# The Temptations of Christ, of our Time & the Cheon Il Guk Constitution



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The passage in Luke 4:3-13 is about the 3 Temptations of Christ. In Satan's 1st Temptation, Jesus was asked to put material needs first after his 40 day fast. His answer was to put God, the truth, and spiritual life first. In his 2nd temptation, Satan offered to give Jesus all the kingdoms of the world if he would worship him. Jesus' answer was that only God should be worshipped. Righteousness is more important than getting power.

In the 3rd Temptation, Satan brought Jesus to the pinnacle of the temple in Jerusalem and urged him to show his authority by throwing himself off and having the angels save him. Jesus refused to use his spiritual power and authority to test God or for

a selfish purpose.

Jesus' answers to all three temptations essentially was: my relationship with & obedience to God is most important, no matter what the result is. He was also effectively declaring the 3 Blessings: Myself, my Family/tribe, my Kingdom DON'T BELONG TO YOU!

We know that True Father gained victory over Satan's temptations many times in his life, such as when he shared his meager rice ration with other prisoners in Hungnam and prayed for and forgave his torturer, something that Satan could not do.

In a speech she gave in 2017, True Mother Hyun Shil Kang explained that each of us must get a "certificate" of victory over Satan. Father has also spoken about the 3 judgments each of us must go through. First, the judgment of words or truth. Second, the judgment of personality or will. Third, the judgment of love or heart.

Let us reflect on the worldwide "Temptations" in our time, with an analogy of going to a doctor because of a serious health problem, but getting the wrong diagnosis and an ineffective, if not harmful "cure."

In this next section, let's take a closer look at the toxic ideologies that have led to massive suffering in the past and are rising again in our world today. These are the satanic temptations on the worldwide level, America, especially, as a providential nation, must overcome.

Communism seeks to create an Ideal World without people fulfilling their individual Portion of Responsibility, and without personal freedom. In North Korea, if discovered to be a Christian, there's a good chance you will be executed, and your family sent to a concentration camp. In China, if you don't belong to an approved state-controlled church, you risk being arrested, sent to a prison, work camp, be organ-harvested.

Was Marx really an atheist or was he a Satanist rebelling against God's sovereignty? Here is a poem he wrote as a young man, before he wrote any of his well-known pieces:

The hellish vapors [that] rise and fill the brain, Till I go mad and my heart is utterly changed. See this sword? The Prince of Darkness sold it to me. For me he beats the time and gives the signs. Ever more broadly I play the dance of death.

As you can see, Marx was obsessed with hatred, death and destruction. And so were all of the famous Communist leaders who put his ideas into practice.

If you think about it, it's sad that the human race needs the Ten Commandments, which means that our default is to worship a lot of false gods and even do evil things in the name of God. The 2nd King's book, *Our Father Forsaken*, makes it clear that we cannot abandon either the Old or the New Testament if we truly want to know & obey God, and the Divine Principle makes that even more clear.

The founders of America knew both the Old and New Testaments very well and that provided important guidance for our Constitution, but as America drifts away from Biblical values, it increasingly profanes what should be holy. It fails to honor those we are indebted to. Acts of evil are rationalized by many in our universities. Modern ideologies teach there is no truth or authority that needs to be honored and that it's justifiable to steal, covet, lie, & murder. To someone who doesn't understand the truth and love of God, these commandments likely seem to be an inconvenient hindrance to fulfilling their own agendas.

## Communism versus the 10 Commandments

The Bible says "No Other Gods," but Communism says "There is NO GOD! We will be saved through class warfare in the name of the Proletariat! We will make everyone bow down to

the Vanguard of the Revolution and the leaders of the oppressed!"

What about the 3<sup>rd</sup> commandment, "don't do evil in God's name?"

Since Communism denies that God exists, we might say that they are not doing evil in His name. But after the Bolshevik Revolution, after getting rid of thousands of observant Orthodox Church priests, the Soviets infiltrated



the remaining churches with KGB-controlled "priests" who submitted their sermons to the Soviet government. In the following decades, the Soviet Union successfully infiltrated Communist ideology into 352 denominations/ churches around the world through the World Council of Churches. These represent more than a half BILLION Christians, including the Orthodox, Anglican, Baptist, Evangelical, Lutheran, Methodist, and United churches. Without fail these churches defend Soviet & CCP actions around the world and spread their propaganda.

The same is true for the CCP-approved & controlled churches. In 2018, Pope Francis entered into an unpublished agreement with Communist China giving it authority over

whom could be appointed as Roman Catholic Bishops in China. In that same year the Chinese government ruled that all children in the nation under the age of 18 were prohibited from participating in religious activities. In 2019, Christian churches in China were ordered to take down displays of the Ten Commandments and replace them with quotes from Xi Xinping, General Secretary of the Chinese Communist Party.

in 1932, a 13-year-old Russian boy named Pavlik Morozov was praised in the Soviet press as a martyr. He had denounced his father for hiding wheat from communist officials, which led to his father's imprisonment. Pavlik was in turn killed by his family members. Monuments to Pavlik were erected across the Soviet Union. He was listed in the Soviet youth pioneer organization as Pioneer #001, an example of a youth who chose the state over his own father. In 1972 he was memorialized as a hero on a Soviet postage stamp. So if you betray your family to the state, you might get your image on a postage stamp!

To "Don't Murder," Communists say "why not? There is no God to stop us." To "Don't Commit Adultery," they say "why not? we want to abolish the family anyway." To "Don't



Steal," they say, "our number one goal is to abolish private property! Everything belongs to the Collective!" To "Don't Bear False Witness!" they say psychological warfare and lying are our best weapons. To "Don't Covet," they say, "since the Capitalists got everything from our labor, we deserve to get everything they own!"

37,000 Americans died to liberate South Korea from Communism. What if President Truman had decided to not get involved? Then Communism would have take over the whole Korean peninsula and there would be no Unification Church, no True Father, no 2<sup>nd</sup> King today.

Father often told us that our commitment to spread the truth had to be even more serious than the Communists' determination to spread their ideology and control over the world.

## Father Resisted Race-based Japanese Fascism

Did you know that Father worked with Communists to end the racist, fascist Japanese rule over Korea? Fascism requires everyone to sacrifice everything to obey the state and its leaders as the embodiment of the nation. Here is what Father said, as reported in the Feb-March 1008 issue of *Today's World*:

When Korea was groaning under Japanese rule, I took part in resistance activities against Japan. I worked in the underground movement and connected with the most capable people. I can remember that work as if it were only yesterday. I remember it so clearly because I invested my whole heart in it. I was friendly with Communists in my student years. We had a common purpose in fighting to overturn the philosophy that presented the

Japanese ruler as a unique being. These Communists were good friends and absolutely necessary comrades. Why did we go our separate ways? Their final goal and direction were completely opposite to ours.

The police were always following me. If I went back to Korea, they would telephone the authorities that I was headed there. I was a student, but I was a suspect under surveillance. I was detained by the police on numerous occasions in those days.

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On that day, Koreans could rise out of their desperate, hopeless situations and become a people who could meet a day of new hope; families and individuals could encounter hope renewed. If you merge the hope of a nation, the hope of families and the hope of individuals into one, it makes a foundation for national level victory.

At that time, I couldn't shout "Mansei." Everyone else was so happy because they had been liberated, but even though I wanted to raise my hands with them, my hands just wouldn't go up. Everyone else was dancing joyously on August 15, but I was in a tiny room praying in tears. SMM, Today's World, Feb.-March 2008

Why couldn't Father dance and shout with joy? Because he did not come just to save the Korean race. Even though he had fought to end Japanese domination of his homeland, he knew that in God's Kingdom there should be no consciousness of race. That is why he spoke about the 5 colors of the "love race."

Father risked his life to oppose Japanese imperialism, but when the war ended he could not rejoice in the same way as other Koreans. Here is what he said:

I was tortured a lot by the Japanese, but when the war ended, I gathered all those of my friends who were planning to take revenge on the special police agents who had tortured them and said, "The Japanese have lost the war and are really in a wretched state. God will punish those who beat people; they have lost sovereignty over Korea and are begging on bended knee for forgiveness." I also quietly called some Japanese who was being pursued in Korea and helped them pack their bags saying, "Go home quickly, before you are tortured." Nineteen forty-five was a very happy year for the Koreans, but it wasn't for the Japanese, who had lost the war; for them it was a sad year. We need a day on which all the people of the world can rejoice together.

#### National Socialism versus the 10 Commandments

What about National Socialism? There were real problems in Germany of the 1930s, but what was Hitler's prescription, and did it make things better or worse for the German people? Sometimes Hitler made references to God, but it was a god that endorsed the superiority of the Aryan Race. Once he even said he wished that Islam had invaded all of Europe because then the Germans, instead of being weakened by Christian ideas about love and forgiveness, would have conquered the world.

What about the 3<sup>rd</sup> commandment, "Don't Do Evil in God's Name?" In public speeches, Hitler portrayed himself and the Nazi movement as faithful Christians. In 1928 Hitler said in



a speech: "We tolerate no one in our ranks who attacks the ideas of Christianity... in fact our movement is Christian." But according to Joseph Goebbels, chief propagandist for the Nazi Party, Hitler hated Christianity. In an April 8, 1941 entry, Goebbels wrote

"He hates Christianity, because it has crippled all that is noble in humanity."

Though raised a Catholic, Hitler "believed neither in God nor in conscience", but had contempt for its central teachings. "In Hitler's eyes, Christianity was a religion fit only for slaves; he detested its ethics in particular. Its teaching was a rebellion against the natural law of selection through struggle and the survival of the fittest."

Some Nazis, such as <u>Hans Kerrl</u>, who served as Hitler's Minister for Church Affairs, advocated "<u>Positive Christianity</u>". Kerrl accused dissident churchmen of failing to appreciate the Nazi doctrine of "Race, blood and soil" and gave the following explanation of the Nazi conception of "Positive Christianity", telling a group of submissive clergy in 1937:

Dr Zoellner and [Catholic Bishop of Munster] <u>Count Galen</u> have tried to make clear to me that Christianity consists in faith in Christ as the son of God. That makes me laugh... No, Christianity is not dependent upon the <u>[Apostles'] Creed</u>... True Christianity is represented by the party, and the German people are now called by the party and especially the Fuehrer to a real Christianity... the Fuehrer is the herald of a new revelation.

Those of "non-Aryan" descent were expelled from the church, and many clergy, particularly in annexed regions, were arrested or murdered. From the beginning in 1935, the Gestapo arrested and jailed over 2,720 clerics who were interned at Germany's Dachau concentration camp, leading to over 1,000 deaths of clergy.

While a gas chamber was built at the main Dachau camp, it was reportedly never used for mass extermination. Instead, mass executions were carried out by shooting, and

thousands of sick and weak prisoners were sent to the Hartheim "euthanasia" killing center in Austria to be murdered with gas. Thousands of Soviet prisoners of war were also systematically executed by firing squad.

Murders and persecutions galvanized leaders like Bishop Clemens von Galen to speak out more forthrightly. His sermons influenced the White



Rose resistance movement of students in Munich and, in the city of Lubeck, inspired 3 priests, Johannes Prassek, Eduard Muller and Hermann Lange. With their Lutheran counterpart, Rev. Karl Friedrich Stellbrink, they were beheaded in 1943 after a show trial in a Nazi court.



An estimated 3,000 Polish clergy members were murdered, with at least 1,811 dying in concentration camps. In some dioceses, nearly half the priests were killed.

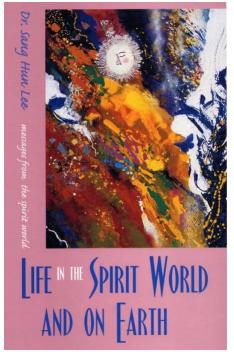
Clergy in Germany and other occupied countries (France, the Netherlands, Czechoslovakia, Belgium, Italy, etc.) were closely watched, frequently denounced, arrested, and sent to concentration

camps, especially to the dedicated "Priest Barracks" in the Dachau camp. Protestant pastors who resisted the regime were also persecuted and killed, including figures like Dietrich Bonhoeffer and Paul Schneider.

https://angelusnews.com/faith/german-catholics-among-those-who-suffered-under-nazis/

# Sang Hun Lee's Attempt to Meet Hitler in the Spirit World

Dr. Sang Hun Lee, the director of the Unification Thought Institute, who also developed much of the Victory over Communism education material used in the VOC education conducted throughout the world, passed away in 1997. After his death, Young Soon Kim received Dr. Lee's messages from the spirit world in 1997 and again in 1998. These were published as a book called "*Life in the Spirit World*" in English in 1998. In the 5th chapter, Dr. Lee described his meetings in the spirit world with major world figures like Karl Marx, Lenin, Stalin, Hitler, Mussolini, Hideki Tojo, the leading General and 40<sup>th</sup> Prime Minister of Japan.



Here is Dr. Lee's message from the spirit world describing what he saw when he made an effort to meet with Adolf Hitler:

Of all the murderers of history, Hitler inflicted the cruelest slaughter. I witnessed a tremendous mass of people, all of whom were bound in chains, shouting, "Kill him! Kill him!" The crowd was so vast I could not see its end. They shouted, "He slaughtered millions of people as if they were animals." No matter how miserable a man's life can be on the earth, no scene that horrible could possibly take place on earth.

I went into the crowd and met a young woman. She was slender & quite pretty. When I asked her how she was killed, she turned her head and asked me not to bring that up. So I approached the subject with the heart that God had conveyed. That moved her mind.

She said that she was murdered as we see that person (Hitler) being murdered. What she meant was that she was naked when she was killed, and soldiers came and looked at her as much as they wanted. They put her into the gas chamber and whenever they wanted to look at her, they opened the door and looked at her until she became unspeakably miserable. And then, finally, they released the poison gas that killed her. (May 20, 1998)

What about the commandment, "Don't Commit Adultery?" Nazi families were encouraged to have as many children as possible, but if it was an Interracial Marriage there was strong pressure to divorce, Non-Aryan husbands were often sent to forced labor battalions, but being married to an Aryan was linked to higher survival rates of the non-Aryan. There were also numerous cases of the children of interracial marriages being forcibly sterilized. Many Nazi leaders had mistresses on the side.

**Don't Steal or Covet?** Many Nazis became wealthy through the theft of jewelry, expensive art, other valuables from people who had been eliminated.

**Don't Bear False Witness?** Blaming your political opponent for what you did is the best way to to gain total power. One of the most infamous instances is the Reichstag Fire of 1933. The Reichstag building in Berlin, home of the German parliament, was set ablaze late in the evening on Feb. 27, just 4 weeks after Adolf Hitler was appointed Chancellor.

Though he now headed the government, Hitler and his Nazi Party did not yet have dictatorial power. Other parties still existed and sat in the parliament. What the Nazis needed was an excuse to crush their political opponents; the Reichstag fire gave them just what they wanted.

On April 29, 1945, 32,000 prisoners at the Dachau concentration camp were liberated by the  $42^{nd}$  and  $45^{th}$  Infantry divisions. The  $42^{nd}$  was from NY. The  $45^{th}$ , composed of National

Guard troops from Oklahoma, Arizona, Colorado and New Mexico fought in over 500 days of combat in campaigns in Sicily, Italy, southern France, and Germany, before liberating Dachau.

# 21st Century Fascist Violence in America

You might think Fascism is something that would never happen here in the U.S. In December, 2024, <u>UnitedHealthcare CEO Brian Thompson</u> was gunned down outside a Manhattan hotel. Six weeks before the father of two was executed, the suspect Luigi Mangione mused that the Healthcare CEO "had it coming." So if there is something you don't like in America, don't bother to dialog and persuade people about your ideas, just kill them to make it better!







The killer, 26-year-old **Luigi Mangione**, quickly achieved online celebrity status. A video projection of his face was cheered at a rock concert. He even had a meme coin created in his image. The fact that he'd acted as judge, jury and executioner of the father of two children seemed to bother no one.

Luigi didn't study how to improve healthcare and make effort to spread

what he learned. He embodied a leftist fascistic perspective that said capitalism is evil and that violence will solve the nation's problems by bringing about socialism.

A poll of registered voters found that 41% supported the assassination or were ambivalent about it. The younger the voter, the greater the support for political killings. Sixty-seven

percent of voters aged 18 to 29 were supportive of, or ambivalent about, the execution, an indication that the lack of moral education in America's public education system has been effective.

Meanwhile in Minneapolis, Antifarelated grafitti called for murdering the police.

We have to deal with the shocking fact: toxic ideologies are persuading

idealistic young adults that America is a bad, even evil, place.

On college campuses, those who just want to get drunk and party don't care, but the idealistic students are vulnerable. We should talk with them!

I then shared my testimony about being a naive leftist in college during the Vietnam War and being arrested for blockading the entrance to Sikorsky Aircraft, which built helicopters for the war in Stratford, CT. I hadn't studied deeply about the war and later changed my



perspective when I learned about the mass murders of millions in Vietnam, Laos and Cambodia when the Communists took over.

We shouldn't hesitate to talk to young people who support socialism or Islamism. Most of them know very little and could change if we approached them with the right heart.



The Aryan Freedom Network, whose headquarters are in DeKalb, Texas, promotes hardline white supremacist views, including neo-Nazism, racial separatism, and Christian Identity theology. The group's logo features the *Totenkopf* or "death's head" imagery associated with Nazi Germany's SS units.

The group is led by Dalton Henry

Stout (also known as "Brother Henry") and Tonia Sue Berry, a couple described as "racist royalty" due to their families' deep involvement in Ku Klux Klan (KKK) leadership.

In Southern California, Steve Carrillo, a member of the "Boogalou Bois," killed Sgt.
Damon Gutzwiller (photo in the center), critically injured another deputy and threw pipe bombs at police on June 6th, 2020. (Santa Cruz District Attorney Jeffrey S. Rosell alleged).

Before he was apprehended, Carrillo scrawled the word "boog" \*\*RIGHT-WING VIOLENCE\*\*
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and "I became unreasonable" in blood on the hood of a car. "Boog" is short for boogaloo, a far-right anti-government movement that began on the encrypted 4chan platform and aims to start a second American civil war. In February, 2022, he pleaded guilty to killing Sgt. Guzwiller. <a href="https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/man-charged-deputy-ambush-scrawled-extremist-boogaloo-phrases-blood-n1230321">www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/man-charged-deputy-ambush-scrawled-extremist-boogaloo-phrases-blood-n1230321</a>

Young men and women in America are being presented with a choice- between leftwing fascism and rightwing fascism. Both lie to young people that their problems can be solved through destruction and murder. Like Cain, instead of doing the work of learning how to dominate their own destructive thoughts and emotions, they attribute their anger to something outside themselves. It's true that anger can give you a rush of righteous power. Hatred can even become addictive, but they are giving up their God-given portion of responsibility to lead a life of value. Fortunately, there is another choice. It's what Father

called "HEADWING," which rejects both the rhetoric and the call to violence of the political right and left, and begins with repentance.



Fortunately, there is a HEADWING counter-proposal. It's encapsulated in the Cheon Il Guk Constitution declared in 2015 by the 2<sup>nd</sup> King, and greatly assisted by his elder brother, the Inspector General. Let's give a hand to Kook Jin Nim, who in reality was its coauthor! As can be seen by anyone who studies it, it is very much aligned with the ideals of the Bible

and the 10 commandments.

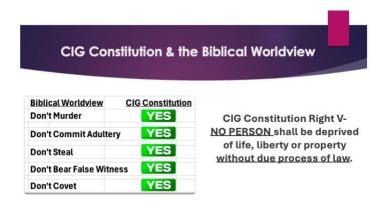
The **CIG Constitution Preamble reads:** The world of Satan's domination over mankind was established and history has shown centralized powers, either governmental, religious or financial, use artificial structures and power to rule over mankind, sometimes taking freedoms gradually and sometimes eliminating them by brute force. God's Kingdom on Earth must be established where the artificial structures of power, representing Satan, shall never again rule over mankind and humanity.

As expressed in the Preamble, quoting True Father's words at the Coronation Ceremony of God's Kingship in 2001, the 3 key points of the Constitution of the Kingdom of Heaven are:

- 1. Keep sexual purity
- 2. Do not violate human rights, meaning don't mistreat anyone.
- 3. Don't steal public property or use public property for yourself.

Do you see a little bit of overlap with the 10 Commandments listed at the left? I do.

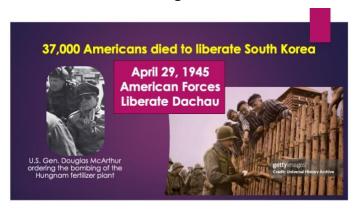
Right 5 in the CIG Constitution states that NO PERSON shall be deprived of life, liberty or property without due process of law. Of course, there's a deeper issue. As the Bible says, and Jesus and True Father taught, each person is originally created in the IMAGE of GOD. No one has the right to be judge, jury and executioner to take away another person's life! Both



Jesus and True Father practiced radical forgiveness of their torturers in order to bring about their repentance.

Of course, there are many constitutions around the world that also sound great, but are ignored in practice. That would be the temptation for future generations, to use the CIG Constitution as a PR document, instead of something that is really upheld. Do you think people of poor character will want to honor this constitution? Without a spiritual foundation to uphold it, it would be just a bunch of nice sounding words.

As you know much of the CIG Constitution is based on the U.S. Constitution. I think we can also have pride that American soldiers risked their lives and shed their blood to liberate much of Europe from fascism and the Southern half of Korea from Communism. Each generation has its own temptations and challenges to overcome. That is why Hyung Jin Nim has asked us



to pray for the liberation of China and North Korea, and for President Trump to have wisdom to lead our nation at this time.

I'd like to conclude with reading from a speech that Father gave in 1982, which explains why we as Unficationists are concerned about making a better world. In our faith we don't only think about going to "my personal heaven" in the spirit world.

The Unification Movement that was initiated by the Unification Church attempts to **bring** solutions to the problems of the world and humanity. First, the Unification Movement is a movement that can bring an aggressive solution to the issues raised by Communism. For this to be done, the free world should first have a spiritual realization and repentance. Based on this spiritual realization and repentance, all solutions for the human problems will be derived.

If we think America is great and so smart, we don't need to pay attention to what God's words say, the outcome will not be good.

Second, the Unification Movement is a movement that attempts to establish a foothold through which all religions of the world can help each other and cooperate with one another. All religions of the world should be united as one power in the faith of God. The original mind of humans is to recognize God, our creator and the Father of all humanity.

Even though Father knew very well the shortcomings of different denominations and religions, he still wanted to work together side by side with them to guide us to a better world.

From attending one God as the Father of all humanity, one Unification Family can be realized. Third, the Unification Movement is **a movement to build a moral world.** This is rather important for today's youth. Since there is no absolute standard of morality, immorality is prevalent. **An avaricious and selfish lifestyle in which they seek their own** 

**self-interest, disregarding what ever happens to others,** even using others for their own sake is encouraged and is rampant.

He wanted to wake up young people like me, 50 years ago, to the reality of God and the importance of living unselfish lives for others.

If this continues, our society shall not be able to avoid self-destruction. For the sake of building a world of goodness, the absolute standard of morality cannot be seen apart from the creator, God, based on His views on the right values because He is the only one who is eternal and unchanging. SMM, Way Of Unification - Part 1, (10/5/82)

Despite its flaws, I believe America has been used by God, but if it becomes secular, then we all know what will happen. But we're not going to let America abandon God, will we? Let us pray.

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