

The Ten Commandments Part II

Practical Plan for World Peace

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CHAPTER EIGHT — 100% COUNTRYSIDE

The eighth commandment is for Unificationists to live in the countryside.

Chung Hwan Kwak talked about decentralizing education to the countryside in a speech (June 1996) saying:

On the subject of human settlements and urbanization, I would like to present for your consideration a potential source of solutions, which can be called conscious or positive ruralization.

People move to cities for economic, educational, and cultural reasons. If these could be acquired elsewhere they would tend to stay, or move to the countryside which is more delightful and attractive. At comparable levels of comfort and intellectual stimulation, people prefer the more healthy, more peaceful, and more natural life in the country.

City life, on the other hand has drawbacks. The anonymity characteristic of city dwelling breeds family breakdown, and enhances the likelihood of moral depravity including extreme addictions of many sorts. The absence of nature's beauty and rhythms causes stress and is generative of complex physical and mental diseases, such as cancer and various neuroses and psychoses. We tend to be emotionally closed in the city, and spiritual life is next to impossible. Thus both basic (clean air and clean water) and advanced human needs (security and spirituality) are better met in rural settings. As pollution increasingly causes epidemics, and shortages of clean air and clean water, the upper classes will flee the cities. This should not be a privilege of the elite. Let us take steps for equity, otherwise the poor, especially the urban poor, will suffer a plight far worse than at any time in history.

Presently the economic destiny of nations is tied to cities, but this habit of the industrial age is unnecessary given contemporary technology. Already non-urban settings are preferred by many corporations. In some industries, with a simple fax and a modem for the Internet and e-mail, virtually all work can as easily and effectively be accomplished from home. Companies can shed the expense and energy waste associated with maintaining huge urban properties. They can save on commuting costs, and eliminate this near criminal source of urban air pollution.

The same modern technology can also help decentralize education and culture. Television, video, and computers with modems make it possible for anyone to receive the highest levels of education. Distance learning allows a young boy in the Amazon to study with the same Harvard professor as the young lady living there in Cambridge. Through such means, a rural person can gain equal or surpassed cultural and educational sophistication to urban dwellers, thus eliminating a secondary cause for urbanization. If the scientific research and investment which has gone into the study of sustainable cities were equally oriented toward bringing the urban benefits of employment, education, culture, and ever higher standards of living to the countryside, a double benefit could be achieved.

Lastly, the technological capacity for the globalization of economy, education, and culture, including to rural areas is dependent on the establishment of true love families. Unlike animals, the ideal human habitat is a loving home. Distance learning, for example, would fail without the influences of a loving family to protect and guide the student. Technology is value-neutral and can be used to transmit evil and harmful data. Therefore governments and all related partners should support and protect the family. Through family love the all important ingredients of citizenship and sound socialization are bequeathed to future generations.

MENTAL HEALTH BETTER IN COUNTRY

An article on the web (www.thisislondon.co.uk) titled “Mental Health Better In Country” said that “Researchers writing for the British *Journal of Psychiatry*” revealed that:

People who live in the country have better mental health than those who live in towns and cities.

The researchers found that rates of mental problems both starting and continuing were lower in rural areas. They also found a high rate of remission in people with common mental disorders at the start of the study who lived in the least densely populated areas.

Father teaches that we should live a rural agrarian life. Our communities should be in the countryside. More and more people are returning to the land. This back-to-land movement is not like the hippie movement of the 1970s. It is thought through and capitalistic. The most famous magazine about this trend is *Mother Earth News*. Their Web site is www.MotherEarthNews.com. Some who have left the city for rural life have written books. One example is John Ivanko and Lisa Kivirist who left Chicago to live in rural Wisconsin. They wrote a book titled *Rural Renaissance: Renewing the Quest for the Good Life* and have a website www.ruralrenaissance.org.

Alan Carlson has a book about the history of the major writers in the 20th century who encouraged Americans to live in the countryside in his book *The New Agrarian Mind: The Movement Toward Decentralist Thought in Twentieth-Century America*. He points out the strong points and shortcomings of such writers as Louis Bromfield who wrote such books as *Pleasant Valley* and *The Farm*, Ralph Borsodi who wrote *This Ugly Civilization* and *Flight From The City*, and Wendell Berry who wrote *What Are People for?*. Carlson has also written about the harm to the family that took place when men became less attached to the land and focused on jobs in corporate America in *From Cottage to Work Station: The Family's Search for Social Harmony in the Industrial Age*. He says the salvation of the family and America is in families organizing themselves like those in the 18th century did who combined their home and work in the same place in what is called cottage industries. He says, “Patronize the cottage businesses, even if the short-term priced advantage appears to lie with the mega-store.”

Father often tells us to make businesses in the countryside. He calls it the “hobby industry”:

In the future we will have to have one plane and one boat per family. Each family will travel around the world using various vehicles. Develop the tour business. Have submarines to see what is going on below the sea.

We want to build a complete Hobby Industry. In Washington DC we have set up a skeet shooting facility. People really like it and we will set up the same here. We will prepare areas for sport fishing and hunting.

What would you think about holding a Space Olympics, in due time we will do it. We will prepare areas for Air Shows, Water Skiing, Horse Racing, you name it and we can do it. We will create a Hobby University in order to fine-tune each the aspects of each Hobby. We will control the Hobby Industry. Would you like to work in the Hobby Industry? Raise your hands. (4-23-00)

Father wants to develop a hobby industry. Hobby means catching fish and hunting animals and giving them to starving people. How wonderful a job that is! Hobby means interesting, an interesting living style. Everywhere there is enjoyment—singing, dancing, making noise, everything. That is the hobby industry.

Father will develop fishing places, hunting grounds and all kinds of hobbies that you will enjoy. (12-22-94)

At UTS, train the students in farming, fishing and hunting. (June 2001)

Father says, "I spent my childhood in a rural district. When the seasons changed, various migrating birds came and also various different kinds of flowers blossomed. I was raised under those conditions. When I was young wherever you went in Korea the seasons were clearly distinguished, and as they changed we could see the beauty of nature. Today, unfortunately, if we walk around Seoul, we don't come across nature. Every area has been urbanized here, and all we can see is artificial nature. When I think of people who grow up under these urban circumstances I feel sad because they lack emotional feelings. Since there is no opportunity for them to feel the mystery and beauty of nature, there is a tendency for people to become violent or individualistic. You must know these things. People learn many things and realize many things through encounters with nature.

"I learned and experienced many things through nature. Through it I learned on my own what true love and happiness are. What we learn through the natural world is more fundamental than what we learn through school education." (*The Way For Students*) Michael Breen writes in *Sun Myung Moon, The Early Years, 1920-53*: "He developed a love of nature. He has told followers that once, as a young boy, after praying outdoors, he felt as if the grass and trees were appealing to him, telling him they were abandoned by mankind."

Thomas Jefferson believed that America would be great as long as its people were close to the earth. He believed that farmers were the heart and soul of a virtuous country. In his 1781 "Notes on the State of Virginia," Jefferson declared that "Those who labor in the earth are the chosen people of God ... whose breasts he has made his peculiar deposit for substantial and genuine virtue." He wrote, "Cultivators of the earth are the most valuable citizens. They are the most vigorous, the most independent, the most virtuous, and they are tied to their country and wedded to its liberty by the most lasting bonds." He despised the city and deeply felt that life in the countryside produced a more self-reliant and wholesome citizen. His love of the land led him to the Louisiana Purchase that doubled the size of America. He wanted Americans to be farmers who were in tune with Mother Earth. It is difficult to put into words how mystical nature is and how we come close to God there. Today the cities are often politically liberal and the countryside in America is often more conservative. Conservatives are stronger people than Liberals and are more willing to solve their problems locally than resort to big government.

Erica Walter, a stay-at-home mom and Catholic writer says, "Modern urban life itself is especially hard on males. Where in the modern world can men be men? The frontier's gone. We're all so alienated from nature. If all people grew up on farms they would know instinctively that there are differences between boys and girls. But modern society, with all its conveniences, makes it very, very easy to deny nature."

Father says, "For thousands of years Oriental culture has been based upon farming and agriculture. This has caused them to build a vertical concept of looking toward heaven for the blessing of weather and crops. If you are a serious farmer you have to look toward the sky daily. You have to observe the direction and strength of the wind. As a farmer, this is how you connect yourself to heaven." (5-26-96)

Mary Pride writes in *All the Way Home*: "Gardening really is about the most creatively relaxing activity going. In this world where we spend so much time in man-made environments, a garden is your chance to slow down to Creation's rhythm and admire the handiwork of your Creator. For this reason, people with emotional problems benefit tremendously from gardening. Like anyone who ever feels stressed. All of us, in other words.

"Children adore gardens, especially when they have the chance for a little garden of their own. And nothing breaks the winter monotony better than an evening planting petunia seeds into flats."

Edith Schaefer wrote in *The Hidden Art of Homemaking*:

There is something very exciting about holding tiny brown seeds in one's hand, in rubbing soil in one's fingers to make it fine in texture, in placing the seeds with one's own fingers in the rows, in covering them up and patting them. There is something exciting in watering the bare brown ground, wondering whether the hidden seeds are doing anything at all, wondering whether they will burst out of the little shell and become roots going down and stem and leaves coming up. The day the first tips of green are seen, if they are *your* seeds, planted by your own fingers, there is a thrill that is surely similar to producing an art work.

Human beings were made to interact with growing things, not to be born, live, and die in the midst of concrete set in the middle of polluted air.... There is something tremendously fresh and healthy in having one's mind filled with thought of whether the lettuce is up yet.

In the book *Working the Dirt: An Anthology of Southern Poets* there is a poem titled "Going Home" that begins:

I'm going home. I've decided
To catch a glimpse
of a small woodframe house
lined with roses, azaleas, camellias,
and peppermint tea
I'm going home
to a backyard forever with the sounds
of baby chicks, ducks and
an occasional pig
A backyard housing rabbits
a vegetable garden
and perpetually covered laundry lines
I'm going home, I've decided
To climb to the top of the spreading oak
and spy on the neighbors
or maybe just sit under the fig trees

Later in the poem she writes:

I'm going home, I've decided
To the constant sound of my Mother's voice
her quilting voice
her cooking and cleaning voice
her chicken-feeding voice
her working-for-the-church voice

I'm going home
to six siblings crowded in two beds
laughing, playing, fussing, crying,
growing and saying goodbye

She ends by saying:

I'm going home, I've decided
To smell the 4 p.m. coffee
awaiting my father's return from work
I'm going home
to follow behind him
not too closely as he checked
the vegetable garden, the roses, the azaleas,
the camellias and the peppermint tea
I'm going home, I've decided
but I've not decided when

Douglas Phillips writes passionately and lovingly about the Pilgrims at his website saying that one of the key reasons the Pilgrims came to America was to get their children away from the corrupting cities they lived in and put them in a pure place:

Few people realize our country was founded by a devout band of nonconformist Christians who lived and breathed a vision for family and community they understood to be clearly defined by the Bible.

Although the Pilgrims left England because of religious persecution, they actually left Holland and came to America for additional reasons, including a passion to protect their children from bad socialization and ungodly influences. Christian parents should take note: America's first founding fathers risked everything to separate their children from evil and to build a multi-generational legacy.

Gov. William Bradford, the Pilgrim leader, explains in *Of Plymouth Plantation* that they had multiple goals: to protect their children from ungodly peer influences of the culture in Holland, to bring the gospel to the natives, and to lay a foundation of multigenerational faithfulness for their children and a future society.

In fact, Bradford boldly proclaimed that these families were willing to sacrifice their lives, if necessary, “even though they [the Pilgrims] be but stepping stones” for future generations of Christians they would never meet.

Bradford writes, “But still more lamentable, and of all sorrows most heavy to be borne, was that many of the children, influenced by these conditions, and the great licentiousness of the young people of the country, and the many temptations of the city, were led by evil example into dangerous courses, getting the reins off their necks and leaving their parents. Some became soldiers, others embarked upon voyages by sea and others came upon worse courses tending to dissoluteness and the danger of their souls, to the great grief of the parents and the dishonor of God. So they saw their posterity would be in danger to degenerate and become corrupt.

“Last and not least, they cherished a great hope and inward zeal of laying good foundations, or at least of making some way towards it, for the propagation and advance of the gospel of the kingdom of Christ in the remote parts of the world, even though they should be but stepping stones to others in the performance of so great a work.”

Bradford wrote, “Thus out of small beginnings greater things have grown by His hand Who made all things out of nothing, and gives being to all things that are; and as one small candle may light a thousand, so the light kindled here has shone to many, yea, in a sense, to our whole nation; let the glorious name of Jehovah have all the praise.”

This great quote is now etched on the monument [at Plymouth, Massachusetts] and stands as an ever-present reminder to every one of the estimated 35 million physical descendants of the 50 people who survived the first winter, and to an entire nation that owes its gratitude to those first settlers. The message? That few visions have ever been as beautifully realized as that embraced by this ragtag band of devoted moms and dads.

When Father came to America and spoke on his Day of Hope tour to every state in America in the early 1970s he praised the Pilgrims, “The American people are proud of the spirit and teaching of the Pilgrim Fathers, but their teaching and spirit was nothing compared to Unificationism. Do you regret having become Unificationists, or do you feel fortunate? (Fortunate.)”

“Is any ideology superior to the teaching of Unificationism? [No.] Why do you say no? With Unificationism, people are able to liberate and perfect themselves; a man can become the king of the world and even liberate and perfect God Himself. That kind of power lies within the teachings of Unificationism. Until that ideal is fulfilled, the Unification Church will never perish.” (6-9-96)

He said the Pilgrims “had to give up their families, their relatives, their surroundings, and their country, and head toward an unknown land. Their only hope was in God. Every step they took they depended upon God. Their journey was long, and there were many storms. They prayed unceasingly to God. They had but one way to turn. They turned to God. Those Pilgrim men and women were one with God. And that is how they survived.”

“Put yourself in their position of total reliance on God. What a wonderful faith! I am sure that the faith of the Pilgrim Fathers touched the heart of God. Nothing could have given them this kind of courage, this kind of dedication, this kind of sacrificial spirit except their faith in God.”

About his ragtag band of followers he said: “When the pilgrim fathers came from Europe in the name of God ... God’s dispensation lay with them. We are the new age pilgrim fathers of the universe, ... and God is on our side.” (4-18-77) And God is asking us moms and dads to remove our children from cities and live in pure nature like the Pilgrims did. He is commanding the Second and Third Generations to live in the countryside and have big families. In hundreds of years their descendants will number into the billions.

Father says we should live in nature. He gives good reasons for living in the countryside instead of living in crowded cities. He spends time in nature to get close to God and receive revelations. This is why he spends time fishing for salmon in remote Kodiak, Alaska: “I think and pray during the fishing time” (rough notes hoon dok hae 4-4-02). “When I have time, I always go fishing. Why? Because when I fish, I forget my age and think of my youth. I think of my mission to accomplish God’s nation.” We should follow him and live in nature too. If we want to a mystical relationship with God we need to spend time being sensitive to the plants and animals of the earth. Here are a few quotes from Father on nature:

When spring brings beautiful flowers and fragrances, I see that beauty as glory to God. Why do flowers bloom and butterflies flutter and bees buzz around? They are all there in service to me. I feel that God wanted to explain His love to me through this creation. They are His mediators. When a bird sings, I feel God is asking that bird to sing for me; when it cries out in longing for its mate, I wish I could help him find his mate. I am very sensitive to the universe. When two butterflies flutter in fellowship and love, when a male and a female bird sing together for joy, I see it as a lesson that men should live in greater happiness than these.

When I hear the birds sing in joy for the spring, I feel that I will bring the cosmic spring in which all mankind can have more joy than the birds do. Then their song gives me inspiration. As much as the birds and flowers give me the stimulation of joy and love, when I sing for joy and love then God in heaven will also be stimulated. It is my duty to stimulate God in that way. Even if my clothes are ragged and I am penniless, I never feel poor because the sky is my roof and the rivers are my water and nature is my food. When you feel that the house of God is your house, how can you feel poor?

When I see a small drop of water I feel that it has the dignity of the great ocean behind it and I can respect it. The small blades of grass have greater beauty than the greatest masterpieces in museums around the world. There is no life in those paintings and pieces of paper. But grass has life, and this little creation of God's is greater than any human masterpiece. When I see grass, I feel it is a masterpiece in my museum, which is the house of God. I kiss a little bird in my hand and feel it is a living masterpiece of God's making.

Beauty Everywhere

On some sunny day at Belvedere, lie down and examine all the forms of life in the soil—the ants, worms, and so forth—which are in communication and fellowship with each other. There is beauty everywhere. When I see the creation and realize that God made it for me, I never get tired of it. All the millions of things God created know that men are to be their masters, and they are trying very much to attract the attention of people.

When you ask the grass, trees and birds if they recognize national boundaries and have things like visas, what would they reply? God did not issue passports to birds. Would a typhoon stop in the Gulf of Mexico because it didn't have a visa to America? Does the weather recognize American law? It's amazing when you think of it—ants can cross the Mexican border as often as they want, as well as the birds and lizards, but men cannot cross the border without a visa! Are there American ants and Mexican ants who must get government authorization to marry? The animals don't care about national sovereignties, but men have complicated their lives with such things.

Education From Nature

There is an amazing education to be had from nature. Does water in America taste different from water in Korea? Are Koreans forbidden to breathe American air? Each nation receives rays from different suns, right? When we evaluate all these things we conclude that true freedom, openness and joy can only come when you recognize God and His universe, realizing that He created one world and one family. Then we would see that there is a straight highway connecting everything from the smallest life form all the way to God. There is no hindrance between them.

I Love Nature

Everything can be explained this way. When you go to work, for instance, you are dealing with the people God created, so you breathe the air of love wherever you go. I have done much hard manual labor, such that my face was black and my clothes were rags. When there was a short break to sit on the beach and eat lunch, I would praise God for His universe. Sitting there in nature with my little lunch I felt grandeur around me which was greater than any cathedral, seeing the grass, gravel and the river. I love nature and make myself at home there because it is the house God created. I have slept in all kinds of places—in a shack, on the grass, on a bench, under a tree, under a bridge, under a boat.

I wanted to appreciate nature at all times of the day, so at night I would climb a mountain to look at the moon, and there in the darkness I saw a different kind of beauty. Spring has its own taste, and summer has

its unique flavor. Sometimes you don't like winter because it is cold, but winter has its particular taste as well. I feel that everything I see is there to relate me to a deeper understanding of God's love ("The Contrast between Secular People and Us" December 23, 1979).

We must learn the lessons of love from nature. The holiest people have always been on intimate terms with nature. You should naturally want to go out every day and look at the sky and the birds and the animals in order to perceive new lessons in love.

You Unification Church members should know how to relate to the beauty of nature and how to enjoy being in creation. Even though you are all alone, you can feel the thrill of seeing a lovely flower. You can watch the fish in a pond as they vigorously chase after each other and you can say, "They are running after love and they never get tired." Tell yourself, "I will never get tired either because I am running after love." The salmon can teach a beautiful love lesson to humanity because they experience only one love and then they die. They give their lives to love, to hatch their eggs, and then they die. Their lives are consummated by the fulfillment of their love, so they have nothing more to live for.

Now you can understand the concept of love that I am speaking about. When you get up in the morning, why not time your walking with the rhythm of the birds singing? A certain kind of bird jumps around and sings and then they kiss each other. They are great teachers of love. God assigned them the mission of teaching clumsy men how to love! (5-20-84)

All blessed families should live at least three years in Korea. (June 2001)

As we enter Cheon Il Guk, we have to return to nature. We must live connected to the ocean and the water. We have to return to our countryside to love nature and return to God's original ideal. ... We have to create a beautiful environment for the Kingdom of God. We must be aware of the environment. We must purify the water and the environment. We must be very sensitive to the environment from now on as we have entered Cheon Il Guk. To do this we must take care of the immediate environment around our own homes. (rough notes Hoon Dok Hae 1-4-05)

Following the satanic world's tradition, people have flocked into urban areas, but the time has come for people to rethink this and disperse to the countryside. Certain survival will come only by decentralizing the cities across the countryside, wars first cause the cities to be destroyed, but if people are spread out they cannot all be destroyed. I am providing a blueprint for the future of humanity. To this day, human civilization has been based on Christian culture. But this Christian based civilization tends to flock people into cities. If this continues, the pollution of physical world and morality will drive humanity to extinction. So the only sure way to survive is to go back to the state of original nature. It will not be easy to convince people to do so. That's where religion has to teach people to understand God and the value of nature. Then they will voluntarily decentralize.

Back to Nature

We have technology to convert deserts into fertile farmlands. So the planet will be evenly occupied by people who believe in God and the value of nature. That is the only way to survive. The next three hundred years are the most critical for human survival. That's where the Unification Church teaching comes in. We can teach why we have to go back to nature, loving mountains, water and so forth. Urban environments are the grave of sin and crime, even of AIDS. They are like the cancer of humanity. We have to decentralize. People flock into the cities to eat more, learn more and take advantage of the culture. But that era is over, because of email and Internet. You have the same privileges in the boondocks. You can even view the Broadway musicals. So why bother coming into the grave of sin and crime? Soon no schools will come into the cities. In nature, why do you need boundaries? There you can enjoy God and the natural world.

I am studying how to have space Olympics and ocean Olympics. If you make big enough tunnels in the mountains, you can overcome the seasons. If you dig into the ground more than 3 or 4 feet, you can control the temperature. We can dig holes and tunnels in the Rocky Mountains and Andes and create a paradise. We can even build schools underground and under the water, too.

Humanity is sick and tired of the way things are going. If you build a fish farm of 1/4 acre, you can feed more than 10 people. That kind of fortune is waiting out there. So, do you want to stay in the cities, or go

back to nature? Those ancestors who lived in nature are in a good place in spirit world, because their mind was well developed. What do you need most in nature? Water. Without water, nothing will survive. All the food we consume requires water. Whoever controls water will control the future world. (12-7-00)

I have pioneered a new path in every area, beginning with thought or philosophy. I have also demonstrated how to begin economic projects, business and technical projects such as the factories in Korea and Germany. Then, why did I start Ocean Church? Why have I given it such importance? You can see, I am working day in and day out on the ocean. Why am I doing that? You have heard me speak about this before.

The ocean is an orphan. It has no master, no real owner who loves and takes care of it. The fishing industry is also going under. The industry can't move an inch, it's so tight. In a few years it will be difficult for man to live off the land alone. The population is now almost four billion. It will increase by ten-fold. What will happen? The land itself will be crowded. There will be less space to farm and more people to feed. The population problem is one of two very serious questions. The other is pollution. To me, the problem is how to see these questions in a new light. The worst aspect of pollution is in the air, exhaust fumes from cars, factories and such things. In the future, there will be a limit upon anything that produces exhaust, even cooking. Any kind of extra smoke or gas exhaust will not be tolerated.

That means that we will try to eat foods without so much cooking, which means we will eat more raw foods, raw vegetables, raw fish. Anyway, it's good for their health, so people will turn to it. For a while, mankind may try to escape to space and live up there, but the difficulties and expenses will be too much and he will come right back to earth. Then, man will have to turn to the ocean. It is only a matter of time. The future of the ocean is inevitable. Is fish good for the diet? Ten or twenty years ago, Americans never even dreamed about eating anything raw, much less fish. Now they are going to Japanese restaurants and trying out the sushi and sashimi. If fish is going to be the main source of the human diet, what kind of fish would be the best to supply it? We have to produce a large fish and utilize all its qualities. What kind of fish should we use? Whales? Tunas? And what else? Shark! (7-3-83)

The oversimplified thing for Russia to do is disband the urban areas and ruralize, letting everyone go and farm their immense land. If they dedicated everything to agriculture nobody would starve. It would bring an economic recovery. By far the most important aspect is the spiritual side; their value system. They have to fill their heads with something. They have to be educated with some kind of content just like Orientals have been educated by Confucianism, which worked pretty good so far. What are the Russians going to fill their heads with? Confucianism? Certainly not! Father Moon's teaching alone. (12-29-91)

Since you have proclaimed this here today, then whenever you walk in the city streets you have to claim that the concrete and asphalt streets and sidewalks are your enemies. You have to seek the pure soil. Who created this asphalt culture? The so-called civilized cultures. Was it urban or rural dwellers who destroyed the environment the most? The cities of the world are like evil castles surrounded by walls. If Father says that the so-called civilized city dwellers are the cause of the destruction of the environment, is it true? (Yes.) The pollution is mainly caused by city dwellers. Immorality and the destruction of moral standards is also the result of urban life. Within cities every individual cell is divided by concrete walls. No matter what happens out in the world, city dwellers stay distant from it and pursue their selfish desires. Therefore, cities are Satan's palaces.

The children who grow up within these cities play with plastic toys and animals. There is no animated communication between these children and their toys. Whereas children who grow up in the countryside experience animated give and take with the actual creation. They learn about the various types of creatures, all the various colors of birds and animals. If you feed the birds regularly every morning then hundreds of different kinds of birds will come and expect to be fed by you. In South America Father experienced this. Within the rural life everything is available to us, because God is the master of that world. Who is the owner, Adam or Eve? (Adam.)

When Father was growing up he felt he had to conquer every aspect of creation. Once Father caught a mother bird and three baby birds together and kept them in his house. At that point Father didn't realize that there was a father bird. All of a sudden the father bird appeared and began to cry in a sad voice. When this father bird looked at Father, he cried even more sadly because True Father was the destroyer of this bird's family. Then Father released the birds, one by one. The sad tone of the father bird's song lessened.

Finally, when all three baby birds were released this father bird seemed content. But when the mother bird was released then the whole family of birds greeted Father and then flew away. How did Father know that they came and greeted him? Because they circled Father's house and then flew away. (Ooh.) Ooh! (Laughter.)

Father is sharing one small experience with you here. Please remember this when you are thinking of giving plastic toys to your children. They cannot experience something like Father has shared with you through plastic toys. During his youth in Korea Father touched every kind of creature you can think of. If Father gets involved in telling stories such as these there will be no end to it. But Father will share one more experience. One day Father saw a big perch fish in a small deep pond. Father realized that this was the biggest perch he had seen and determined to catch it. It took Father forty days, day and night, until he finally caught that fish.

Father has caught almost every species of fish in the Pacific and Atlantic oceans. In South America Father was told that in one particular area there were over 3,600 species of fish. This is now Father's challenge to catch all of them. You have to be grateful that Father is doing so.

Have you considered the various thousands and thousands of shades of colors within the creation?

Trees produce oxygen and take in carbon dioxide. Whereas human beings take in oxygen and expel carbon dioxide. When you look at the big animals they all live in the midst of trees. We can solve the problem of pollution through tree planting also.

By observing nature we can learn such precious lifestyle. In Father's own life he didn't discover the truth through the Bible, but rather through observing nature. The origin of the creation of the universe is the male and female relationship. The entire universe is derived from this male and female relationship.

Do you want to live in the city or the countryside? (Countryside.) If we love God and His creation and if we desire to become God's children, we have to return to nature and offer our love and care as much as God has poured His love and care into His creation.

God's purpose of creation is that the entire world should become an ideal place that can receive anybody, anytime who can contribute to that place and then move on. In this way we don't have to be confined within the inner cities. The time has come when we no longer need a big Ivy League campus building in order to be well educated. It no longer takes New York City for us to gain the richness of cultural activities. You simply need one computer in the remote countryside. Simply click onto the Internet and you will be connected to the entire world. Through this system you will be able to obtain all the cultural and educational benefits that you need. Everything is at your fingertips.

Whatever piece of art that you want to observe or cultural performance you wish to see, you can do so through the Internet and enjoy as much as those sitting in the theater. Why do we have to bother with the frustrations of commuting in the rush hour in cities like New York. Rather we can do whatever work we desire to do anywhere in the countryside. There are so many young people who waste their lives within the inner cities. They get themselves involved in so many evil things. Therefore, Father intends to create many places to hunt and fish around these inner cities. There is already established such a place close to Washington, D.C. so that young people can be attracted away from the city to the hunting and fishing grounds in the countryside. Once they enjoy this kind of life, then we can convince them to leave the city completely. Then we can go to the wilderness and climb mountains and fish in the Amazon River. This is how we can draw young people out from the cities and send them to the farmlands.

Where do you want to live? When you reach your fifties and sixties and you retire, if you remain in the city you will become suffocated. Eventually you will have to travel to the ideal village which we have established and spend the rest of your life with nature and contribute as much as possible. Breathe and mingle with nature.

Would you all like to go to the place where there is plenty of fresh air, unpolluted water, unpolluted soil and sunshine, or would you rather live in the inner cities with all the garbage and pollution? (The first one.) Therefore from now on, the Unification Church second and third generation children should live their lives in the countryside. (6-9-96)

One of the most popular sources of meat and eggs is the chicken. Tens of billions of chickens are raised every year worldwide. Why don't we make it the goal of every Unificationist to live in communities that has enough land that the young people can experience what it is like to provide food for the family by raising range-fed, organic chickens? No Unificationist should have to go to a grocery store to buy chicken meat and chicken eggs.

Will the Second-Gen or Third-Generation children do as Father commands and live in the countryside? I hope so. A good book on this topic you check out from your library or buy for your home library is *Cohousing: A Contemporary Approach to Housing Ourselves* by Kathryn McCamant (book and video). If you google the word "cohousing" you will see some cohousing community websites with pictures. There are some excellent books and magazines on living in the country. The most famous magazine is *Mother Earth News*. Be sure to subscribe to it and other publications.

I challenge every Unificationist to live in the countryside and become experts at being self-sufficient so they can know the joy of being close to nature and therefore know God more deeply.