

Believing in People

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Today I would like to teach you what type of attitude comprises "believing in people," especially for those of you who believe and are studying the True Law. To believe in others of your group is to trust in their potential and to relate to them as fellow members who understand the True Law. Even though they may get temporarily out of line, if you give sincere warning with the intention of touching their hearts, they will surely get back on the right track. The reason this is possible is that they have a common interest in pursuing the truth which is different from the attitudes of those who are against the True Law and people in general. These members are each making a special effort to become a desirable person with an acceptable character worthy of Heaven. Believing in people is the same thing as having a truly kind heart where the entire personality, as well as the words and actions of an individual are accepted with a spirit of tolerance. Also one must have the patience to wait for the other person to turn in the right direction. Of course, the waiting must come after first giving a warning, because it is pointless to just wait for people to correct their mistakes without pointing out where they should reflect on their behavior.

Soft words of advice should be used for those who are wise, but strong words are in order for those who only respond to more stern warnings. Nevertheless, those who only show rebelliousness when given words of advice or warnings, and are self-righteous and unable to accept these words with sincerity, cannot be expected to show any more growth. One is given no other choice but to part company with such people. People with too much pride are the same in this respect. It goes without saying that those who respond flexibly to words of advice will develop even better

characters with a broader outlook. On the other hand, those who are just flexible and are forever unable to develop their wisdom of course cannot be called persons that truly take advice to heart.

Furthermore, believing in others does not mean to listen to every word people say with suspicion and doubt, but instead means to accept their words with a sincere heart. This is something which one has to take to heart as a person who knows and studies the True Law. It is all right if you are a little slow in realizing the truth when people are lying and trying to deceive you. Only after you have testimony from other people and prove beyond a doubt by your careful analysis that a person is not speaking the truth should you finally judge the person to be bad and reject them. If this is the case, you must be resolute and firm in your attitude towards that person. There is no need to be the least bit hesitant in severing your relationship with them. Until this happens, however, you must continue to believe in each other's true self, and forgive one another. This is what is known as the love of Agape.

Such tolerance and kind words of advice, however, are not warranted for those who hope to derive some benefit by associating with Heaven, or by following the True Law; this goes for ideologists who ignore Heaven, and those minds of Satan who accept the evils in all people and aid in evil causes because they stubbornly refuse to look to Heaven. Those who try to use God to gain a profit, and those characters who do not fear God, carry out the works of Satan and have a heart just like Satan. This also includes those naive people who quickly succumb to the temptations of Satan. If they are unable to change even after being in contact with you, it is Heaven's will that they have no connection to us. After all, these are only individuals who will eventually be exterminated by Heaven.

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