

The Wrath of the Celestial Realm

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I will discuss the subject of anger today. Have you ever stopped to consider why the Celestial Realm rebukes you so often instead of giving its forgiveness? Have you not sometimes wondered why the Celestial Realm seems so strict, and why we seem so angered even though you thought that God was supposed to be the healer and savior of all people? If you still have such questions, it is proof that you do not understand the True Law. Since the True Law is not a religion, it does not extend a helping hand indiscriminately, but instead uses warning and rebukes to get people to stand up on their own.

This is because our purpose is to build a utopia. This is the reason we must criticize communism and socialism, and the reason we speak of extinction of souls and necessity of uncompromising spiritual discipline.

Do you think that God and those in Heaven as well as holy persons and righteous individuals never become angry and never criticize? Virtue, because it is incompatible with evil, does have anger and does criticize. Since we know what is right, we lodge protests and deal uncompromisingly with what is wrong. Those who contend that it is not right to punish people because neither virtue nor evil really exist, or because virtue can become evil and evil can become virtue, are just unaware of the numbers of people who have been trampled over and were caused to suffer and die at the hands of evil.

Do you not sometimes think that it is best not to ever become angry and never to be flustered, and to keep your mind calm and collected in all situations? This may be all right for hermits who leave the rest of the world behind and live alone in the mountains. It may be possible to have such an aloof attitude if one

lived the life of a hermit who recites poetry in the deep mountains, lives on nothing but dew, and practices ways of becoming invisible. But you who live in the world of men are people with a job, and a family to support, and you have to live today with concerns for the future. Since you live in normal society, you may be ordinary, but still you are taking part in one page of history even though it may be only one small facet. There is no way that you could live totally on your own. Your life is sustained by many things visible and invisible.

Since this is the case, your concern should be to create a society which is as good as it can possibly be under the circumstances. For this reason, one must take a firm stand to call bad things bad, and to protect beautiful things and persist in the right path. It can be called the natural way of life to be strict with what is not right. People tend to think that a person lacks wholeness in his character if he criticizes things, but the truth of the matter is that those who are unable to criticize are just insensitive to evil and injustice. Insensitivity means that they do not notice these things, and it could even be said that such people have been immersed in these evils so long that they have come to accept them. They compromise with injustices, and they take no interest in improving society.

How about yourself?