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Great Faith

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Bible Reading: Matthew 14:31 (KJV)

And immediately Jesus stretched forth his hand, and caught him, and said unto him, O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?

Good morning everyone,

Today I'd like to speak to you on the topic: Great faith.

The fall in the Garden of Eden took place because of disbelief or lack of faith, so every religion today teaches that people must have faith. Christianity says that people are saved through their faith in Jesus, Buddhism says that people need to believe in Shakyamuni in order to go to Paradise. Confucianism says that people need to believe in Zi Kongzi (Master Kong) to be saved.

But this faith is not something that comes easily. I have been leading a life of faith for sixty five years – it is my sixty fifth year. During this time I have prayed a lot about how to have faith, how to acquire a deep faith, a great faith; but I have never been able to have as much faith as I would like.

In my search for faith, I came to meet Rev Sun Myung Moon of the Unification Church and through him I discovered what true faith really is. As a result of meeting him, and seeing his faith, I came to realize that I needed to search for true faith. Even though I met him, it was difficult for me to recognize that everything was possible through faith.

I started out in the Presbyterian Church and at one time changed to the Unification Church. At that point I received tremendous persecution from my former colleagues of faith. It was very difficult to endure. I often thought, "I need to give up; I know I need true faith but it is too difficult." I felt that way because the persecution was so severe. I considered, "Being in this new religion is too difficult for me; I know that I should have true faith but I think I am just going to go back to my old church, the Presbyterian Church."

One day I went to where Rev Moon was with the intension of telling him that I was going to go back to my former church. On the way to Rev Mon's place there was a pine tree and as I was passing it, the thought came to me, "Today I am going to make it clear whether to stay or to leave. Today I have to make it very clear, make the final decision."

When I got to where Rev Moon was, I was thinking and feeling in my heart that I was going to tell him, "Ok this is it; I am quitting. Good bye!" but Rev Moon greeted me warmly and spoke to me with great warmth. What he said that day was, "Evangelist Kang, from this day forward,

everything that you believe will come true, every thought you have will be realized and everything that you attempt will succeed." But I could not have that kind of a strong faith.

Father spoke to me with great faith. Rev Moon said, "Right now I am living in a very small hut, but the words that I am revealing will unite Christianity; they will unite Buddhism; they will unite Confucianism; they will unite all religions in the world." I confess that when I heard that, I laughed inside in my mind.

I was listening to Rev Moon talk like this with great faith, but in my heart, I doubted what he said, "Is this really going to happen?" He asked, "Do you have your Bible with you?" I answered, "Yes"" He exhorted me, "Open your Bible to any page and put your finger on any verse on that page." I did that.

I opened the Bible randomly and I came to Mathew chapter 14. Father said, "What does it say in verse 31?" It said *O thou of little faith, wherefore didst thou doubt?* At that point I realized that I needed to believe that Father was the person who knew my past, knew my present and also knew my future. At that point I realized that it was truly who Father was.

He went on, "Right now I am living in this small hut, and there is no one with me, but whatever I believe will come true, whatever I say will come true, whatever I attempt will come true." From that day on I experienced in my own life that this was actually happening, that whatever I believed would come true, what whatever I thought would come true, whatever I said would come true, whatever I did or attempted would be realized. This was an amazing thing for me to experience.

So from that point on I was able to understand that Father knew my past, my present and my future; and not only that, but I could also believe that he knew the people in the spirit world and how they lived when they were on earth.

After that many miraculous things started to happen around me. To give an example: all I would need to do was meet a person, talk to the person and afterwards that person would have strange dreams and experiences, and also their sicknesses would be healed. I could really see through these experiences that Father is the person who knows everything. From that time I trusted 100% that if I believed Father's words, amazing miracles would happen.

I would often go out pioneer witnessing, going to cities where there was no Unification Church foundation and establish churches there. I established four churches in that area of Korea. Every time I went pioneer and witnessing like that I experienced miraculous things that seemed impossible and nevertheless came true.

But it always required faith: it was faith that would heal people's illnesses; it was faith that would allow people to grow in their spirit. Nothing could be accomplished without faith. When I was pioneering I could experience God as the Living God. I was joyfully going through the great difficulties of the pioneer witnessing experience.

The path that we go today is not an easy path; it's a very difficult path. It's difficult to go this path if we think that we are going alone but if we think that the Living God is behind us, that the Living God is walking with us and is helping us, is cooperating with us, then even the most difficult things can be easy and can be joyful.

The extent to which we believe will determine the accomplishment right before our eyes. So let's believe absolutely! Let's believe 100%! What we are trying to achieve is very difficult. There are rivers to cross and mountains to climb; there are things going on in the world that seem humanly difficult for us to deal with. But when we believe in God, when we absolutely know that God is with us, everything can be brought to pass.

When the people of the Unification Sanctuary Church have that kind of absolute belief and in fact trust that what needs to be accomplished has already been done and that we stand on that foundation, then everything that we believe in will come true.

I spoke once before about Mrs. Jeong Seo-Kwon an older woman who was with Father in the early days. She would cure people of their illnesses through prayer. Father said that if she came across someone who was ill, she felt sorry for them, so she prayed. She would even cure someone from leprosy. She said she did not pray for the leper to be cured, she prayed, "You know what? God, it's not important to me whether this leprosy is cured or not; it may be cured, it may not be cured, that's not what's important to me. I am praying now because Father told me to pray over persons like this. So that's all I am doing. I am just doing what Father told me to do?" As a result of that the leprosy was cured.

Even if we come across a dead body lying before us, if we can really believe that the person is going to rise up, if we can really believe it, and pray that way, then amazing things will happen that we would never imagine.

So today let's have that conviction, let's have complete confidence that we can accomplish all these things, and whatever we believe, whatever we think, whatever we say, whatever we do will be realized. Then we will establish this Church as a strong force in the world.

Father often said that when he began his public mission, he understood that he would have to go through difficulties and painful circumstances that were even worse than Jesus' course on the cross. And he added that even if that were to happen, he would never retreat, he would never pull back; he would continue to move forward and he would absolutely plant the flag of victory.

You may think that you are alone, but you are not. There are thousands, even tens of thousands of people behind you, so when you march forward you'll be able to bring about these great things. We may be small, and we may appear weak right now, but when God is with us, when Father conducts his work in the spirit world, and when the entire spirit world is mobilized to work with us, then incredible things will happen.

Each of us is the important factor here. When we absolutely believe, and when our hearts catch fire with the fire of faith, we will accomplish these things. Our church can become a place where each and every person who steps in will raise up their hands in 'aju' and bow their head before God.

Father told me, "Whatever you say will be realized, whatever you think will come true, whatever you do will be accomplished." And sure enough I had such experiences; for example there was a woman who for more than ten years was not able to have a child but after meeting me she could. The important thing is to have the necessary kind of faith. When we do, such amazing things will happen; it will be the case even in our own lives. For those who turn fully to God, He will give his power to accomplish such things.

True Father gave his blessing to Hyung Jin Nim as the 2nd King of Cheon IL Guk, as his representative body, and as his inheritor. He placed the crown on Hyung Jin Nim's head, and he gave the blessing by which he passed on to Hyung Jin Nim all of his authority. Therefore when we center ourselves on Hyung Jin Nim and do our work, amazing things will happen.

Father blessed Hyung Jin Nim as his successor, as his representative body and as his inheritor. This is not something that just anyone can do; it's not something that can be changed. When we become one centering on Hyung Jin Nim, God can work through us, Father can work through us, and all these amazing things will happen.

As we go this way, people persecute us, people say things to us that they should never say, but if we receive that persecution and receive all that hatred with love, not having any hatred in our own hearts, then God can work and amazing things will come about. I hope that all the Unification Sanctuary people were listening this morning, and that all the members who were listening will understand what I am saying, so that you will come together, we can turn things upside down and bring them back to God.

My point this morning is that it all depends on the amount of faith that we all have. When we are able to believe that it has already been accomplished, then we are already standing on that foundation. When we have that conviction, we will be able to sing the great songs of victory.

So let's be the owners, let's be the representative bodies of our Father, let's be his inheritors as well, so we can accomplish all these things centering on the 2nd King,

Thank you very much,

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