An Interview with Our Founder

Q: Why do we have to even talk about the meat of the Word, when our main job is to preach the Gospel to every creature? Isn't the Gospel Jesus and salvation?

(David speaking:) I started a revolution, and the Family is still a revolution today! You are the called-out ones--called out from the church system. Nothing has ever changed that. You've been called out to preach a message of love that no one else is preaching; that's what I've always taught, and nothing has changed.

I've never been mainstream, the Family's never been mainstream, and it never will be! Those of you who want a mainstream message, who prefer to stick to milk instead of meat, can take your pick. If it's only salvation you want to preach, then go to the churches. I mean it! If that's what you want, I'll send you with my blessing. There are some wonderful folks in the churches--sweet, sincere, and dedicated Christians who love the Lord and want to preach the salvation of Jesus.

This doesn't change the fact, however, that the Lord has given the Family a unique calling--that which is distinct from mainstream churches. And we've got to stay true to that calling--the particular calling He's given us!

I'll grant you, you've been experiencing the maturation of a movement for a good many years now. But just because the Family has grown wiser, just because you're branching out with new methods, new tools, new modes of operation, and new tactics to win the world, just because you've grown and have learned better ways to become all things to all men, doesn't mean you can back down on standing true to the message that the Lord has given you. And that is a unique message, a radical message! It's a message of love, of the Endtime, of the Law of Love, of loving Him and doing more for Him, of letting His Spirit live, think, and move in you, of standing up and defying the forces of evil that prevail in the world today, of getting activated!

Yes, the main job of the Family is to preach the Gospel to all nations. You are to make disciples of all nations. I have no doubt there are sincere Christians in other groups, but when the Lord tells you to make disciples of all nations, He means for you to preach the unique message He's given you to preach! He's given the Family a new religion--a religion of love, a religion of life and liberty, of loving each other and loving the Lord. The Family's message is real religion, alive religion, Endtime religion!

I've never taught you to pull your punches, and I'm not about to now. Look at the Letters! If anyone thinks I only taught you to preach the milk of the Word, go back and brush up a little on the older Letters and what I taught you. Granted, I taught you to use discretion, to not go out of your way to offend people, but I've never been one to hide or cover up the truth of the message the Lord was giving us to preach either.

What you folks need to do is balance Scripture with Scripture. Never in all my years when I was with you there on Earth did I advocate the Family concentrating only on the milk of the Word. Are you kidding? Take a look at the radical things I led you in! From our red-robed prophet days, to reaching out to the most despised and rejected of all--the hippies. We let the world know about our views on politics, the fall of America, the Arab Wall, and the Green Paper Pig, just to name a few. We passed out millions for the billions of MO Letters around the world--and those Letters had meat in them! There was nothing mainstream about that! The world heard about FFing--we didn't hide our light under a bushel. Then came our posters that were read around the globe, and our view of Heaven was a far cry different than most mainstream institutions. If you'll do a little homework, you'll see I never taught you to stick to only a mainstream message, to just the milk of the Word.

Use wisdom in bringing your babes along, yes, but the idea is to get them off the milk and on to meat!

There's nothing like the Family on the face of the Earth! You know why? Because the Lord Himself has called you to live His Law of Love. He's called you to be dropped out of the mainstream. He's given more truth, more of the pure waters of His Word to the Family than to any other group on the face of the Earth, and He doesn't expect you to sit on it and not live it or preach it!

When you start settling down to where you want to please the mainstream, you'd better watch out! Yes, you've got to use a little wisdom. You've got to be Spirit-led. I'm not saying you need to go out and knock people over the head with our radical doctrines and beliefs right off the bat. You've got to know your meat, and most of all you have to pray and be Spirit-led on what to give to whom, on where you give it to them, and on how fast you need to go in feeding your friends and sheep the meat of the Word.

The Lord has called you to be His mouthpieces, to deliver His very unique message to the world--and that message is a radical message compared to what others are preaching. The message He's given the Family to preach today is about the Endtime, about loving Him, about witnessing. And for those who want to be disciples and get closer to us, it's about being His Bride. It's about loving Him and praising Him and hearing from Him in prophecy.

Did I ever pull my punches? Didn't I always teach you to hit things head-on? What I taught you was to obey God, to follow God and to be true to giving out His message. If it's persecution you're worried about, you'd do better to worry if you're not getting some type of persecution for righteousness' sake. "Beware when all men think well of you!" Of course, we don't want to go out of our way to bring problems upon ourselves, nor do we want to make the Lord have to bring persecution to stir us up or make us obey and get out the truth, but Jesus promised that if they persecuted Him, they'll persecute you. The good news is this: He's promised to keep you through it. He's promised to help you rise above, and you will come through victorious!

What you need to worry about is not preaching the message He's given you to preach! What you don't want to do is receive persecution for not obeying what He's told you to do. I've never been one to pull my punches, and I'm not about to start now. The unique message the Lord has given you to preach is what the Family is all about. And now, in this era of action, with the *Activated* vision, the world is going to hear about it.

Why do you think the Lord is giving you the power to rise above and the keys of the Kingdom? He's giving you the power over all impossibilities because He knows that's what you're going to need to preach the unique message He's giving you today--the message of love, the message of His Law of Love, the message of the End.

Yes, I've always taught you to preach Jesus, and who knows more about Jesus than you do?--About His personal life, His Heavenly Kingdom, and how He works and operates? What better way can you preach Jesus than by teaching the world His true ways, about loving Him and loving others--about His Law of Love! Jesus said, "The words I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life." He said, "My words are Me." So if you want to preach Jesus, you've got to preach the words He's given you to preach. It's all Jesus. That's what the Family's message is to be--the words He's given us.

Yours is a special calling, a unique ministry, a unique message. It pays to obey the Lord. It pays to stay true to what He shows you. That's what He's calling the Family to do today. That's what Mama and Peter are doing, just like I did. That's the calling of prophets--to obey what the Lord shows them today and trust Him for the future. *(End of message from David.)*

Q: Since most saved Christians don't accept that David can be our prophet, and certainly not "the prophet of the End," should we try to hide this fact, or should we even let go of this doctrine?

(David speaking:) God has a plan and a purpose for the Endtime, and if some people don't want to believe that God used me as the Endtime prophet to give out His message, then that's up to them. You can't force people and beat them over the head and make them believe! And I'm not surprised that church Christians don't believe it, because they don't even believe that God is still speaking today. So it's really going to stretch their faith to believe that not only is God speaking today, but that He chose little people like me, and now Mama and Peter, to speak His message for the Endtime.

I never thought of myself as a great prophet; I just knew the Lord was real, He was moving, He was speaking, and for some reason, He chose me to speak through. And I couldn't let the Lord down. I had to obey Him by faith and give the words and message that He wanted me to give to you and to the world. I loved the Lord so much and I knew that He loved you so much and He was counting on me to be willing to speak His message, no matter what the cost.

I knew the church Christians in general wouldn't like it or receive it and that they would persecute us for it, but you can't stop the Spirit of God or His message and what He wants to do and what He wants to say because you're afraid that it might upset some Christians and make them mad. I mean, if they haven't even been able to accept that a prophet has been among them, good night, they're going to have a hard time with the things the Lord has in store for the future! So I think if you're worried now to even let it be said that I was a prophet, and not only a prophet but a great prophet, and not only a great prophet but the Endtime prophet, you're going to have a lot more worries than just that! Because the Lord is not going to stop there!

I never considered myself great and I'm not great, but the Lord has a great message to get out and He's

not going to stop there. You just have to make up your mind if you're willing to go on with the Revolution and go full speed ahead into the future or not! You can stay back there with the church Christians and read the Old Testament and get a few jewels out of the New Testament, but I'm telling you, you haven't seen anything yet!

God is about to explode! The future is so far out that if you haven't even got the faith to speak the name of Father David with great faith and conviction and pride in our message, then Lord help you. I couldn't care less if a few church Christians' feathers are ruffled. So what?! Are they going to be the ones who are going to stand by your side and stand up for the truth and uphold the standard and the Lord's Name in the Endtime when the battles are really raging? Are they the ones? Some of them might be, but you're certainly going to know who it is by who is willing to receive the Lord's message of today, today.

It's a new day! These are new times, and the messages that are coming in are brand-new! So you'd better fasten your seat belt, because you're in for the wildest ride of your life! You're either going to go on with the Revolution, with Mama in the driver's seat--and she is one wild and willing driver--or you had better get off at the next stop. It's up to you. *(End of message from David.)*

Q: What's wrong with making friends of believing Christians?

(David speaking:) There's nothing wrong with making friends with believing Christians. We want friends, and we try to cultivate good, fruitful, meaningful friendships with others--not only Christians but with anyone who shows a sincere interest in the Lord, the Family, and our work. You Family members are highly skilled witnessers who have been trained by the Lord Himself and by me to put your best foot forward and present your witness in a way that will be easy for the person you're talking with to relate to and accept.--Providing they have a hunger and a vacuum in their heart for the Spirit of God and for the truth and His message. And the Family knows that in order to do that, you have to show yourself friendly and have a friendly approach and cultivate their friendship. That's just natural!

So of course there's nothing wrong with making friends with Christians or with anyone--you have to do that. That's your first step, and that's your starting point in any witness. But true friendship is based on honesty, openness, and good communication, and that type of relationship is built on faith and trust in one another. And if whoever you're witnessing to, whether it's a Christian or anyone else, knows that you're going to be open and honest with them and that they can trust you to not be deceitful or hide the truth, but that they can trust you to be the kind of person that's going to be open, then that's going to win their respect and deepen your friendship even more.

So if you really want to win friends and cultivate true, lasting, fruitful friendships, honesty and openness are a very big part of it, and that means you're going to have to be honest and open with them about your beliefs, your lifestyle, our doctrines, who you are, and why you're doing what you're doing. Because of course they're going to be interested, they're going to want to know about you.

If they're interested in the Spirit of God and in the spirit they see in you, and they start asking you questions, it's because they want to know, they want to be fed. They're hungry, they're sucking, they have a vacuum in the spirit, and God is using that vacuum because He wants to fill it. And He's going to fill it through you, if you're yielded and willing and open to be the channel to give them His Word, love, comfort, encouragement, guidance and message.

So if they start asking you about your beliefs on sex, for example, you can't just clam up and say nothing! Because they're going to think that's pretty strange and they're going to wonder why you're suddenly not willing to discuss something with them and be open and upfront and honest about it.

It's true that church Christians don't generally like the sexual freedom the Lord has given to us. He's willing to give it to anyone, but very few people have been willing to accept it, believe in it, and obey it. They think there's something inherently wrong with enjoying sex and being open and honest about it, especially if you're a Christian.

But the Family doesn't think there's anything wrong with sex--we never have! We've always been very open and forthright and honest in our belief that sex is God-created, God-ordained, Godly, beautiful, pure and wonderful in His sight. That is, good, Godly sex, of course. I'm not talking about perverted, worldly, selfish sex; I'm talking about real loving sex where you're giving and caring and sharing and concerned for each other.

The Family has never felt there is anything wrong with sex, and thank God He used me to help set the

Family people free to believe it and live it and enjoy it and not be dragged down by guilt, condemnation, and the lies of the Devil.

So, I'm sorry that it is a point of controversy with church Christians. They've always screamed "blasphemy" or "heresy" when it came to our sexual doctrines, and I'm sorry if it's a difficult thing for you to explain to Christians. But don't worry if they're not willing to receive it. We're not trying to conform to them and to what they like or don't like, and to the way they think we should be, think, or operate, and what they think we should be preaching and how they think we should be living!

The Family was not created to conform to the church system! The Lord ordained the Family to be different, to be dropped out of the church system, to be new and revolutionary and radical and willing and open to receive God's messages. God knew He couldn't count on the church Christians to accept it, receive it, or live it. That's why He started the Family, and He's been using the Family ever since to be His vehicle to show the world not only the beauties of good, Godly, loving sex, and how it can be lived in love and enjoyed and shared, and that it's not a sin, but also other messages that God cannot trust the churchy Christians with because they just reject them. They won't receive it and they won't do anything with it, so He can't give it to them! He has to choose people like you, the Family, who are willing and ready to accept it.

So I'm sorry if you can't get the church people to see eye to eye with you about sex. You're just going to have to decide what's more important to you. If it's more important for you to maintain your friendship with your church group or your circle of church Christian friends, well, then so be it; that's your decision and your prerogative. But they're still going to want to know your beliefs on sex. They're still going to ask you those questions, and you're going to have to answer them. So you'll eventually have to make a decision between them and us!

It just comes down to the fact that you have to decide if you believe in the message the Lord has given us or you don't! And if you're for it and you believe it, you're not going to have any trouble saying so and standing up for the truth and the standard! And if you don't, then you might as well quit pretending and make some decisions in your life about where you want to serve the Lord. After all, if you no longer have faith in our radical message and you continually want to hide it and deny it, you'd probably be happier in a different outfit whose beliefs are more in line with your own. *(End of message from David.)*

Q: If something isn't done about our approach regarding our radical beliefs, we are going to go on stirring up the media, making enemies, and for what purpose?

(David speaking:) You have to keep your eyes and mind on the goal and vision and spiritual warfare. The media gets stirred up because the Enemy stirs them up, because he does not want the Family to get out the Lord's message. These are the Endtime days and the spiritual warfare is becoming hotter and more intense, and the Enemy knows that the Lord is pouring out His message to the Family, and that the Family is willing to deliver it to the world.

The Devil knows that the messages you've been given in these Endtime days are just what the lost sheep are longing for and desiring to hear. They're radical, they're revolutionary, and the Enemy gets so mad that he tries to stir up the media. He's willing to do anything he can to stop the voice of God. Of course, he can't stop the voice of God, but he's still crazy enough to try.

God is in control and He knows just what the world needs and when, and who to give it to and how to give it. And don't worry; if you're faithful to obey God's voice and where He's leading you, He'll take care of you. He'll protect you and do miracles for you in order to take care of you. He'll do mighty things for you as you step out by faith and boldly and unashamedly tell the world God's message. You have nothing to worry about, because when you're in the center of God's will and being used as His mouthpiece and His tool, the media and all their puny efforts are nothing in the face of God's mighty power and anointing.

So what if the media gets stirred up?! Don't worry if you offend a few people and make a few enemies. Jesus always had enemies, those who tried to kill Him because of what He said and what He stood up for.

I don't care what our enemies say; all I care about is what the Lord tells us to do and say! That's what we're in this business for! I love the messages the Lord has given us. I love His fresh, hot, radical, beautiful, wonderful, thrilling messages! Wouldn't you rather have to suffer a few mockers and scoffers and the ridicule and criticism of a few enemies and the lash of the media, than to give up your faith in God and what He's doing today,

right now, in these Endtime days?

The Lord has to use a new approach to reach this generation because they're so lost. They're even more lost, more hungry, and more cold and dead in the spirit than previous generations. They need His radical, revolutionary, far-out messages! That's what's going to warm their hearts and give them hope and open their eyes. So don't be afraid to deliver it.

It's only the beginning. God has much more in store! He wants to reach His lost sheep, so follow closely and God will use you mightily and to the full, and you'll never be sorry. Because one day soon, all those that you were instrumental in reaching, all those people that you helped to win to the Lord will be with you in Heaven, and you'll be able to thumb your nose at all those scoffers and mockers and at the Devil himself, and tell them that's what it was all for, that's what the purpose was--so that we could win as many as possible into His Heavenly Kingdom. *(End of message from David.)*