

Let's Work toward a Huge and Beautiful Harvest

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Sixtieth anniversary of the founding of HSA-UWC

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The sixtieth anniversary of HSA-UWC's founding. When someone turns sixty, we can say that the remainder of the person's life is a time to prepare for the life ahead in heaven more than for life on earth. If we regard the sixtieth anniversary of HSAUWC's founding as a circle, like a growth ring on a tree, as growth rings do, those rings for 1950s and 1960s would indicate that these were the most difficult times for Korea.

Right after World War II and Korea's liberation, Koreans expected the nation to be established again, but the surging Korean War brought the barely regained nation to ruin once more. No hope could be found. Yet, our Heaven Parent made necessary preparations, centered on Korea through the Christian cultural realm, to realize the promise he had made to the people of Israel two thousand years ago to send the Messiah in the Last Days. However, just as occurred two thousand years ago, when leaders did not know that the Messiah had come, Christian leaders, especially politicians and other top leaders in Korea that had absorbed modernism, were unaware that the Messiah had come. If the Christians in those days had become one with Father, the world would have changed. Sadly, the Christian foundation that Heaven had prepared took the lead in opposing Father. True Parents had no foundation to stand on as a result.

HSAUWC's sixty years have been like the wilderness course. Now, True Parents have opened the new era of Cheon Il Guk as we start settling down in Canaan. However, what is your attitude toward this? How

strong is your resolve? Are you confident? You have worked hard until now. You went through great difficulty, doing your best through the persecution you received from others in a challenging and unprepared environment.

However, when we look back on the past, we were still inadequate compared to those who were prepared. We had many inadequacies. Much trial and error took place in the process. Looking back on those instances, we need to make new resolutions. Do you understand? We must reflect on our mistakes from the past, reflect on our past efforts and lives of faith in relation to how we could not offer more to Heaven, and then truly repent.

Using these sixty years as a foundation, hasn't a new era, a new providential age, begun thanks to True Parents? In this new era, mistakes like those we committed in the past are no longer permissible. Do you understand? We have True Parents' absolutely perfect foundation with us. Just as was mentioned in the reading today, we have received special blessings thanks to True Parents. True Parents said that true love means to continuously give, to forget and to give again. This is how it is supposed to be. However, from your standpoint, you should be able to repay that in some form.

You should double your efforts to reach those people that have lived in the same era as True Parents but who still do not know about them. If you realize in the next sixty years what you could not do in the past sixty years, Heaven will bless you, regardless of your age. Originally, if humans had not fallen, our Heavenly Parent wanted to give us many years on earth in order to realize a culture of heart amidst God's creation and to enable us to dedicate it to Heaven and return something to him for what he has done for us. This means that the lifespan of a human being isn't sixty years. Do you understand?

Depending on how you act and live, I am certain that God will give you enough time to fulfill your responsibilities. Are you happy?

May is usually connected with spring. The providence and the entire Unification Church history begins from spring. Spring is a beautiful season that throbs with life and a time when hope can be planted and dreams cultivated. That is why True Father loved spring. I do too. I only know songs about spring. You should be grateful as you usher in this day. You are truly happy people. What kind of preparations does a farmer make to plant seeds in the spring? In order to gain a huge and beautiful harvest in the future, doesn't the farmer cultivate his land with all his heart and plant seeds? This also applies to you.

You have a treasure that no one else on earth possesses. You have very important seeds, which I have given to you. What are they? The three great scriptures and the Cheon Il Guk Constitution. Do you know what a great miracle those are? Armed with those treasures, and depending on the type of plan you develop for this spring and whether or not you plant seeds, you can show the world such great power, power that even surpasses that of a natural disaster.

For the past few days, tornadoes have been hitting the mid-southern United States. They swept through five states. What happened to America? Why are such tragedies happening? You should become true owners and fulfill your responsibilities. You must educate the world. We are the only ones who know the truth. All politicians and those in leadership positions should learn. They should learn from you. This is the only way for the nation and the world to live. You are holding such tremendous power; yet, if you fail to yield results and have nothing to return to Heaven, you, who are living in this era, will not be able to hold your heads high in front of your future descendants or your ancestors. You will have nowhere to stand. Do you understand? Please do not forget how desperate this position -- this very moment -- is and how grateful you should be. I sincerely hope that you become people that live a life of practice.