

## Mature

Having read the papers from the mainland Chinese Dafa disciples' Internet experience sharing conference, I find that none of them are written now with human attachments; there is no sense that the papers were written to complete some task, nor, in either form or content, done using clichéd, bogus, vacuous Party-style rhetoric; absent is the attachment of reporting accomplishments with the mentality of "If I don't tell people, how will they know"; and for the most part they are free of the Party culture's logic. I could also sense in them a maturation in the authors' cultivation.

The form cultivation takes for Dafa disciples is one in which they cultivate among ordinary people, and it is among ordinary people that they validate the Fa, save sentient beings, and work against the persecution. In this, a circumstance in which no cultivation form was left by any predecessors as a referent, it is incumbent upon the cultivators to blaze their own trails, and it is required of each person that he affirm the path that he himself has come to realize—role models aren't set up to follow. The path that each person takes can be an example only to posterity. And there is no [cultivating] in another's place—the one who cultivates gains. Under the intense, sinister pressure that was forced upon them; on a cultivation path with nothing to reference; living in a most materialistic and practical society of man; with human morality sliding downhill fast; and with strict requirements for self-improvement set forth for Dafa disciples by the Great Law, you have nonetheless made it through. The papers mostly involve rationally analyzing and uncovering shortcomings, and they exchange thoughts for the purpose of validating the Fa, reducing losses, helping fellow cultivators to think and act righteously, thinking of ways to help fellow cultivators who are being persecuted, and saving more sentient beings. Gone are the flowery expressions meant for affective show: the papers are full of substance, and they are accurate, clean, and free of human sentiments. They are not something an ordinary person could write, for the inner world of a cultivator is pure and clean.

This is but one of the feelings I had from reading the online papers shared by the mainland Chinese Dafa disciples. My overall impression is that most Dafa disciples have matured; the way in which they are cultivating has matured; the understanding cultivators have of cultivation has matured; and the rational behavior that comes from a progressive decrease in human thoughts has, likewise, matured. When all Dafa disciples are like this, the evil will be completely eliminated and Gods and Buddhas will grandly manifest.

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