

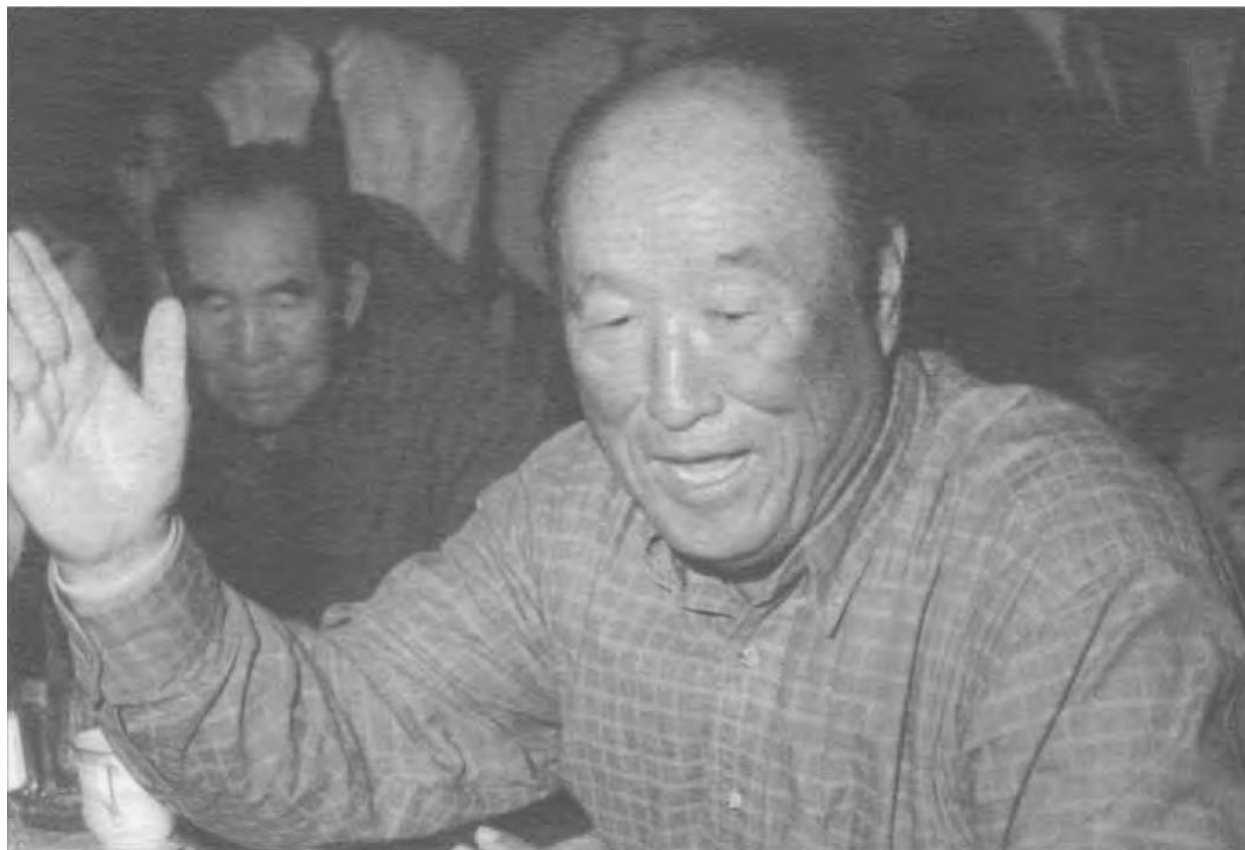
God's will is one world under God, where not even one person is neglected

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Today I came here by boat. I have been looking at famous sight-seeing spots on my way from Tarrytown. If you view these areas from an airplane you will come to realize that it is one of the most beautiful sight-seeing spots in the world. How shall we develop this area for the future? Starting from New York City, a sight-seeing boat can go through Half Moon Bay and come to this area in about three or four hours. Spending one or two days for a round trip would be a wonderful sight-seeing tour. We can make an amusement park here so that people who feel the stress of urban life can take a few days off and relax.

I think that in future the person who occupies the world of water will win the world. The permanent ice caps of the South and North poles will become the treasure of treasures. If the ice melts, it provides very pure water. This pure water will be many times more valuable than petroleum in the future.

I believe UTS has two fishing boats, but how many times a week do you go fishing? If the center person moves out for fishing, then all the members will follow you. Every week go fishing and train. Training is needed. First of all you have to have an interest in fishing.

If you don't have any interest in it, nothing starts. Taking an interest is very important. Watch and study the Hudson River every day. Unless you show an interest in knowing what kind of fish are living in the river and feel like investigating every living creature in the invisible water world, you cannot develop the unexplored field of the future. Your whole life is the effort to search for and solve the mysteries of the invisible, eternal world.

Think about what God created first; the sun, air, water, and soil, the four essential elements to maintain life. Without these four elements, nothing can live. Without sun, without air, without water, without earth, nothing can exist. Think about how mysterious it is that three quarters of the globe is made of water, and this water evaporates and makes clouds which cover the globe and pour down water on the earth. Just think about this mysterious phenomenon!

It is terrible if it does not rain, the desert spreads. What happens if water vapor contains any amount of salt? All the vegetation will die. Rain falls and water flows from mountains, goes underground making subterranean rivers, and all of this runs into the sea and circulates all around the world to make life. What a mysterious movement it is! Throughout history, human beings spread out, searching for land and searching for water, also trees and fresh air, the sun, a warmer place, a comfortable environment.

From now, the air will be very important, also water. How to protect the world from pollution is now a worldwide concern. If the water is polluted, the land will die. We are in a worldwide emergency situation to protect these three elements. If we compare North and South America, we realize that South America is not an industrial region but is rich in natural resources. It is rather primitive. We have to protect the area from pollution and from North America, which tends to seek only its own benefit ignoring the rest of the world, and thus causing serious problems. The concept of "one nation under God" is now a serious problem. America does not care about other nations and does not even acknowledge those developing countries, just caring about its own benefit. Developing countries are "one tribe nations," concerned only about their tribe.

There is not even one nation which cares about the world, which goes beyond tribalism and nationalism to bring the world into unity. Throughout history, religion has been taking on the task of going beyond tribalism and nationalism, trying to unify the whole world. Human history has developed centering on religions of high ideal and thought such as Buddhism, Islam, Christianity and Confucianism -- the founders of these four great religions are regarded as saints. How to unite the religions and go beyond nationalism is the great problem. Otherwise there will never be a solution to overcome national boundaries forever. America, the Christian nation representing the religious world with the concept of "one nation under God," does not have that concept to bring the world into unity. Christianity thinks that the Lord of the Second Advent will come to judge all the other religions as the opponents of God and expel them as heretics. What a strange concept!

God's will is to make one world under God, which is the world of the extended family where not even one member of that family is neglected. Such a world is the Heaven on earth that human beings and God desire. In order to create that world, there must be a fundamental thought which combines all religions. The major religions have the concept of the Second Advent, but they have their own different figures according to their religion and do not know that the Second Advent is the same one person.

For what does the Lord of the Second Advent come? For money? For knowledge? For power? All those elements belong to the realm of the Fall, but not to God. Then what is the essence of religion? What is the last aim and purpose? This is important. If the center of God and the center of human beings are different there will never be oneness forever. What God needs must be the first question and not what human beings need, because God is the subject and human beings will become perfect as the object resulting from Him by following Him as the perfect subject.

I suppose there are as many as 140 men and women here, but everyone has their own way of thinking that there are all sorts of various diverse opinions. Can you make unity out of the variety of opinions you have by using one hundred million dollars?

Absolutely not! You UTS students pride yourselves on knowledge and words and feel they are the best, the greatest. However that kind of knowledge and studies can never bring unity among different people for eternity. Can power bring unity? Compulsory power can create divided kingdoms but never a united world.

Knowledge, money and power, what is the most powerful? The king of division, the king of destruction is, in religious term, Satan. Now, if we have come to a conclusion that there is no hope of the unity of man and woman, then finally we ask God about this question: "Is your mind and body united?" He will answer "Of course!

No doubt!" This is really unique and eternal but what is the basis of that unity? This is the question. With what can God create that eternal, absolute, unchangeable world? With what? What does the Unification Church answer? True love? What on earth is true love?

If true love existed in this world, is it true eye? true nose? true ears? true mouth? true hands? True love can combine all five senses. Is that so? If it is true love, then all five senses of both the invisible heart and the body can be united at once.

The unifying center of our five senses is true love. Well, then, is your mind and body united? Are you united with true love? If God is the owner of true love, of eternal and absolute unity, the partner of God must have the same content as His object. Otherwise there is no way to oneness.

The person who tries to stand in the center position to be respected and admired without the unity of mind and body is the heretic of heretics! Heretic! There are money heretics, knowledge heretics, authority heretics but the worst are true love heretics. Is such a person connected to God or to Satan? Mercy is given to God's heretics, knowledge heretics, power heretics, but there is no mercy on true love heretics. If that true love heretic is forgiven, then God Himself must fail, because God's place of settlement disappeared.

God can never forgive a partner who betrays true love. So the conclusion is that God, as the subject of

true love, really wants to seek the absolute, unique, unchangeable eternal place of safe settlement in the infinite eternal universe. God wants to be a king of what? What kind of love? Absolute, unique, unchangeable, eternal love. When God created the universe, did He make it for fun, to play with and enjoy evil? For what purpose did God create the universe? Love can never be completed alone. Yes or no?

You are very confident! The key point is there. Love can never be perfect alone. The purpose of Creation and life is the central question of philosophy. Religion must seek the deeper answer to the question of what God has to do with love. Why did He create the universe? To gain joy through love. Happiness comes from love, freedom comes from love, man and woman come from love.

Everything is open with true love; unevenness is overcome and there is no shadow in front of love. Nothing but only true love can gain perfect freedom!



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