

The World Must Be God-Centered

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Beloved leaders from every field across the world! I am glad to see you all. Due to not only many unexpected problems breaking out around the globe but also the coronavirus pandemic, we are seeing much political, economic and religious conflict around the world. An indescribable and unpredictable reality is unfolding in front of us.

I am sure everyone feels that we have reached the limit of human effort. At this point in time, a new movement must arise -- a movement of people attending God, our Creator, at the center of our effort to resolve all these problems and look forward to a bright future. Our Creator formed our beautiful Earth and made preparations to live the life of the heavenly kingdom together with all people on earth and then to live together with everyone in the eternal world. What this means is that God, our Creator, is the parent of humankind.

The reality of today is that due to the Fall, humankind has come to be in a position of having no relationship with our Heavenly Parent. Until now, God has carried out the work of the

providence of salvation to restore the children he had lost. For this reason, he has taught humankind, who are like orphans, the philosophy that upholds the coming of the Messiah.

This is what is referred to in the Bible as the six thousand years of human history. He intended to realize his will through the people of Israel two thousand years ago, but this did not come to pass because Jesus Christ was crucified. Jesus said, "I will come again" and that when he returned, he would conduct the marriage supper of the Lamb.

The truth is that Christianity was ignorant of Jesus' true nature that and this led to many problems arising in the course of that two-thousand-year history. God, however, cannot postpone his providence of salvation. For the first time in six thousand biblical years, God has finally sent his only begotten daughter -- through whom his dispensation can come to completion -- to be born on the Korean Peninsula. This means that the spring breeze of heavenly fortune, through which the dream of God our Creator can be fulfilled and the hopes of humanity realized, has begun to blow.

Drawn to protect South Korea

The environment of that time was such that following the liberation of Korea in 1945, the Korean War broke out in 1950. God needed to protect his only begotten daughter, who had been born after a long wait

of six thousand years. The North and the South split from each other, one communist and the other democratic, and the Korean War broke out before democratic South Korea had equipped itself with the structure with which to fight against the North. And yet, Heaven could not delay the spring breeze of the providence. How is it that sixteen UN member nations came to take part in a civil war that took place in a small country unknown to the rest of the world?

Moreover, we know that most of the brave participants in the war were at that time just in their teens or twenties. Among all human beings, they were the most innocent and the purest sons and daughters beloved by Heaven. What do you think induced them to step forward fearlessly for peace in Korea and the world? This alone tells us that God our Creator is together with us. The blood they shed proclaimed the birth of True Parents. How much had humankind and Heaven wished for that?

The brave soldiers who shed blood during this war are the courageous heroes of the providence who will be remembered in history for all time. Since fallen people cannot be fully embraced by God our Creator, our Heavenly Parent, without going through the True Parents, both Heaven and humankind have been waiting for six thousand years.

However, the Christian foundation that was to have provided a firm basis for this could not fulfill its responsibility, and the providence of True Parents had to wait for another sixty long years. Now the time has come for the righteous leaders of today to speak the truth and reveal the heavenly secret. From now on, we should not stop. The veterans who took part in the war in 1950 are now quite elderly. Those who are still with us are in their eighties and nineties, and what they wished for was a unified Korea.



All must return to God

Nevertheless, all the grave problems arising in the world today are not only Korea's problems. Our Heavenly Parent should be the center through which all these problems can be resolved. If all people in the nations of the world become the sons and daughters of our Heavenly Parent and form one great family under him, the problems occurring today will no longer be problems.

It is the duty of children to do what their parents wish. Our Heavenly Parent has waited for six thousand

years, and for those six thousand years the world's people have been living in distress as orphans. This, however, is an exciting and happy moment in time when we can meet True Parents and become the filial children of our Heavenly Parent. In other words, we can attend True Parents and spend our lives as we sing of the kingdom of heaven on earth that was originally desired by our Creator. We need to be keenly aware of this.

I am aware that there are monuments in not only the sixteen UN member nations that took part in the war but also in some of the sixty or so nations that supported [the Republic of] Korea. However, I also know that there is no complete list of the soldiers that died during the Korean War. I wish to record each and every one of the names of the fallen for all eternity. And I have made a commitment to quickly erect monuments in countries where they have not already been installed.

One more thing I would like to say is that I have also founded a number of organizations for world peace. Now, I will finally establish the Artists Association for World Peace [tentative translation]. In the past, as those in the Christian cultural realm waited for the Messiah to come again, an ancient, beautiful culture was formed with the European continent at its center. It is still loved today by all peoples of the world. That culture is the culture of longing for the Messiah.

Until now, we, fallen human beings, have been children lacking in filial piety to our Heavenly Parent, who has endured and waited six thousand years for us. I wish to see the beautiful arts that express the love, joy and praise they return to their Parent, to shine forevermore through the revolution of the culture of heart. The arts may be the fastest path by which the world will become one. And the number of people in that world is increasing day by day.



Our precious natural home

However, the Earth, which should protect the future of humanity, is suffering right now. In 2020 alone, there have occurred natural calamities, localized heavy rain, wildfires and terrible typhoons. We say that these problems are not my problems, so they are not my responsibility. This is because they do have an effect, not only on us but also on our beloved children and their future.

Moreover, human ignorance has caused a serious situation such that many in our world believe that we need to restore the beautiful Earth created by

God, our Creator, to its original state as quickly as possible. And we should not stop at just talking about it but actually do something. Then the way to resolve all these problems, over which we are crying out with one voice, is for us to become the true, filial sons and daughters as one great family under our Heavenly Parent that move according to True Parents' instructions.

There is hope for us. God is with us. We owe much to him. We must not pass down our indebtedness to our descendants. Today's Republic of Korea has come to be because Heaven and the world acted together in the civil war that broke out on the Korean Peninsula seventy years ago to protect Korea's democracy. This example alone shows us that the way forward for humanity today is to unite and advance through True Parents to the position in which Heavenly Parent can embrace them and say, "You are my son, you are my daughter!" I cannot emphasize enough that it is the only way for the human race to survive in the present time. I will pray for our bright future. Thank you.