

Background of the declaration of The Day Of Victory

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The Necessity For The Day Of Victory Of Love



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I invited distinguished scholars and leaders of the academic communities in 72 different countries. The 72 heads of the PWPA represented the 72 disciples of Jesus.

As you know, all those scholars had attended the recent Science Conference in Chicago. They had all left Chicago by November 29 and were going home to their countries. As I was leaving for Korea, I asked that all the chairmen of the PWPA be called to join me before the rallies started on December 14. One-third of those professors had not even arrived home by then, so when they heard about the invitation en route, they turned around and went to Korea. Just as I found disciples in the North Korean prison, I was able to find faithful scholars who would come to join me in Korea.

When those scholars arrived at the airport in Seoul, the first question they asked was, "Why did I come here?" The answer they were given was, "You came because Reverend Moon wanted you to."! That was a very busy time in the academic community; the month of December is normally a time for them to take care of many duties. Yet they came, disregarding their own feelings, because they were motivated by somebody else.

There has never been such a rally in Korea during the month of December. With Christmas on the way, people are not usually interested in rallies because they have too much to do. Thus, even the leaders of the church told me, "This is a mistake. Let's hold the rallies in 1984." There was only one person-me-who believed it would work. Therefore, the Unification Church members failed to have faith in me. Korean leaders and members tried to tell me all the reasons why the rallies shouldn't be held in December, but I silenced them all. I pulled out my little notebook and said, "I have written down right here that this rally is a mandate from God and therefore it will be a success."

The rallies in Korea were of worldwide importance because they turned the battle against communism in a totally new direction. The Christian churches in Korea have always been quick to oppose Reverend Moon. However, when they heard that I was sponsoring rallies for Victory Over Communism, they were put on the spot. If they tried to oppose me, people would ask, "Are you pro-Communist?" They couldn't say anything against Reverend Moon at that time! The Korean government was laughing at me, too, thinking, "Reverend Moon is making a colossal mistake. He's going to rent those gymnasiums and they will be half-empty. He will lose his shirt!"

But what happened? The rallies were a success. The Korean government was completely taken aback. They felt that instead of the Chun Do Hwan government being in authority, many people were listening to Reverend Moon. Forty million Korean people came to believe that only Reverend Moon is able to defeat the North Korean communists and restore health and prosperity to their country.

Kwangju was the eighth city for the rallies, the final opportunity for Satan to strike. Satan desperately wanted to stop Reverend Moon from success in Korea, but I had already set all the conditions for our victory.

Heung Jin Nim's sacrifice was at the most crucial moment of human history. Even though he had to sacrifice his life, God could resurrect him. You should know what will be the result of the passing of Heung Jin Nim.

My level of accomplishment is far greater than the tribal level which Jesus achieved. These Korean rallies symbolized the total victory on the national level. From here, we can move to the worldwide level. December 18 has been a very historical day. December 18, 1983 was the day when those 72 scholars pledged in front of Mother and me to dedicate themselves to the fight against communism under our leadership. This is precisely as if Jesus had been able to enter the Roman empire with his disciples and had stood up and declared war against that empire. In the name of 72 nations, I declared war against international communism.

It was most important that Reverend Moon was treated like a head of state at these rallies. There are certain requirements of Korean protocol, among them no man except the president is allowed to have his wife with him on the stage during a rally. Mother and I were always on the stage together. Also, the preparations for the rallies were made by members from East and West, not just Koreans. The level of participation was worldwide because of the representatives from 72 nations.

I told the court that I was going to Korea for the rally and they said, "Oh, of course. Please go ahead." It's almost as if Jesus had been able to go to Rome, walk up the steps of their Capitol Hill and say, "I'm going to build the Kingdom of God here on earth," and all the elders had responded, "Of course, please go ahead and do it!"

1983 was the first year of the final three years' wilderness period. That is why I went to Korea during that year.

Heung Jin Nim took on all the blame for the Unification Church; by dying for that purpose, he has freed everybody else. Therefore, his contribution touches not only our church but also the free world and the communist world. All those people will come to love Heung Jin Nim. He loved the world and proved it by becoming the conditional sacrifice for the world. For that reason, the rest of the Unification Church must also love the world.

He died in my place. Therefore, your love for him must manifest itself in your love for me. Before this, spirit world has had no way to connect to True Parents; but because Heung Jin Nim is a direct representative, they can now connect. Also, they can connect themselves to the Unification Church because he died for you, too.

Here on earth, Heung Jin Nim showed the example of loving his fellow man unto his life. Likewise, for the love of his father, he died for the sake of the world, knowing that his father could continue to live for the sake of the world. By loving Heung Jin Nim in spirit world, those men and women can connect with the True Parents on earth. Therefore, his entry into that world was a great and joyful day; he came as the messiah of love for the spirit world.

Heung Jin Nim set the example for martyrdom for our church. The spirit world and the physical world will be loving him. The True Parents' position has been that of willingness and joyfulness to contribute their beloved son for the great benefit of the spirit world and physical world.

Instead of thinking in terms of our departed son, Mother and I were centered upon the dispensation of God. In the hospital, I held the Unification Ceremony for the overall benefit. I pledged to God that the True Parents would remain regally proud and that the entire spirit world and physical world would recognize the True Parents and praise them, due to this victory of love. The entire world will proclaim to the True Parents, "You are the true center of God's love."

The Day of Victory of Love is that day in which the True Parents have reached a new level and are marching forward upon the foundation of Heung Jin Nim's sacrifice. Therefore I said to Mother, "This is not the time to shed tears. This is actually a moment of glory for God and humanity. Particularly during the funeral time, you are not in the position to shed tears." I admonished her not to shed tears in public; privately, as a loving mother, she will shed many tears.

The Day of Victory of Love is the most significant day in our movement. You too must manifest the true love of God in your deeds. Without a truly loving spirit, you cannot be worthy of this special day. I did not shed any tears over the loss of Heung Jin Nim throughout the whole time of the funeral.

Through this event, the Unification Church will never be weakened but will leap forward. This greatest sacrifice will bring about greater victories. From now on, centering on the True Parents and upon the declaration of the Day of Victory of Love, vindication will come to us. As long as you love the True Parents more than you love anything else, you will overcome Satan. The power of love will be your vindication because Heung Jin Nim died for all of us and he opened the door so that everyone can be entitled to the privilege of love.

Now your duty is to love the True Parents even more than Heung Jin Nim did. If you have that as your criterion, the power of death will be no more and Satan will retreat. Up till now, Satan was able to conquer and control love but from now on, love shall be governed by God. This is a great, great day. Do you follow?