

Myong-kwan Lee: Let's Establish Hyojeong Culture Based on True Love

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"Hyojeong Culture is something True Parents have emphasized recently. "Culture" refers to the daily life and the mental and physical achievements of humankind, which can include study, arts, and moral attitude. In this sense, we can be described as cultural beings. Everything that people do in their lives is part of their culture.

The starting point of the culture of all humanity was Adam and Eve. From the past to the present, satanic culture has taken the central position rather than a culture centered on our Heavenly Parent.

But through the providence of restoration, Heavenly Parent has worked to change that satanic culture into heavenly culture, and we could say that this has been the providence to restore heavenly culture.

Up until now, the culture of humankind has been one where individuals, societies and nations were concerned with their own interests. It has been a self-centered culture. It has been a culture of barriers. These are the barriers of Satan, evil spirits and sin, which invaded human culture.

From Heavenly Parent's view, a new culture need to be established. From the point of view of the truth,

this means that we need a new truth. It must be a truth that can lead all religions, all races, and nations to become one. Creating a new culture based on this new truth has been the very heart of the providence of Heavenly Parent.

The new culture which Heavenly Parent desires to establish is the culture of original creation. That will be a culture formed according to Heavenly Parent's ideal. What is the culture of original creation? As we can see through True Parents' teachings in Unification Thought, the culture of original creation is motivated by shimjeong, its goal is the fulfillment of love and it remains forever. We call this shimjeong culture, culture of love, and culture of harmony. We can describe this culture in one word, "Hyojeong Culture." The culture of original creation is the culture based on shimjeong.

The Origin of Hyojeong Culture is Heavenly Parent's Love

Hyojeong Culture is the culture of living for the sake of others, loving each other, and sharing among all humankind. We can say this is a culture that can reach across all barriers to embrace people of different cultures.

When people sharing their cultures with each other, they will be inspired by each other and come to like each other and finally share one universal culture together. It doesn't matter if you are Korean, Japanese, American, African, European, Asian or Latin American. This is shimjeong culture. In other words, a culture of altruism without selfishness, of living for the sake others, a culture of love.

This culture should reach across all the barriers of culture that exist now. It should pass through all the barriers of religion as well, the barriers of Christianity, of Buddhism, of Islam. Unfortunately currently such a culture does not exist in this world. The only possible way to accomplish this is Hyojeong Culture, which is shimjeong culture. It could also be called a family culture, an international culture of brothers and sisters. Hyojeong Culture, shimjeong culture is a family culture centering on original true love. True Parents' ideal, "One Family under God" can be realized through this. One family of humankind is the fundamental solution that can bring the end to all conflicts among people.

The origin of Hyojeong Culture is Heavenly Parent's love. This means that the tradition of parental love is essential in the tradition of Hyojeong Culture.

True Parents' teaching that the original relationship between Heavenly Parent and humanity is that of parent and child is an amazing discovery for all humanity. Culture and tradition should be centered on parents' love.

True Parents have established Hyojeong Culture as a new culture for us, to serve as the universal standard for culture. The core tradition of Hyojeong Culture is the tradition of living for the sake of others. You should keep in mind this tradition of heavenly culture and practice it in your daily life."