

(Partial Notes)

FATHER SPEAKS AT BARRYTOWN

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You yourselves are absolute beings. The way you are going and following is the absolute position. You are in there to glorify God and praise True Parents. Such an absolute being does something valuable. It doesn't make any difference what others say, just you be strong in following Father's direction and absolute in carrying that out.

Father knew about Communism and he told America about this threat, but they never believed it. So we must now protect and keep that absolute position. No matter what other people want you to believe in, you must not waver.

So after coming to the Seminary here at Barrytown, there is one thing that must be clear: that you already understand the Principle regarding God. Then here at UTS you must learn what others believe about God in order to be more fully educated. Then you can be better equipped to teach others the truth.

In order to have complete knowledge about religion you must also learn about theology. That is why you came here to study. You must understand the purpose of being here. According to the absolute truth, the Divine Principle, theologians are wrong; Christians are wrong. So the wrong things that they believe we eventually have to correct. You must accomplish this in a reasonable way, not arrogantly or from a position of fanaticism or ignorance. That is why you are here to study.

Most American students have been made dull with the liberal immorality and pseudo-intellectual education in American universities. That is why it is necessary for Father to re-train you. A doctor may have a degree that signifies that he has studied medicine, but he must learn the steps of treatment and must practice in order to actually cure the patients. Everybody must eventually abide by this basic Principle; you must not only become true disciples of True Parents, but you are to become strong leaders of this country.

It is not only through attending UTS that you gain knowledge and get to know about God, but also by working on the "front lines" you get to know Him. God never wrote any theological dissertations. This law of indemnity is absolute and the way to becoming a confident and righteous person no matter what others say. After you experience and see that going the indemnity path works, you will see God. After going through many conditions of indemnity then God will help you all you want. Then you will know and be sure that God exists beyond the realm of this world. Your professors here at the Seminary don't like nor approve of the "indemnity path," but they too must know that Satan is real and exists.

Father always seeks Indemnity because he knows that's where God is. Father "fights" against all Americans not because he doesn't like America, but because he knows that God is behind that fight

against immorality and against Communism. How great we become depends upon how much indemnity we pay. This is one superb law we can go by. Anyone who does not go that way, even Dr. Quebedeaux, (who was standing by the door) cannot reach God. Father knows Dr. Quebedeaux is listening so Father says that it is necessary for everyone to go the "restoration" path. There are so many evil spirits; if in this area where people are studying truth, if you don't keep strong, spiritually then those spirits will find an appropriate place to hide. (your body.)

But we can see the results of what Father started and what Father predicted many years ago. Was there even one American person or official who really welcomed Father to this country? Even those in the Unification Church in America in the beginning were not so enthusiastic in carrying out Father's will.

There is only one way to find out your own spiritual level and that is to just test to see your hardness of faith. How is the strength of your faith, lukewarm or great? (great!) If you answer, don't say "grey" but "great." Father believes that it is appropriate that Father's words get in your heads before the professor's words get in your heads. (laughter).

When students were first recruited to come here to the Seminary they were fresh and enthusiastic, but later after several years of intellectual study they got bound up by many things. When you graduate can you promise Father that you will be just as inspired and anxious as you are now? (Yes!)

By the time you graduate there may be a great universal storm coming this way, yet you have to survive. Father is counting on seeing from you the strength to save all of mankind. Father's work throughout his lifetime can be compared to a universal seed; then everyone who survives the strongest storm will inherit that "seed" from Rev. Moon to plant in his own life. This is one "seed" - one purpose - all the storms that Father has gone through, from the individual, family, nation, and the world levels. Someday Rev. Moon's "seed" will even grow in the Kremlin Garden! (clapping).

There are some "short-brained" people who say things like: "Oh, Rev. Moon is really a genius, it's through his own members paying the indemnity that he is saving people." Then why does Father say you must sacrifice for the sake of the family? When an Individual sacrifices for the sake of the family then that person's seed will survive and grow. If they sacrifice for the sake of their clan and nation, then there will be many towns and many cities where that person's "seed" will flourish and be so beautiful.

Father has tried to teach the nation of America that it has got to sacrifice for the sake of the world. If someone "planted" you, where would you like to be "planted"? (South America, Africa, anywhere). Father has planted his seed in the bosom of young people everywhere around the world. So are you willing to bear and bring into fruition that seed?

There's a big man here from Washington, D.C. (Dan F. stands up). It took him 13 years to grow - he must have "digested" something. He has eaten too much from stress and frustration, but while he is here there is WonHwa-Do, tennis, etc. and good study habits to improve his stature.

Where will your seed be planted and grow? Father's seed has already been proven it will sprout and grow in black countries (Africa), South American countries, as well as in white (European) countries; it even grows in the business world. (laugh).

It even grows in the hard soil of the religious world; look at Dr. Quebedeaux's head that is nodding up and down. (clapping). You may have your own seed right now but it is not so valuable; you need to go through all the harsh storms and survive and then your seed will become like Father's seed.

Once you take on and follow Father's actions and words you will become the same kind of seed. If you don't then you will just become barren soil. If you take Father's seed from his tree you will become a branch. Then you can eventually become part of Father's root. Where does the root of a tree stay? In the ground. The smell is not so clean. Do you know the worst places in America where everyone dumps their garbage, garbage dumps? That is the kind of place where Rev. Moon has to take the young people out of and restore them.

The Communists were really attacking Rev. Moon right after the Washington Monument Rally when Father said in his speech that we would be "marching to Moscow." Most people just laughed at Rev. Moon and said that he was crazy. But we must go this way if we want to save the whole world.

Now you know, so you can never be mistaken that to defer Satan you must ask for and go through the most powerful way of indemnity. Do you want to do this? (Yes!) Really? (Yes!) we must make hammers to forge the way of indemnity into history. You have so far guessed right, so long as you are the children of True Parents then they cannot deny what their children really want. So I guess Father has to make more 'hammers'; he just has to keep busy making more and more hammers. After you go this way, then you must make more 'hammers.'

So far this afternoon Father has been in the position of a lecturer, but now Father wants to finish his lecture quickly and go on his way. (No!) Well it's just like you don't like to go overtime in your study and classes, so you must eat lunch and get back to your class. Father could speak to you longer, but he does not need to; his heart is happy that you are enthusiastic and eager. So do you need the "hammer of indemnity"? (Yes!) Well, Father is still using it, but someday I'll give it back. (clapping).

Father ended with prayer.

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