**Session 1: Introduction, Creation**

1. True Love Seminar, (1-Day Seminar)
   1. Welcome – personal self-introduction
   2. Love is important to all of us – because we know in our hearts that it is the key to our happiness.
   3. Rev Moon stated that there are two kinds of love. One that is focused on getting your own happiness, and the other, what he called “True Love”, finds happiness in the happiness of others.
2. Who are we?
   1. Family Federation – families, and single people preparing for their future families, who are working together to realize a more peaceful world – One Family Under God
3. Photos: The Family Fed has young people, families, and communities of families that are growing in cities across America and in every corner of the world
4. In this seminar we will cover 2 major topics
   1. Life’s most critical questions: an overview of the Divine Principle
      1. This will be covered in the sessions 1-3
      2. There are important questions that must be answered – if we are to succeed in finding happiness and in making a better world.
      3. The DP offers a view of life that will answer those questions with clarity. It will empower you – and demonstrate that we really can make a better world
   2. The story behind the Family Federation and the Blessing Movement, and the special role that its founders Rev and Mrs Moon play in today’s world
5. Let’s get started with the first topic, An Overview of the Divine Principle (Test – how it has benefited you)
6. As we stated earlier, we are all searching for Happiness (fundamental human quality)
7. This search is a search for an ideal. What we call **The Ideal of Creation** is within every person (Ex)
   * 1. This is the first question that life gives us – why are we here? What is the goal of human life? What is this Happiness, this Ideal that we are trying to reach?
     2. The first part of the Divine Principle clarifies what the ideal is.
8. One point we can say from the start – True Love is an essential component of the Ideal
9. The tragic reality – is that people pursue a self-centered love. This has taken us far from the Ideal, so far that some have given up hope of ever finding it.
10. Instead of an Ideal, we find ourselves in a state of contradiction (PEx)
    1. The second critical life question is – How did we get into this state of contradiction? What went wrong? Where did evil come from? What is blocking us from realizing the Ideal?
    2. Part 2 of the DP, The Fall, reveals the origin of the contradiction we find ourselves in
11. This brings us to the 3rd critical question of life – how do we make things better?
    1. Once we know where we need to go (the Ideal) and once we know what went wrong (The Fall), we can understand what needs to be done to restore the Ideal.
    2. Part 3 of the DP, is called Restoration. It explains the path by which we can restore the Ideal that was lost.
    3. The session on Restoration will reveal God’s basic strategy for fixing the world. It will enable us to understand what we can do today to improve our lives and our world
    4. The reason the DP offers so much hope to so many people – is that it offers a clear understanding of these three points.
12. One important result of the Fall – has been our decent into ignorance
    1. If we do not know the answers to these three critical questions – what is the Ideal we are seeking?, how was it lost?, and what is the way to restore it? - we will not be able to change the world for the better
13. Example of broken smart phone. The ideal is your phone working as it should. The Fall is when you broke it. Once it is broken aren’t you desperate to get it working? You take it to the repair shop, but, although improved (broken screen is replaced) what if it still does not work? You take it again – and, although the phone turns on, the most important functions still don’t work. You take it again, but still it doesn’t work.  
    You finally realize the repair person does not know how to fix your phone – and you look for someone who can.
14. Due to the human fall, we fell into ignorance of the Ideal and True Love. For a very long time people lived based on fear and superstition
    1. 4,000 years ago, God spoke to Abraham and called upon him to have faith
    2. 400 years later God gave Moses the 10 commandments
    3. Even later, about 2000 years ago – Jesus brought a higher truth from God – that God is love, that God is our Heavenly Father.
    4. God’s truth has come to us through history, in steps – progressively.
       1. Because He can only reveal what we can handle
       2. Jesus wanted to reveal more, but could not
       3. John 16:12 “I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth…”
       4. John 16: 25 “Though I have been speaking figuratively, a time is coming when I will…tell you plainly about my Father…”
    5. Today, people who want the world to “work” know that something in our understanding is missing. (Like the smart phone that does not work – you look for someone who understands why it does not work and how it can be fixed)
    6. Religions of the world have helped in many ways, but still they could not bring the world, not even their own people, into the ideal. In fact, at times religious dogma has become the source of conflict.
    7. The Divine Principle is offering a more clear explanation that can show us what true love is and how we can make our lives and the world better
15. In 1935, when Rev Moon was just 15 years old, on Easter morning, he was praying desperately on a mountain near his home. He was born in Korea at a time when the Japanese Empire occupied his country. It was a very severe occupation that lasted 40 years – during that time many suffered and many were killed. He was asking God why evil was able to dominate this world. Why couldn’t God stop it? Why do good people have to suffer?
    1. At that time Jesus appeared to him – he told him that God does love the world and that God has done all God can do to end the evil of the world. That is why God sent Jesus 2000 years ago.
    2. But God cannot do anything if people do not do their part.
    3. Jesus called upon the young Rev Moon - to take responsibility to work with God in order to end human suffering and God’s suffering.
16. From that point Rev Moon began a search for the truth. Through that search God revealed to him the content of the DP – the Ideal, the Fall, and the path of Restoration
    1. Some of what you will hear will be familiar, and some will be new.
    2. Most important aspect of the DP is that it reveals the heart of God – God’s heart by which He created, God’s painful heart when He saw His children fall, and God’s long suffering heart as He has tried to lead humanity out of ignorance and back to Him.
17. Father’s Quote – heart of God
18. (Optional) For those who don’t believe in God, or are not sure if God exists;
    1. If God our Heavenly Parent and cares about us – why doesn’t he respond to me?
    2. It’s true, if you call out to God, he may not respond. Why?
    3. If you imagine God’s heart is like the sun – what we are going to learn is that humanity chose, instead of seeking the sun, to dig a hole. Over time, people have dug that hole deeper and deeper. If you live in a hole 1000 feet underground can you just decide one day, “I want to feel the sun on my cheek” and it will happen? No – you have to first make effort to come up out of the hole before you can experience the sun.
19. Now let’s get started with the first part of the DP, the Ideal of Creation –
20. To understand the Ideal of Creation that we all seek, we need to go back to the origin of the Ideal, God. We need to know the nature of the 1st Cause of all things – God
21. (Optional) If you don’t believe in God, that is okay. View it as a hypothesis. Assume, for this seminar, that God does exist. Then, if that view point leads to the discovery of the answers to life’s critical questions, and that results in a better life and a better world, you might re-consider your non-belief in God
22. Who is God? God can be defined simply – as the absolute ORIGIN of all things (including time and space)
    1. Not easy to know God, because as the absolute being, the origin of time and space – God must be invisible
23. St Paul had an important insight that can help us discover who God is. Rom 1:20 – we can know the invisible God by observing the visible creation (all things)
24. It’s like learning about the invisible idea in the mind of an artist by looking at his or her works.
    1. To understand God’ s nature, we need to find that which is universal in all things
25. All things consist of dual characteristics, of Internal and external
    1. Give examples: people have mind/body, Animals have Instinct/Body, Even plants and minerals are guided by invisible laws that guide them to act as they do.
26. Therefore God is a God possessing dual characteristics of Internal mind (intellect, emotion and will – and heart) and External Form (energy and natural law)
27. In addition, all things consist of dual characteristics of positive and negative, masculine and feminine - (examples of atoms, molecules, minerals, plants, animals)
28. Therefore God is a God of both masculine and feminine characteristics
29. Bible Quote – why is this so important?
30. Rev Moon Quote.
    1. Why is it so important that all things exist in duality? Because, as we will learn, God is a being of heart who wanted to manifest love in a substantial relationship. Love is a relationship that requires 2. Therefore the universe was designed for relationship, and the ultimate relationship is love.
    2. The universe was designed to manifest love, true love
31. Let’s look at how the universe came to be - the process of the creation of the universe
    1. Within God there is God’s external form, this is God’s energy. We call it UPF
    2. Creation, time and space, began with the Big-Bang, when God, the Origin, divided himself (his energy) into two, subject and object types. Next ….
32. That division, consisting of subject and object – instead of coming into oneness as it was within God the origin, was designed by God to come together through a relationship, a relationship of giving and receiving action.
    1. Most relationships are automatic, governed by the laws of nature, but all relationships are representative of the ultimate relationship of giving and receiving, which is true love
33. Through this relationship the two, subject and object, can become one in a union, keeping their individual identities.
34. Example – atom
    1. Proton stays a proton, electron stays an electron. But as an atom, they become one through their relationship
35. This model for all existence is universal. We call it the 4 Position Foundation.
36. The particular 4 position Foundation which most fully enables God to be manifested, (God’s heart), is the family; husband, wife, and children.
    1. This is because it, the family, manifests all the types of true love that are necessary for happiness
37. God is the Heavenly Parent whose love is fully manifested in a family.
    1. Love is not just one kind – there are 4. We call them the 4 realms of heart
    2. Children seeking the happiness of their parents, siblings seeking the happiness of each other, husband/wife’s seeking the happiness of their partner, parents seeking the happiness of their children
    3. For a man to be happy – must experience love as son, brother, husband, father
    4. For a woman to be happy – must experience love as a daughter, sister, wife, mother
    5. Parental love is the greatest love – it expresses the heart that most fully seeks the happiness of others. It reveals God’s most fundamental nature as our Heavenly parent’.
    6. This is also the foundation of goodness – because what decides if we are good, is the extent to which we love others with true love (Ex)
    7. This is the Ideal of Creation (ie Kingdom of Heaven on earth).
       1. This is the place where we can experience the highest happiness
38. Rev Moon Quote
39. (Optional)
    1. Think of God as an invisible seed and we are going to discover what kind of seed He is by looking at the fruit that is produced –
    2. God began creation through His energy.
40. (Optional) From that, through the origin division union process – 4 position foundations were created of greater and greater complexity. Energy produced particles, Particles produced atoms, atoms produced molecules, complex molecules (DNA) produced life, plant life, animal life, and ultimately the creation of man and woman.
    1. We are ultimate creation of the universe.
    2. Only people can love and appreciate all things (PEx)
    3. The universe is like a museum that fulfills its purpose when people come to see it
41. (Optional) Some people think they are on top of the universe. Fallen people misuse the creation as though they were lords. But we did not make the universe and we did not make ourselves. We have the ability to love so that we can relate to the origin, God, who is a God of love.
    1. The ultimate fruit of creation is heart
       1. 4 levels of heart, the ultimate heart is parental love.
       2. Therefore God the “seed” is parental love. We call God our Heavenly Parent. Our fundamental relationship with God is one of heart
42. Now let’s discuss more specifically the question of our purpose - why we were created – ie. Why did God Create?
    1. This will help us understand the purpose of our life, How we fulfill our purpose, and what is our long term future (what lies beyond our physical life).
43. Purpose does not come from me. I did not create myself. To find our purpose we need to ask the Origin God, “Why did I come into existence?”
    1. Why did God create man and woman? God created from His heart – to substantially experience joy through love.
       1. God created, because substantial Love requires a substantial object.
       2. The purpose of the relationship of love is to experience joy (happiness – what we started this presentation with)
       3. Bible , Matt 5:48
       4. God created Man and woman – to be the object that could reflect God 100% (not 99% - it would not work. Ex of husband and wife – is it okay to love another person 1%, 1 of every 100 days?)
44. How can we fully reflect God? This was explained to us by God when he gave the first man and woman the 3 Blessings
45. First Blessing – become a mature individual
    1. Mind (conscience) and body (actions) are in total harmony – living a life of true love
46. A mature person – Temple of God (where God can dwell), One with God – in thought and deed. Can Feel God’s heart
    1. When God sees this person it brings Him joy. He or She acts the way God would act.
47. Jesus was an example of a true person. He truly lived a life of true love, for the sake of others
48. 2nd Blessing – multiply = family of true love
49. As we discussed earlier, this is where all 4 types of God’s love can be experienced.
    1. It is the school of love
    2. This brings God and all tremendous joy!
50. This is not just about the immediate family – this family and its love can grow and expand without end – to the community, nation, world, and cosmos
51. The 3rd Blessing – True Dominion
    1. We have abused the creation – as false lords, for our selfish purpose (always looking to gain $) (Ex)
    2. We have to take care of creation as a gift from God, with wisdom and love
    3. God created all things to provide us with a medium through which we can express, through creativity, our love –
       1. Ex – we look beautiful for our spouse, we create something for our loved one, through writing, music, art, architecture, sports, etc.
       2. Ex - With just a 6 string guitar how many love songs can be written?
    4. Knowledge, Career, talents and skills, possessions and wealth, hobbies, appearances
52. The 3 Blessings bring joy to God and all people – this is the Kingdom of God. Cannot find better happiness anywhere.
53. (Optional) This is critical – because we all want to find value, to like ourselves. We find our true value when we connect to God’s heart as an individual, in our family, and in and with the creation
    1. In the fallen world, people never find their relationship of love with God in the first Blessing, and so they seek value in romantic relationships (if that person loves me, as I want them to, I will by happy), and in career and accomplishments (fame, fortune, good looks, etc) (Ex)
    2. When we die, this is all lost. If our source of value is in God, as God’s child – we will take that into our family and into our work and our accomplishments
    3. This is why we need to set aside time (like this seminar) to find how we can fulfill the 1st Blessing and discover our true value as God’s child
54. The Growing Period and our Portion of Responsibility
    1. Now we are going to discuss how we were originally designed to fulfill the 3 Blessings – and become a person of True Love
    2. Everything goes through a process of growth to become what they are to become   
       Egg – chicken, seed – tree, volcano – mountain, baby – adult, etc
    3. We divide the process of growth into 3 stages, Formation, Growth, and Completion (based on 3 stage process of creation – origin, division, union)
55. All things grow by God’s principles, what are commonly called natural laws (physics, chemistry, botany, etc.)
    1. This is automatic process. Everything does what God designed it to do (Ex)
56. People are different. Like all things, our body grows automatically according to natural law.
    1. But we have a Spirit. Within our spirit is our Heart – the ability to love
       1. The heart is special. It is not controlled by laws of nature
       2. We must make effort to grow our heart – so that it becomes one with God’s heart
       3. This is our responsibility – not God’s
57. Even God does not control our heart – therefore, in the heart, there is the possibility for good & evil. As we shared at the beginning, love can be all about me, or love can be about finding happiness in the happiness of others.
    1. God put us in this position of responsibility for love, so that we could fully reflect Him and be His children.
    2. By fulfilling this responsibility we were stand as Co-creators with God and lords of creation
58. In order that we would know how to guide our heart - God gave us guidance about love.
    * 1. The 3 Blessings: first become a person of true love, then you can engage in love with others
         1. In other words, keep your purity until you are a true person – capable of being a good parent, a representative of God, to you children
59. God also gave the Commandment – do not eat of the fruit of the tree of knowledge of good and evil.
    * + 1. The only thing in all of God’s creation that can go in a good or an evil direction is love. The fruit was the symbol of love
        2. This was a commandment not to engage in sexual love prematurely. Love based on God’s ideal produces good fruit. But love based on self-centered desires produces spiritual death and human tragedy
60. In summary
    1. Man and woman – unlike the rest of creation – were created to become God’s children and Lords of Creation
    2. If the first man and woman had kept faith in God’s guidance, the 3 Blessings and the Commandment, their hearts would have grown to be like God’s. They would have fulfilled the 3 Blessings and God’s Ideal would have begun from their family
    3. Sadly, as we know, this is not what happened. We will discuss how love was corrupted and turned in the direction of evil in the next presentation.
61. Before we end this presentation, we have one more topic to cover –
    1. What is the long term plan? What happens when we die?
    2. Just as God created us with a mind and body, and all things have an internal and external aspect, so also the cosmos contains two worlds, the physical and the spiritual
    3. If you believe God exists, it makes sense. God, who is eternal, would want his children to also be eternal.
    4. (Matthew 17:1-5 – Mt of transfiguration, Spiritual experiences)
62. We each have a spirit mind and body and a physical mind and body. We also have 5 physical and 5 spiritual senses with which to perceive the 2 worlds – although since the fall our 5 sp senses have become dormant.
63. The key point is that, whereas your physical self is temporary, your spirit self is eternal
64. Therefore your spirit is most important. But the interesting thing about the relationship between your physical self and spiritual self is that the physical life is what shapes and determines where your spirit will go when you die.
65. Explain diagram
66. Three phases of life.
    1. Passing from the physical life into the spiritual world at death is similar to passing from the mother’s womb into the world of air and sunlight
    2. Time period in the womb and in your phys life is temporary – but crucial for preparation
       1. Ex developing our lungs, stomach, etc
       2. If we do not develop our ability to love during our earthly life – we will find ourselves in bad shape in our spiritual life
67. Your physical life is precious - it provides you with an opportunity to create a wonderful future
    1. You are wise to spend part of it here learning God’s word

**Session 2: The Human Fall**

1. The Human Fall
   1. In this presentation we will discuss one of the great questions of human history – what is the origin of evil?
2. DP Quote - Everyone has experienced suffering and sorrow to some degree. Introduction – unanswered question of history, How can there be evil when God is all good and all powerful? (Edvard Munch “The Scream”)
3. There are two forces at work in our lives, the Force of love and the Force of Principle
   1. The force of love is stronger. Why?
      1. Source of life and joy
      2. The dominion of law and principles can never bring joy – we would be like robots. The only dominion that can bring joy is the dominion of love
4. Review Human Responsibility
   1. We are responsible for the direction of our heart
   2. Love, must be free for it to be love.
   3. Love has two possible directions – Evil (selfish (centered on my happiness as I want it) ) vs. Good (God’s love, finding joy in the happiness of others).
5. To guide us – how to direct our hearts, God gave us guidance – in the 3 blessings and in the commandment – do not eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil
   1. If the first man and woman had followed God’s guidance regarding love, love would not have caused them to fall
   2. God’s guidance = the 3 Blessings and the Commandment not to eat the fruit of good an evil
6. According to scripture the first couple began their relationship of love not in the realm of God’s love, but in the darkness of the fallen realm. Light is a symbol of God’s true love, darkness is a symbol of the fallen self-centered love
   1. Let’s examine this story more closely
7. Bible is filled with symbols
   1. Some believe sin is the result of eating an actual fruit
   2. Bible Quote, Matt 15:10-11
   3. Let’s look at the symbols contained within the story of the human fall
8. Review the Genesis story – Tree of Life, Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil, Fruit of the T of K/G&E, Adam and Eve, and the Serpent.
   1. The two trees were symbols of Adam and Eve
   2. Rom 11:17 Tree = person
9. We already discussed the fruit of the tree of good and evil as a symbol of love
10. Bible Quote.
    1. Love is the only element in God’s creation that can go in the direction of good and evil.
    2. It would have been good - If Adam and Eve had kept God’s guidance and abstained from love until they reached maturity as God’s true son and daughter – then their love (eating the fruit) would have created a Godly family and they would have given birth to good children
    3. Tragically, they did not follow God’s guidance. They partook of the love that was initiated by the fallen Archangel – this brought forth the human history of evil
    4. Therefor the fruit of good and evil spoken of in Genesis - could only be love.
11. What did the serpent symbolize? The Serpent was a symbol of the Archangel
    1. What are angels? They are servants of God who assisted God in the work of creation – to prepare for the birth of God’s children (Hebrews 1:14 – ministering spirits)
    2. The serpent was a symbol of the archangel, (cast down with his angels)
12. What was the sin of the Archangel and the sin of Adam and Eve?
    1. The sin of the Angels’ was sexual, the misuse of love
    2. The sin of Adam and Eve was the same –
       1. It caused them to be ashamed of their lower (sexual) parts
    3. Eating the fruit was symbolic of a love relationship with Eve
13. We can conclude that the Fall was 2 illicit acts of love: b/w AA & Eve, and b/w Eve and Adam
    1. The relationship b/w Eve and the AA was spiritual, between their spiritual bodies – it could not produce offspring. This is called the spiritual fall
    2. The relationship b/w Adam and Eve was physical. It is called the physical fall
14. Process and Motivation of the Fall
15. Angels are created to be servants – man and woman were created to be God’s children
    1. Bible quotes
16. God loved the angels who were assisting Him in the work of creation
17. When Adam and Eve were born, God loved them more than the angels
    1. Adam and Eve were to become God’s temple, God’s body. Through them God would love all creation, including the angels
    2. But until Adam and Eve reached maturity – because the Archangel’s love was less than the love Adam and Eve were receiving from God, the Archangel felt a lack of love, or jealousy.
    3. In reality God’s love for the Angels did not change
18. Jealousy can be good or bad
19. In his desire to have the same position over humanity as he did over the angels – the Archangel sought for more love
    1. Beauty stimulates love. The AA, in his desire for greater love, was attracted by the beauty of Eve
    2. Therefore, over time, the AA pursued a relationship of love with Eve. Initially she knew it was wrong and told him so, but she allowed herself to be seduced by the false words of the AA
20. What was the process and motivation behind the 2nd fallen act - between Eve and Adam
21. After she fell – Eve sensed her distance from God. Her original mind felt fear – and she was able to understand that her partner in the act of love was not to have been the angel, but Adam.
    1. Eve, wanting to regain her lost position – went to Adam.
    2. But she approached Adam – not based on God’s will or God’s love, but based on the sexual love she had learned from the AA.
    3. When Adam was stimulated by sexual love, instead of following his conscience he surrendered to the desires and sense of pleasure he felt through his body
    4. This was how the physical fall took place
22. What are the Results of the Fall – how has it affected us?
    1. This is another critical questions that needs to be answered if we want to change ourselves and the world
23. DP quote –
24. Through the Fall, the Original Sin, the AA took God’s position. He, not God, initiated the love that brought forth the human family.
    1. the AA created a family, a 4 position foundation that was initiated by his jealousy, his deception, his temptation and his seduction
    2. John 8:44
    3. All children and future generations born of this family are the fruit of the false love that the AA initiated – this position of birth is what is called Original Sin
25. Satan became the God of this world
    1. Therefore we do not see justice and bad people (at least for now) are often not held accountable
    2. There is now an evil spiritual world – and evil environment that urges people to act in evil ways
       1. Rape, gang violence, riots, mass shootings, people obsessed with pornography, etc
26. Because of the Fall, we now have 2 opposing natures - one that seeks True love, but cannot find it, and the other that seeks selfish love – and finds it every where
27. (PEx)
28. We can define 4 Fallen natures that we all acquired as a result of the Fall
    1. If we can recognize these natures within ourselves, we can change them
29. #1 - Self-centered love
30. The first expression of this can be seen in Cain’s murder of Abel – all bad acts are connected to selfish desires
31. Improper sexual desire (AA should be a servant, but sees Eve with sexual desires)
    1. Young people – all boys and girls are our brothers and sisters, but there is the tendency to want to flirt and pull others to ourselves through sexual attraction
32. Reversing order - Adam should have controlled his body by the power of his conscience and his will. Spirit was created with the power to guide the body (minds over matter)
    1. Fallen people – can’t control their bodies – addiction to drugs, alcohol, food, sex, pornography, etc
33. After the fall, God approached Adam and Eve – but Adam denied his sin and blamed Eve, and Eve denied her sin and blamed the AA
    1. God cannot help a person unless they are willing to take responsibility for their shortcomings. But we all want to make others think we are good. We hide our sin. This prevents God from working with us.
34. In conclusion – the good world God had intended never came to be. It remains within us as a potential, but has never become a reality. Instead a world that has false love at its root emerged. This is the bad news.
    * 1. The good news is that, now that we know what has separated us from God and from our true selves, we can discover the way to get back
35. Finally, the Fall, our departure from God’s true love and our embrace of self-centered love, did not only cause suffering for humanity, it has caused greater suffering for God, the one who loves us more than we love ourselves.

**Session 3: Restoration**

1. Restoration
   1. The third critical question – how can this world be fixed, restored to its potential – the Ideal?
2. Review of the Ideal and the Human Fall – the cause of our history of evil (war, struggle, power, etc.)
3. The view of history we have learned – has been an external view. It is significant, but could not explain the goal of history or the strategy by which God has been working through history to restore the Ideal.
   1. Internal dimension of history (what is not seen) – the account of God’s effort to save his children
4. History, the untold story of God’s effort to save His children
   1. God’s heart of restoration (Testimony of the heart of a parent who has lost their children)
5. History has a goal.
   1. God does not work at random. Based on His goal, His original will, He has a strategy for the restoration of His lost ideal of creation.
   2. Just as God created through certain principles, God’s strategy to save His children is also based on Principle. We call God’s work to restore the ideal “Restoration History”
6. First, let’s clarify the goal?
   1. To send a new Adam and new Eve who can fix the mistake of the 1st Adam and Eve, fulfill the 3 Blessings, and realize the Ideal of Creation.
   2. New Adam = Messiah (man first, then woman – because restoration is a reverse process and Eve fell first then Adam.)
7. If the New Adam and Eve fulfill their responsibility, unlike the first A/E, they will fulfill the Ideal of Creation and establish God’s family (lineage)
   1. Once God’s has His family – fallen people will have the opportunity to leave the fallen family initiated by the AA and through adoption (Rom 8:23), (or born anew – John 3:3), to be engrafted into God’s family tree
8. God is our HP. God’s will, the Ideal of Creation, is absolute, Isaiah 46:11 But as we learned, God cannot control our heart.
   1. We are in a midway position
   2. God can do 95%, but for God’s will to be accomplished, we must do our 5% part
   3. According to the choices we make ( to commit sin or make good conditions) God or Satan will be able to advance their will
   4. Therefore history is not the story of God’s absolute will- but rather a battle with evil centered on God’s children that God often loses. This is God’s anguished heart of restoration – the parent who is tries again and again to save His children, but cannot succeed. Because …
      1. Due to the Fall, fallen nature became stronger than Original nature,
      2. In the Fallen world, evil acts are rewarded (initially) and good acts are persecuted (initially)
      3. Ignorance gives Satan advantage (example)
      4. Good news! – Original Nature is permanent, Fallen nature is temporary. Is 46:11
9. God’s challenge – to send His son to a world controlled by Satan
   1. God knows that Satan will try to kill His son
      1. Jesus, parable of the vineyard (Matt 21:33-43)
10. Therefore God needs Fallen humanity to make good conditions and prepare a Foundation for the Messiah that will stop Satan from killing the Messiah
    1. God’s responsibility is to send Messiah (95%) Human Responsibility (5%) is to prepare Foundation that will receive and protect the Messiah
11. INDEMNITY CONDIITONS: Good conditions that reverse the Fall are called Indemnity conditions
    1. Indemnity – term used with finance and insurance. No other term in religious traditions provides correct explanation
       1. Restoring something that is lost to its original position – by reversing what happened (a dropped book, a broken arm, the betrayal of a loved one)
12. Restoration through indemnity – is accomplished through the reversal of the human fall. Therefore – need to know the Fall
    1. Human Fall has 2 elements – therefore condition of Indemnity has 2 elements
       1. Loss of faith
       2. The actual fall by which we acquired Fallen Nature
13. Because the Fall had 2 elements, the Indemnity Condition to reverse the Fall – has 2 elements
    1. Condition to restore faith
    2. Condition to reverse fallen nature
14. Summarize: God, to save humanity must send the new Adam and Eve, the Messiah and his Bride. To do that, Fallen humanity must first reverse the Fall by making a condition to restore Faith and to reverse the fallen nature. This will create a Foundation for the Messiah upon which the Messiah can come and be received.
    1. Example, preparing a landing field for a plane
15. God’s heart as HP is desperate to save His children – example of prodigal son
    1. God is our HP – who loves us. Therefore He wanted to restore us immediately
       1. We will learn that God wanted to send the Messiah and restore true love in a family from the start – in Adam’s family – not after thousands of years of suffering - when Jesus appeared
16. First attempt to accomplish restoration and send the Messiah was in Adam’s Family. Adam and Eve had two sons, Cain and Abel
17. 2 Conditions
    * 1. Foundation of Faith - Abel’s Offering
      2. Foundation of Substance – Cain loves Abel and unites with him in God’s position.
18. Cain could overcome (reverse) his Fallen nature and murdered Abel
19. 2nd attempt centered on Noah’s family – it also failed, Noah’s children could not unite with him. In the end Noah cursed his son Ham’s descendants
20. 3rd attempt centered on Abraham’s family – it initially failed, but Abraham recovers through his offering of Isaac, his son.
    1. On that foundation of restored faith – Isaac’s children were in the position to make a condition to reverse the fallen nature
21. If you know the story, Isaac’s sons, Esau and Jacob, unlike Cain and Abel, make condition to reverse the fallen nature. Esau had pledged to kill his younger brother Jacob, but after 21 years, Jacob won Isaac’s heart and they embraced with tears. Jacob’s name was changed to Israel.
22. Abraham’s family succeeds – Descendants of Jacob, people of Israel (Jewish people), become chosen people to receive the Messiah – but at Abraham’s time, they are too small, just one family.
    1. In a world of empires and kingdom, God needed a kingdom level foundation to bring the Messiah
23. National Foundation for the Messiah, centered on Moses
    1. 400 years after Abraham God sent Moses to lead the people of Israel out of Egypt to Canaan and establish a national level Foundation for the Messiah.
       1. 3 attempts, each 40 years, centered on Moses.
       2. The Israelites needed to unite with Moses to reverse the fallen nature
24. But it failed. The people rebelled against Moses and Moses himself ultimately failed God. He died in the wilderness, never fulfilling his mission to bring the people into Canaan and prepare a kingdom to receive the Messiah
25. We will now move more quickly through history. Here we see Abraham, the 400 years in Egypt, and Moses. Because of Moses’ failure – God could not prepare a national foundation for the Messiah. The history from Moses to the birth of Jesus – is God’s effort to create the foundation which could block Satan’s will and enable the people of Israel, the Jewish people, to receive Jesus – so that Jesus and his bride would be able to fulfill God’s Ideal and bring all people back to God’s family.
    1. The one thing Moses accomplish was to bring the people God’s word – the 10 commandments. Centered on God’s Word – God could continue to work with the people of Israel
26. After another 400 years God tried to establish a Godly kingdom centered on 3 kings; Saul, David, and Solomon. This Kingdom was to be centered on the Temple – the place where God’s Word would be kept. Each King ruled 40 years = 120 years
    1. Saul and David were unable to build the Temple, but Solomon, David’s son, succeeded. He built God’s Temple. The Temple, containing God’s word, was a symbol of the coming Messiah. For 40 years Solomon ruled. If he had remained faithful to the word in God’s Temple – his kingdom would become the eternal kingdom. The Messiah would have come at that time to that kingdom.(1 Kings 9:4-5)
27. But Solomon lost faith and corrupted the Temple and Jerusalem with idol worship
28. During the next 400 years, the kingdom was divided. During this time God sent prophets. The prophets tried to guide the people back to the Temple and to prepare the foundation for the Messiah –
29. But all the prophets were rejected – including a prophet named Elijah
30. At that point Jerusalem, the Temple, and the tablets with the 10 Commandments were destroyed by the Babylonians
    1. The people were taken into exile to Babylon. It would be 210 years before they could return and prepare a foundation for the Messiah.
    2. In Babylon the prophet Daniel offered prayers of repentance (Daniel 9)
31. Babylon was then conquered by the Persians and the Israelites were allowed to return to their home and rebuild Jerusalem and the Temple – in doing so, finally God’s word became the center of the Jewish people
32. The unity that should have taken place to create the foundation for the Messiah at the time of Moses, the time of Solomon, and the time of the prophets, was finally fulfilled when the Temple was rebuilt at the time of Malachi – the last prophet of the Old Testament.
    1. The prophet Malachi –predicted the coming of the Messiah, but he prophesied that first the prophet Elijah would return to prepare the hearts of the people to receive the Messiah
33. 400 years after Malachi – Malachi’s prophecy was fulfilled in the birth of John the Baptist
    1. Born of the priest, Zechariah, who was visited by the angel Gabriel. Gabriel told Zechariah that his son John would be the Elijah, the one to prepare the people for the Messiah.
    2. His wife was barren, but the Angel’s words were fulfilled. John became famous from birth. (Luke 1:65-66)
34. John, the ultimate fruit of God’s effort to prepare for the Messiah (Matt 11:11). He was to be the first to unite with Jesus. John built a spiritual movement through baptism, preparing people for the coming of the Messiah. Multitudes came to him (Luke 3:7). People thought John might even be the Messiah
    1. God’s first plan for salvation – the people unite with Jesus,
    2. Words of Jesus: Believe, Follow, and Love me. If they had done so, God could have claimed people to His side
35. John the Baptist and his followers were to be the first in Satan’s world to unite in heart with Jesus. He was to bring the people he had prepared with him. Eventually he was to influence the people of Israel, then religious people to the East, and eventually Rome in the west, and the entire world of Satan.
    1. This was God’s original hope for Jesus
36. But John went separately from Jesus. While in prison he revealed his doubts in Jesus (Matt 11:3). He died in prison
37. After John’s failure, Jesus tried to raise up 12 apostles who would believe in him and love him and follow him,
38. but in the end not one would stand with him. Judas betrayed him for 30 pieces of silver, and Peter, his first disciple, would deny him 3 times.
39. For the sin of rejecting God’s son and uniting with Satan’s will to kill him – Satan could claim all humanity, even more than he could through the Original Sin of Adam and Eve. Adam and Eve never made the conscious choice to go against God. But at the time of Jesus, people chose to side with evil – to reject and kill God’s son. Not one person was willing to stand for Jesus. (parable of the vineyard)
40. To pay for that Sin, Jesus gave his life on the cross. Although his body was killed, his spirit won victory over evil when Jesus prayed to God with true love for his enemy, “Forgive them for they know not what they do.”
41. Because of Jesus’ victory of love – God could resurrect him. Jesus, together with the Holy Spirit formed a spiritual family representing God. From that point, those people who believed in Jesus, followed his teachings, and loved him – could be saved spiritually and become members of Jesus’ spiritual family. This is what it means to be a Christian.
42. From that point, God began a new history. God remained determined to save humanity. He was determined to prepare a new foundation so that the Messiah could be born into this world again – this time not be killed. For that to happen, the Christian faith needed to restore through indemnity the previous history that had led to Jesus’ birth.
    1. For this reason the Christian history has paralleled the Jewish history.
    2. This became the mission of the Christian faith, to spread the teachings of Jesus to the world, the news that he will come again – creating a new foundation for the Messiah.
    3. The amazing fact is that history has come full circle. The time for the birth of the 2nd Coming has already come
    4. Let’s take a closer look at the Christian history.
43. This diagram of history has a lot of content. The numbers are not exact, but if we look closely we will discover something quite amazing, that God’s principles are at work behind the flow of history
    1. The top portion is the period we studied already, from Abraham to the birth of Jesus.
    2. Below that is the providential path that Christians walked to restore the Jewish history – to prepare for the birth of the 2nd Coming. There are certain unmistakable parallels.
       1. The Jewish people suffered 400 years under the Egyptians. The early Christians suffered in Rome.
          1. 313 Constantine becomes emperor – stops the persecution by the government. 392 Emperor Theodosius makes Christianity the religion of the Roman Empire
       2. Moses gave the people the Word of God, the symbol of the coming Messiah, the center of the Jewish people’s faith – in preparation for Jesus
          1. At the same point in history, the Christian faith established the NT (393) as the Word of God for the NT age
       3. Saul became first King of Israel – 800 years after Abraham
          1. The first Christian emperor was anointed on Christmas day, 800
       4. The Israelite kingdom was divided, north and south into 2 kingdoms for 400 years
          1. Christianity was divided East (Holy Roman Emp.) and West (France), and the church divided, Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox in 1054
       5. The exile of the Jewish people to Babylon for 70 years and 140 years of return that led the reform at the time of Malachi
          1. Parallel to this was the exile of the Pope to Avignon, France for 68 years and the 140 years leading up to the reformation (1517) and the printing of the NT in the common language (1522)
       6. The final 400 year period of preparation for the birth of Jesus – and the 400 years from Martin Luther (1517) to 1917. With the spread of the NT scripture a great awakening took place, missionaries went out to the world, the American Revolution took place, freedom of religion was established, free democratic nations appeared – and a great messianic expectation arose.
    3. These parallels of history, the path of indemnity that humanity has walked is not just a coincidence. History has a goal – the coming of the Messiah and the restoration of God’s family
44. What was happening in 1917?
    1. In 1917 WWI was raging.
    2. Out of WWI – Hitler would come to power and the world would experience its 2nd WW, WWII. In addition, in 1917 the first Communist Revolution takes place in Russia. Communism would spread – and before its fall, would kill over 120 million people. This is what we refer to as WWIII
    3. The last book of the Bible and its predictions of the Last Days and the 2nd Coming of the Messiah are not easy to understand – they are filled with symbolic language. However one thing is unmistakable – before the Messiah is born into this world – Evil will rise up as a great beast on a world level. This is the significance of the 3 WWs.
    4. Evil will rise up, but in the end the Messiah will come, riding a white horse. From his mouth a sword will come forth that will bring evil to an end (Rev 19:15). The sword is a symbol of truth.
45. Evil cannot be defeated by force. Ultimately it is the truth that will change people and change the world. The sword that issues from the Messiah’s mouth is the new truth. The Messiah is going to bring the new truth, the truth Jesus was not able to share (John 16:12), the truth that will lead all people back to God and to the fulfillment of God’s Ideal of Creation

**Session 4: The 2nd Coming, the Family Federation, and the Blessing Movement**

1. In this final session of our seminar we will be looking at the 2nd Coming of the Messiah, the story behind the Family Fed, and the Blessing Movement
2. We left off the last session, pointing out the parallels between the History that led to the birth of Jesus centered on the Jewish people, and the Christian history that brought us to the Last Days – the WWs and the birth of the Messiah. The Messiah who would bring the new truth, the new truth that would bring an end to evil.
   1. You may wonder – how is possible that the Messiah came? Where is the Ideal that the Messiah is supposed to bring?
3. There are some who believe the Messiah will come down from heaven on a cloud
   1. But with the advancement of science and knowledge, we know that this is not to be taken literally. But such visions have an important symbolic meaning – even Jesus, who was born of Mary, said that he had come down from heaven (John 6:38). God gave visions of the Messiah coming down from heaven so that we would know that this person is special – it is to let us know that he is born as God’s son, not of the fallen world.
4. Rev 12:5 tells us clearly that the 2nd coming will be born of a woman.
5. The reason the Messiah, and not just the Messiah but his bride as well, must be born in the flesh is that they must be the ones who accomplish what the first man and woman, Adam and Eve, failed to accomplish.
6. Through our studies in the 3 previous sessions – we learned that the original sin, the source of all problems – is that Adam and Eve, in the flesh, started a family centered on the fallen love of the AA. That family is the origin of all humanity. It is the only family. We have nowhere to go to escape that family. The only way to change that is for a man and a woman to come and restore Adam and Eve’s mistake.
   1. The only way to restore the mistake of Adam and Eve – is for a man and woman, in the position of God’s son and daughter, the Messiah and his bride – to be born into this world, achieve the purpose of creation Adam and Eve never fulfilled, and in doing so create a family that God can claim as His family
7. Once that happens, There will be, for the first time, two families in this world; one initiated by the False Parent, the AA – centered on his self-centered love in opposition to God, and the other initiated by God through the True Parents – the Messiah and his Bride – and the practice of True Love.
   1. This explains why the Book of Revelation reveals that in the end of history, there will be the marriage in which the Messiah will receive his bride (Rev 19: 7)
8. When this happens, when God’s family is established, all people will have a choice – to either stay in the fallen family of the AA, or to leave that family and become members of God’s family.
9. Who are the True Parents? Who is the Messiah and who is his bride?
   1. When Jesus warned us not to follow false prophets – he gave an important piece of wisdom. He said the way you can tell the difference between the false prophet and the true prophet is to examine their fruits. A good tree will always produce good fruits
10. One of the most important fruits of the Messiah – will be the truth that he brings. It must be the truth that is able to destroy the evil and set us free from sin.
    1. To do this, this truth must show us the Ideal which God is seeking, it must reveal the sin that has taken us away from God, and it must reveal the path that God has walked in history to save us.
11. This is the very truth that we have been studying – the Divine Principle – revealed by God to Rev Sun Myung Moon. He and his wife are the True Parents of humankind.
12. This is the truth that reveals the true heart of God – His heart when He first invested Himself totally in His work of creation – wanting to make the best possible universe for His children, His heart of infinite pain when His children turned their love away from Him, and His long suffering heart that seeks to save His children, no matter how many times we let him down.
13. Rev Moon’s life is linked to history. As was mentioned in the previous session – the 3 World Wars that devastated our world in the 20th century – were the final effort of Evil to stop God’s plan to bring the Messiah
14. On the right of this diagram are the 3 Blessings. Through the Messiah God intended to fulfill the 3 Blessings. There are 3 World Wars because each of the world wars was an attempt to prevent the fulfillment of those Blessings
15. In WWI the Central Powers, centered on the Kaiser of Germany (Wilhelm II), represented Evil’s effort to maintain dominion of the world
    1. But they were stopped by the Allies, the new democracies that represented God’s hope for the future. In 1919 the treaty of Versailles was signed. It officially ended the conflict and set the condition of indemnity for the 1st Blessing, the birth of the Messiah. The following year, 1920, the Messiah was born.
16. Rev Moon was born on a farm, in Jeong Joo, a country village, in February of 1920
17. This is approximately where his home was located on the Korean Peninsula
18. This is a photo of the house where he was born.
    1. When he was young – Korea was one nation – occupied by the Japanese Empire
    2. The suffering for Christians under the Japanese was terrible. Because of the suffering he witnessed, the young Rev Moon often went to the mountains near his home to pray, seeking God for answers. You can see the mountain in the distance on the right
    3. He had a deep heart and love for God. Here is a poem he wrote in his teen years
19. Crown of Glory
20. Crown of Glory
21. It was on Easter morning 1935, at the age of 15, while in prayer on the mountain, that he was visited by Jesus. Jesus called upon him to take up the mission of ending God’s suffering and the suffering of the world.
    1. It was not an easy burden to accept. Initially he refused, but later, when he realized that this burden would fall on someone else if he did not take it – he could not bear that thought, and he determined himself to accept Jesus’ request and to give his life for God’s will. (Testimony of Mrs Gil Ja Sa Eu – wife of 1st President)
22. Rev Moon Quote
23. In the following 10 years – leading up to 1945, the young Rev Moon studied at school, but internally he was searching for the truth.
    1. The truth that he found is contained, in part, in the DP, of which you have just heard an overview.
    2. At that time he married a woman who came from a devote Christian background and prepared himself to begin his ministry
24. Let’s go back to the world providence and the WWs. WWII was Satan’s effort to dominate the world a 2nd time. Satan knew the Messiah was in the world. He was desperate to stop his ministry
    1. Hitler was the key person representing the Axis powers, representing evil –
    2. But he failed to accomplish his goal. The Axis Powers were defeated by the Allied powers (US, Britain, France, Russia\*) in 1945
25. With the defeat of Japan – Korea was liberated
    1. This is what made it possible for Rev Moon to begin his ministry
26. With the end of WWII the final stage of world struggle began. This was to be the struggle between Communism and the free Christian world, what we refer to as WWIII. Communism became the final obstacle that could stop the Messiah and prevent the accomplishment of God’s will.
    1. In this photo you can see Stalin of the Soviet Union and Mao of China
27. This final war could not be won militarily. This war was centered on the question of Truth – God or no God., Atheism vs Godism
    1. At that time, in the 7 years starting in 1945 – going to 1952 (Stalin died in ‘53), Christianity was to have received from the Messiah the new truth – the truth that could unite religion and science, the truth that could show Christianity its responsibility in the establishment of God’s ideal on this earth. With this greater truth a renewed Christian faith was to have emerged, one with the power to inspire the youth of the world.
28. If that had happened, the decline of Communism would have taken place at that time, in 1952 (as it would later in the 1990s)
    1. God’s ideal, to build one family under God could have begun centered on the Messiah and the new truth
    2. But that did not happen. Why do we not see or hear of the Messiah, if he was born in 1920? If he is still alive he would be 98 years old.
29. The sad news is that, just as Jesus was rejected by the religious people of his age, so too, the Christians who first encountered the Messiah rejected him and sent him to his crucifixion, in a North Korean prison camp.
    1. Instead of declining the communist movement expanded and became stronger than ever – leading to the fall of Cuba, the defeat of the US in Vietnam and Cambodia and communist revolutionary wars across the globe.
    2. 80 Ministers, who felt threatened because their members were beginning to follow the teachings of Rev Moon, complained to the Communist authorities. He was arrested and sent to die in the Hungnam Prison Camp. This was his crucifixion
30. This is a photo of that prison camp. Formerly this was an industrial area built by the Japanese during their occupation of Korea
31. Photo: Prisoners were sent to these camps to work with little food and large work quotas. This camp was a chemical plant that produced fertilizer.
    1. Few left the prison alive. When a prisoner died while eating – a fight would break out as other prisoners attempted to get the food from the dead man’s mouth
    2. Rev Moon survived there for 2 years and 8 months. In the camp he was able to gain followers
    3. In 1950 the Korean war began and the prison camp was heavily bombed
32. Rev Moon was able to escape, and with two followers, (one of whom had a broken leg and had to be pushed on a bicycle or at times carried), in the midst of the war, he made his way to the south
33. After surviving the concentration camp in the North, Rev Moon determined to begin his mission from the bottom. He had survived his crucifixion – and now, rather than standing as the Messiah, he determined to begin a 40 year course of indemnity to create a new world-wide Christian movement – the Holy Spirit Assoc for the Unification of World Christianity – that could become the foundation he needed to stand as the Messiah.
    1. 1945-1985
    2. This is why the world did not receive the news that the Messiah had come
34. This is where he made his new start in the South – a mud hut he built with his hands on a steep hillside in Pusan, Korea where hundreds of thousands of refugees from the war had fled.
    1. He had nothing but a few followers. No one could believe he was the Messiah. All Christians were against him –
    2. Even his wife, left him in disbelief. How could he be the Messiah?
    3. But he did not give up. And he began to search for followers who could respond to the new truth.
35. At one point students and professors from one of the most prestigious Christian Women’s universities joined – but they were all fired or expelled by the Christian leadership
36. Vicious rumors were spread about Rev Moon, (some that are still out there today) – and he was sent to prison again
    1. It looked like this was the end. He had not restored God’s daughter, the bride, and he was in prison – having accomplished nothing.
    2. But it was not all bad news. An important victory was won. This time, after an investigation – the government stood on his side and declared him innocent – and that he was free to go and continue his work as a spiritual leader
37. From that time he published the DP and began to teach every day, knowing that the world depended on him.
    1. Slowly the movement began to grow
38. And then – one of the most important events in history took place
    1. A woman and her daughter who were members of a Christian faith in N Korea that was preparing for the coming of the Messiah, who had received clear revelation that the Messiah was on the earth, also escaped to the south during the war.
    2. That woman’s daughter is Hak Ja Han.
    3. She would become the bride of the Messiah
39. She was born in Shin-ui Ri, not far from the home of Rev Moon – on the same day of the year that Rev Moon was born, but much later, in 1943.
40. By 1960 the movement had grown to the point that a foundation existed upon which they were able to be engaged, and soon afterward -
41. a special wedding ceremony was held – one that could receive God’s full Blessing –
    1. This ceremony – was conducted under very difficult circumstances – but it went forward. It would become a turning point in human history – the establishment of the True Parents of all humanity. For the first time a man and a woman could stand in the position of God’s only begotten son and God’s only begotten daughter, fulfilling what should have happened at the beginning of human history and what should have happened centered on Jesus 2000 years ago.
42. Later that year, 36 couples were blessed in holy marriage
    1. Of the 36 couples – 12 were pure virgins, 12 couples had had some romantic relationship, and 12 couples were already married in the fallen world – thus opening the door to heaven for all people
    2. This is a photo of one group of 12
43. The purpose of this blessing was to open the door for all people to come to God’s family
    1. Through the blessing ceremony each couple is able to leave original sin behind and stand in the position of God’s child, a member of God’s family
    2. That was the beginning of the Blessing movement. From that time it has expanded to every corner of the world
44. After the 36 couples were blessed, next was the 72 couple blessing, then 124 couples, then 430 couples, then in 1970 – 777 couples, in 1975 - 1800 couples, in 1972 – 8000 couples and so on …
45. This photo is from the 30,000 couples Blessing in 1992 at the Seoul Olympic stadium
    1. This was an important moment in God’s providence
46. Rev Moon, together with his bride, had worked 40 years to restore a world-wide Christian foundation, sending missionaries to every country
    1. A world foundation that could present God’s new truth, the truth that was necessary to defeat Communism
47. Here is Rev Moon in 1974 speaking the new truth to a packed Madison Sq Garden in NY City
48. Here he is in 1976 speaking to 300,000 at the Washington Monument in Wash DC
49. With the foundation he had built over the course of 40 years, together with his wife – he challenged the Communist world - not with weapons, but with God’s love and truth
    1. Here he is meeting with Gorbachev in the Soviet Union and Kim Il Sung in N Korea
50. Finally, with the fall of the Berlin Wall, Communism began its decline and the way was opened for God’s kingdom to be proclaimed
    1. The 30,000 couple blessing, which came after the fall of communism in the Soviet Union – was important because it included people of all the major world faiths, races, and cultures.
    2. After that event Rev and Mrs Moon held a banquet which included dignitaries from around the world – there they proclaimed for the first time that they are the True Parents of all humankind.
51. Quote
    1. After speaking these words they invited everyone to join with them in building God’s family and creating a world where people can live together as one family under God.
52. In September of 2012, after fulfilling the mission God had given him – bringing the truth, living a life of True Love, and establishing God’s family in this world, Rev Moon passed to the Spiritual world.
    1. In his life he worked tirelessly to spread the good news that God’s family had begun in this world. He invited all people to join with him and his wife to create one family under God – and end the evil that has plagued our world
53. Since his passing his wife, Hak ja Han Moon, has continued the work of TPs – to let the world know that through the Blessing Movement, the Kingdom of God is being built –one family at a time. She spoke in Korea, Japan, USA, Africa, and Europe
    1. Here, in 2017, she is speaking to 10,000 at MSG in NYC
54. Here she is in ... Korea to 80,000, in Africa, at Madison Sq Garden in NY, and in Vienna, Austria.
55. Heaven is not just inviting the people of the world to join in God’s family, heaven is inviting you as well. God believes in you, that you can realize a God centered family and help change the world
    1. How can we help build God’s Family?
56. Through the Blessing Ceremony
    1. There are several aspects to the Blessing experience – in this last segment of this seminar we will focus on just two points
57. The first is called the Holy Wine Ceremony (or holy juice for those who cannot drink alcohol)
58. As we have studied, the first couple pursued false love, love that is based on our fallen self-centered desires (getting happiness for me – at the sacrifice of others). This is the meaning of their being cast out, into the darkness – where they no longer stood in the position as God’s children
    1. Through the Holy Wine ceremony a couple makes a conscious decision to reverse the Fall, to enter back into the Garden, the realm of light, the realm of God’s true love,
    2. What is true love? This has been at the core of everything we have shared in this seminar. It is love that lives for the sake of others. True love finds joy in the happiness of God, of my spouse, of my children, of my brothers and sisters.
    3. The Holy Wine ceremony is a commitment to love our spouse as God’s representative and to live a life that seeks to bring him or her joy.
    4. As a couple works toward this ideal of love – God will be able to dwell more and more fully in your marriage and in your family
59. The second aspect of the Blessing Ceremony is the ceremony itself and the vows that are taken
    1. An important part of the Blessing is that through it a worldwide awareness is being built – that we all belong to one family under God, our heavenly Parent
    2. The purpose of marriage is not only for the couple, it is also to ensure that our world becomes a good world.
    3. If the society around us is crumbling, if nations are in decline, if the world is in chaos, no married couple will be able to find happiness.
    4. The Blessing, if fully understood, has the power to create a consciousness of family that is bigger than nationality, bigger than race, and bigger than religion. This is the key to creating peace in the world
    5. This is what we are inviting you to participate in
60. Thank you for attending this seminar – it is a good first step.
    1. We have covered a lot in these 4 sessions.
    2. There is a lot for you to think about and pray about.
    3. Most important for your life, is that you find the truth that can bring you closer to the heart of God by practicing True Love.
    4. It is our conviction that if you look more deeply into the DP and the Blessing Movement –you will discover the same hope for your life and for the world that others all over the world are discovering