The Intrinsic Impact of the Blessing

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Personal Reflection

Everybody living in this world has experienced some type of misfortune and pain. In most cases, the misfortune and pain that we experience engender conflicting feelings within us. When these feelings are nurtured for too long, they may end up turning into resentments. And the more these resentments are harbored, the more likely they will fester into hatred. And the more hatred one has, the more one might plot to seek revenge, destruction, conflicts, war, etc.

There cannot be world peace if people continue to harbor resentments. The Blessing helps dissolve resentments.

The Blessing (with uppercase "B"), sometimes referred to as the Marriage Blessing, is a sacrament of marriage that is sanctioned by God on the victorious foundation established by Father Moon and Mother Moon who are also known as the True Parents. In short, the Blessing is a holy matrimony established by a man and a woman for and with God on the foundation established by the True Parents.

The True Parents can be said to be religious figures in that there is nothing they do that is not connected to God. Dare I say, there is nothing the True Parents do that does not come from God. The Blessing is no different.

It is my understanding that there are many levels of resentments—individual level resentments, family level resentments, tribal level resentments, ethnic level resentments, etc. There are also several types of resentments such as personal resentments, collective resentments, and hereditary resentments.

Personal resentments are resentments that have risen from experiences that an individual has gone through. These resentments are at the individual level. Collective resentments are resentments that have risen from experiences that an individual has gone through as a member of a group. This is so whether or not the individual who harbors these resentments has been directly in the numbers of those who have suffered the cause of said resentments.

Family level resentments, tribal resentments, and ethnic level resentments are collective resentments. Collective resentments are applicable to a community be it a group of people, a family, an organization, etc.

Hereditary resentments, on the other hand, are resentments that we have inherited from our ancestors, including our parents. These are resentments that the person carrying them hasn't been among those who suffered the injustice firsthand. Some family level resentments, tribal level resentments, ethnic level resentments, and national level resentments can also be hereditary resentments. We are sometimes unaware of harboring these resentments until we are put in a situation that serves as a trigger.

To this day, humanity hasn't had a solution to the array of hatred caused by all these resentments. People have arranged marriages between warring tribes and kingdoms with no long-lasting impact. This is because these marriages have mostly addressed economic and political issues. They have not addressed the root causes of these hatreds or conflicts found within individuals or between groups of people. The root causes of these hatreds and conflicts lie in the resentments that human beings have harbored, sometimes through generations.

Although resentments may develop from experiences that we have personally gone through (personal resentments), some of them are inherited by association (collective resentments), and some of them are inherited through blood lineage (hereditary resentments). All these resentments can be dissolved fundamentally only through the Blessing.

The Blessing is a sacrament that gives human beings a platform upon

which to connect to God's lineage and start anew. Through the Blessing, we inherit God's love and all the qualities that come with it. And in time, as we strive to substantiate the eternal values of God's love, we progressively eradicate the foundation upon which any resentment can be harbored. Hence through the Blessing, the True Parents have offered to humanity a new paradigm that allows for the dissolution of all the resentments—personal or otherwise.

The Blessing is the solution to all the conflicts that exist today be it at the individual level, family level, or otherwise. Because the Blessing is not a magic wand, individual commitment and involvement are of a paramount importance. Attention to details is also required.

The difference between economic/political marriages and the Blessing is the foundation they are established upon. The foundation of the Blessing is God and His ideal of true love. This means that those who are genuinely connected to this foundation inherit its values. From this foundation come a new tradition and a new culture: a tradition and culture of true love. The result is that all human beings will eventually become interconnected as one family under God. Hence, the Blessing is the eternal means through which true and everlasting world peace will be established.

The Blessing is also the tool that we can use to change not only our personal fortune but that of the whole humanity as well. That is the Intrinsic Impact of the Blessing

Thank you for reading.

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