason, if anyone goes to heaven, women will go to the heavenly kingdom of heart. From this standpoint, it is not bad to be born as a woman. You will come to

see that God is fair. (85-166, 1976.3.3)

6.2. The way of true children is filial piety

When you have come to know your parents, what do you have to do for them? You should carry out acts of filial piety and become a child of filial piety. Also, going beyond your parents, you should be a patriot in your nation, because your parents have had authority within the nation and the world. Before becoming a patriot, you should be a child of filial piety, and before becoming a child of filial piety, you should be a member of a family who can be proud of true brothers and sisters. "Family member" is a title that brings the right to sing the praises of your brothers and sisters. (30-220, 1970.3.23)

The reason a child of filial piety is precious is that he respects and serves his parents with unchanging love, whether in childhood, as an adult, or in old age. We call such a person a child of filial piety. (168-161, 1987.9.20)

What do you have to do to be a child of filial piety? You must always align yourself with the direction of your parents' heart. The one who walks the path of filial piety does not do things separately from his parents. When his parents go east, he should also go east, and when they go west, he should also go west. There should be no question about it. Even if you are told to go a certain way and then to turn back ten times, you

should again turn back and follow your parents. (62-32, 1972.9.10)

In your family you are asked to offer your filial duty, and this requires that you become a fellow traveler on the path of love your parents walk, centering on your parents. The parents' path of true love follows along with the heavenly principles. It is not just the parents standing by themselves, but there are invisible, vertical heavenly principles that are connected to them and work through them. Thus, exhorting you to be one with your parents is to ask you to go the way which connects the realms of heart of the vertical and horizontal history. This is the reason behind your fulfilling your duty of filial piety toward your parents. (136-203, 1985.12.29)

In the family, fulfilling one's filial duty toward one's parents is the responsibility of the sons and daughters. Why do you have to fulfill your filial duty? The path of filial piety is connected to the path of the patriot, like the sections in a bamboo shoot. What should patriots who faithfully serve their country do? They should walk the path of saints for the world. There has to be one straight line. From this viewpoint, if you have been unable to fulfill your filial duty yet have become a patriot in your country, your parents will not be able to say, "Ah, you have not fulfilled your filial duty toward me." They will say, "You have done so well." Even if you have not accomplished your filial duty and have abandoned your parents and left home,

if you become a patriot in your nation, your mother and father – even though they may have died and gone to the spirit world – will praise you, saying, "You have done extremely well". (100-155, 1978.10.9)

What is a child of filial piety? It is the person, who in order to take responsibility for the parents' sorrow, seeks out the difficult places and fulfills his responsibility, thereby bringing joy to his parents. If the parents have done ten loads of work and the child has made effort to do fifteen loads, the parents will feel joy that corresponds to five loads. The one who makes effort serving the parents and thinking how to fulfill such a supplementary amount is a child of filial piety. (24-261, 1969.8.24)

What kind of parents are genuine parents? They are the parents who know no limits because they love their children eternally. Then, what kind of children are genuine children? Genuine children are the ones who reciprocate the love of their parents eternally with a loving heart overflowing with love. Such is the way of the genuine child of filial piety. (127-16, 1983.5.1)

What do you think God wants from His children? Is it for them to make a lot of money and become millionaires? Is it to be the president, holding the most power in the country? What God wanted from His son and daughter, Adam and Eve, was for them to grow up to be children of filial piety, patriots, saints, and divine sons and daughters. (299-117, 1999.2.7)

Have you ever thought to become a child of filial piety in the family, to become a patriot in the nation, to become a saint in the world, or to become a divine son or daughter before heaven and earth in accordance with God's own thinking? From the viewpoint of history, all the saints have been teaching about becoming children of filial piety, patriots, saints, and divine sons and daughters. (287-23, 1997.8.10)

When children have grown up in the tradition of love, do you think they could be indifferent if their parents wanted a divorce? Absolutely not. The children would all insist, "I am your child. I am the one in whom you are combined. For me, you have to make whatever negotiation is necessary, and you have to be great parents for me. I need you." We must make young people and parents awaken to the fact, that because of their children, parents have no right to divorce. (Blessed Family - 1009)

Section 7. Love Between Siblings

7.1. Brotherly love is a model of love for all the people of the world.

Why did God give us our brothers and sisters? The reason we need brothers and sisters is that a brother can look at his younger sister or elder sister and realize, "Oh, that's how our mother grew up!" He sees through them the process of his mother growing up. Also, the sister observes carefully how her elder or

younger brother grows up and understands how her father grew up and lived. You should know that this is the love among siblings; you become one by growing up like this. So should you love your brothers and sisters or not? (184-60, 1988.11.13)

What if parents have only one son and one daughter? The son needs an elder sister and an elder brother, doesn't he? Also the daughter needs an elder brother and elder sister. Furthermore, they need a younger brother and younger sister. There needs to be an elder brother, an elder sister, a younger brother, and a younger sister. It is unfortunate if you do not have them. The family that has a younger sister, younger brother, elder sister and elder brother – all of these – and has achieved complete unity will receive God's protection. This family becomes the origin of a clan, a people, and a nation. The elder brother and elder sister mean east and west, and younger brother and younger sister mean north and south; when this pattern is completed there will be three dimensions. This is the principle of love. When such a principle of love takes root, the origin of peace will be established. (20-40, 1968.3.11)

When an elder brother loves his younger sister, and the younger sister loves her elder brother, they cannot just love each other; they must involve their parents in that love and cherish their childhood experiences of growing up in the bosom of their parents. They should

be a brother and sister who are connected on the basis of parent and child oneness. Only then will they ascend as they grow up. They should grow up like this all the way through elementary and middle school. (236-11, 1992.11.2)

However far you go in your travels around the world, nothing replaces the love of brothers and sisters in a family, who share the same blood from their birth. When you go out to society, is there anyone who is closer to you than your brother or sister? Although some people may be close, they will eventually drift away from you. (228-199, 1992.4.3)

Why do you need brothers and sisters? Brothers and sisters are those who are connected through the vertical and horizontal plane. If we say Adam and Eve are horizontal, then God and Adam and Eve are vertical; their intersection constitutes a plane. This is why both a horizontal setting and the front and back are needed. Through their unity a sphere is formed. When the love of brothers and sisters expands to a love for all the people of the world, sibling love transcends family. (236-11, 1992.11.2)

Only when we embrace the world and love all people with sibling love, will we join everything together in an ideal sphere of love; when that occurs, no mishap will severely shock us. Only then will all the substance of God's thought finally bear fruit. God's ideal of children unites and bears fruit there: the fruit of

children's love, the fruit of siblings' love, the fruit of the love of husband and wife, and the fruit of parents' love. When the plan that the incorporeal God had at the time of creation is made substantial, upper and lower, front and rear, and left and right will be merged with Him. (236-146, 1992.11.4)

Through brothers and sisters a nation arises and all humankind arises. The relationship of brothers and sisters signifies front and back, a flat surface, but when flesh is added a sphere is formed. So it is brothers and sisters and the people of the nation who form the sphere. Brothers and sisters expand to become a people. The love of siblings is connected with the love for the world. A family where many brothers and sisters are growing up is like a model to embrace all people of the world and to create an ideal Kingdom of Heaven, the Kingdom of God on earth and in heaven. Hence, brothers and sisters expand in number. (235-268, 1992.10.1)

When there are many siblings, two may have to share a bowl at mealtimes. They do not fight because there is only one bowl of rice. Even if there are many siblings and they have to live in hardship, if they have such a heart of love that says, "Although I may starve, I will give this to my elder sister" or "I have to give this to my younger brother or sister," then everything will work out very well. (112-195, 1981.4.12)

Section 8. Love of the Nation, Love of the World, and Love of Humankind

8.1. The path of children of filial piety, patriots, saints, and divine sons and daughters

Once you become one with God, circular motion manifests in all kinds of forms and figures. That is why the older sibling must love the younger, following the example of their parents loving them. Love will blossom within a family that is united in this way. That love then becomes the love within a society, and then the love within a nation. In this way, it later becomes the love of the whole world. (28-168, 1970.1.11)

People who live for the sake of the common purpose of humankind will unite centering on their love for humankind. Likewise, if the people have a love for their homeland, they will unite based on patriotic ideas. As their patriotic feeling grows stronger, the citizens will unite through their patriotism to establish a nation. If you know that you are not in a position to work on the patriotic movement by yourself, you must build relationships horizontally and gather people of like mind together. (29-131, 1970.2.26)

The base where genuine love can settle down is the family; therefore, the original family that secures the love of the universe will experience an aspect of the universe's protection and expand the domain of love in the universe. We

must go beyond the family and walk the patriotic path of loving the nation. Furthermore, we must go beyond race and nation toward the path of loving the world. We call those who love their family children of filial piety and virtuous wives, and those who love their nation patriots. What do we call those who love the world? We call them saints. (Blessed Family - 924)

What must you do to become a global figure? You cannot become one merely on the basis of human morality or just by making people your central concern. If your central concern relates to human beings, you will not be able to go beyond the national level. It is that which is of heaven that will enable you to step beyond the national level. Without a philosophy that embraces heaven and earth, you cannot transcend the nation. (38-260, 1971.1.8)

If you look at the people who are numbered in the ranks of the saints, have they revered God or not? Is there anyone who has become a saint without God? (39-316, 1971.1.16)

Thus, the saints have spoken about God, not just about humankind. Moreover, the saints have taught not only the way of morality but also the way of heavenly law. (33-290, 1970.8.21)

It is children of filial piety who serve and love the parents in a family; those who serve and love the nation are patriots; and those who love the world are

saints. Then, what is it that I teach? It is to be a divine son or daughter who loves God, the world, and the universe. Which will you be? Will you be a divine son or daughter, or a dutiful son or daughter? To be a divine son or daughter requires having a loving heart like God's heart.

(129-96, 1983.10.1)

Love is the essence that is moving reality and cannot be omitted from daily life or from history. Love provides the internal power that moves everything from a parent's body to our social institutions. This is why, when you are educated, you are taught to love your country. Brotherly love, parental love, conjugal love, and worldwide philanthropy – all these things contain love. What does this mean? It means that we cannot connect to history without including the love that is in the realm of people's daily lives and the course of history. (187-45, 1989.1.6)

What do you have to become? You must become a patriot. What is a patriot? Does being a patriot mean devoting one's effort for the nation's ruler? No. You should know that those who know how to serve the people as they would serve the nation's ruler are patriots. What is a child of filial piety? They are not those who make devoted efforts for their parents. You should know that those who make devoted efforts for their brothers and sisters as they would serve their parents are children of filial piety. What is a saint? They are the people who have sacrificed themselves until now and died

for the sake of all humankind. What is a divine son or daughter? Those who reach out to the world centering on God, who serve humankind as they would serve God are divine sons and daughters. The historical saints are those who have died for the sake of the people of the world. And who are the divine sons and daughters of God? They are loyal to God, but as they live for God they also live for the sake of all people. (133-241, 1984.7.19)

After becoming a child of filial piety, a patriot, and a saint, what is next? Being a saint does not make you a divine son or daughter; it doesn't make you God's child. You must become a divine son or daughter. No matter how much you have loved the nation's ruler and its people, you have to know the laws of the heavenly royal palace to be a divine son and daughter. You have to know the method of being in rhythm with the governance of the palace law. (147-281, 1986.10.1)

Originally, the child of filial piety is a person whose heart goes straight to his parents without changing, and the patriot is a person whose heart goes straight to the king. Likewise, the saint is a person whose heart goes straight to God without changing. In other words, you can be a child of filial piety, patriot, and saint only when your heart goes straight without changing even in a situation where you face death. (97-274, 1978.3.26)

The one who serves and loves the parents in the family is a child of filial piety, the one who serves and loves the country

is a patriot, and the one who serves and loves the world is a saint. You should be divine sons and daughters who love the world and universe. Then, you must have as much love as God. (129-96, 1983.10.1)

A child of filial piety lives on even when his household perishes. This is why there are epitaphs of children of filial piety, epitaphs of patriots, and epitaphs of saints. Divine sons and daughters are different from saints. Divine sons and daughters are people who know how to observe not only national laws in the human world but also the laws of the heavenly royal palace. Thus, that which can connect straight to the path of children of filial piety, the path of patriots, and the path of saints is the path of divine sons and daughters. This path is substantial and has a big circumference, but the flow of its core is vertical. (175-213, 1988.4.17)

How do people live? When we condense the essence of our life course, we will find the fundamental core life paths walked by children of filial piety, by patriots, by saints, and by divine sons and daughters. Would they be paths driven by the heart of wanting to be together and live together regardless of the upper and the lower, transcending the front and back, left and right, and day and night, and going beyond one's own life? This is the conclusion that emerges. (148-258, 1986.10.1)

No matter how outstanding a person may be, he is of no use if he has no

love. Also, happiness becomes connected based on love. The medium that connects everything, brothers and sisters, friends, countrymen, all humankind, and heaven and earth, is love. Love is like yeast. (175-165, 1988.4.16)

What kind of being is God, who has created the universe and established its law? Throughout the whole universe, He is the Being who stands in the representative position caring for others more than anyone else. This is God. Therefore, if you want to meet God, you have to live for the sake of others. God is the king of knowledge, but He will not tell you to come to Him with knowledge. Although He is the king of capability, He will not tell you to come to Him with capability. Although God is the master and king of power, money, and material, He will not tell you to come to Him with these things. He would say that anyone can come to Him if they live for the sake of others. (133-16, 1984.7.1)

God exists in front of human beings for their sake. This is why we want to follow God forever. If you want to maintain your own position of existence within natural law and in front of the universe's realm of existence, you must exist for the sake of others as does the universe. In serving others, you connect to the East and West and to the past and the present. Because God has the same love in the past and at present, and in the East and in the West, He can overcome the East and the West and overcome the past, present, and even the future. God

can overcome the past, present, and future, and can, therefore, always make progress. He can overcome the East and the West, and therefore unify them. This is possible only in love. (187-89, 1989.1.6)

Section 9. Love of the Natural World

9.1. God's will in creating the world of all things

Why did God create all things? It was in order to have an object partner and a realm of object partners to love; they could eat and live, and then return to God's original world and live in the eternal original kingdom of love. You need to know this. (142-75, 1986.3.1)

Today Christians think that since God is all-knowing and all-powerful, the world came into being just with a few simple words, "Let there be 'such and such' in heaven and on earth." But it did not happen that way. God invested everything: all the energy He had. He created as a gift for His beloved sons and daughters and His beloved family of the future by investing all the power of love He had. Thus, we should look at all things of creation with this kind of understanding. (112-306, 1981.4.25)

When God created the world, there was joy. After creating it He said that it was good. It means there was joy. What is joy? It is something you feel when you have achieved a certain purpose. Since all things God created contain His con-

sciousness of purpose, He felt joy with them. Then, what kind of world is the world of restoration? In a nutshell, it is a world populated by people who have a three-dimensional connection of heart through which they can sing and praise God even when looking at any individual masterpiece of the creation. This is where God sees the value of personality. The old story about Saint Francis preaching to animals and birds is not a lie. It is a dream-like story, but is in fact true. (9-166, 1960.5.8)

Everything in the created world is made by God as a textbook so that His beloved sons and daughters can find and nurture the ideal of love. The created world therefore has correlative structures. Minerals function through the relationship of subject partner and object partner, protons and electrons interact within the atom in subject/object relationship. Without interacting, they cannot exist. Without being in motion they cannot continuously exist. With human beings at the center, the universe was created to relate to that central point. (137-59, 1985.12.18)

The universe is a mysterious world. God did not create the universe as something to fool around with or play with. With the most devoted effort He created it for the sake of His beloved people, and indeed how beautiful it is! So when we look at this universe, we should have an extremely grateful heart, saying that the Father has created it for us. If you walk around the gardens, behold the trees,

plants, flowers, and birds, watch the streams flow, and feel the winds blow with this kind of heart, you cannot but be overwhelmed with wonder. (87-319, 1976.6.27)

The perfection of the universe does not just involve the external world rejoicing but also requires that my innermost self also rejoice. In rejoicing, both my mind and body must be joyful, and all my cells must be delighted. The cells in my eyes and those in the bottom of my feet are different, aren't they? They are different, but this has to be a world where these cells can all rejoice. The cells in my hand and all cells, including the entire mind and body without having any part left out, can rejoice. While doing so, they should not stay separated but become connected in the resonant joy of love based on duality of purpose. Only then will the universe reach perfection. (166-210, 1987.6.7)

Connections start from extremely small things. You are also a living body consisting of as many as 400 trillion cells connected together. In the world of the ideal of creation centered on God, that is, among all existence in the great universe, there is none that came into being from outside God's heart. A poet who can feel these kinds of things would be a great poet. If there were a poet who can feel and express a cosmic heart when seeing a leaf shake, he would become a poet for the universe. We have not seen all the phenomena of heaven and earth unfolding around us, but even without our knowing there are things that exist

together with God's love. When you enter a spiritual state, you can see that even a small grain of sand contains the principles of the universe, and even one atom contains the bottomless and inexhaustible harmony of the universe. We cannot deny that all existence is the result of some complex force, although we are unable to understand it clearly. Atoms exist below molecules and elementary particles exist below atoms; these forms do not exist unconsciously but with a certain consciousness and purpose. Therefore, we should clearly and fully understand the fact that all things in existence have appeared through the loving hands of God and exist in a necessary relationship of heart with God. (9-166, 1960.5.8)

What kind of people are the enlightened masters? They are those with a heart so deep that they recognize even the value of one stem of grass as equal to their own and can cry out "God!" These would be enlightened masters of the highest level. Those who can sing its value this way would be the artists of the highest caliber. If there were a people with hearts that could allow them to discover the charms of God's love and heart in every variety of creation, in all their forms and colors, and befriend them and find enjoyment together, they would be the people who could represent the entire universe. If there are people whose cells move one by one with this type of feeling, they are the lords of creation. Conversely, if there is a person who knows about nothing but eating, can he become a lord of creation? (9-166, 1960.5.8)

9.2. Nature is a textbook teaching the ideal of love

People observe and learn from nature as they grow up. They come to understand, “This is what the insect world is like!” When you listen carefully on an autumn night when the moon is shining and stars are twinkling, the sounds of the insects are like an orchestra. Why do they make such a sound? They are singing of their ideal as they search for their partners. They are whispering love. Birds and all other animals also follow this common denominator of love when they make their sad and happy sounds. They are low on the scale and far away from the axis, and yet they are circling around the axis in parallel. It is the same for all existing beings. (137-59, 1985.12.18)

There are three kinds of birds’ songs. First, there is a song expressing hunger; second, a song sung in expressing love for a mate; and third, a song sung in time of danger. These are all different. We ordinary people do not know this, but they know in their own world. When they call out of hunger, all of the other birds already know. But around what does their daily life revolve? Hunger is taken care of simply by eating, and they are not facing danger every day, either. Most of their singing goes back and forth in the give and take relationship with their partner. (137-211, 1986.1.3)

Human beings were created as a subject partner and object partner; that is, as a pair. The world of all things, too, which

exists for the sake of humankind, creates harmony under the principle of love and realizes its life and ideal through the love of humankind. For humankind, and especially for the maturing Adam and Eve, the world of all things was a textbook of love and a museum that infinitely displays the essence of love. (135-10, 1985.8.20)

All birds and animals exist in pairs. They harmonize with each other in love. Flowers and butterflies relate as two opposite poles, yet harmonize with each other. This is the harmonious relationship of heaven and earth. The opposite poles of the universe create harmony through love. It’s the same with migratory birds. Birds in the south fly to the north, and birds in the north fly to the south, loving each other back and forth across the regions. In so doing, they revolve eternally around love. People learn about love through the textbooks in the museum God created. When people and God love each other in joy, all the things in heaven and earth follow the rhythm and harmonize around them. If God likes this, and loves this, the angelic world will also like it. The entire created world will like it too, applauding and offering praise. Songbirds will sing praises, and beautiful flowers will offer praises through their fragrances. This created world exists in order to expand the fragrant atmosphere in which the central personages of the highest love can enjoy themselves. Even the ugly-looking toads croak “wook, wook, wook,” when they make love. How charming! They

kick with their legs and move them up and down while making love. What a delightful scene! This is the highest art. (142-273, 1986.3.13)

When spring comes and birds sing, as soon as you hear the song you should think of your wife, your children, your country, the world, and even God. Then, everything is complete. Birds only think of birds themselves, but people have a sense of being in relationships. Having that sense of relationship as a mediator between the animal world, plant world, and the spirit world is an exclusive privilege of human beings. We can link everything together. Only human beings have this special authority. (131-125, 1984.4.22)

As they matured, Adam and Eve would have come to understand their purpose, saying, “Ah, that’s how to make love.” God laid out the world of all things as a textbook for bringing the ideal of human love to maturity. As they continued to learn, as they grew, Adam and Eve would come to have different feelings toward each other, saying, “Aha, we were like a brother and sister in the past, but now it seems...” They will learn, saying, “Aha, that’s the way it is.” They will go along a straight line and then collide, saying, “You and I must meet even at the risk of death. We cannot go anywhere else.” (137-59, 1985.12.18)

Love is like a nerve. Just as pulling one strand of hair pulls the entire body, if we pull on love, the universe itself is pulled along. As we create motion in

love, the entire universe comes into harmony. So when there is love, we dance. How did dancing come about? It was because of love. Songs also came about because of love, and so did laughter. If love were taken away, everything would become hard and stiff. (89-90, 1976.10.4)

People like butterflies rather than bees. It is because butterflies dance as they fly. Everything that flies does so in rhythm with a beat and with a melody. Fast-flying creatures fly in time with a beat; so do slow-flying ones. There are various styles of flight, but, anyway, everything flies according to a certain rhythm. Also, the way deer run and rabbits play in the mountains is musical. The way they hop around has a certain rhythm, and the way they eat also has a musical quality. It is the same with people; there is a certain rhythm when we eat. These all express something musically. If we think in this way – that someone made this universe for me to last for eternity and put it in place for me – we should feel grateful to Him. We should not think as an onlooker, as if this were something to do with someone in a neighboring village. There are high mountains and low mountains. Do you like there being high mountains with low-lying land, or do you like only plain and flat land? Having high and low is better. Why is this so? It is because these shapes assume a certain form that looks as if it would dance. It is good when these are in forms of all kinds and colors, going up and going down, forming all kinds of curves. Then, this creation is

like a dance. In nature, there are splendid dances and beautiful music; there is wonderful artwork. So many such things exist in nature. (87-321, 1976.6.27)

Adam and Eve, born as the first children of God, were to grow from childhood to maturity in the realm of God's protection. Since their intellect was to develop in this process, they would have come to realize why God created the world, and God would have educated them through the created world. The created world, with everything being in motion, was a textbook to teach Adam and Eve – who were to be our first, original ancestors – everything about how to live. You should know that since Adam and Eve were not perfect, the world was given as a model and a museum showing them how to lead an ideal life. (137-126, 1986.1.1)

When you open your eyes in the morning and look at nature, it stimulates your original nature and causes feelings of a new ideal to sprout forth. As for the human world, on the other hand, you must know well that the more you see it, the more despair and sorrow it arouses in your heart. If the world were populated by original people who had not fallen, the value of human beings would not be such as to stir sorrow in the heart of the beholder. Human beings were not created merely to have the value of a blade of grass, a flower or a tree trunk. People were supposed to be noble beings that could not be exchanged for anything in the created world. They were supposed

to step forward representing Heaven with incomparable value. (9-97, 1960.4.24)

You should have such a mind that, when observing nature imbued with God's love, you say, "Could the precious items possessed by the kings of this world, or by people of great fame, compare with this? Could any antique artifact compare with this? Could a glamorous dress worn by a famous lady compare with this?" Without that heart, we are committing a sin before the natural world even without knowing it. If there is someone who looks at a living being, saying, "What items produced by human hands could compare with this? No matter how great someone may be, could he ever be greater than God?" and values most highly all things created through God investing His heart, he must surely be a child of God. Such a person does not need to pray; he lives with God and is a person driven by God. (9-174, 1960.5.8)

Things of nature, no matter how insignificant, cannot be compared with anything else. No painting drawn by some famous painter can compare with even a worthless tree standing by the side of the road. No matter how a famous painter may have painted flowers and created a great masterpiece, the flowers on the canvas do not bloom no matter how hard you look at them, nor is there any fragrance; nor can they produce seeds. Yet the insignificant tree standing by the roadside blossoms with flowers, bears fruit, and produces seeds.

And if the seeds are planted, trees better than the mother tree can spring up in abundance. Even the paintings of a famous painter cannot compare with this. (9-176, 1960.5.8)

People will enjoy and take delight in anything that belongs to someone they love. Nevertheless, they do not know how to take delight in all things created by God, whom they should love the most. Can such people become God's sons and daughters? As you have the responsibility to release the sorrow of the creation that is sighing and lamenting, even with one tree or stem of grass you should deeply experience the heart and care God invested into their creation six thousand biblical years ago. You should have such a heart that you are able to shed tears even at the sight of one stem of grass growing along the road. You should be able to weep while holding onto one tree, crying, "How lonely you must be to have lost your master!" I myself have shed many tears. I have wept profusely while clutching a rock; I have wept to see the wind blow. Now, because you have heard my words, you will understand. (9-175, 1960.5.8)

I have come this way while saying, "The precious things of creation, which God made and which have forged an eternal connection with God, are not cherished as much as national treasures or the valuables in some palaces today. I will understand that sorrow; I alone must understand." If you have a heart that says, "Though all those living on

this earth may be ignorant of it, I will understand," then you will be a new people that can govern humankind in the future. This is not a concept but a fact. Who values all things of creation more than the family treasure handed down over the generations? Diamonds are said to be the most valuable, precious stones in the world and people cling to them and refuse to let them go. Who values creation more than diamonds? Where are such people? On seeing those who understand in their hearts what He has created, and who shed tears when they hold the things of creation, God will say "My dear children!" (9-176, 1960.5.8)

What is nature? It is an exhibit that God has given us as a gift, something He prepared for the birth of His beloved sons and daughters. Even the song of a bird and a stem of grass growing are decorations prepared to bring beauty into the lives of His beloved sons and daughters. Even the rocks rolling on the road were created as decorations for a nation, as God knew that His sons and daughters would be the owners who would rule over that nation. It is the same with flowing water. God did not want things to be dry and monotonous, so He created so as to establish a "prince" of dreams and of hope who could look at this infinitely colorful and harmonious garden – this world of love – and inherit it. Hence, we learn from all things of creation. When the male and female birds sing, the lady who owns them should learn from them. You should be able to sing praises for the beauty of the original world of creation,

where everything devotes its entire life living for the sake of the other. Then, even young birds will want to come and live in your home and have their young there. Do you understand what I am saying? (175-186, 1988.4.16)

No matter how precious a work of art in a museum may be, can it have more value than a living work of art? I am asking who has loved this earth, the museum of all things and the work of God, more than God has. I am asking if anyone has loved it more than the museums in his own country. Can you compare a gold crown from the Shilla Dynasty in a museum with a dandelion lying on the road, which has been made directly by God? If there is a king, who understands God's heart and who takes care of the creation with such a heart that says to the creation "I fell sorry and shameful because I cannot love you from the position of an unfallen king whom God can love and had loved," the tufts of grass would want to follow that king and be with him eternally. This is how people should live. (175-186, 1988.4.16)

You should know how to love nature and love people. You should know that those who cannot love people or love nature cannot love God. Because all things of creation are symbols of God

and because people are beings of His substance, those who know how to love all things of creation and people will come to love God. (70-181, 1974.2.9)

You should always love nature. You should love nature and love people. You should love people of all five colors of the human race. Would God say, "Oh, I only like the white people"? Then everyone would have to wear only white clothes. All white people would have to wear only white clothes, and throw away all their colored clothes. Why would you wear black clothes or colored clothes? That would be a contradiction. (133-30, 1984.7.1)

We should feel that all creatures of God are objects of our love. We should be the people who can love even all the minute forms of life and be the people who can receive love from them. The same is true for our fellow human beings, as well as everything visible and invisible in heaven. When a bird calls "chirp, chirp, chirp" in the morning, instead of grumbling, "You pesky sparrow, why are you chirping when I am trying to sleep late?!" say, "Oh, thank you. You came to wake me up. Ha ha! You are telling me that an important guest is coming to see me." The outlook is different. That is a great thing. (112-219, 1981.4.12)

CHAPTER THREE

Love and Marriage

Section 1. True Marriage Engenders Love of Universal Unity

Why do we marry? We marry in order to resemble God. God exists as a unified being encompassing the dual characteristics of masculinity and femininity. Man and woman represent the divided characteristics of God. They must become one and become like a seed, thereby returning to God's original position. (138-97, 1986.1.19)

We should sing about the supreme sacredness of marriage. Married life is the path along which a man and a woman can love each other. Whom do they come to resemble through their unity? They resemble God Himself. A man and a woman must become one in order to resemble God, who created them in His image. Only then will God dwell with them. (70-76, 1974.2.8)

The man symbolizes heaven and the woman symbolizes the earth. The two must unite, creating harmony on the horizontal plane. (Blessed Family - 868)

The union of a man and a woman signifies a union of heaven and earth. (Blessed Family - 868)

The universe attains oneness through the embrace of a man and a woman in mutual adoration. This is the original image formed within God's ideal. (God's Will and the World - 27)

Why do we marry? We marry in order to learn to love the world and to gain the qualification to love all people. (37-108, 1970.12.22)

That which is called marriage refers to an appearance of love and at the same time an endowment of the right of creation and the right of dominion. (76-46, 1975.1.26)

The purpose of marriage is to join together the man's and woman's worlds of heart and to perfect the love of each of them. So to be married is to declare that you will show proof of this love. If you have perfected your love and your heart through marriage, we can say that you have realized the ideal of the family. If you have accomplished this by the time of your death, you are sure to go to the Kingdom of Heaven. (97-276, 1978.3.26)

What is marriage? Why is marriage important? It is because marriage is a path for finding love. It is a path to love and a path to creating life. It is a path for

the life of a man and a woman to become one. In marriage, the lineage of the man and the woman becomes mixed. History manifests through marriage; a nation emerges and the ideal world begins. (279-251, 1996.9.15)

For whom do you marry? It is for the sake and common benefit of humankind. Thus, marriage represents the world. The man is a man representing the world, and the woman is also a woman representing the world. Then where must you start? You should start from a position of representing the world. The meaning of marriage is to serve the public will of all humankind. (75-278, 1975.1.12)

You should have the attitude that you will raise her like your younger sister, love her like your wife, and serve her like your mother. In loving her, you should start by loving her as a younger sister, and only then love her as your wife; in all, you should love her like your younger sister, elder sister, bride, and mother. Only then can we restore God's unfulfilled love, lost through the Fall. (31-88, 1970.4.20)

What do we have to love in order to love our nation? First, a man should love a woman by regarding her as a representative of all the women of this nation. Likewise, the woman, rather than thinking of the man as just one among many, should think of him as a representative of all the men in the entire world. When a man and a woman regard each other as representatives in this way and then unite and form a family, this family will

be a family of the heavenly kingdom. (26-153, 1969.10.25)

True happiness for a woman is found when she meets her partner of love. (Blessed Family - 340)

Love, after all, cannot be felt when one is alone. The same is true for happiness. (145-267, 1986.5.15)

You feel true happiness only when you can feel the heart of your partner and love your partner in an equal and reciprocal relationship. (Blessed Family - 342)

Let's say that you were attracted to a man because he was handsome. Then suppose he was crippled in an accident a week after you married, and that led you to seek a divorce. This would not be true love but false love. (Blessed Family - 351)

Genuine love is absolute, unchanging, and eternal. (Blessed Family - 351)

You should have a creed that you will get married for the sake of your partner and not for your own sake. It is wrong to think that you will get a successful or beautiful person for marriage. If you have understood the principle that a human being should live for the sake of others, then you should consider that marriage also is for the sake of your partner. According to the original view of marriage, you should determine that no matter how ugly your wife may be you will love her more than a beautiful woman. (Blessed Family - 361)

Given that he was born as a human being, if a man cannot embrace the notion that he will love his wife as he loves God and humankind itself and more than anyone else in this world, then he will not be able to return to the heavenly kingdom. As a man, if he does not know how to love a woman, he cannot love God and humankind. (97-319, 1978.4.1)

I would say that marriage is a ceremony to open and enter the gate of the palace of happiness. It is for this reason that marriage is a great event of human affairs. Love is the greatest thing in human affairs, for it transcends time and space, and marriage is a ceremony to reveal and confirm such love. (Blessed Family - 356)

In getting married, you should not think that you will be a husband to a beauty. Rather, you should think that you will be someone who can wed an ugly woman and still live better than anyone else. This way, you should be a husband who can be revered by any beautiful woman in the world. If you have this kind of viewpoint, you should have no trouble relating to any kind of woman. (26-332, 1969.10.3)

What kind of husband or wife do you want to meet and be married to? You should make it a principle, before you embark on your married life, that you will love even the most insignificant man as a devoted wife. You should know this. The higher the power of your love, the freer you can operate on the stage of the infinite universe. (Blessed Family - 636)

For humankind, love is an eternal thing – it is one, not two. When a man and a woman become joined through love, they are to grow old together for a hundred years on earth and live together eternally after death. Although the bodies are two, they join as one and rotate, thereby becoming one body. When the two bodies become one, God comes to rotate together with them, thus forming a four position foundation of love. This is love's ideal setting. False love cannot invade it, and only true love comes to dwell in it. (Blessed Family - 344)

The true ideal is realized when, after achieving perfect maturity as an individual and after perfecting your partner, you receive recognition because of your love centered on God. (19-314, 1968.3.17)

The bride and bridegroom should become one body through God's original love, not through money, political power, or fame. (Blessed Family - 880)

If a beautiful man and a beautiful woman, each created as God's greatest work of art, were to make love centering on God, this would be a sublime expression of the highest, most transcendental love, rather than worldly love. This love is the most beautiful and representative love, the kind of love that will shine for all of eternity. (26-153, 1969.10.25)

To receive a taste of true love, you must have a realm of the ideal, and for this a man needs a woman and a woman absolutely needs a man. You should

know that for the sake of true love, an absolute man and woman join together through the efforts of their united heart. When an absolute man and woman have been joined as one, God will come and dwell in their midst. (Blessed Family - 340)

International marriage is the quickest way for the different races of the world to be one. There is no other way. A man and a woman chosen from two utterly different cultural realms and environments must become one through God's love. This is complete harmony and unification. In order to accomplish such a great task, we must draw from the immense power of love, for only the highest love can transcend national boundaries, racial boundaries, cultural boundaries, and the boundaries of knowledge. (God's Will and the World - 499)

God's love and human love are essentially the same. Love is an effort to become one. The reason a man and a woman long for each other is that the man can possess God only through the woman, and the woman can do so only through the man. Love means to like each other. (Blessed Family - 334)

Single people will never be able to go to the heavenly kingdom. For singles, the heavenly kingdom is a land of despair. Although there is at least hope in a land where one is lonely, a land of despair means a state of hopelessness. (101-43, 1978.10.28)

A man is born for the sake of a wom-

an, and a woman for the sake of a man. There is an original rule that whenever you assert yourself, God is absent, and whenever you respect others, God is with you. The fact that we walk with two feet itself reflects a thinking that is in accordance with this original rule and the principle. (God's Will and the World - 543)

Is it not true that a woman is born in order to meet a man, and a man is born in order to meet a woman? This is the highest truth. Therefore, we must be gaining the right of Blessing in accordance with such a rule, for to deviate from the highest truth is the highest evil. (21-201, 1968.11.20)

In a traditional marriage, the bride and bridegroom bow deeply to each other. Do you know why they bow deeply? It is to express a promise to live for the sake of each other. If they do not live for each other's sake, love will run away. (Blessed Family - 361)

The civil law of Korea prohibits the marriage of people with the same family name and origin, and encourages marriages between different clans. This is because Koreans are a people that long for unification. (19-305, 1968.3.10)

Section 2. The Love that Man and Woman Desire

In your life's journey, the loveliest and most beautiful time is your youth. In youth, your looks are like the most precious flower. Someone who can love ful-

ly can be invited into God's living room. A man and a woman who have such love can receive God's blessings and be invited into His living room. (26-151, 1968.6.4)

What is human happiness? Can you say you are happy simply because you have a lot of money, even enough to adorn yourself with diamonds? You can find true happiness only when you laugh, sing, and whisper together with your partner, both of you enraptured in love. Those who can do this are truly happy people. I would say that those who can hear whispers from a lover are happy people; the soft whispers of your spouse who is caressing your earlobe can make you feel so happy that you would think you were dreaming. Youth is among the happiest of times; this is when the flower of your youth is still blooming radiantly, when you are virtually bursting with love, and when you are to unite in love with another. (Blessed Family - 366)

An ideal person does not seek a partner who becomes entirely absorbed into the love of man and woman. Rather, such a person seeks a partner who first loves the world, God, and humankind, and then loves you with his or her remaining love. (46-42, 1971.7.18)

True happiness for a woman is to meet her true subject partner in love. (Blessed Family - 340)

However seriously a man looks to find love as a single person, he will only be viewed as a crazy man. (Blessed Family - 340)

No matter how talented a man or woman may be, it is of no use when there is no love. (175-165, 1988.4.16)

Men and women are opposite in all aspects. Women are uni-directional, while men are multi-directional. Also, women stay home, while men travel here and there around the world. These are opposite types of personality. Through what do these men and women unite as subject and object partners? They unite through love. It is also love that unites humankind and God. (38-255, 1971.1.8)

God created humankind for the sake of the perfection of the ideal of love. Therefore, the relationship of humankind and God is a relationship of the highest love between subject partner and object partner. Then, when does humankind reach perfection? It will happen only when a man and a woman reach a point where they make a connection of love and understand the value of love. (128-132, 1983.6.11)

Even though a man may be handsome and healthy, this means nothing without a woman. A man who is preoccupied with his handsome looks and health is useless. There are many men who live their lives self-centeredly; this is one of the reasons why history has been tragic. You should know that God's providence has been to improve and transform this self-centered world. (Blessed Family - 340)

Therefore the best thing in the world is the notion of a woman for a man and a

man for a woman. The love that charms men is not found in other men, nor is the love that enchants women found in other women. Isn't that so? Do you long for love when you are alone? (37-27, 1970.12.22)

In loving a woman with God's love, a man should be able to say, "I love her completely. We share a love that will not change from beginning to end." Also, a woman should keep her body tightly sealed in order to share such a love. She should close it tightly like a peony flower, as if it were wrapped up in many layers. This way, the couple should see the harmony of heaven and earth in spring and start a new life in unity with this. They should do this well. (26-156, 1969.10.25)

Among the flowers, which do you think is the most beautiful? I don't know what kind of flowers you like, but I like flowers that look like a trumpet. The reason is that trumpet-looking flowers send their fragrances far away. Trumpet-looking flowers represent deep love. Flowers must look like a trumpet if their fragrances are to spread far. For this reason, the more a flower resembles a trumpet, the more fragrance it has. So if women are like flowers, they should have a deep heart of love. Flowers with beautiful fragrances are loved by all people. Lilies, for example, are loved for their simplicity and elegance. I think the clear and elegant lilies are aesthetically and emotionally rich flowers because their stems and leaves have the same color so it is difficult to distinguish which is which. Likewise, ladies should be like morning

glories and lilies. They should be clear and elegant flowers. (Blessed Family - 614)

No matter how pretty a girl may be, there is a time after emerging from adolescence, which is the most special time. This is when her beauty truly flowers, the most precious time of her life. Nevertheless, is there any woman who would say that she would rather live alone? This is not a woman. Also, is there any man who has a fine body and yet says that he would rather live alone during such a lovely time of youth? At such times you are bound to look for your partner. Why do you do this? It is because you resemble God. During young adulthood, the most precious time of your life, you seek out your life partner. This is true for men and women alike. (32-248, 1970.7.19)

Why do men exist? Men often say they are not interested in such issues because they can usually live alone, but men are born for the sake of women. Without women, men have no reason to be here. There is nothing that has come into being for its own sake. (285-220, 1997.5.19)

When we look at our five senses; eyes, nose, ears, mouth and hands are all there for the sake of my partner. Do our eyes exist to look into our own eyes? True love can fully mobilize and concentrate the five senses. Eyes, nose, ears, mouth and hands are tools of true love, created for the sake of true love. (299-119, 1999.2.7)

What is the most precious thing for a woman? It is a man. What kind of a

man does she need? It does not matter whether he is talented or dull, whether he is crippled or not. The question is with which man she can find a love with value. (Blessed Family - 340)

If a woman loved by God lives in the heart of a man, and a man who is loved by God lives in the heart of a woman, and they cherish each other, God will rejoice over it, and also all things will be happy together. Their joyful embrace will be of great importance in bringing joy to heaven and earth. The embrace of a man and a woman in mutual adoration is a point where the universe becomes one. This is what the original image is like that is realized under God's ideal. (God's Will and the World - 27)

What is the original purpose for which man is born? It is undeniable that he is born for a woman. Conversely, a woman is not born for the sake of a man. We should know that the problem occurs where she has not fully convinced herself that she is born for the sake of a man. Since God, the great master of the creation of heaven and earth, has stipulated this as an original rule of creation, we cannot enter the good, true, joyful and peaceful world, or the world of love and ideal, without following this rule. (75-319, 1975.1.16)

You should not cast sidelong glances even though there are countless men in the world. Fidelity is more precious than your life. It is women who will open the path that will resonate throughout his-

tory, the path that can be loved by the husband, by sons and daughters, by the nation, even loved by the whole world. Women should undertake the solemn task of establishing a basis from which the beauty, nobility, and emotional tradition of women can shine forth. In order to accomplish this, you should give your utmost heart as a truthful and genuine person. (39-217, 1971.1.10)

When is the most beautiful time, the time of youth when the flower is in full bloom? It is young adulthood. This period is the seven years from age eighteen to twenty-four. This seven year period is a time never to be repeated in your life, a time when the beautiful flower of your love will blossom. How precious is this beautiful time that will come only once in your life. You know peonies, don't you? Their buds are wrapped tightly in dozens of layers so they cannot be opened up easily. The same is true for men and women. Then when should you fully reveal the crimson bud of your love that blossoms like a yellow flower? The time when beauty is best revealed within the harmony of heaven and earth is the time of youth. For human beings, it is a time when the blossoms are at their peak. Youth is a time when you shine as the central pinnacle of God's great work of art. It is at this time that you should be in full bloom under God's blessings. (26-151, 1969.10.25)

You should not defile the purity of your heart during your youth, which is a precious time in which to overcome

and rectify the sorrow of Adam and Eve, who lost their pure heart in their youth. You should have a firm principle and determination that says, “Even if I live alone for tens of thousands of years, I will absolutely not abuse love.” (37-107, 1970.12.22)

As a youth, when you carefully keep a holy pure heart that is not dirtied or stained by the fallen world, where should you place it? You should place it on the altar that will bring God the greatest joy: the holy ground where a man and a woman with such a pure heart can meet and become bound as one. This should be the place where the bride and bridegroom meet. (64-84, 1972.10.24)

Section 3. The Blessing Is the Ceremony to Convey God’s Love

Our Unification Church calls marriage the Blessing. (Blessed Family - 544)

The Blessing means true parents and true children meeting together to realize the purpose of creation. (19-73, 1967.12.27)

What is the Blessing? It is becoming one with God. If you become one with God, you will gain everything. You will receive everything God has, everything the Subject has. (Blessed Family - 544)

So far, you have not been able to make a complete connection with True Parents. It is the Blessing that is given to you so that you can make that connection. (23-332, 1969.6.15)

I will take eternal responsibility for those who have received the Blessing, even in the spirit world. I will govern them and guide them. The Blessing is also the means of forging an eternal connection with me. (God’s Will and the World - 533)

The Blessing opens the gate of the heavenly kingdom. You enter it with your children. (Blessed Family - 544)

Although there are myriads of people in the world, they can be divided into men and women. Our fundamental purpose is to find a secret method by which they can become one. We are pursuing this because the origin of such a fruitful family has not yet appeared. When such an initiating point appears and gives root to its seeds, they will grow into new trees. This is the Blessing Ceremony. (31-190, 1970.5.31)

The Blessing Ceremony is not simply a wedding ceremony where a man and a woman come together and then raise a family. Wedding ceremonies have so far been self-centered, but our wedding ceremony should be conducted in a sacred and magnificent manner, as something to return joy to God and as a precious offering to indemnify history. The Principle clearly explains that our wedding ceremony is an effort not only to resolve God’s sorrow caused by the Fall of Adam and Eve, but also to surpass the standard of bride and bridegroom that Jesus was unable to reach. (God’s Will and the World - 27)

Even though you have established faith through God's providence, you have to be engrafted in order to be restored as God's child. (Blessed Family - 508)

To say that you are to be reborn does not mean rebirth through the flesh and blood of parents who are descendants of the fallen Adam and Eve; rather, you are to be reborn through the flesh and blood of the parents who have nothing to do with the Fall. Otherwise, you cannot return to God. Since the fundamental root of sin started with Adam and Eve, you cannot return to God's side until you have stepped over it and acquired the qualification that you are born in a place that has no connection with the original sin. (22-269, 1969.5.4)

In being reborn, you should not fall behind Adam and Eve. If you did, the fundamental restoration would not be realized. The process of rebirth must start with individuals, then families, peoples, nations, and ultimately the entire world. Today's Christians do not know this fact. (58-42, 1972.6.6)

Even a grandmother over the age of eighty knows that if she died without receiving the Blessing, she would be unable to enter the heavenly kingdom. Therefore, even if a man may be thousands of kilometers away, she will want to receive at least a condition of Blessing by tying a silk thread to him even at the last moment of death. This is what Blessing is like. I am destined to meet with difficulty because I have to do this work. (22-16, 1969.1.1)

The term "true parents" means a man and woman who are, spiritually, completely mature. It refers to a man and a woman who have established a vertical relationship with God and a horizontal relationship with each other, at ninety degrees. So in order to engraft young men and women, I gather them together, and engraft to them a bud from Mother and a bud from Father. This is the Blessing. (131-174, 1984.5.1)

The Blessing Ceremony is none other than a ceremony of transferring love. In this ceremony of transference, just as the parents live with God's love, you receive Parents' love in place of God's love with the instruction to live a certain way. This is the Blessing Ceremony. You do not receive it from some famous person; this would be an archangelic marriage. If a famous person comes along and arranges a marriage for you, this is always a marriage given by the archangel. (96-236, 1978.1.22)

Giving you the Blessing means to transfer Heaven's entire authority to you. (17-328, 1967.4.16)

The Blessing is the key to open the door of liberation for all people; this is the door that history has been seeking. (God's Will and the World - 27)

What have I considered most precious in my life? The Blessing. Also for you, the greatest gift in human history is the Blessing. (23-317, 1969.6.8)

God's ideal finally starts in a place where new love centering on God, that is, the love in accordance with the law of creation, is determined. (19-314, 1968.3.17)

To have a different lineage means to have a different father. Therefore, a person born from a different father and different lineage cannot indemnify his sins except through original parents untainted by the Fall. Therefore, until now history had been making connections through religious ideals until the arrival of the one person not connected with the Fall who has the right to be the first ancestor. (20-115, 1968.5.1)

For you to have received the Blessing means the time has come when you can make a start, in the name of the bride and bridegroom, with your people, church, and tribe that are chosen on the foundation built on earth by the Messiah's hard work of two thousand years. Can you be tribal messiahs? Even Satan can't do anything because you have made a parent and child connection with me. This is how incredible the Blessing is. (21-13, 1968.8.13)

What is the cosmos-centered ideology? It is the ideology centered on true parents. After all, these two ideologies are the ideologies based on parents. This is the ideology of your home, your nation, and yourself. Whose ideology would the world embrace if there had been no Fall? It would have embraced an Adam-centered ideology. This ideology is the ideology centered on true parents, that is, the ideology centered on the father and

mother. There can be no ideology above that. Therefore, the Unification Church, with True Parents at the forefront, should resolve problems of the heart using the ideology of heaven and working within the boundary of the original ideal family. As long as we practice this ideology within our families, we will not perish – we cannot perish. (26-201, 1969.10.25)

What is the cosmos-centered ideology? Imagine a family that has more than enough treasures to fill heaven and earth. It would mean that the family members would, rather than being obsessed by them, forget about them entirely in order to live in intoxication with God's love. What belongs to the son belongs to the parents, and what belongs to the parents belongs to God. They should all be connected as a whole in this way. (35-280, 1970.10.25)

What is the ideology centered on true family? It is the ideology based on God's love. No matter how prideful a person may be at being the greatest in the world, he would still be miserable without love. This true family-centered ideology teaches that when the parents go, the sons and daughters eternally follow; that when the elder brother goes, the younger brother eternally follows; and even when the younger brother goes, the elder brother follows him eternally. Hence, if there is a younger brother's nation, the elder brother's nation must say that it will follow it. Likewise, if there is an elder brother's nation, the younger brother's nation must say that it will also follow it. (21-49, 1968.9.1)

CHAPTER FOUR

Love and Family

Section 1. The Ideal of Love is Established in the Family

The family is an unchanging point of origin, a timeless cornerstone that cannot be altered even by the father, by brothers and sisters, or by the system of government of any country. Nothing can alter the sovereignty of the family – not the world, not heaven and earth, not even God Himself. For this reason, the concept of revolution will never be needed in the family. No revolution is necessary since the family is the throne of love. (25-85, 1969.9.30)

Why do we like our parents? And why do we like our husband or wife and children? It is because they have love. For the children, parental love is absolutely necessary. Similarly, conjugal love is essential between husband and wife. The love and friendship among brothers and sisters in a family is also necessary, as is their heart of loving devotion towards their parents. (112-291, 1981.4.25)

Why do we like our family? People long for their hometown and their family – their parents and brothers and sisters – because the family is the basis upon which they can freely share love

and prosper. (38-328, 1971.1.8)

A true family is a place where the husband loves and serves his wife as he would his mother, the wife serves and loves her husband as she would her father, and they love each other as brother and sister. The Kingdom of Heaven, where ideal families live, is a place where a husband and wife each love and respect each other as they would God Himself. Such a tradition should be established on this earth. (Blessed Family - 924)

There are three kinds of love in an ideal family, each governed by God: the eternal love of parents, the eternal love of husband and wife, and the eternal love of children. (Blessed Family - 913)

An ideal family is where the parents, children, husband and wife, and brothers and sisters all desire to unite through true love. In this situation, they are all eternally on an equal footing; from there, the Kingdom of Heaven on earth begins and the Kingdom of Heaven in heaven is automatically established. (Hero of the Future - 172)

Where does happiness come from? Where can we find an environment that

makes us feel like humming? We can find it in the family. However, family happiness cannot arise in an environment fraught with emotional difficulties, nor can it be realized in an absence of love. (23-120, 1969.5.18)

How do you think misfortune comes about? It begins from the time when the love nest disappears. A happy family is a family where there are parents, who serve as a fence around the house. Vertically, such a family attends the parents who represent heaven, and horizontally this attendance binds the husband and wife together. They obey the law of heaven and pass this on through their descendants. (19-305, 1968.3.10)

What kind of love have you been seeking? If you have been seeking God's love, then your mind and body must be completely one so that God's love can come. Then, extending this pattern, you should create a heavenly kingdom as a couple and a heavenly kingdom as a family. The family heavenly kingdom is realized only when the mother and father love each other in complete oneness and their sons and daughters each acquire a partner who is like their mother or father. When the parents become the plus and the sons and daughters become the minus, this will become the family heavenly kingdom. (96-28, 1978.1.1)

The family; consisting of the parents, husband and wife, and children is a microcosm of the world. You should know that the path of life for human-

kind lies in the expansion of a family-type of love to the relationships amongst all people. We should love elderly people like our own grandfather and grandmother, and middle-aged people like our own father and mother. Furthermore, we should love those who look older than us like our own elder brother or sister, and love those who look younger than us like our own younger brother or sister. (God's Will and the World - 613)

Where does the heavenly kingdom begin? It starts from our families. Then, what is our ideology? It is the way of the family. The cosmos-centered ideology we pursue is the ideology of the heavenly house. The word cosmos consists of the character for cheon (天) meaning "heaven" and the character for ju (宙) meaning "house." (26-102, 1969.10.18)

The family is a miniature nation based on a society. It is a small nation, a small world and a small cosmos. Therefore, you cannot do anything separate from your family. (24-230, 1969.8.17)

The family is the ethical basis of society and the most exemplary, fundamental, and primary organization in the human world. In such a family, love is the highest standard of value. (Blessed Family - 924)

The most important times of someone's life are the time of birth, the time of marriage, and the time of death. Then, at the time of birth, under what conditions should you be born? You should be born

into a good lineage and circumstances. Next comes the time of marriage. You marry in order to have a family life, that is, in order to form a four position foundation. God's will and human purpose will be realized only when laws of the universe have been established on earth. The family is the place where we strive to align ourselves with such laws of the universe. (24-230, 1969.8.17)

The family is the basic unit for perfecting the heavenly kingdom. The heavenly kingdom is the kind of place that once you enter you do not wish to leave. It is also a place where lives the one whom you would want to see again even after seeing Him a hundred times. If all people desire to go there, desire to see Him, and desire to live with Him, the world will be unified. Our goal is to go towards that place. But this will not be realized all at once. First, the individual foundation must be established, then the family foundation must be laid, and then this has to expand to a people, nation, and world. (12-180, 1963.4.1)

Where is the Kingdom of Heaven? It does not fall from the sky. The Kingdom of Heaven is a place in which parents and children can develop their abilities in mutual giving. It is where joy is felt through interacting with creation in our daily life, a joy that we experience as our ideal circumstance, the experience of joy to the full. (78-35, 1975.5.1)

You cannot go to the Kingdom of Heaven alone. However, through the

Blessing you can jump lightly over the gate of the heavenly kingdom. The Kingdom of Heaven is a place you enter as a family. It is a place you enter by connecting three generations. (12-265, 1963.5.25)

Religion is a preeminent teaching; it has been God's primary means of education by which to instruct and love humankind. There is nothing else. So true parents are to teach their children what the world likes and what God likes. (102-240, 1979.1.1)

However, one does not go to the Kingdom of Heaven through someone's teaching; it is only those who live according to their conscience that will go there automatically. When the sun rises, all the buds on the trees turn towards the sun. So if even plants and trees know to turn in the right direction, there is no way that human beings, the lords of creation, should be ignorant of their own path. Nevertheless, such a phenomenon occurs. (75-41, 1975.1.1)

The Kingdom of Heaven is a world of love; a world that exists for the sake of God, the center. It is a world that lives entirely for God. (98-33, 1978.4.8)

You go to the Kingdom of Heaven by riding along the rail of love. It seems realistic when I talk like this, right? That string of love does not get thinner like a rubber band as it gets pulled. Whereas a rubber band gets thinner and thinner the more it is stretched, the string of love does the opposite by getting thick-

er and thicker the more one pulls on it.
(57-162, 1972.5.31)

Human beings need to have a parent-child relationship, husband-wife relationship, and brother-sister relationship. In other words, these three relationships must intersect at the same point; there must be one center for all three. The center of above and below, left and right, and front and back cannot be different from one another. If the center differs, the balance of these three relationships that are represented by above and below, left and right and front and back will be disrupted. So, eventually the number seven will be realized when above and below, left and right, and front and back all intersect at the one center. To form number seven in this way means to become a family where all become completely one in true love together with God, resulting in a perfect sphere of harmony and unification. (299-114, 1999.2.7)

All over this world live people who are just like my grandfather and grandmother, or my mother and father, or like my husband or wife, or like my sons and daughters. These four kinds of people are living throughout the whole world. For this reason, we should understand that the family is a textbook, a type of scripture, that educates the countless people of the world and through which they can become citizens of the heavenly kingdom. (130-267, 1984.2.5)

The family is a textbook through which you can connect to the heavenly

kingdom. It is a textbook for your education. If you apply this family education to the nation, you will be a patriot; if you apply it to the world, you will be a saint; and if you apply it to heaven and earth, you will be God's divine sons and daughters. (137-77, 1985.12.18)

The family is both a textbook and a training ground of love through which, at the time of death, you can receive the right to take residence in the heavenly kingdom, the royal palace of peace. Our world is the expansion of the love that is developed in the family. There is a world of grandfathers and of grandmothers, a world of fathers and of mothers, a world of husbands and of wives, and a world of sons and daughters. Each of these expands to form the world. (142-242, 1986.3.11)

God wants to realize the kingdom of love. This is God's will. God's will is to develop the ideal setting for love and then globalize it. The family is the workshop based upon which one meets the qualifications to graduate from primary and secondary school, on to university – even to earn a doctorate. Furthermore, the family expands into the world. Looking at the world carefully, we can say that there is a world where the grandfathers and grandmothers live, a world where uncles and aunts live, a world where elder brothers and elder sisters live, a world where young people live, and a world where children live. So these places where the elderly, middle-aged, adolescents and children dwell

may be larger and more populous, but they are expanded versions of the family.

(147-281, 1986.10.1)

The center of the family is the parents. Why is it the parents? Because the parents exist for the family as a whole.

(124-51, 1983.1.23)

People need a family just as they need a nation, a world, an original environment in the world and universe.

(141-300, 1986.3.2)

My view is that in the love-centered family, the parents are the representatives of the nation and of God. The family is where all phases of training begin. The first stage of education and change is the family, and the second stage is the nation. There, a patriot is needed. Next, the third stage of education and change is the world. There we need a saint. The spirit world is the fourth stage of education and change. After that, we become God's sons and daughters. Just because one is a saint does not mean that he or she is God's son or daughter. So everyone should become God's son or daughter. Finally, we attain the status of a divine son or daughter, become one with God's love, and reach the point where we can possess God eternally.

Section 2. The Family is the School of Love for Life in the Heavenly Kingdom

The Kingdom of Heaven is a world of love, a world that exists for the sake

of God, where people live for the sake of God. (98-33, 1978.4.8)

The family is an encapsulation of history. It is connected to history, with its origin in God. You inherit the family vertically. However, inheritance must take place in a perfectly vertical manner, at a ninety degree angle. The grandfather and grandmother, representing God, have already inherited this.

(216-262, 1991.4.7)

So your grandfather and grandmother are nothing less than an encapsulation of your ancestors.

(214-268, 1991.2.3)

Your grandfather is an heir and a godly representative for all the ancestors who lived at different times in history. He is God's heir who, centered on God, connects us to that history.

(216-262, 1991.4.7)

The grandfather and grandmother are representatives of the past, the bygone ages, and the mother and father represent the present age. The sons and daughters represent the future. Therefore, your grandfather and grandmother are the past, your mother and father are the present, and you represent the future. Then, when you have sons and daughters, they will bring together the past, present, and future; thus, the three sets of parents and three ancestors must connect their three loves and love the four generations. Thus, the Fall signifies God being unable to see His grandson.

(211-206, 1990.12.30)

The Kingdom of Heaven starts from the family. The grandfather represents God, the mother and father represent the present, and the sons and daughters are the future. In this way, the past, present, and future are all condensed in the family. Thus, the mother and father represent this world. The grandfather represents God. The grandfather and grandmother have the position of the past God, the mother and father have the position of the present God, and the future sons and daughters have the position of the future God. However, they are all equal because of true love. When their fundamental core is based on living for the sake of others in true love, they are able to develop a view of essential oneness and equal value. When the four directions blend into one we will live eternally as God's love partner based on the logic of true love because that place is eternally protected by the fortune of God's love. (211-289, 1990.12.30)

How precious it would be if I were in a position to forge a direct relationship with God! The purpose of seeking the truth lies in perfecting your family and feeling infinite love and happiness there. (33-68, 1970.8.8)

What is the family? It is a training ground through which we can inhabit the ideal nation and world with love. Furthermore, it is a training ground through which we can even occupy the heavenly kingdom and God. (106-25, 1979.11.4)

Those who have not loved will choke in the other world. They will not be able to breathe. The earthly life is a training ground that prepares you to be able to breathe in that world. Your family is the textbook of love. When you see someone of your grandfather's age, you should think that you will love him even more than your own grandfather. When you see someone of your father or mother's age, you should welcome him or her regardless of nationality, or whether he or she is an outside person, or whether he or she is black or white. When you see a youth, you should love him or her like your own son or daughter. (121-294, 1982.10.29)

What is the Kingdom of Heaven? It is the place where you can love the people of the world as you love your family, and such people are the people of the heavenly kingdom. What do the four generations of your grandfather and grandmother, your mother and father, your wife, brothers and sisters, and your children make up? They make up a family, which is like a textbook to help you experience the true love of the universe as a person of the heavenly kingdom. You should know that the family, which is the textbook, is the foundation upon which you receive this teaching. (129-96, 1983.10.1)

God's love manifests itself in the things of creation. Where does parental love appear? It appears in children. Also where there's a husband, the wife's love appears. Just as we can see the parents'

love by looking at their children, or see the wife's love by looking at the state of her husband's clothes, we can see God's love by looking at the things that have been created in this world. (20-18, 1968.3.31)

God's love appears in an orderly fashion. First is parental love, and next come conjugal love, children's love, and the love of brothers and sisters. (20-33, 1968.3.31)

If we only have love, we can be friends with God and also have Him as our father. (67-171, 1973.6.3)

It is said that life is but a journey and we the traveler. We must deeply experience vertical and horizontal love while on the journey. After creating a family based on the love of true parents, true husband and wife, true brothers and sisters, and true sons and daughters, we should expand this horizontally throughout all families, in all directions. Once establishing the model of the true family that joins both the vertical and horizontal, we must expand this to the tribe, nation and world. This world of true love, which connects to God, we call the Kingdom of Heaven. (298-306, 1999.1.17)

God's love opens the gate of salvation. We must inherit God's true love, true life, and true lineage. We should know that there can be no salvation otherwise. (275-55, 1995.10.31)

The worst of all sins is to shatter something and then scatter the pieces in

all directions. Also, the worst and most hated of all enemies is the one who has destroyed love. There is no devil more atrocious than the devil who makes it impossible for children to love their parents and who destroys a couple's relationship so they cannot love each other as husband and wife. (82-200, 1976.1.25)

Because of the Fall of our first human ancestors, we first lost brother and sister's love, then conjugal love, then lastly children's love. Without restoring this lost love, we cannot enter the Kingdom of Heaven. (82-201, 1976.1.25)

The Kingdom of Heaven is the place we enter after living in oneness with God's true love, and having prepared a tribe of God's true love. Without possessing true love, we will never be able to enter the Heavenly Kingdom. We must prepare for that day even if we have to wait for thousands or even tens of thousands of years. (270-240, 1995.6.7)

Since God is the original substance of true love, when we are connected to true love, we all become one. The parents represent God as a living God in their own right. A husband and a wife each represent one aspect of God's divided nature, and the sons and daughters are additional little Gods. The family organization built by the three generations through true love is the foundation for the Kingdom of Heaven. Without establishing such a foundation, the Kingdom of Heaven will not be realized. The family is the center of the universe. Since the

perfection of the universe is based on the perfection of the family, if you love in the universe just as you love in the family, you will be able to travel freely. In this case, God stands at the center of all love as the parents of the entire universe. (298-306, 1999.1.17)

The basis for an original, God-centered family includes all the love of men, women, sons, daughters, parents and God. If you love your parents, your husband, and your sons and daughters in such a place of unity, it will be like living in the heavenly kingdom. (Blessed Family - 942)

Where does the heavenly kingdom start? It starts in the family. It does not unfold from somewhere else. The heavenly kingdom is just a three-dimensional expansion of the family. It is not something that is outside of the family. Therefore, when you embrace your wife or husband, you should think that you are a man and a woman becoming one on behalf of the world. The family is the place where you substantiate your love for humankind through action. (30-82, 1970.3.17)

You should respect your own flesh and blood. You should respect your parents and grandparents as the owners of your house who represent heavenly

right of kingship. But they are despised because they are old, aren't they? Is this what we call the generation gap? Who invented this? Satan invented this word. Where is the generation gap? Does love have a generation gap? Do you think that the way to love a thousand years ago was different from the way to love now? The ways are the same and the means of loving are the same. The inner aspect has changed. If there had been no Fall, then the formula for love would have remained unchanged even after a hundred million years. Even if heaven and earth are in constant upheaval, if the three generations of grandparents, parents, and children strongly unite, as an iron fortress, to usher in God as their core, then they will be the seed needed to bring about the heavenly kingdom anywhere. The fundamental source for the seed of God's love and the seed of life is this lineage. If we cannot establish this, then there will be no hope for the heavenly kingdom on earth, the heavenly kingdom of peace or the world of happiness and freedom. (225-300, 1992.1.26)

What is the heavenly kingdom? You talk about going to paradise or the heavenly kingdom, but you cannot go alone. The Kingdom of Heaven is a place where you must go together with your parents and brothers and sisters. (15-278, 1965.10.30)

CHAPTER FIVE

Love and the Spirit World

Section 1. The Atmosphere of the Spirit World is Love

We are born in love representing God, live in love, reach the destination of love by having sons and daughters, and return to God to live with Him eternally. In other words, our life begins with love, matures with love, and becomes harvested as the fruit of love. A person's death is the point at which the fruit of love is harvested. (298-311, 1999.1.17)

Death denotes a second birth at the end of our physical life. The place where we have that second birth - the place where we go after death - is the spirit world. We enter that world and receive from God, who is the third Parent, a supply of true love, which represents the entire universe. The spirit world is a world where we breathe love and live in love. Therefore, if you fail to develop a character of complete true love, your path to travel freely will be restricted, and you will not be able to pass through all four directions. Even if you happen to pass through a gate, you will not be able to go any further. If you want to be qualified to live in rhythm with the four seasons regardless of time and place, you must develop a character of lov-

ing completely during your earthly life. (298-311, 1999.1.17)

To die is to be reborn in God's love, but in the human world they make a big fuss, saying, "Oh no, I am dying!" God laughs loudly at this. Would God be happy or sad to see such people crying and lamenting? One should experience joy at the moment of going from the realm of limited love to one of unlimited love. The moment of death is the moment of a second birth. Don't you think so? That path is the path of ascension (seungh-wa). (116-172, 1982.1.1)

We should overcome death. It is the process of change opening the way to a second life. Death is not a sad occasion. It is a leap into a new world, ascension. (139-214, 1986.1.28)

In the secular world, death signifies the end of life, but death really means to be born anew into another world. Therefore, you should not be depressed, sad, or anxious when you think of death. Instead, you should rejoice over the idea of people being reborn in spiritual triumph after having lived a life for the sake of their mission. If you become immersed in sorrow or grief, this will

only pull the spirit of a person who was on the way to heaven back down to earth. Just like the moment when a baby comes out of the womb of its first mother, the Seunghwa ceremony is an occasion in which a person is born into another world through the womb of the second mother, the universe. This can be compared to a wedding ceremony. This is not a sorrowful moment at all. It is like an insect emerging from its cocoon, throwing away its hard shell and taking on a new form, becoming a new being, a new essence. (49-285, 1971.10.17)

The reason we must die is that our body's ability to love is limited. If we want to possess God's true authority as His object partner of true love, our limited bodies will not suffice. This is why we have to make the transformation to being an incorporeal spirit. This will enable us to share the ideal of love equally with all of heaven and earth. For this reason, the moment of death is not a path of pain, but instead is the starting point of opening the gate of happiness, through which we can possess universal true love. (298-311, 1999.1.17)

Just as we received our parents' love, shared the love of husband and wife, and loved our children, we must collect all of God's love that has been strewn over our lifetime and take it with us to the spirit world. When a husband and wife unite and completely realize the three stages of love and go to the spirit world, they will become an eternal object partner to the eternal subject partner, God. This takes

place when a husband and wife of true love pass away. They begin with God and end with God. (298-311, 1999.1.17)

Earthly life and life in the spirit world are not separate. Earthly life is important, and so is life in the spirit world. In other words, life in the spirit world is connected to earthly life. Both are important, but the people living on earth today are not aware of eternal life. They think that only life on this earth is important. That is the problem. Even among our Unification Church members, there are many who do not grasp that their present life affects their eternal life. (217-85, 1991.4.16)

Normally, human beings stay in the mother's womb, are born, live on earth for a certain period and then die. Therefore, most people fear death as they grow older. It is because they lack knowledge about the world after death that their fear and anxiety grow as they age. (Blessed Family - 1062)

The spirit world is a place that is totally covered with the ingredients of love. The earth is covered with air, but the spirit world is covered with love. Human beings inhale oxygen and exhale carbon dioxide on earth, but in the spirit world they live inhaling love. The love they give and receive in the spirit world is true love. (145-267, 1986.5.15)

Human beings live in the womb for ten months, in the body for a hundred years, and in the spirit for eternity. (298-304, 1999.1.17)

As soon as a baby is born, it cries, and at that instant it breathes through its nose, which connects it to its second world, that is, the world of air. In order to connect to and come out into the world of air, we have to destroy the umbilical cord and the water bag, where we lived in the womb. At the time of this death or destruction, the baby is born to mother earth. After we're born, we eat with our mouths and breathe with our noses. But the food we eat on earth is just nutrition needed for the life of the physical body; it is not an essential element of spiritual life. The key element of life is none other than love. Therefore, we should inhale the air called love. We should breathe the air of love from our mother and father. (139-212, 1986.1.31)

In the spirit world, the True Parents will open the palace of love. Although there is a palace in the spirit world, the True Parents must declare, "This is the palace!", and then all beings in the entire spirit world will take their positions around it. The spirit world absolutely needs True Parents because such a responsibility still remains unfulfilled. (205-255, 1990.9.9)

When Adam and Eve reach perfection and go to the spirit world, they will be God's body and God will be their mind. Hence, God is invisible even when you go to the spirit world. God's purpose for creating Adam and Eve was to produce perfect people who would reflect the body and mind of the substantial world. (92-147, 1977.4.1)

After looking around even the back streets of the spirit world, I found the principle of heaven and earth was something simple. In other words, the truth is simple. Where two things unite through the power of absolute energy and form a vacuum, God comes in and becomes the core of the bone marrow. Here the two parts, man's love and woman's love, strongly unite. This is the core of the universe. The ideal embodiments of love join together and form the axis of love. (170-170, 1987.11.15)

The earthly world and the spirit world move facing each other. When the earthly world goes up, so does the spirit world; when the earthly world goes down, so does the spirit world. When one side turns, the other side turns also. So, in this life we should live life deeply, feel these things, and use them to benefit our eternal life. Our eternal life and our present life are not divided. (217-85, 1991.4.16)

Where will we go eventually? What does the spirit world refer to? It is generally called the world after death. But it is not the world after death because it is a world related to love. The spirit world began with true love; therefore, although I stand in the position of true love here and now, it is the same as being in the spirit world. This is why love is great. (144-198, 1986.4.24)

God created human beings in such a way that they can live forever intoxicated with love. Aging is not your enemy.

People begin with love, live with love, and are harvested as fruits of love. At death we harvest the fruits of our love. We have received our parents and children's love, shared conjugal love, and lived loving our children. These, together with God's love and all other internal loves, bear fruit throughout our lives and are harvested and taken with us to the spirit world. (83-198, 1976.2.8)

Ladies and gentlemen, do you know how big the spirit world is? Have you ever wondered how big the population of the spirit world might be? According to spiritual mediums, spirits are following people at the rate of about 3320 spirits per head. If you think that is the number of people on our side, do you think we will lose or win over the world? (86-192, 1976.3.28)

When you go to the spirit world, countless saints and sages and countless ancestors get together for a discussion. They question and reflect, asking, "Where did you come from? Where on earth? From which country?" When friends meet, they talk about everything from their past, do they not? When you go to the spirit world, you will meet your first grandfather and tens of thousands of ancestors. When they yell harsh words at you, saying, "You brat, how did you live?" will you feel good? Think about it. (148-320, 1986.10.26)

Do you have a special gift to bring with you when you go to the heavenly kingdom? When you go to the spirit

world, the martyred, loyal servants of God will be lined up in front of you. Do you think you will be able to confidently open the bag you have brought before them? What kind of suffering has the Unification Church gone through, and what kind of hardships have you gone through? Without having gone through at least as much suffering as they have, how can you say that you are living for the sake of the nation and the world? You have indeed suffered, but I do not think of it as suffering. That is reasonable to say. There is a path still ahead of us. We should be able to go to the spirit world, open our bag, and say, "This is the gift I have been preparing my whole life to give. Please accept it." When women marry, they take many things with them to their new home. Should you go empty-handed when you go to the Kingdom of Heaven? (32-71, 1970.6.21)

Although the shell of your body gets old while on this earth, the longer you live as a husband and wife, and the more you love, the younger your spirit gets. What does this mean? It means that the longer a person lives, the more his or her spirit, which is the internal person, becomes a mature and beautiful man or woman of the highest degree. (164-101, 1987.4.26)

What is life in the spirit world like? There are no worries about eating, living, or clothing. Why? Because everything you desire is possible in accordance with the state of your spirit. You eat in the spirit world as well. Also in the spirit world, when you touch your-

self, you will be able to feel the pulsation of your blood vessels. It is the same. Although it is a spiritual body, it is the same. (194-42, 1989.10.15)

In the spirit world, you will not long for anything because nothing is missing. If you were to long for something, it would be a true person. Therefore, the meritorious servants who have made effort in order to raise a true person will naturally become sons and daughters of glory in the heavenly world. There is nothing you can be proud of except this. (30-147, 1970.3.21)

Can you see your mind? The spirit world is a world where your mind takes form, and it is a world that transcends time and space. There you can eat meals whenever you want. You do not have to worry about your meals. You do not have to worry about water. Nor do you have to worry about drinking. There is no need to worry about clothes. The spirit world is a place where you rise above the need for clothing, food and shelter. Would you need cars there? Do you think there are automobile factories there? Do you think there are food, clothing or textile factories there? There are none of these. It is a place where you can move hundreds of millions of kilometers in an instant. But by what force? By the force of love. If you say you want to see your loved one, he will appear before you. (210-225, 1990.12.23)

When you go to the spirit world, you can go everywhere because there is

nothing that can block your movement there. A being with the original characteristics of God should not be blocked. You should be able to travel everywhere. Because the spirit world transcends time and space, people who lived hundreds of millions of years ago are still there now. They can also be any age they want. You can meet as many people as you want to in the spirit world. (194-132, 1989.10.17)

When you go to the spirit world, you will notice that it resembles a person. God, who is the Subject, and spirit world, which resembles one big person, will be united. Then the entire spiritual and physical worlds will become euphoric! When God jumps, so will the earth, and when God laughs, so will the earth. That is how it should be. When you look at the spirit world, you will see that it is structured like one big person. (91-279, 1977.2.27)

In the spirit world, you do not need explanations or to make excuses. You can sense what is going on immediately at the slightest indication. You can sense whether someone is below, next to or above you; in other words, you know the hierarchy of love. This hierarchy is absolute. Whoever is in a higher position naturally stands in this position according to that hierarchy. It is different from the earthly world. Those who have used deceit and slander to succeed will find their situation turned around. They will face failure. This is why I tell you to follow the right way. (194-132, 1989.10.17)

What are you going to do in your lives? Let us leave behind a mound of love. If you have lived in a mound of love, you will have no regrets. Such a life will succeed forever. If you die after having lived this way, God will bless you, and upon your arrival to the spirit world, God will come out with His sons and daughters to welcome you. (97-167, 1978.3.12)

In the spirit world, you cannot eat if you do not have God's love. You do not have the right to eat. Hell is a place where you cannot eat even though you can see the food, and you cannot act even though you know what to do. Only those who have led a life while on earth in which their spirit and body become one in God's love can possess the eternal world of the ideal or own the heavenly kingdom. (91-173, 1977.2.6)

In the spirit world, you need to love God more than the world, your nation, your wife or your child. Those who have achieved the highest level of character in the realm of love will be able to exercise God's authority in that world. (91-173, 1977.2.6)

The spirit world is composed of the air of love. Everything has to be born through love. You should live in love, and through living for the sake of others, become filled with love. Only then, will you be the substantial being of God's hope that He has longed for throughout history, and be welcomed wherever you go in the Kingdom of Heaven. Family training is preparation for you to enter

the Kingdom of Heaven. (143-71, 1986.3.15)

Those who expand their family training in four directions, creating a realm in which love is practiced, will go directly to the Kingdom of Heaven. (143-71, 1986.3.15)

Because the spirit world is infinitely vast, you can travel even millions of kilometers instantly centered on love. Love is the fastest. (216-192, 1991.3.31)

Compared to the spirit world, earth is like a speck of dust. You do not realize how immense the spirit world is. It is an infinite world that transcends time and space. Also, if you say, "If there is a person who was born, lived and died on earth in such and such an age with such and such a heart, please come forward!", that person instantly appears. It is a world where your intuitive senses become reality. (224-105, 1991.11.23)

The spirit world is such a beautiful world that you never tire of looking at it even after a thousand years. You cannot even imagine it. Even the best things in this world are nothing in comparison; they do not even match a small corner of the spirit world. So, earth holds no interest for me. Honestly speaking, I want to go back because this earth does not fit my purpose. (15-149, 1965.10.7)

In the spirit world when God looks at you, if your heart is filled with love, you shine brighter and brighter. In God's eyes, this light looks more beautiful than

the light of a diamond. Also, He relishes this light, and the more He looks at it, the more He loves it. This is the reason God uses the term “love.” (103-27, 1979.1.28)

The air in the spirit world is love. Love is the essence of life. In that world, you do not just breathe through your nostrils but also through the top of your head and through all your cells. Thus, if you want to live a full life in the spirit world, you have to completely develop a character of love during your earthly life. (112-205, 1981.4.12)

When you go to the spirit world, you will find that those who have deeply experienced in their family life the love of parents, husband and wife, brothers and sisters, and children will enjoy a great deal of freedom; they can go anywhere in any direction without restrictions. Conversely, those who have no experience of love are narrow-minded, and in the spirit world they are isolated and have no freedom. (Blessed Family - 1062)

In the spirit world, God’s love is law. (98-35, 1978.4.8)

The spirit world is an eternal place that seeks eternal elements. Hence, a spirit that has deeply experienced love will surely go to that world automatically, as if being drawn by a magnet. What kind of place is the spirit world? It is a world of harmony where everything is made of love and packed with love. Today, people – whoever they may be – want to make a relationship of love.

They desire this in order to be in rhythm with the spirit world. (122-16, 1981.3.15)

There is not a single person who is not moved by the power of love, and there is not a single person who does not become an object partner to the power of love. There is not anyone who would not answer when asked with love. Love can call upon everything to make it possible, and love has the power to make things reappear. Therefore, the spirit world is a world of free and unrestricted movement where a heart filled with love makes everything possible. (112-219, 1981.4.12)

You have to unite the spirit world. A person who is unable to control the spirit world cannot unite the earth. Heavenly fortune comes from heaven, so how can those who are unable to control heaven unite the world? Therefore, before unifying the earth, we must unify the spirit world. (191-204, 1989.6.24)

You are resurrected human beings of history who have been born from your ancestors, resembling them. How long has history been going on? It has been said that it has been hundreds of thousands of years. After all, history has been working to create this one person that is you. If you are a Kim, the countless ancestors of the Kim family have come and gone in order for you to be born. So, we are the fruit of history. (46-154, 1971.8.13)

After your grandfather and grandmother pass away, you have to visit

them at their graves. Thinking of them as God, you should visit them at their graves. (220-349, 1991.10.20)

So far, people in the spirit world have been divided. In the spirit world things do not connect horizontally; they partly connect in a vertical way. (218-124, 1991.7.14)

In the spirit world, since all kinds of people are gathered together, including murderers and their victims, the victims try to take revenge, fighting with knives against the perpetrators. This is why there are so many barriers blocking the way. Thus, evil spirits sometimes go to their enemies' descendants on earth and cause them to have fatal accidents. Things like this happen, and so these problems must all be resolved. These problems must first be resolved in the earthly world. In resolving them, you on earth have to offer a better solution, a more pleasing offering. These problems will not be resolved unless you give those spirits with resentment something they want which is of more importance to them than someone's death, more important than whatever it was that caused them to have enmity. (191-204, 1989.6.24)

Where do people go? They go towards the spirit world. The spirit world is like the sea. People have no choice but to go to the spirit world. Just as there are currents in the sea, there is unparalleled harmony taking place there. In the sea, the tidal currents bring beings of har-

mony and change that are not found in fresh water. Just as there are countless fish families in the sea, there are countless new families of heaven and earth in spirit world. It is the same when you go to the spirit world. (141-306, 1986.3.2)

Section 2. We Should Develop a Loving Character During Our Earthly Life

How important is your life on earth? You only live once. It is a short moment, but you only live once. Compared to eternal life, earthly life is but a point in time. It is too short. During this period, you need to prepare for the spirit world where you will live after earthly life. With this idea you should stand in the center and control and overcome everything. Otherwise, you cannot achieve perfection. You should know this. (207-99, 1990.11.1)

Wouldn't it be simple if a person ceased to exist at the end of his or her earthly life? However, people are meant to live eternally. They are meant to live eternally. This is good, but it is also a big problem. People are meant to live eternally. You do not know this because you have not had any spiritual experiences. But those who have had spiritual experiences can meet everyone, all the way from Adam to ancestors of thousands of years ago. (159-277, 1968.5.19)

You should realize what a precious time it is to have your physical body. It is only during this time that you are able

to resurrect God, resurrect the universe, and unify all of heaven and earth. Even God and all things united together cannot be exchanged for the physical world. Why? Because without the existence of a human being with a physical body, perfection cannot be achieved, even if God and the universe were to be united as one. You must realize how precious the human body is. Our body cannot be exchanged for the universe. This is why these words from the Bible make sense, "For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?" (91-190, 1977.2.13)

If you have lived two-thirds or more of your life in sin, can you throw off all two-thirds of it? No, you cannot throw it off. It will stay with you. (34-139, 1970.8.30)

You should imagine that you are taking a picture of your mind and looking at the photo. (19-25, 1967.12.10)

Perfection is achieved on earth but not in the spirit world. It is possible to achieve perfection on earth through true love but not in the spirit world. (217-130, 1991.5.12)

Do you have the confidence that you will be around tomorrow morning to wear the shoes you took off last night? No matter how busy you are, there is nothing in this world that is more important than the question of eternal life. So there is nothing that is more serious in this world than the business of settling the issue of eternal life. (10-249, 1960.10.21)

People of faith today do not know the law of indemnity. There are many who seek to go to the heavenly kingdom without fulfilling the necessary obligations. At the same time, there is no one who says that he will go to the heavenly kingdom only after taking responsibility, through liquidating historical sins to pay indemnity, in order to arrive there. This is why, during our life on earth, when we have our bodies, we should take responsibility to establish the conditions to resolve everything that has gone wrong in history. Those who went to the spirit world without indemnifying their sins while they had their bodies must return to earth and pay indemnity. All the spirits of the historical ages up until now arrived to the spirit world without having been able to sufficiently pay indemnity, and thus they violated that law. Therefore, they are destined to return from the spirit world to try again to establish the conditions of indemnity. What is the one advantage that the people living on earth have over those in the spirit world? It is the fact that they have a body, with which they can directly establish a condition of indemnity. (80-93, 1975.10.19)

You should know clearly whether you are a group bound for the Kingdom of Heaven or a group bound for hell. Rev. Moon is someone who knows the spirit world well. It is a place where all sorts of people come, live and go. There is not a single person who can avoid death. Death cannot be avoided. People live here on earth for a while and then go,

and in doing so, those who have lived for their own sake will turn around and go to hell, and those who have lived for the sake of others will turn around and go to the Kingdom of Heaven. These two worlds separate at the time of death. (203-99, 1990.6.17)

The place called hell is a place where, once you get trapped there, you cannot get out for eternity. Nevertheless, you do not truly realize the fact that your mother, father, and relatives are going to hell. You just say, "Things will work out somehow," and that is it. But try thinking that your beloved parents really are going to hell. Should you find out that your parents were going to prison, you would cry your heart out and try to get them out by doing all kinds of things, wouldn't you? This is how human affection goes. Then, in the same way, if you know that your sons and daughters, parents, relatives, and brothers and sisters, who are connected to you through heavenly affection, are going to hell from which there is no escape, wouldn't you have the same kind of reaction? (34-266, 1970.9.13)

When you relate to people, do not try to use them or think about making a profit from them. You must not do this. Once a person's original nature is crushed, it takes from half a year to three years to repair it. So your actions are something you should fear. There is no hell that is as awful as this hell. Those who know this do not even think about exploiting other people. (204-304, 1990.7.11)

You should not speak ill of beggars or disabled people you see on the street. You should wonder whether your spirit is not in the same condition as they are. (10-249, 1969.10.21)

Why do you have to get married? You get married in order to experience parental love, conjugal love, and children's love. Then, why are these necessary? The spirit world is a place that is filled with the atmosphere of love. You need a family to help train you to follow the rhythm of the spirit world. Those who arrive there without having experienced this will be unable to follow the beat. Such people are like those who are without a nose to smell the air of love. (Blessed Family - 1062)

The love relationship between parents and children is vertical, a love relationship between husband and wife is horizontal, and the love relationship among brothers and sisters is spherical. These three relationships are different. Therefore, only when you have an experience of deep love in these three different ways on earth, will you be able to turn without restriction vertically, horizontally, and in a circle in the spirit world. For instance, those who have not tasted parental love when they were young, because their parents died, are rather tragic people because they are missing a very important experience of love. Those who have not experienced conjugal relationships will be very miserable in the spirit world because they are lacking an important part of life. Likewise,

those who are without brothers or sisters will be in a lonely position, unable to live a complete life in the spirit world, since they will lack love that can spread in all directions. (Blessed Family - 1062)

In the spirit world, those who have had enough love for their parents, brothers and sisters, spouse, and children – that is, those who have had a deep experience of love in their family life – will be able to enjoy a lot of freedom. They will be able to go wherever they want, in any direction, without restrictions. Conversely, those who have had no experience of love, as well as those who are narrow-minded, will find themselves isolated and alone in the spirit world with no freedom whatsoever. (Blessed Family - 1062)

You should raise and leave behind respectable children when you pass away. In the future these children will all go to the spirit world. In the spirit world, they will be people of the heavenly kingdom. When you think about how many people you have offered as people of the heavenly kingdom, you will see that although your job was painful on earth, it became a noble path of glory in the world of eternity. (218-319, 1991.8.22)

When you go to the spirit world, you will find out that the accomplishments of great people who have gone to the spirit world are considered as valuable accomplishments only on earth. What kind of place is earth? It is a factory to produce the people of the heavenly kingdom. Do

you understand? Heaven is immense and unchanging. It is infinite. It is so large! People have been coming and going for hundreds of millions of years, but we do not know where they are. This is how large it is. So even if each person produces a hundred children, there is no overproduction because heaven is so large. It is a world that can accommodate everyone. So, should you practice birth control or not? When you go to the spirit world, the question you will face is how many people of the heavenly kingdom are you bringing with you. You should know that when you bring many true sons and daughters of the heavenly kingdom, they are to your advantage towards earning you honor and determining your rank in the heavenly world. (202-38, 1990.5.1)

In the spirit world in the future, your ownership is determined by how many people of the heavenly kingdom you bring. These are your possessions. These are eternal possessions. (218-227, 1991.8.19)

In the spirit world there is no multiplication of children. Because God is standing in the position of the vertical Parent and there is only one axis, there is only one meeting point. (221-204, 1991.10.24)

If you make a serious mistake, you have to live in protective confinement in the spirit world. To get out of such a place, you have to wait for thousands of years. Those who are blessed, and make a serious mistake, do not you think your

sons and daughters will say to you in the future, “Mother, why did you make me this way? Why did you drag me here?” Do you think your sons and daughters will keep quiet? Your families are at different levels. So, you will go to the place that is appropriate for your level and stay there for a long time. Then, your ancestors and sons and daughters will accuse you saying, “Why did you do it? Why could not you do better? What is that!” You will have to stay there as long as you fall under their accusation. This is not easy. So this is why you should do well while on earth. (207-99, 1990.11.1)

You were born from your parents. Next, what is more fundamental is that you were born from God by borrowing your mother’s womb. You are to go and find the True Parents through universal parents and your physical parents. Your physical parents are parents of passage. So the moment of death is a time of joy when you go to meet the True Parents. The true love of the True Parents is there. That place is called the heavenly kingdom in heaven. The constituting element of that place is love, and it is filled with parental love. That love is not for your own sake, but rather it is a love through which you can abide by the law under the principle of service and sacrifice. To receive a passing grade, you must love the universe and love humankind. The earthly life is a training ground for such love. You should know that this is the fundamental core of the universe. If while you are alive on earth you practice love with such an outlook, pass your

assessment with honors and then go to the spirit world, you will surely return to God. This is the conclusion. (105-108, 1979.9.30)

When you go to the spirit world, you will surely receive fair repayment for what you have done. For blessed families, the door to the heavenly kingdom will open for you because you are blessed by me. But in making your way forward, as you ride along the rail of heart, you need to be pulled toward the heavenly spirit world. Because that world is the world of love, you can enter it only when your heart harmonizes with it. So, it makes me wonder whether you are destined to go through many stages of judgment when such a world is revealed. (70-170, 1974.2.9)

A person is born in order to bear the fruit of love on earth. Our purpose on earth is to bear the fruit of love which God desires. This is why our life is short. It is one season. It is short, do you understand? (130-158, 1984.1.8)

Do not assume that you will live until you are 100 years old. Even if you live for seventy years, if you work three times harder, you will have lived for 210 years. Think like that. If you work ten times harder, you will have lived for 700 years. If you work twenty times harder, you will have lived for 1400 years. Work twenty-four hours a day, constantly, throughout your whole life. Only then will you bear fruit in the spirit world and possess a large reservoir of love. You will have a

great wealth of love. Your assets of love will be many and your stage of operation will be broad. (102-38, 1978.11.19)

Fish cannot live outside of water. Water is essential for life. A fish living in the river should not just stay in the river. It has to go back and forth to the sea as well. Why does it have to do that? It is because freshwater fish cannot produce their young without having tasted seawater. They have to experience this.

Do you know this? Also, fish living in the sea have to go to fresh water and taste it to be able to produce their young. They have to go through the two worlds. (210-128, 1990.12.17)

Likewise, the earth and the spirit world are not two separate worlds. You need to have the qualities that enable you to live in the two worlds. (177-274, 1988.5.20)

