

Preparation for the Blessing and Family life

True Father's word (506-257)

“The family is the starting point where God’s ideal can be manifested, as well as the happiness of humanity. It is the place where all individuals can have their efforts brought to fruition, and where all of God’s work is fulfilled. Why is the family good? It is because the family is the base for all free activities based on parental love.”

- **We are a Blessed Couple and as that we resemble God through our unity with HIM and each other.**

The Blessing is the greatest gift we can get from God. What does this mean for us and our lives?

1. Our Heavenly Parents and True Parents are very happy to bless you, and at the same time come a responsibility to us to be careful in the relationship to God our Heavenly Parents, True Parents and each other and to see us as a center between the past and the future. To live an exemplary life in front of God.
2. To live a responsible life means building up good traditions and relationships in vertical and horizontal sense, and overcoming bad habits. Through that we build a good foundation for our future generations and a substantial CIG is seen through our family life style.

EXERCISE:

What is the meaning of the Blessing for you personally and as a Couple?

- **Our marriage is our highest priority, which means we invest in our relationship on a daily basis.**
 1. To love someone is a decision; that means, we work on our relationship even when hard times might come.
 2. We save ourselves for each other – we can trust each other and should not hurt the others heart.
 3. From now on we move from “ME” to “WE”, that means we create our lives together and search for a common base in decisions. We find a common vision for our life and common values to live.

EXERCISE:

What is your vision for the future?

What is most important for you for your common future?

Where do you see yourself as a couple in 10 years?

- **In our lives we should have a hierarchy of values, and work to find a common purpose. The following points are very important in our lives.**

1. To live for a higher purpose
2. To live for others
3. To live for our family

We have to work on these three points so that we can find a good balance in our lives together as Blessed Couple in handling them.

To develop our values means:

We must be aware that our values influence our choices in our lives. Therefore it is important that we talk about our dreams, goals hopes and longings. We need to prioritize and consider how important the different areas of our lives are for us.

EXERCISE:

Which values you want to realize in your daily life?

Which hierarchy of values you want to follow in your life?

As a Blessed Couple we declare together: