

# “Not My Choice. God Has Decided!”

## The Elder Son's Birthright



*In the third year of Hoshea son of Elah, king of Israel, Hezekiah the son of Ahaz, king of Judah, began to reign. He was twenty-five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty-nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Abi the daughter of Zechariah. And he did what was right in the eyes of the Lord, according to all that David his father had done. He removed the high places and broke the pillars and cut down the Asherah. And he broke in pieces the bronze serpent that Moses had made, for until those days the people of Israel had made offerings to it (it was called Nehushtan). He trusted in the Lord, the God of Israel, so that there was none like him among all the kings of Judah after him, nor among those who were before him. For he held fast to the Lord. He did not depart from following him, but kept the commandments that the Lord commanded Moses. And the Lord was with him; wherever he went out, he prospered. **2 Kings 18:1-7***

*I want to leave just one tradition when everything is over, that I pursued the love of God and was a man of the love of God. When you go to spirit world that love is the only asset you will have. That's the only thing you can take with you to the spirit world.  
SMM, **Core of Unification, October 9, 1977***

Hello Richard,

In Sunday's message, Hyung Jin Nim discussed how the Roman Catholic Church and the Orthodox Church believe that their church IS the Kingdom of God. This is the [postmillennial view](#), in which Christ returns after the world has been positively affected by the spread of the Gospel throughout the world.



Some blessed families just have family worship. It is good to have family worship, but they lose the larger community. Gathering and training together in a community is important. The church is the training place which creates a Godly moral culture that supports central blessed families.

Just parenting means a balance of peace and force to protect from threats in a dangerous world. Fathers should seek to be a good and wise judge.

Unificationists know the importance of saving your first sexual experience for your spouse. It's also wonderful if learning to ride a bike and other first life experiences are with your parents. If you raise your children right, then you have already raised your grandchildren. Have the Kingship mindset towards future generations!



In 2008, his older brother Preston was the Vice President of the FFWPU. His father-in-law, Rev. Kwak, was the world president. Then suddenly, True Father chose the skateboarding and martial arts enthusiast youngest son (himself) to be his successor. To emphasize this new appointment, True Father did the crowning 3 times.

The highest church leaders complained to True Father. How can you anoint “number 7” (Hyung Jin Nim)? But Father said, “it is not my choice. God has decided.”



After Father ascended, the leaders thought, “he is dead and therefore we can do whatever we want.” They colluded with Hak Ja Han to remove Hyung Jin Nim from all of his positions in Korea.

At the time, Hyung Jin Nim had control of billions. He could have done legal battles to keep his positions. But what is most important is the Father-Son relationship. Since he could not agree with the changes to Father’s words and

blasphemous corruption of his teachings, Hyung Jin Nim chose to not contest his firings. He didn't want to be involved in their agenda.

It was a critical moral test. Upholding the father-son relationship makes the essential path to the Kingdom of God.

True Father put his hedge of protection around Hyung Jin Nim when, years earlier, many in the church were critical because he was going to study with Buddhist monks. But True Father told church leaders, "I am training him!" He felt his father's love. Once he knew for sure that was real, his entire world started to change. He wanted to know God.

2023 may be full of surprises, but we know that God wins in the end. The epic life comes with highs, lows, sufferings, and attacks, but sooner or later Christ's love overcomes all.

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CORRECTION from last newsletter: Insurers have reported an [40% increase in excess deaths among young and middle aged adults](#) starting in 2021 (NOT 400%, yet still an astounding increase). It's otherwise known as Sudden Adult Death Syndrome, affecting healthy people in their 20s through 50s.

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By Alan Feldsott

The Divine Principle discusses the birthright in terms of the restorative relationship between Jacob and Esau several times. But where is the principle of the original concept of birthright in the Principle? I believe this quote is the only place in the Exposition where it is discussed.

For his part, Satan had seized control of the creation, which God had created by the Principle, and established an unprincipled world having only the outward form of God's intended universe. In the original, principled world, God intended to raise up the eldest son and have him inherit the birthright. Therefore, Satan felt a stronger attachment to the elder son than he did to the younger. Since Satan had already claimed the universe, he vied with God for the elder son, Cain, who was more valuable to him. Because Satan had a strong attachment to Cain, God chose to deal with Abel.

Even in the sinless world that God originally planned, there would be one son who would inherit the birthright from the parents. The one inheriting the birthright is the one who upholds the tradition and culture established by the father, and is the central representative of God in his generation. Originally, the eldest son should have stood in that position. During the course of restoration, it was not the eldest son who was in the position to receive the birthright. In Abraham's family, Jacob, the younger son, received the birthright.

Then what about the family of the messiah, the True Parent? Is the True Parent's family a perfect, sinless family, which stands in the exact position of Adam's family had they not fallen? Is the messiah's family one in which the children have no trace of sin or fallen nature?

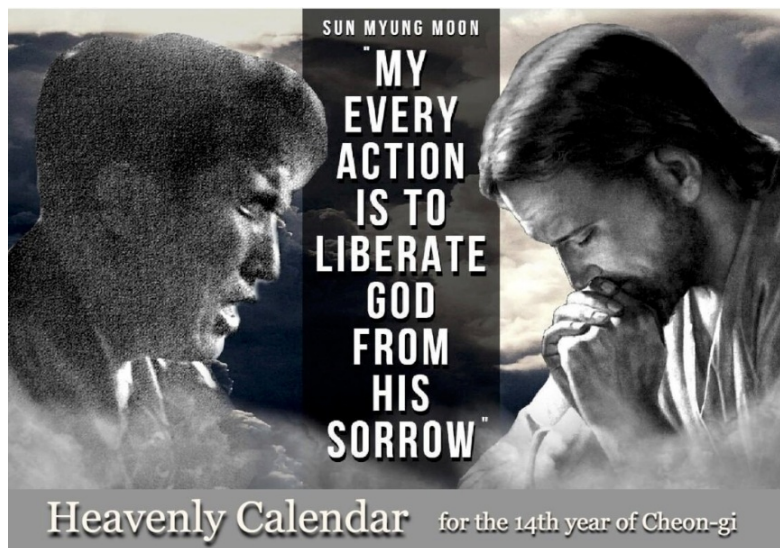
In 1983, True Father explained that a single representative of True Father would be chosen:

“There will always be a physical representative of the True Father here on earth, from one generation to another; there will be that axis on which the earth will turn. Therefore, all of you here on earth and all the people in the generations to come will be centered upon the same axis.” God’s Will and the World

Even in the messiah’s family, the children are not all equal in terms of their level of purity, their life standards, and their relationship with their parents and God. We have seen this in real life. Among those children, the messiah must choose the son closest to God who can inherit the birthright. True Father made his wishes perfectly clear in the years before his passing.

(Read rest of [The Elder Son's Birthright](#))

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