

THE MASTER SPEAKS
ON THE LORD OF THE SECOND ADVENT

These questions and answers have been transcribed from tapes made during our Leader's sessions with members and guests at Centers throughout the United States during his trip in March and April 1965.

Because of Jesus, some individuals, like the saints, got very close to God. What is different or unique about the Lord of the Second Advent with regard to mankind?

The Divine Principle teaches that the history of God is the history of restoration through the payment of restitution. The restitutorial history is the history of God. The history of restoration has progressed through individual, family, tribe, nation, world and universe, and even heavenly universe. There were seven major stages. Jesus was not given the chance to complete all of the stages and open up the fully perfect pattern, even for the individual. The development to perfection is being fulfilled.

God created man in both spirit and flesh, spirit as subject and flesh as object. Spirit and flesh must reach perfection together in oneness with God. This is God's original ideal. Man fell both spiritually and physically; consequently both must be restored. Jesus' mission was to completely restore man in both spirit and flesh. Yet we know that while he achieved spiritual salvation, he was deprived of the opportunity to accomplish the physical salvation. Hence, for the last 2000 years, the body has been forgotten, and has had no chance to become the flesh of God. So the Lord of the Second Advent comes to bring salvation, both spiritually and physically, to the full restoration of the original perfect pattern of man.

What is the meaning of the warning about anti-Christ?

By knowing God's Will, principle and truth, you are equipped to judge the true and the false. You are given the knowing or the vision of the truth of God. The full understanding of the Divine Principle brings you, without failure, the determination of a true Christ or an anti-Christ. And the work of God today is a continuation of His work of yesterday; hence the mission of the Christ must be based upon the historical foundation. The missions cannot be separated. They are one successive effort. In addition, the mission of the Christ must be such that all Christianity can be unified, and all religions can be made one. It must teach a universal truth.

"Peace of the world" and "Oneness" are beautiful terms, and the true religion which achieves this must teach two things. First, the work of God is a restorative concept, and second, the essence of the true religion is based upon the concept of the true parentship of mankind. In the restoration of God's Ideal, it is necessary that the True Parents be restored first, before the restoration of all of mankind can be accomplished. This includes the recovery of the lineage of mankind from the satanic side to God. All of this is the key to the answer of the world's problem.

Because the time of fulfillment is at hand, all religions are close to Heaven. All religions participate in the common goal through "oneness," "peace," or "freedom." The important thing is whether the particular religion has the full, sound, true, powerful principle or method to bring God's Will into reality. Many see the goal but do not know the way.

Will the Leader please comment about the work and claim of Baha'u'llah?

His revelation is right, in his own religion. The Baha'u'llah was a Messiah for Mohammedanism or Islam, but he did not come upon the foundation of Christianity. We know that Christianity is the central work of God, and that the restoration upon a worldwide scale must be founded upon Christianity. Baha'u'llah was the Lord in his own religion, and was a forerunner of the Lord of the Second Advent. In a way, he was in the position of John the Baptist. The Buddhists, the Muslims, and the Confucianists all teach a Second Coming.

If Baha'u'llah were the Ultimate One, then the New Age, or the Kingdom of God was to start in his lifetime; but he has been dead for about 90 or 100 years. He was not the One, but was a forerunner.

The "end of the world" or the fulfillment may be compared to the harvesting season of the year. All religions have come to the harvesting season today. God sent a worker to harvest each field. The Ultimate One, who will create the New World in the New Age, will have the lineage to be the true son of God. Only Christianity has the background of the history of the fall of man and God's restoration. Christianity is the central religion of the Last Days. And the world Messiah comes with the qualifications of the New Adam, and the new history of the world will start from him. In the meantime, God has prepared each field to be ready for the coming of the Ultimate One.

There are two proofs that Christianity is the center of God's effort. First, the concept of God's creation was to have God and man in the Father-and-son relationship, the tie being love. No other religion calls God "Father" and mankind "son." And second, only through Christianity is the concept of the True Parents made obvious. Adam

and Eve were intended to be the True Parents. Because of their fall, Jesus came to restore Adam. Since Jesus was unable to fulfill this, the Lord of the Second Advent comes as the Third Adam. Then he will restore Eve, and they will be inaugurated as the True Parents. Then all men will be born again, under this true parentship, and become a new kingdom. It is so simple and clear. Christianity has to be the center, and the New Messiah has to come upon the foundation of Christianity.

Is it correct that Jesus failed to establish the physical Kingdom of God on earth but that he was successful in establishing the spiritual Kingdom?

Yes. [End of tape.]

The battle with Satan is not yet finished. It must be expanded until the entire world is without any interference from Satan. Then we will have the universal achievement of the Kingdom of Heaven. The Leader has laid the cornerstone of this accomplishment, but this does not mean that every individual will enter the Kingdom during the Leader's lifetime. It all depends upon the followers of the Leader. The Kingdom is available to everybody, and the way is clear.

Is it true that physical death is one of the curses of Satan's influence?

No. But you never die, you are transformed. You leave your body and go to the spiritual Kingdom. You take off your physical body like you would take off your overcoat, and your limitless life continues. Hence, there is no bitter cup of death. The Bible says that there is death no more.

No one truly knew me, and through what background, what authority, I teach the Divine Principle.

Can the Leader tell us about this very thing?

Can you take the responsibility for that knowledge?

Yes. I think we all want to know.

Before the Messiah ever came to this world, he had already completed his battle spiritually, and the spirit world was already conquered. The main battle of the spirit world is already finished. Then he came to enforce his victory upon the physical world. This is the Messiah's mission. So, whether you accept it or not, the entire spirit world is under him. Pray to God or ask mediums for verification of this. All spirits, from the smallest to the greatest, are under his command. Evil has to be pushed out by this invincible work.

This is why the Divine Principle has started on such a small scale, compared with the populations of the great cities and countries. But bear in mind that the result of the battle is already determined, and fifty percent of the victory is already ours. It is now necessary to expand the victory. The worldwide foundation is already laid; the entire spirit world is assaulting this world as they fight our battle. We cannot fail. It all sounds very much like a dream, but it is the living reality, and it is being fulfilled.

May we know more about the Leader's life, such as how he was prepared for his mission?

"update" needed } I was destined for that mission. I was born for that mission. The Divine Principle does not yet reveal my personal history. Once my personal history is known as part of the Divine Principle, no one in the world can ever deny this truth. When you truly know Divine Principle, a great change in your life is inevitable. It gives you power to turn. Before we can turn the world upside-down, we must turn ourselves upside-down.

If I would reveal the path I have walked for the past forty years, I don't think anyone could bear to listen. My past sad life has been all for you, and I am here through the passage of 6000 years of history, as the conclusion of the 6000 years of history. Therefore, as the time gets nearer and nearer to the end of the age, the spirit world has to admit the truth about me. There are many millions of people in this world who have never seen me, but they have to work for me. They have to witness for me in various ways and in various degrees. In other words, I have millions of soldiers in this world. They have never known me, but they have to work for me, because they are all instructed by the spirit world.

Have you really believed that this is the truth? If you truly know our Leader and his mission and his victory, then overflowing joy is inevitable. If this is relevant to your heart, then his victory is your victory. His joy, which is the joy of God, is your joy. His achievement is your achievement. Once you know the Divine Principle, you will have constant joy. And if you truly know the agony of the Heavenly Father, and if you know our Leader's past, then you have to cry out in tears. The separation from God was a tearful time, and likewise our return to God is a tearful time. I hope that at some time you will have a spiritual experience, some kind of communication with the spirit world, because then you will know me much better than you do now.

Why will the Second Advent succeed where the First Advent failed?

Since the failure of Jesus, God has been working for 2000 years preparing the foundation for the Second Coming and the establishment of the Kingdom in such a way that there cannot be another failure. The foundation is laid by God. Jesus could not openly say that he had come to erect the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, because he did not have freedom of speech, but today under democracy, the rights of the individual and the five freedoms, we have a religious atmosphere which assures us of success.

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His work will be done. Because he lives means his work will be done. This freedom is the work of God.

In 1967 our Leader will complete 21 years of work in the Divine Principle Movement. This year [1965] he marches under utterly adverse conditions. There is no smooth way, but one obstacle after another. He walks a thorny path. In this respect, the conditions are the same as those of Jesus. However, Jesus might have been killed at any time, but at this time the spirit world makes certain guarantees. Our Leader was imprisoned twice, but without justice, no justification. He could not be put to death. By contrast, President Kennedy's assassination might have been unthwarted by the President himself, because of his failure to heed warnings or conditions.

Our Leader, Lord of the Second Advent, knows things in advance. So-called accidental things can be prevented. Things that operate according to law that must be found and judged according to the preparation of God cannot be prevented. This is why a prisoner is not put to death without proper justification and lawful means.

The Divine Principle Movement no longer depends completely upon our Leader. Even if he were no longer here upon earth, the Divine Principle Movement would still succeed. Whether the world followed him or not, or whether our Leader should die at this stage, the fulfillment of his mission would not be affected, because his mission is done. Our Leader has no reason to stay longer upon this earth, except to expedite the work for the millions of people. Having already become the perfected Adam, having established the Parentship, and having children, his work is finished. The movement is bound to grow. 

At the time of Adam and Eve, only two people existed; but now in addition to the True Parents, there are millions of fallen individuals in past generations. The Leader must take care of all of these people because they need his help.

Before the fall of Adam and Eve, there was no America, no Korea, no nation, no tribe. Today there are not only Adam and Eve but

many nations. All of the world needs to be straightened out. This is why it is better that the Leader's life be prolonged so that he can effect the change more quickly. The fulfillment of the work of God is assured. The seed is sown, and it is bound to grow to complete fulfillment. By contrast, Jesus could not sow the seed of the Kingdom of Heaven. He could not bring himself to the invincible stage, which our Leader has reached. Thus, the world remains evil now, but since the plant is growing it will eventually cover the entire world. God is working at pushing the world into the Divine Principle Movement. The world has no choice.

Many people laughed at my work and were skeptical about me many years ago. When talked about, it sounded like a dream. Today, all of the elements fit into their proper places.

If people have five percent of the choice, are they sure to choose the Lord this time?

When we consider the entire dispensation of God, we have no free will. Free will existed in Adam as the center of the Garden of Eden. Adam had free will. If one fulfills the requirements of free will, the following generation is automatically perfected without the requirement of fulfilling the five percent choice. Adam's children and grandchildren should have been automatically perfected without a chance to be rejected. Their ancestor, Adam, as the center, had, on behalf of all men, already done the five percent. By the same token, our Leader, by his fulfillment, has done the five percent for all of us. Of course, you may use your own free will to choose whether you will be saved or not. Your free will affects your individual choice, but it can never affect the center of the dispensation of God. Whether you accept or reject salvation, the work of God goes on just the same, according to His Will. Suppose that in this life you reject salvation. Since the center, or spiritual axis is already established, all that is required is to stay with the center. Be with the center, grafted into this trunk. It is your responsibility to cut yourself off from the tree where you are and become grafted to him.

Our Leader had to pay the indemnity for the entire world, but you are required to pay only the indemnity for your own life. Our Leader worked for the salvation of the world; you are only required to work for your own salvation. He paid the world's debt, but you pay just yours. So, no individual can affect the achievement of the center of the heavenly dispensation since our Leader has accomplished his mission. Jesus had the opportunity but was not successful.

Comments:

Our Leader says that he has given us too much of his revelation. He should have given a couple of chapters of the Principle every

ten years instead of all at once. Then people would appreciate it more. People are not yet apt to be appreciative when they are given so much. Before our Leader started his ministry, he spent some time in South Korea. He started his ministry in Pyung Yang, the capital of North Korea, under the Communist regime, because the Leader of the New Age has to begin his ministry in enemy territory under the most adverse conditions. At that time, he didn't teach all of the Divine Principle, but only certain parts. At the present time he can reveal nearly all of the Principle but there are still some things which he does not tell. He explains that the story of his life is not yet part of the Divine Principle. [When requested to tell about himself, he asks, "Are you ready to bear the responsibility to know that truth?" Our Leader does not feel that we are ready now, but will be at a later time.]

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We have compiled a considerable amount of data relating to his life, but we must wait for that part which only he can tell us. Much of this is spiritual.

Other religions do not know the complexity involved in the restoration. Even the word "restoration" has not been significant. The word "restoration" could be called the key word of the Divine Principle, followed by the words "creation" and "fall."

Do you realize that you have embarked upon a unique responsibility in the history of the world? If you understand, you must be serious, and you must feel the grave responsibility. Actually, we are not all eligible to know the Divine Principle. Those persons whose ancestors have greatly contributed to the preparation of the Kingdom of Heaven should be hand-picked, because they are entitled to know the Divine Principle. If the entire Christian world were wholeheartedly welcomed to know the Divine Principle at this time, we would not have the privilege of sitting here with our Leader; there would be so many wanting to be here that we couldn't get into the room.

When the Leader looked at one member he felt sadness and sorrow for having chosen him for this position. Many times our Leader desires that a person become a member of the movement because he has such a precious thing to offer. Sometimes people are apathetic as he asks them to come in, and he has so much that is good for them. Sometimes he actually pities them.

There are so many learned and well-qualified people whom God has not asked to join the movement, but God has asked you. Who are you? Are you important? Are you a scholar? Are you well qualified? Are you a leader? God has picked you, and you have a great responsibility. Do your best. Be humble.

It is the highest privilege and honor to be the Leader's disciple in his lifetime, to have personal association and to live together. In future years, many religious leaders will be accused by their followers for not affording them the privilege of knowing our Leader. In a way, these leaders block the way between their followers and our Leader. Our Leader has a limited amount of time here on earth. He is 45 years old [1965], and has only two or three more decades at most. However, many people could have contact with him if they were not misguided by their religious leaders. These same people will also accuse us for not making greater effort to tell them in spite of the complete religious freedom of today. They will accuse us of neglecting our duty. Have you wished that the Divine Principle had come to you earlier in your life? But think how much more regretful others will be who had no opportunity at all to meet the Leader.

In the area where you are acquainted, you should make it known that you are identified with the Divine Principle so that all who wish to know about it can find you.

Even though people say that you are crazy, do your witnessing, because there will come a time when they will suddenly want to hear your message, and all of the bad publicity will suddenly turn to good. Our Leader profited by the publicity he received because of his imprisonment, and because he became a controversial figure. You too may become a controversial figure while teaching the truth.

We gain favorable publicity, such as that we are really dedicated people, we are people of conscience, we are honest people, and we are hard-working people. If in the face of this some opposing ideology causes our Leader to be imprisoned, we have a golden opportunity for worldwide publicity. Although good publicity is better, adverse publicity, resulting from our honest effort, can aid our cause.

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