

“Father’s internal and external appearance”

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Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him. (John 14:6-7)

Today I would like to speak to you about Father’s appearance, both internal and external, as I observed it. Father externally was a tall man, large build, with the appearance of a military general, and even though he had small eyes, he could see much farther than anyone. He was a very impressive person; he was powerful and looked like a strong man.

When he walked, with each step he took, you could see he was taking that step with determination. When he stood in front of a large crowd of people, he looked like a very brave general. He looked like a person who would play soccer well, and also who would be good in wrestling. He enjoyed singing and dancing; he was very good at fishing and hunting. He said that hobbies would be very important in the Kingdom of Heaven to come, and he practiced those words himself.

There are three types of people. First are the people who are able to know things before others; they are sort of prophetic people. Then there are people who come to know things a little bit later; they are the ones who follow along further behind. Then there are people who never get it, who never realize the truth; they are people who appear to have eyes but they are actually blind.

Father was a person sent by Heaven as a prophetic person; he knew things that others did not yet know. Some people say that Father knew everything from the moment that he was born. Of course, most people have to go through the process of learning, understanding, and realizing things before they can know them and act according to them.

Father was a person who made the light shine in a dark world; the world had been dark, completely dark after the fall of Adam, and after the crucifixion of Jesus. Father came along as the first light in that dark world. Humanity was suffering from hunger, famine, and war, and had lost hope, but Father brought new hope and new glory to humanity.

Because he is such a precious person, we need to study and know him more deeply. First of all, Father is the True Father of humanity who showed the model of true love. **More concretely, we can say that although there have been people throughout history who have brought certain aspects of the truth, Father is the only person who has brought the real truth, and in that respect he is unique.**

Father loved his children very much, and he loved his Cain-type children more than he loved his Abel-type children. The Bible says, “Those who follow me must love me more than they love their own wife or children,” and Father practiced those words himself.

Father, like rich people in the secular world, had expensive cars, even a plane and expensive homes; some people misunderstood him for that reason. But he never used any of those items only for himself. Instead of using them for private purposes, he always used them for public purposes.

He never used these boats, cars, or planes because he wanted to go somewhere and have a good time by himself or because he wanted to meet and enjoy private time with his family. They were never used for those purposes. Father always lived a public life; every moment of his life, he worked and did everything to bring salvation to his Cain-type children. He might have been on a yacht, in an expensive car or in a plane; still he would continually speak and teach the Word of God to carry out the Providence.

Father also knew the importance of time and used time very effectively. I think he probably slept less than anyone else in the world. He did not have time set aside for meals, instead he would use the time that he spent with his children or with his disciples to take his meals. He did not leave for tomorrow things that would normally be done tomorrow; instead he would try to do things before they should be done. He would try to do them as quickly as possible. When someone would say to him, "Why don't you go to a certain place tomorrow?" he would reply, "Why wait till tomorrow? Let's go today!" Should someone tell him, "Oh! There is a good piece of real estate you might be interested in," he would say, "Well, let's go now! Let's go look at it now." If someone enquired, "Why don't you wait till tomorrow?" he would answer, "There are even more important things waiting for me tomorrow. Let's go now!"

Father would say, "I don't have the custom of relaxing and taking it easy, so even if I were to find myself in a situation where I could relax, I would have to work, because that's what I do." Father passed into the spirit world when he was more than 90 years old but, even at that age, he was living each day two or three times more effectively and fruitfully than others. He was 90 years old, and he was living life two or three times more than others so you could say that he was 180 years old, or even 270 years old.

He showed the model of loving his children, his family, more than any others. We saw how he invested his blood, sweat, and tears, and how he would forget that investment and continue to give more and more of himself. Because he invested himself that way, he could give the Holy Blessing to 360 million and even 400 million couples. He was able to give resurrection to more than half of the world's population before he passed on to the spiritual world.

People in this world find it difficult to raise one child or two, but Father devoted himself completely to bringing salvation to all the people of this world and even to the people in the spiritual world.

Father taught us that truth is strong, and that falsehood eventually will crumble. He showed us so we could understand that true love could only be accomplished through sacrifice and service.

He was the True Educator, the True Teacher for humanity. He devoted his whole life to spreading God's truth. He established the Unification Church for that purpose; he also started kindergartens, elementary-, middle-, and high schools as well as universities. He did not just create educational institutions but he himself went the path of the True Teacher.

Father's words resonated in the hearts of many, many people and brought them salvation. He was not just a normal teacher; he showed us God's love. He was a person who lived a life that was incomparable to any other. If it were not for Father's words soaked with his sweat, how else could God's Will have taken root in this world?

Father left some 1,000 volumes of his speeches. This is something that no other person in history had accomplished. No other religious texts can bring about change in a person's character the way Father's words can. It is only because Father was a True Teacher that he was able to raise up true disciples.

Father established the "Three Subjects Thinking." That is to say that he is the True Parent, the True Teacher, and the True Owner.

I have spoken a long time already so I will stop here for today.

Thank you very much.