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Father was a Person of Incredible Faith

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Readings:

1- Matthew 10: 7-10

⁷ *And as you go preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.'*

⁸ *Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers raise the dead, cast out devils. Freely ye have received, freely give.*

⁹ *Provide neither gold, nor silver, nor brass in your purses,*

¹⁰ *Nor scrip for your journey, neither two coats, neither shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of his meat.*

2- The Way of God's Will: Faith- Church and Church Life

Today I will be reading from the Way of God's Will, the Chapter on Faith, section Church and Church Life, subsection "Church"

The Church is the training ground for the life in heaven.

When you feel like coming to the Church, you should come. If you don't come you should at least either see family members of witness to other people; otherwise you will feel depressed spiritually.

The reason you feel uneasy or you fell like crying in the Church is that you are expecting a circumcision of heart.

Don't ever mistreat guests who come to your Church

Three or more people should watch over the church at night without sleeping, because no one knows what command of Heaven may be issued at any moment.

In our Church, there are some who seem in the position of the highest glory and others who must bear the cross of the world in the worst position. Therefore, the church is the place where all kinds of people are gathered who must help and guide one another.

You should know that when you joined the Unification Church, you brought with you the historical blessing (accomplishments) of your ancestors. But if you should leave the Church, you

would leave these blessings behind. So, remain until the end in order to receive God's final blessing.

The term "Family members" will never disappear even after ages and generations pass. Therefore, true Family members should go over the cross not only on the national level but on the worldwide level. In our Church we call ourselves Family members now because we are destined to go over the cross on the worldwide level.

Don't speak of the Church as if you were an outsider. Don't observe God from a distance, but feel that you are with Him.

The Church is our home and our core family. In order for the core family to become good, its branch families must become good first.

You should feel like visiting the Church early in the morning each morning.

Our Family members are the advertisements for the Church and of God.

The time of worship service is the time of fighting to cut off Satan's chains and lead ourselves to the heavenly side. It is a most serious time in which we re-dedicate our hearts in order to revive our lives. In light of this, you should absolutely be punctual in attending worship service. If you are careless in this matter, your blessing will be taken away.

Since you are called "Family members," you should go beyond a sense of self-centered ownership. In your relationship among yourselves everything is owned in Heavenly Father's name and shared by Him with each one of you. Because I do not think my body belongs to me, I can do anything when I am commanded by God.

When you have meetings, spend much time for testimonies and reports.

If you go to a place of blessing, you will feel that it is like a day of spring. Where a new movement sprouts, it is spring.

You have to think of your church life before your private life.

If someone's sacrifice can give life to the whole, everyone should follow that person's way to be a Family member.

Are there young men and women in the Unification Church who can raise the flag of God's victory and give the glory of victory to all mankind?

An area is a plane when three points are connected; two points only make a line. If you want to tighten your belt, do so firmly.

These are words that Father spoke during the early days of the church. These words give us a great deal of blessing and grace no matter how many times we have read them or how many times we have meditated over them. We have these words that Father has left us and they are like an encyclopedia; by reading them and following them we are able to lead our life of faith in a correct manner. I have read these words many times; this is from the chapter on faith.

Father was a person of incredible faith. Once he spoke this way to me, "Go to the church in your home town and give a sermon on a certain day and at a certain time." I was not able to follow Father's words and unite with them. I said to him, "That's impossible. The established churches oppose us so much and do not even consider us to be a church. So it would be impossible for me to put up an official notice saying that I would go to a certain place at a certain time and speak in a certain way."

Father's faith was not limited by any framework, organization or establishment. It is a faith that naturally wells up from within him; this is the kind of faith that he taught us as well.

If the Unification Church members had done according to what Father taught us, the Church today would not be in its current predicament. Father truly believed in the Living God and that is what he taught us as well.

Jesus said, "Ask and you shall receive, knock and it shall be opened unto you," Father really believed as Jesus did that even without a moment's hesitation God would answer. Today we need to follow Father's model; the model of faith that he showed us. We need to believe that if we ask we shall receive, that if we search we shall find, and that if we knock it will be opened unto us.

Over the sixty years that I spent with Father I saw that when he received reports he did not receive them casually but with great sincerity and dedication. Also when he spoke God's words he would do so with great seriousness, sincerity and dedication. I saw that and I felt that during the time that I spent with Father.

It's not too late! Let's do what Father taught us so that we can stand in the position where we can be recognized by True Father.

Let me give you an example: After going out pioneer witnessing or around as an itinerant worker, I would come back and report to Father. In case I started speaking during his meal, as he was just about to put his spoon into his mouth, he would hold

that spoon outside his mouth, focus on my report and that spoon would stay there until my report was finished.

Father was always very curious, "Whom and what are people talking about? What are they saying?"

Today let us have that same heart. When we have that level of seriousness, of sincerity and dedication, and when we lead and guide the church in that way, I am sure that the spark and fire of revival will be lit.

So let's go forward with certainty and let's be a 2nd Father, in other words let's be his representatives in all that we do; when we do that, I am sure that we can be victorious.

Thank you very much,

Rev. Sun Myung Moon: The Way of God's Will

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