

Second Special 21-Day Workshop

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This is an excerpt of talk given by Hyun Jin Nim to leaders during the second Special 21-Day Leadership Workshop. On God's Day 2001, Father instructed Hyun Jin Nim to take responsibility for educating all leaders of the movement under the age of 40 and asked Hyun Jin Nim to conduct leadership training workshops. This age was later changed to 48. Hyun Jin Nim initiated a series of special 21-day leadership workshop. There, he focused on the key concepts of vertical tradition, alignment and the role of true Abel. He saw the importance of shifting leaders into a new paradigm for the settlement age and fervently hoped to awaken the leaders of the movement to enable them to become true inheritors of his parents' mission.



What is Father's legacy? What is True Parents' legacy in your opinion? Is he the founder of the Unification Church, the founder of The Washington Times, the founder of this or that organization? Is that his legacy? Do you think God cares about that?

The reason Father could liberate God was because he was able to create the first true family on earth, thus fulfilling the original mission of true Adam and Eve. Upon this foundation, he could initiate the restoration of all humanity, not only on earth, but also in the spirit world. This is the great achievement of True Parents. The legacy that they leave behind is not finite like the structure of a building or institution. That legacy is infinite; it resonates within blessed families everywhere within the lifeblood that flows in all the sons and daughters of God. Through the blessing, you have been liberated from the yoke of Satan's dominion and can now be considered men and women under the direct dominion of God. That is True Parents' legacy.

Even when True Parents are no longer on earth, their presence will still be with us. Don't you agree? They shall live with us for eternity. You should feel that the veins that carry your blood have been connected to the original root, which is centered upon God, True Parents and True Family. You should feel that you are a member of this extended ideal family, and that through you, God's providence will move forward in full ownership. This is the true meaning behind the era of the fourth Adam; this is the reason you can now pray in your own name. That is why I say that this is the time in which the covenant is not written in a contractual form, but is written in blood.



This is the reason why you, as blessed couples and blessed families, are special in the eyes of God. Thus, I have explained you are in a position of privilege, which is really none of your own doing. What did you do to receive this blessing? It is a privilege given to you. Do you think so or not? Think about this deeply; what did you really do to deserve this privilege? This has tremendous implications now that we have entered the settlement age.

In the restoration period, you were mobilized in all kinds of activities, but did you really understand why you were mobilized? You did not, right? You only did it because True Parents asked you to. But through the mobilizations you were unlocking all the conditions of the providence of restoration. That is the burden that Parents carried on their shoulders, not yours.

Now reflect on the example set by True Parents. Parents took ownership of the providence and the restoration course, the indemnity course; they took this all upon themselves. Consider this carefully. What is Father's original mission given by God? To restore 6,000 years of Biblical history? No. Father was supposed to come on the prepared foundation of Christianity; a foundation God prepared for 2,000 years, just like Jesus who came as a person embodying a life lived for others. After all, in the New Testament (Matthew 3:2), Jesus said, "Repent, for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand." The "Kingdom" would have been the substantial kingdom of God built through ideal families.



As the Divine Principle explains, Jesus' mission was not to die on the cross. Likewise, Father's mission was not to come and indemnify 6,000 years of lost Biblical history, nor was it to create the Unification Church. However, history went this way because the prepared foundation of Christianity was lost. When the prepared foundation of Christianity was lost, did Father walk the way of the cross and say there would be a third coming, or did he take the responsibility for building God's substantial kingdom on earth, even without this prepared foundation? That is why you have to understand this clearly. God's liberation could come about because True Parents fulfilled the ideal will of God, which was to create the ideal family and build it on earth. It is the formula to bring the substantial restoration of all humanity, both on earth as well as in the spirit world. [Amen]

As we start in the settlement age and move forward in the era of the fourth Adam, you should understand the significance of this time in God's providence. Most people have no real concept of this. Many of you are focusing on your own institutions, your own responsibilities. Many people have the notion that, "I am a blessed family; therefore I am saved. I don't have to worry about anything." Yet, as a blessed family you have responsibilities, and therefore must understand the implications and expectations of being a blessed family. As a blessed family, you stand in the position of an ideal Abel, and with that there is a responsibility.



In other words, that blessing was given to you not only for your sake, but so that through your family God's providence on earth can be fulfilled. I will pose a simple analogy here in the example of Cain and Abel. Why did God give the blessing to Abel? It was so that Abel could bring about the restoration of Cain. The blessing was not given to Abel for his own sake. How about you as blessed couples standing

in the Abel position? That blessing was given to you so that you can be an agent that brings about the restoration of the Cain-type world.

Until this world comes under the absolute dominion of God's love – fully, completely and wholly – our work is not done. As a blessed couple, you have to have that kind of conviction; you have to have that kind of identity coursing through your veins. From this perspective, then, how do you think I look at the second generation? Do you think I am happy with the state of the second generation? But how can I blame them? How can I rattle them when their parents are exactly the same way? Our young people have lost sight of their responsibility for public mission. They do not recognize that they stand in the Abel position. The reason is that all the leaders of our movement have lost sight of their responsibility. This is because instead of actively going out into the world and bringing a change in the world, we have only been focusing on ourselves. From now on that will change. Rather than standing back, we will proactively go out into the world and bring God's substantial kingdom on earth. Amen.