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The *unmei* cannot be changed.

Shinji

People are living without knowing about the power (existence) of the unmei that correctly guides and protects their life.

What do they want to protect as they endeavor?

What do they achieve by learning and having knowledge?

How do people gain the conviction that supports their life?

To the Shinja

The unmei that Kami places in all things has the power to deepen interactions with one another and to harmonize.

The endeavor to hone the unmei protects and brings peace to society (the family).

When you learn the teachings and become aware of the principles, you will have the wisdom to make the best of your unmei.

This is how the jittai of all people and all of creation is gradually elevated.

The correct kokoro (conviction) protects the lives of people; and society evolves.

Today, people believe that they can change their unmei through knowledge and effort.

This is why they do not have the wisdom to live correctly, their endeavor does not bear fruit, and they live a life without hope.

Human beings learn knowledge correctly when they know the way to hone their unmei; and they are able to strive and give back to society.

The kokoro that makes us human beings is the conviction to walk the correct path.

Summary of the Shinji

The *unmei* is a very mysterious thing. The power of this mysterious *unmei* cannot be suppressed or changed by human beings. Despite this, human beings are supported, protected and live by the power of this mysterious *unmei*.

Unfortunately, the vast majority of people, who do not know about the *unmei* that protects and guides their life, live as they wish. And that is why they are unable to make the best of their strengths.

Cherish the power and the strengths of your *unmei*. When you know your *unmei*'s strengths, you will not compare yourself to others nor will you vie against them as rivals. Thus make the best of the strengths that have been given to you and use them to contribute to society.

There are many people who do not know what they are striving for. If your efforts are misdirected because you are unaware of your strengths, they will never bear fruit. Your efforts will never be effective unless you know how to make the best of your *unmei*. You will never have the correct conviction unless you are aware of the strengths of your *unmei*.

An *unmei* has been given to all of creation. They mutually interact, support, are enhanced and are of use in this world—this is how it works.

What is absolutely vital is the spirit of harmony. Our *unmei* comes alive when we have the *kokoro* to use our strengths for the benefit of others. This is what brings peace to the society around us.

We must make the best of our mutual *unmei*. The land and an era also have an *unmei*. It is the power that *Kami* has given to all of creation. This power and strength come alive when they mutually interact. This will not happen if there is conflict.

When we learn the teachings, we gain the wisdom to make the best of our *unmei*. We are able to live a way of life that is in sync with our place and our innate parameters. *Kami* asserts that the result is harmony as the *jittai* of those around us are also gradually raised.

People today mistakenly believe that anything can be accomplished with knowledge and effort. Thus they lack the wisdom to live correctly; and in the end, the result is that their effort does not bear fruit.

The *unmei* cannot be changed nor do we have to change it. Therefore, bring out your *unmei* and knowing how to hone it, let us live with the awareness to give back to society. This is the correct way to live as a human being; and a peaceful society that is harmonious and balanced will grow.