



Russian psychology. “Orthodoxy has shaped moral values of people living in Russia for centuries. Holiness, rather than success or prosperity has been an ideal in society for many years. – His Holiness underscored. – Our country has been called Holy Rus’ not because our people were saints, but because holiness was an ideal and purpose of life. Therefore, it is very important to uphold traditional moral values challenged by secular society every day.”

The Ambassador of Japan thanked His Holiness for the meeting and noted the importance of spiritual ties between Russian and Japan. He added that playing an important part in their development are the Russian Orthodox Church and the Orthodox Church of Japan, the fruit of missionary labours of St. Nicholas of Japan who began to preach Orthodoxy in Japan one hundred and fifty years ago.

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