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How Father prayed during the 1950s

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Bible reading: John 14:1-2 (KJV)

14 Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2 In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.

Today I would like to speak to you about how Father prayed during the 1950s.

Father prayed, "Please let us know how to attend You, our God who have been working throughout history. Please allow us to know your situation, God, while throughout history You have worried about humankind and been fighting Satan. Please God, allow us to know your heart as You have maintained hope and You have embraced the people that You chose in order to lead them into the position of glory.

We are grateful for your grace because it is not on our own account that we have come to exist and it is not on our own account that we are able to receive the glory that we obtain today, but because You have given us this grace.

Let us be your representatives in the world; let us be the sons and daughters who can bring your will to fruition in the world.

We are here on earth in order to accomplish your will that You would receive glory through human beings. We sincerely ask that we will be able to bring glory to all humanity, that we can create the foundation for You to be able to reach all humanity and accomplish your will in this world.

Let us not think that we are here just for ourselves but instead let us know that we are here for the sake of the entire universe, and we are here for the future world. Let us be sons and daughters who will not have any shame before the world. We ask that we be proud of this fact that we will be able to have the glory of taking joy in this.

Father, are the people who have gathered here forthright in your presence? Have they become sacrifices? Are they carrying the cross beyond Golgotha? Are they here for the sake of the glory of the future? And have they fought with Satan and have they built up the result of having defeated Satan? Please be with them! Father, we sincerely request that we will be able to become such sons and daughters and we will be able to bring You glory as a result.

Father we sincerely request that we will be able to become sons and daughters who can completely follow You in this way. Let us become sons and daughters of filial piety in your presence.

We pray all this in the name of our Lord."

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"We must become sons and daughters who have no shame in God's presence. This is what True Parents' desire. We ask God to allow us to accomplish this. We need to become filial sons and daughters in the presence of God and we ask God that He lead us in order to accomplish this. We ask all this in the name of our Lord."

These were Father's prayers a long time ago. My message to you today is very simple, and that is: we must become patriots in the presence of God's will. This is what True Father asked of us very sincerely and deeply. We need to think what Father meant when he asked us to be filial children in the presence of God.

"Is it enough that a child brings his parents food, the kind of cooking or the meal that his parents like? Is it enough that he brings all kinds of fancy food to his parents? Is that enough to be a filial child? Or to be a filial child is it enough that we bring all sorts of riches and treasures to our parents?"

No matter if the child were to bring all kinds of wonderful food and all sorts of riches and glory to the parents, if that child does not have a heart of love towards the parents then all those things are not sincere offerings.

A filial child must always go through a course of suffering, so that even if he goes through suffering for the sake of the parents he will consider this as blessing and he will overcome, transcend that suffering, and seek something of greater value.

The greatest thing to pursue is love; it is the love of the child to the parents. In the father- son relationship this is the path of the filial son and that is what he must do. This is a principle that no one can deny; it is absolute."

Father often said that he could not tell us everything that he wanted to. Sometimes when he was praying, he would just pray all night on just one word, on just the word, 'Father'; he would just repeat the word, 'Father' all night!

He would say to God, **"I would like to be able to show You something that I have done, but all I can show You is ruins. I feel terrible!"** He would often shed tears thinking of God's situation.

When we compare the way that Father related to God, and to the way we related to Father, we realize there were many times when we were too arrogant, much too arrogant! When we look back at how we have lived our lives, we realize that many times we were not living for the sake of Father or doing things for the sake of Father, as much as we were doing in order to boast ourselves, in order to advertize ourselves.

“Filial children are children who will put priority on the situation and the heart of the parents. A filial child is one that when he is not able to accomplish his responsibility he looks down, he bows his head to the ground and prays for God not to take away his grace from him. As long as we are not living this way we cannot become filial children, or patriots.”

Father also went this kind of a course in order to become a filial child and a patriot in the presence of Heaven. Father would often say that those who call us heretics would in the future go to difficult and pitiful places. He said, **“That would be when the time of the Unification Church comes.”**

He said that the bowls in which the Unification Church members eat their meals would be bowls of gold, and that the position of the Unification Church members and those who call us heretics would be completely reversed.

“Women must become wives of brave soldiers who are born for the sake of this era, and the men who are born in this situation must become truly brave men. We must live the lives then of being true and filial children and patriots. We must make determination to accomplish this.

Whether you are in our thirties, or forties or fifties you should live your lives for the sake of God’s will, and become proud members of the Unification Church.

If you have had a difficult life until now it should not be a source of resentment; instead you should realize that it has been an opportunity for you to understand the heart of the Parent more deeply. Those difficulties will be like stars in the night sky that will guide you.

A filial son is a son who lives for his parents more than he does for the sake of his wife or his children. It’s only the kind of a man who is able to connect with True Parents that can become the centre of his family. And only that kind of a man can truly form a family that is united with the True Parents and can pass on that position to his children.

It is the person who can become a victor who is able to God’s will on this earth.”

Father said, **“Do you know who is a true patriot? It is the person who takes the model of the filial son in the family and expands it to the level of the nation. He is a person who loves his nation more than he loves his parents or his wife or his children.**

A filial son is one who, if his parents are ill, will even put his life at risk to find a way to cure that illness. So if a person takes the same heart that he has towards his parents and applies that to the nation, he can become a true patriot. Please understand that if you expand your heart that way from the family level to the national level, then God will surely be with you.

I ask that you become people who can take this heart of love for your wife and children and expand that horizontally so you can love the nation and the people of the nation with that same heart; that you will love the nation, that you will love the people in the nation, love your community and love your neighbors that way. The person who can, that way, build a society filled with love in heart is the true filial son and true patriot.

But a patriot is limited to just that country. Even if a person is loved and considered a patriot in his country, that does not make him a person that loves the world at large.

So who is a saint in the world? A saint in the world is a patriot who expands the love that he has for the nation to the world wide level. A saint is one who lives for the entire world and for all of humanity. A saint is the one who take the love that he has for his parents and his love for the nation and expands that to actually live for the sake of the world more than he lives for the sake of his nation. That's the kind of people that I would like for you to become!

That person will transcend all nations, nationalities and races, and he will live for the sake of saving the world, of bringing salvation to the world. So this is the path of the saint; the path that the saint must go!"

These words were spoken by Father in the past and I have given them to you together with his prayers. Please become people of value to the world, who live for your parents, for your nation and for the world at large. Please become like stars that shine brightly in the world and live for the sake of the world.

Thank you very much.

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