

Excerpts from what True Father said on two recent occasions of note.

Cheon Bok Gung, December 7, 2010; Assembly to Proclaim the Substantial Word

If God does not have His own country and homeland, neither can we members of the human race have our own fatherland and homeland. When I speak of Israel, I am referring to the chosen people whose mission, as representatives of the religious world, is to restore God's homeland and hometown. It is a triumphant nation¹ but this triumphant country has failed to take care of its own people and its mission, and its people are fighting; they are widely dispersed and they have lost direction. The time has come for Christianity to take its banner down.

We now live in an age with no need for religion. What can religion do now? Religion, which does not have the power to overcome the limitations of the ever-developing scientific and material civilization, will be left out in the end. It needs to go in front of others and light the way for them....

What God needs is His nation, His homeland and His hometown. How can you be His sons and daughters if you have failed to restore those? Do the children of God have their nation and homeland? They don't know what their nation and homeland are. The time has passed when you can stand on a shaky foundation and talk about yourselves and your own individual ideals, which are no more than mere dreams.... On the other hand, I have done enough work to be able to talk about it, and I can say that the time has come for the representatives of the 194 nations of the Abel UN and the 193 nations on Cain's side, 387 in total, to unite and cry out for God to be liberated and proclaim His homeland and hometown. However, the question remains: Does Korea have any qualifications to being chosen as God's homeland? Does the nation have any religion or political system, or any conscientious religious believers that can establish those qualifications? It has nothing!

What about me? To fulfill my mission of liberating God and establishing His nation, despite all the contempt I have endured, I have found and restored people, one by one, that had abandoned their fallen-world nation and had been wandering around looking for the way. We have now entered an era in which the Unification Church cannot be dissolved no matter how much others oppose us....

The conclusion is that God is a man. Since He is a man, does He need a wife or not? [He needs a wife.] How do you know? [Laughter] Why does He need a wife? It's not because He requires female companionship. He absolutely needs a wife because she is His absolutely necessary master. Therefore, those who say that He doesn't need a wife are all insane! [Laughter]....

Look at these little women right here. They teach their children about our philosophy; they think

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¹ A reference to Christianity or the United States as the second Israel

about it day and night, and they try to raise the younger generation and make them into the grandchildren of our Heavenly Father. For the development of their people, they are laying a foundation on which their ancestors can come to earth and support their people spiritually. It is truly amazing.

Knowing that a great power is growing within us, those who respect the Unification Church and have convinced many of their relatives to become Unification church members, and those who are ready at a moment's notice to leave their home and work for the church, will become leaders responsible for leading the world's nations. This will happen very soon, and I know who they will be....

About 70 percent of the people here are over fifty years old. Though they may offer jeongseong, they will forget all about it. The older generation thinks that only the faith they believe in and the knowledge they have are the best in the world; how many of them would value anything I've said?

The younger generation, however, is a different story. They are bound to listen, and when they do, they are sure to believe 100 percent. [Applause] If I said a hundred words, and the older generation doubted 70 percent of what I said, it would be unnecessary for them to listen at all. Plenty of young people will listen to what I say and believe it 100 percent. Because we believe this, we in the older generation have hope....

What I said fifty years ago came from a young man, not an old man, which is why it would definitely move the hearts of the younger generation. Those teachings cannot grow old. Though I am an old man, I speak the younger generation's language, and those who listen to me cannot avoid being impressed by what this very old man says.

They say, Ah, I joined the Unification Church because I was moved by what Rev. Moon said when he was in his fifties. But now, what this old man in his nineties says is even fresher, more powerful and more to the point.

So, you can see how the waves produced by the motion one man creates spread out to the farthest extremes. When a great ship moves, it generates huge waves. They reach even faraway shores and sweep up onto the beach....

Being married is better than having cousins. [Laughter] Marriage is better than having uncles or siblings. Do you understand? [Yes.] If it results in two nations uniting, or in ten nations uniting, why don't people get married? When Unification Church members hold an international conference, people come from dozens of nations and all eat together, spend their free time together, talk together and follow the same schedule together. No one can deny this. Why, then, do people oppose the Unification Church? Why do they dislike me?

I've never spent church offering money. I only spend what I've earned myself; I can say that even now. I help those who have nothing to eat. So, where does the money come from? I earn it myself. How? Not by fighting others. I know how to use my brain in ways others don't use theirs. Those who are smart and have talent get ahead of others. I will never be ruined. Many people prayed that I, and the Unification Church, would be destroyed. But, I haven't been destroyed. Though you may think that I might fall down right here and now, I won't.

Cheongpyeong, January 22, 2011; Sixteenth Anniversary Workshop for the Spirit World Providence

Ven by the age of seventeen, I was blessed with a great deal of wisdom; what I am saying now is more or less a repeat of what I said in those early days. Problems in the family, the tribe or the race, or issues related to creating an environment where we can serve God officially in heaven and on earth are all to be resolved in the future.

I was more an adolescent than a young man on the verge of adulthood when Jesus came; he wanted to pass on to me responsibility, officially, for all problems in heaven and on earth, and to bequeath his position to me. I could not believe it, and I answered that I did not know.

I was leading a spiritual life even before that, but after that, when I prayed to Heavenly Father, I came to think about how I could call God "Heavenly Father" and how He could be a father in the absence of a mother. I also thought about Jesus, and that as a man he should have had a wife and a family and yet he had had neither.

Nevertheless, here he was, asking me to take responsibility for heaven and earth, and what's more, to inherit the mission and become his representative. How could I possibly believe that? When something like that happens, that is, when the God you are praying to appears to you, presents you with many unsolved problems, and asks you to accept the official position of the one responsible for His work when you've barely come of age, you cannot believe or rely on what you are hearing. "I don't know!" I said. God's work began in that way, and it has continued to unfold to this very day.

What is today? What are Cheongpyeong spiritual works? What is this sixteenth anniversary? The person known as "Hoon-mo" appeared.

1 The work at Cheongpyeong to help people in the spirit world (and by extension people on earth) began in January 1995.

This work is to fulfill all aspects of the will in heaven and on earth; it is a task that must be concluded in front of Heaven. Even as I grew older, passed through boyhood and young adulthood and became a grown man, I did not understand God's will because it was difficult to understand. I did not have a teacher to teach me and Jesus had not reappeared after that first occasion. Yet, amazingly, whenever something important was taking place, I would hear a voice from heaven.

Even if there is a God, you can't be sure He is the true God. In solving all those problems, there needs to be only one God, be it the God of Night or the God of Day; there cannot be two Gods. Therefore, the one God needs to embed only one root at that place where the body and the mind is in unity, since there should not be two roots, one for the night and one for the day....

Right and left, front and back, and up and down should be in harmony, but they have not come together in a line and there is no central point. That is why I am working to bring that about. I was in darkness, ignorant as to whether the world could advance, but because the true God of Night and Day created heaven and earth, when the world is restored to its original state what will come next? That is the question....

There needs to be a central axis in the universe. All people desire peace, don't they? [They do.] Who are the Japanese, the Koreans and the Americans? The Americans yearn for peace as much as the Japanese and the Koreans, don't they?...

How can we talk about world peace when we haven't established a peaceful nation during the past seventy years or so? Do you like peace? Which should be attained first, peace or harmony? Which comes first? If we come together in harmony and unity, peace will automatically follow.

With South Korea and North Korea, there must be harmony.

They have become enemies because the Soviet Union and the United States were enemies. Japan and America are also fighting each other. When they talk about peace under such circumstances, they are only lying, because it is only after they unite in harmony that they can achieve peace.

North Korea and South Korea saying they want to unite is the biggest lie. If you desire peace and unification between South Korea and North Korea, what should you do? You need to bring them together in harmony, and soothe all the men and women in North Korea, from the youngest to the oldest, and even those who are in the spirit world.

Yes, this occasion to make this proclamation is not just a proclamation assembly. It is a cosmic-level² assembly. Unless a prepared people can enter and live together in one house and one realm that is rooted in all existing things in the universe, great and small, and in the seasons of night and day for billions of generations, there can be no such thing as a peaceful nation or a peaceful cosmos.

Separate entities became hell and heaven and the spirits in heaven and the spirits in hell are fighting each other. Under such circumstances, I was born, and under such circumstances, I have now made the Proclamation of the Substantial Word. That proclamation, made at a cosmic-level assembly, declares that all the world's people are the children of the one God and that they are in the course of forming one family, one tribe, one people, one nation, one world and one cosmos.

I'm telling you today that the providence of restoration is a reality.... In order for the providence for completion to be fulfilled, the providence of restoration first needs to be fulfilled. If nothing had gone awry, we would never have known words such as "restoration" or "salvation." Why do we talk about salvation? Because it is the process of curing a patient of his illnesses so that he regains his original health. These words should not have existed, therefore; our historical accomplishments should erase them. In pursuit of happiness, over the course of thousands of years, human beings have sought a

 $2\,$ "Cosmic" and "cosmos," as Father uses them, refer to the spiritual and physical worlds together

better world, a more peaceful world, a happier world, a more important world and an eternal world....

Regarding the God of Night and the God of Day, the God of Night is the internal God, and the God of Day and the internal God have become one. Without principles that establish peace, night and day would have existed separately, and in the twenty-four hours of a day, the night and the day are different. During the day, the sun is high in the sky for twelve hours, but at night the sun sets, and you have to wait twelve hours before the sun rises again, after which you do what you do for twelve hours once more during the day.

It's very simple, after all. You may not know how to explain it, but what you need to know is that there should be peace, that South Korea and North Korea should unite, that your body, mind and soul should unite, and that you should form families in which the husband and the wife hold on to and love each other eternally. Thus, all people, from those at the North Pole to those at the South Pole, should claim to be brothers and sisters, and no matter how many millions of years pass by, they should embrace one another as their brethren and love one another more than they do their own mothers or siblings. My dream is that such a world will come about!

Father then read the special instructions that concluded his recent speech on the substantial word, given in New York, Las Vegas and Seoul, and then went back and read from the beginning of the main speech through to the end. Here, we have included Father's extemporaneous comments, with the part from the prepared speech that preceded each comment included in blue.

I pray that all of you will become victors who are part of this historic and providential revolution. May the heavenly fortune that flows through the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind be with you all. I pray in the name of True Parents that God's blessings be with you, your family and your nation.

I will never abandon you; I will take responsibility for you and protect you, so let's achieve the liberation and freedom of the kingdom of heaven on earth together. Let's be thankful for



True Parents suddenly announced they would come to Sunday service at Cheon Bok Gung on February 6

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this and say thank you. There are no conflicts or wars here....

I'll begin today's speech with the section entitled "the three stages of life." You all know about those, don't you? They are a record of our life course. Why are they called the "three stages of life"? Because the text covers the period in the womb, the period on earth and the time in the spirit world.

"The three stages of life" and "one family under God" are two of the subheadings. What comes after those two? "The mission of the Korean people." This mission is for the Korean people and no other. You need to know about it too.

What's next? "The path humankind should take." Humanity includes people from all nations and all standards of living. And what comes after that? "My final words for humankind." What are my final words? It's my final message, my last words of advice before I leave. You need them, too. You also need to read "the path humankind should take."...

The leaders of Judaism and the people of Israel were supposed to receive Jesus as the Messiah and follow him with absolute faith, absolute love and absolute obedience. They should never have allowed Jesus' crucifixion to take place.

How did Jesus pray? "My Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me; nevertheless, not as I will, but as thou wilt." He prayed three times in Gethsemane, and his three disciples dozed off. They were the disciples of Jesus, his children. Unbelievable!...

Ladies and gentlemen, God raised and prepared the Korean people over a period of thousands of years. After two thousand years of preparation, His labor has finally borne fruit with the Second Coming of Christ on the Korean Peninsula.

So I was born, and I was persecuted even more than Jesus had been, and I suffered thousands of times more. I have travelled across nations, but who knows about all that? Only God and I. You have come here today to learn about it. You should be aware that this ceremony is being held to enlighten you about this....

....They are textbooks and teaching materials that teach the heavenly way that God has granted to His suffering children for their salvation

....Here I am, still alive, and today many Japanese have come. I have brought together citizens of an enemy nation. In fact, 80 percent of the audience is from overseas. I am speaking to them about these things and teaching them with my whole heart before telling such things to my own people. No one could have ever imagined that the man who was persecuted so much back then is the man standing at this podium right here. I am the only one who knows these things. Isn't that the case? Do you understand? [Yes.] It's precious knowledge.

You need to know that, even after you have gone to the spirit world, you need to be educated and to pass a test. Even when I go to the spirit world, I will still have the responsibility of educating you strictly there and uniting the people of not just the 120 nations but of 387 Cain and Abel nations. Do you understand? [Yes] You will be in big trouble if you aren't prepared. If you go to the spirit world unprepared, you will be sent away from the good realms.

I have as much faith in this book [the autobiography] as in the hoondok textbooks and teaching materials I have mentioned.... I pray you will carefully read this articulation of true love and find great inspiration.

Because I am your parent.... [Applause] There are still a great many things you have not done yet, so I cannot help feel3 Matt 26:39

ing worried about you as my last days approach. You need to know how serious all this is....

The True Parents have achieved ultimate unity and offered and proclaimed the era of God's full transcendence, full immanence, full authority and omnipotence upon the standard of perfection, completion and conclusion.

At the time of the Fall, everything belonging to God was overturned and stolen, but now it has all been recovered and dedicated as belonging to Him and proclaimed as such. I too need to follow that path.

Furthermore, with the Seunghwa Ceremony for former United States Secretary of State Alexander Haig, I proclaimed that the ceremony for the victory of the first, second, and third Israels, which completed the ceremonies for rebirth, resurrection and Seunghwa during my lifetime, was transferred to Korea. The Seunghwa Ceremony is very important. It is the ceremony that transfers God's homeland and hometown to Korea. I am saying that the Seunghwa Ceremony should be held during a person's life and not just upon a person's death. I am finally proclaiming that this needs to be fulfilled during one's lifetime. It is that important....

Consequently, centering on God...

God has never before been able to freely hold celebrations. He had been enchained because of the false parents, but True Parents have liberated Him.

Centering on God, heaven and earth shall exist eternally, night and day, under God's reign and with the support of the True Parents of Heaven, Earth and Humankind.

True Parents will never stop helping; they will continue to do so eternally. These textbooks and teaching materials need to be honored forever. They are unique....

...You should thoroughly teach the Divine Principle, the textbooks and teaching materials True Parents have bequeathed, True Father's autobiography, and absolute marital fidelity taught through the original Divine Principle.

If you live in a household where the grandfather, the grandmother, the mother, the father and the children all hate to see even the shadow of the Fall, you could not possibly be unfaithful to your spouse. If you ever went astray from the heavenly way, you would immediately have to report to your family, and it would be dealt with at once. How could you possibly have an affair, or drink, or include in free sex if you lived in an age in which you couldn't even marry according to your own idea? All that kind of thing needs to be done away with.

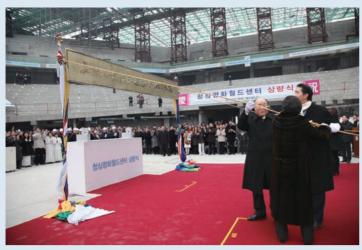
Second, Heaven has permitted the grace of the authority of Seunghwa for rebirth and resurrection to be bestowed on the family unit.

The grandfather in a family will established the Seunghwa Ceremony's authority and grace in the presence of his grand-children, who will have to report it immediately to court and government officials. If anything goes amiss and is reported, it will be dealt with without delay, before its shadow has a chance to expand. The world will not be a place where anyone can engage in free sex. Just wait and see. I cannot forgive such people. I still cannot forget that such people have opposed me....

Doing away with the realm of hell is not my task alone; it belongs to every person in the world. Drunks roaming the streets should be dealt with without delay. Things like alcohol and free sex will be done away with. Even a whiff of such things should be eradicated at once. Such a time is coming.

We cannot leave in the world anything that God dislikes. You men! Among you are those who sin by drinking alcohol three or four times a day! What happiness can you get from

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February 4: True Parents raise a plaque at the Peace World Center marking the near completion of this stadium at Cheongpyeong

doing that? Don't talk nonsense! Do you understand? [Yes] I am saying you should get yourselves in order....

Everyone will become a representative of the law—lawyers, prosecutors and judges—and will uphold what is right and do his or her best to do away with all wrongdoings....

Everything that is wrong should be done away with, burned away; it must be an automatic process. The time is now upon us....

The reign of tranquility and prosperity in the victorious authority centered on God and True Parents shall be eternal.

The world will become a place in which Satan's shadows, which are cast in all four directions, will disappear forever, and only peace and prosperity will reign in the world eternally. Aju! [Aju!] We should be thankful. [Applause]...

Ladies and gentlemen, I have said that less than three years remain until the "D-day" proclaimed by Heaven. I beg that you inscribe in your hearts the fact that we have entered the era of the authority of the cosmic Sabbath in which your family members in the spirit world shall return to the earth to receive the Original Divine Principle education, and where eight generations will live together in a single family.

You should live in peace together, not just with your own brethren but also with people from at least eight nations that have been enemies to yours; you must love them more than your own brothers and sisters. Only then could you become an heir to the liberated world of freedom where even the boundaries of the kingdom of God have been abolished. We must accomplish this task, which will not be easy....

If any among these are unable to participate, True Parents will select others and bring them to perfect that work in their place. Because your ancestors have come to earth, if their descendants fail to fulfill their responsibilities, True Parents will be responsible to make the ancestors complete the work unfinished by their descendants. There is nothing that True Parents cannot do....

WFWP has achieved outstanding results in its activities promoting women's rights, and solving problems of poverty and education for children. WFWP has already been awarded for its work on a number of occasions.

We need to collect donations and take responsibility for young children in poor families around the world. The time has come for Heaven to take responsibility for them....

Historically, Korea and Japan, Japan and the United States, the United States and Russia and other such nations have been enemy nations. The people from these nations will also take part in the cross-cultural marriage blessing on a nationwide scale in order to eradicate the fallen lineage received from Lucifer and inherit the new heavenly lineage.

We now live in an age in which enemies need to marry one another. To save the world, people must love their enemies more than they love their own children, because only then can the godly, unified nation begin on earth. You should never forget this fact.

If you agree, stand up and clap your hands. [Applause] Stand up and clap your hands! [Applause] Thank you. Please sit down. Everything has been done. If you follow my advice to the letter, everything will be done....

This is the sixteenth anniversary, so I will leave the podium now knowing that my responsibility ends only when the mission entrusted to me at the age of seventeen by Jesus is bequeathed to you and you fulfill it. I can't make any promises about when we will meet again, or whether our next meeting will be here or in the spirit world. You need to know that if you are unable to do your part, I am of a mind to disappear without anyone knowing it and to pass into the next world.

I have lived a worthwhile life under God's protection; I will leave behind me a grave that represents my having lived a worthwhile life. I hope you too will lead worthwhile lives in parallel with my life, and when your time comes, that you'll be buried with me in the same burial ground and join me in the garden, and enter the eternal and completely liberated kingdom of heaven where death is nonexistent, and live there with me as its citizens. If you don't want to do that, do what you please; I must do what is right for me.

I will keep the promise I have made today. Nothing I have said is untrue. I hope you will believe what I've said and follow and practice it obediently and bear fruit within three generations. Today marks the sixteenth anniversary of the beginning of the official work of Dae-mo nim, Choong-mo nim, and Dae-hyung nim. And Seon-mo nim⁴ is not here. I hope you will lead valuable lives as in the age when you could have known Seon-mo nim, and become God's firstborn children and grandchildren. I will conclude my speech by congratulating you on this memorial day. Let's say *Eog mansei*. Thank you. *TW*

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⁴ True Father gave Grandmother Se-hyun Ok the title *Seon-mo* (先母 First Mother) upon her ascension in 1998. She had followed Father since the 1940s after meeting him in Pyongyang.