

What is the Mission of the Chosen People?

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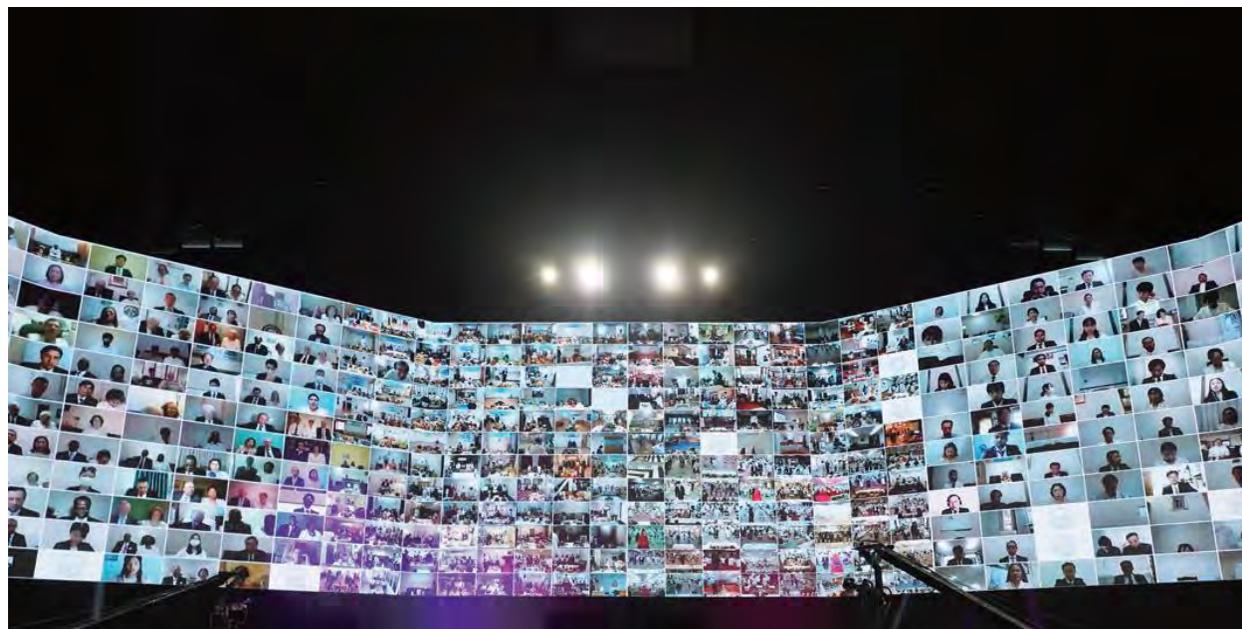
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Respected leaders in all fields joining us from around the world, faith leaders, tribal chiefs and blessed families, it is nice to be with you. Though we long for a world in which we are fully interconnected and united, this unprecedented coronavirus pandemic has blocked the path to that. Furthermore, the unprecedentedly abnormal climate -- the heavy rain and typhoons we have been experiencing -- have resulted in the displacement and death of many people, as well as property damage around the world. However, we who are within Heavenly Parent's Holy Community are accumulating the strength to overcome all this and advance together into the future under Heavenly Parent's protection.

This is something to feel grateful for. God, the Creator, is humankind's parent. Do you think that the Creator, being our parent, would just sit down and observe humankind's present situation, suffering in this way? God, the Creator, dreamed of establishing the kingdom of heaven on earth with all people, living with them, and after they concluded their earthly lives, staying with all his children forever in the eternal world.



Each will have to bear his own load

The world of all things of creation continues to operate according to the principles of creation. The problem, however, lies with human beings. Human beings are inflicting too much damage on nature. How did it become like this? Our Creator gave humankind a special responsibility to fulfill. That responsibility is to reach perfection in oneness with God the Creator. This is the place that our Creator has wished to share with you.

This is a principle of creation. Our Creator is eternal. He is all-knowing and all-powerful. His beginning

and ending points are the same. This is not something that can change.

Due to the Fall, human history has been one of warfare. The situation has reached such a point that people can no longer make unity together. God, who created everything at the outset, must also see it through to its completion. Hence, while enduring much pain, he conducted the providence of salvation to restore humanity. That refers to the history of Israel, the chosen people, which is part of human history.

A chosen people! Responsibilities and duties always follow a chosen people. If we are to look at the results, however, the chosen people of Israel could not fulfill their responsibilities. In particular, when we look at the providence to enter Canaan, centered on Moses, we might ask, why did it take forty years to cross a desert that is only three fifths the size of Korea?

Heaven guided the people of Israel with a pillar of fire and a pillar of cloud. Finally, the Savior for whom they had prayed to Heaven came. The Savior was Jesus Christ, God's only begotten son. Yet what did the people of Israel do? They pushed Jesus onto the path toward the cross. Jesus, driven to the cross, was in a position in which he could not complete his mission on earth. That is why he said he had to return and conduct the marriage supper of the Lamb.



Male and female he created them

God created everything in his image. Likewise, as his only begotten son was born, his only begotten daughter also needed to be born. To explain briefly: God's only begotten daughter was born to the Korean people in 1943. The period when God's only begotten daughter was born in Korea was one of the grimmest times in Korean history. Korea's liberation [from Japanese colonial occupation] came in 1945 but Korea then divided into North Korea and South Korea. Under those circumstances the Korean War broke out in 1950.

In those days, the South Korean government had no capacity or power to deal with North Korea. Yet how could sixteen member nations of the United Nations come to defend democratic South Korea? This was not by human power but because Heaven was with us. The Korean people, among whom God's only begotten daughter was born, are therefore the chosen people. However, we need to seriously reflect on the position of the chosen people in the past. The chosen people bear the responsibility to become one with God's only begotten son and only begotten daughter, born on earth, and to realize Heavenly Parent's dream on earth.

The creation has been groaning in Travail

Due to the coronavirus, all nations are setting controls in relation to one another and closing their borders more tightly than before. If we continue like this, no hope remains for the future. We who are living in this time! This is a time when the responsibility of blessed families that follow True Parents is of crucial importance.

I have mentioned that the Earth is suffering due to human beings' ignorance. The development of civilization and advances in science have reached the stage at which they have become out of balance. Consequently, they are severely reducing the space on the Earth where living organisms can survive. We inevitably worry about the future of the beloved members of our second- and third-generations, our sons, daughters [and grandchildren]. What are we to do? There is no time to delay.

While I am still living on earth, all blessed families around the world should actively work and endeavor to expand the environment True Parents have created, so that they can teach this to others: From the outset, God the Creator has been our parent and his dream is to realize the kingdom of heaven on earth and to live here with us.



The only way to solve all the difficult problems arising in our world is to follow the path of True Parents' will from within the Heavenly Parent's Holy Community. Notably, the Korean race is a people that Heaven has embraced and nurtured for two thousand years. This people has never attacked its neighbors, not even once. The Korean people have been highly educated in the philosophy of filial devotion, of revering Heaven and in filial piety to one's parents. This nation, which is the chosen people among those living in the world today, is the Korean race that is to become one with True Parents and interact with the world based on oneness with our Heavenly Parent. The day must come when we proudly declare that we have become a heavenly, unified Korea.

I have said, repeatedly, that this great calamity of the coronavirus spreading is not something that human effort can stop. As far as I know, it took several centuries to discover a vaccine for smallpox. We can succeed in this if God works with us.

The people who are known as politicians and as leaders of Korea in the present need to know about Heaven's providence. They need to learn to fear God. The only way for them to fulfill their responsibilities and duties as people in charge of the chosen people's nation is to attend Heavenly Parent.

Dear members of the Unificationist community around the world who are on that path: Proclaim confidently that there is a future for all people only when through the best Summit Council for World Peace and the best International Association of Parliamentarians for Peace in your nations, they attend Heavenly Parent and go forward with Heavenly Parent.

I will say once again that the responsibility of the blessed families in Korea is important. Can God's blessings remain with this people on the basis of your efforts? If not, this people may follow in the footsteps of the past chosen people who have become part of a history that has flowed on by. Please remember that we are now at such a serious crossroads.