

Thoughts about Core values, that are meaningful to us (Herwig & Angela Schmid)

Every community needs its distinct identity for all present and future members to connect with; we should put great care and broad and long-term vision into this statement.

This is a pioneering way for us UC members, since we would want to **share a life together with 3 generations** (which is a lifespan! and beyond) **and always have the sanctity of the blessing at our center**. It shouldn't end up only with just a bunch of longtime friends living in the vicinity, although this would be an easy start.

Therefore the core values of a **"True love school"** and a **"peace center"** should be in our manifesto and be expressed in our lifestyle.

On our journey I introduced this book: <https://www.createspace.com/3600903> ("*Have You Lost Your Tribe?*") It supports the dismantling of (male) leadership cultures through assuming responsibility for oneself, honesty in relationships, truth in love (True love) and transparency in community.

I introduced also one of Sobonfu Somee's books "*The spirit of intimacy*":

<http://www.sobonfu.com/bookstore/> ("*This is a teacher who can help us put together so many things that our modern Western World has broken,*" — Alice Walker, Author of *The Color Purple*.)

In ancient matriarchal cultures experienced women were the core of every tribe, every community, every extended family, the **female knowledge of healing, conflict resolution and caring** was (and always will be) the guarantee of stability and well-being of any social group > an established **"women's council"** will be an important source for love, peace, stability and healing!

The core value **"absolute (good) sex"** should be verbalized, strengthened and receive priority, since it is the underlying principle in maintaining the sanctity of our Blessing, while all (even unsaid, unobserved, specially hidden) sex-related issues will instantly weaken community bonds and eventually disrupt and dismantle lasting relationships. This shouldn't be faith related, but principle (or as Rob says "lifestyle") related. "Lifestyle" might need a proper definition though.

Some (if not all) verses of our family pledge express this in an elaborate way:

- to perfect the Four Great Realms of Heart, the Three Great Kingships and the Realm of the Royal **Family**, by centering on true love.
- to build the universal **family** encompassing heaven and earth, which is God's ideal of creation, and perfect the world of freedom, peace, unity and happiness, by centering on true love.
- to become a **family** that moves heavenly fortune by embodying God and True Parents, and
- to perfect a **family** that conveys Heaven's blessing to our community, by centering on true love.
- to live for the sake of others (altruism),
- to perfect the world based on the culture of heart, which is rooted in the original lineage, by centering on true love.

Living, establishing, **owning the 3 Great Blessings** through satisfying 6 eternal purposes in our life:

1. Love God and True Parents (**worship**)
2. Grow ourselves to become ideal men and women (**education**) > *I deal* with myself and others according to my core values
3. Connect with other brothers and sisters (**fellowship**)
4. Honor our future spouse (**purity**)
5. Discover our gifts to give (**ministry**)
6. Outreach to the community and beyond (**witnessing**)