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Learn to Perceive the Principles and Live Correctly in Society

Shinji

Human beings live out a life without regrets when they become one with their unmei and are guided by it.

Shinja should understand the truths (the principles) of life and live their life sustained by the teachings.

Society cannot be guided correctly based on knowledge and rules created by humanity.

The reality of this can be seen in today's society.

Society is in Kami's hands and as the unmei of all people and all living creatures come together in sync with an era's unmei, it is enhanced and flows in the direction of harmony and balance.

But unable to see the truths in life, society relies on knowledge and rules without principles.

The kokoro of people is increasingly agitated, beset by anxieties, suffers, and loses its way.

The Shinji is principles that teach what the kokoro should be within the flow of society.

When you read the Shinji deeply with an open mind, the turmoil in your kokoro will gradually disappear.

You will see the correct path that should be followed now, and your anxieties and sense of being lost disappear.

What is missing in society today are the principles—the lack of wisdom that is above the knowledge of humanity.

When shinja live by the teachings, they will discern the correct path and live a life without regrets.

## Summary of the Shinji

*Kami* gave each of us an *unmei* to be useful in society and sent us into this world. If all of us lived according to our *unmei*, we become the people that society needs. We experience meaning and purpose and live a life without regrets.

To achieve this, learn the correct way to live based on the *Shinji*, and live your life sustained by the teachings. Without this effort, you will be consumed by your *jittai*, be unable to bring out your strengths, and will not achieve a life filled with happiness.

The movements of society, regardless of how developed the culture and the civilization, cannot be freely controlled by human knowledge and strength. This can be seen from the many different realities that surround us. Human beings do not have the power to see the future. Hence, we confront the problems as they arise, and unable to do anything to resolve them, we are simply left to think about how we could have adopted better measures.

The flow of this world is guided by *Kami* to be in sync with the era's *unmei*, the *unmei* of people and all of creation as it comes together and is enhanced as it moves forward. If strain or distortion arises, the power of an era's *unmei* moves to create harmony and balance. In other words, the flow is pulled back on the correct path.

If we can live a way of life based on this principle about how life works, all will achieve *kaiun* without fail. Unfortunately, the reality is that there are many who remain unaware of this and live their life relying on information and knowledge. This is why the *kokoro* wavers, is beset by anxieties and troubles, and suffers.

All of the *Shinji* are principles and point the way as to how society should be. If you openly and honestly accept what the *Shinji* teaches, your frustrations and worries in your *kokoro* will disappear and you will begin to realize that you can live your life in sync with the teachings. In other words, you will walk the correct path as a human being.

What is missing in society today are the principles and the natural way things should be. The information and knowledge that inundate this world are mainly based on the human experience, thus they are not reliable.

*Kami's* teachings are the wisdom that allows you to live your life in the right way based on principles that everyone can relate to in any era. And when you live your life in sync with *Kami's* teachings, you are able to make those split-second decisions in any given situation that lead to a life without regrets.