

An Exhortation toward Geography-The path
of my life-Essay of ninety
years of age-*sotsu ju*.

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What I have done and What expected to develop.

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Postscript

I . Forward & Introduction

keywords:

much attention to wording.
my teachers and friends
sensitivity of international languages
avoidance of pidgin English.
value of *Nihongo*(Japanese)

I have long exchanged season's greetings (e.g. Going beyond the first mountain, the second and the third, 2009) with foreign teachers and friends. The path of my life is just consistent with the idiomatic phrase.

The path of my life is fittingly subdivided into three stages, which are reflected in the Contents of this paper.

I was delayed by nearly 10 years before I set foot on the path toward becoming a researcher of geography. This matter is described in sections 4 and 5. I was drafted as an intelligence officer to be devoted to breaking foreign ciphers.

A mention of my schooltime is made in sections 2 and 3. Readers of the paper will be interested in section 1.

The above-mentioned is made on the basis of a lone section. In other words, Chapter 1 is not detailed by dint of any subsections.

I fully realized what the saying "Inscrutable are the ways of Heaven" means.

II. Time at Universities of Okayama and Hiroshima

The aim of this short paper is a description mainly of Fukuyama University. I worked at the University of Okayama(1950~1966)and the University of Hiroshima (1966~1982).

The reader of this small essay will forgive my rudeness in which I omit the reasonable reference to my Prime Age of Research at the time of the Universities of Okayama and Hiroshima.

III. Time at the Fukuyama University.(1982~

I was given an agreeable position at Fukuyama University in 1982. And I was appointed the librarian in 1985,then President's aid in 1992. During the above service I was honored to have been appointed the editor of *The Twenty Year History of Fukuyaka University*: also of *The Thirty Year History of Fukuyama University*. I composed an English poem as follows:

I share great joy with the faculty members of the University, writing its 30-year history.

"The Geography of My Life" was well displayed as is shown:

"Profiles of Japan's Culture," *The Fukuyama Economic Review*.1996. pp.100~138
An English-Japanese Dictionary of Area Studies, Kokon-shoin,x ii +590pp. 1999.

A change -decrease as Professor and increase as trustee. This change has been evident since 2002 when I was given guest professorship in the Faculty of Human, Culture and Sciences. Further accelerated by my inauguration as trustee. Reorganization of the faculty system in 2009 has made me realize my identity in the Faculty [Human Culture and Sciences]. This change has encouraged me to write a paper.

As was shown earlier, my service is longest as Fukuyama University in comparison with the Universities of Okayama and Hiroshima.

As is seen in *Academic History and Published Works of Hiroshi Ishida*, 2001, and *An Appendix*, 2008, my identity is great not only in the University but also outward.

In conclusion of this short paper, I oppose stereotyped versions of nations and regions and am keen to propose: The followings are some of terms to which

geographers are expected to be keen -mountains, valley, wind, trade winds, tree, citizen, topography, topographical map, United Nations.

It is requested to be sensitive to wording, if any underlying meaning is contained or not.

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