

Introduction to the
**Original Substance
of the Divine Principle**



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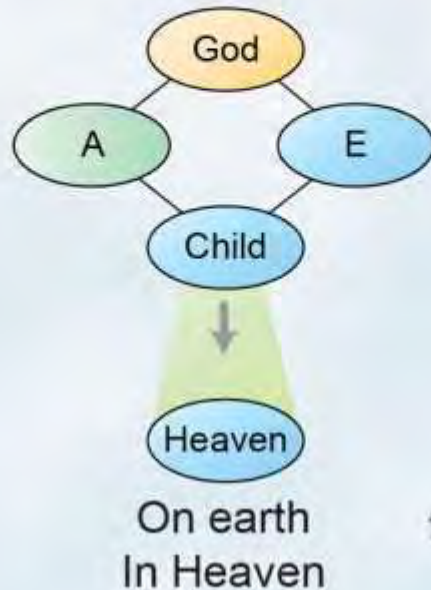
**The Mission of the Messiah
and the Purpose
of His Second Advent**



The word **MESSIAH**

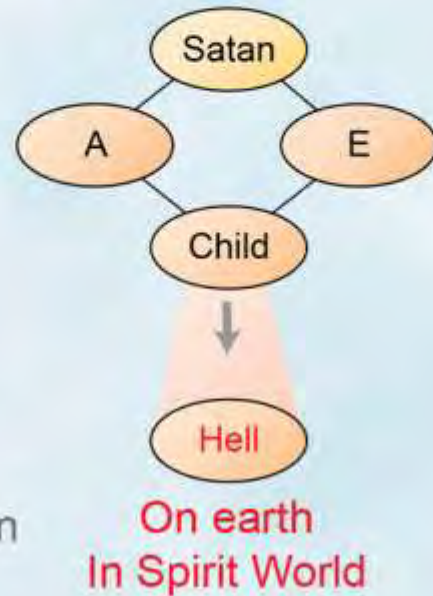
The Purpose of Jesus' Coming

Bring Salvation by Restoring the World, bringing it out of Satan's Dominion and into God's Dominion.



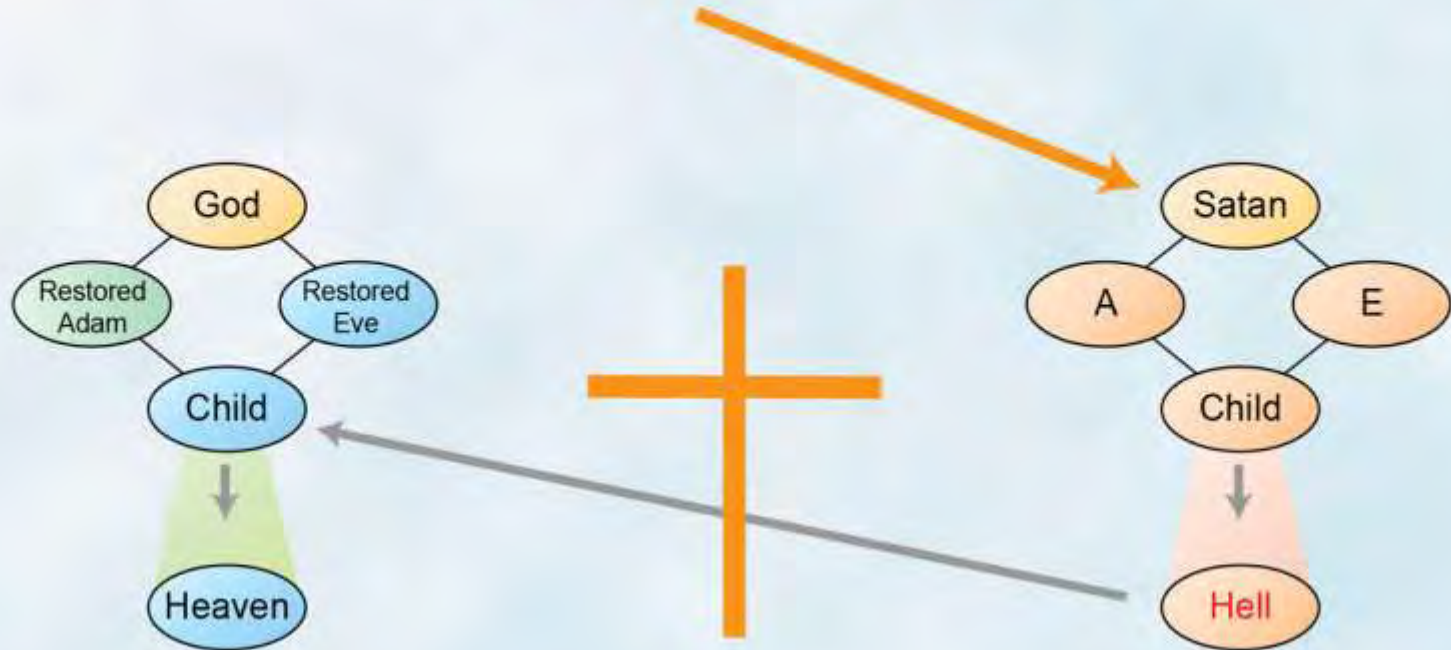
Salvation
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Recreation

Jesus came to complete
the Providence of Restoration



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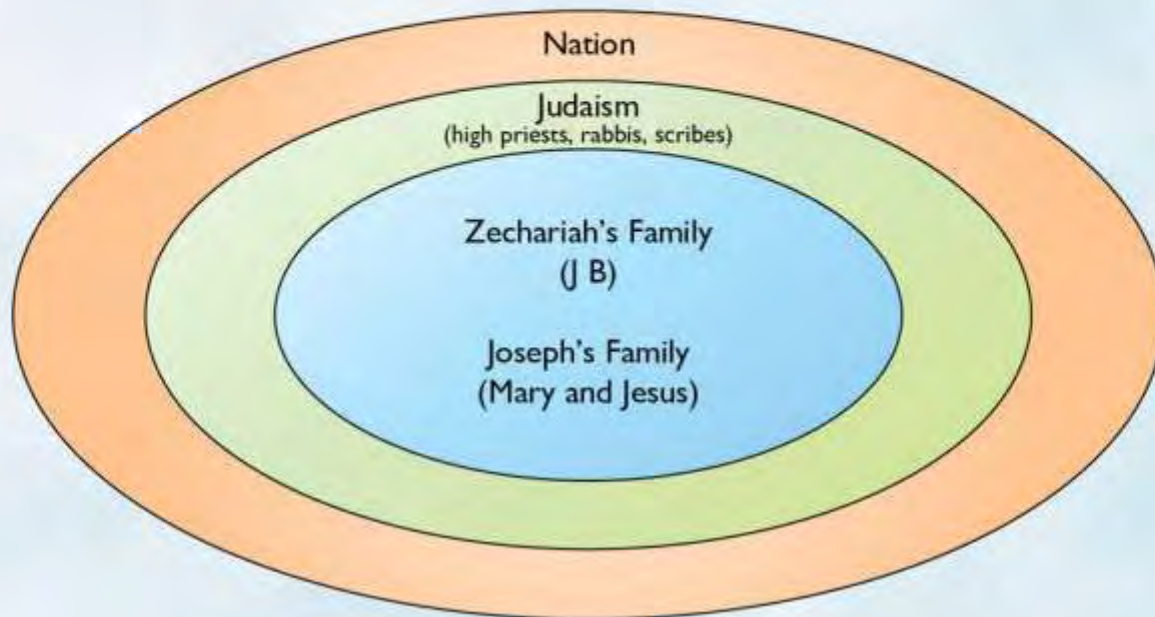
If Adam and Eve had obeyed God's commandment,
God's family would have been realized.

They disobeyed and Satan became the false father.

John 8:44

If the people had **believed** Jesus, the restoration and recreation of God's family would have been completed. They **disbelieved** and he forgave and redeemed them, and us, through the cross.

Was Jesus' path to the cross the only possibility?



Was Jesus' path to the cross the only possibility?

- It was against God's providence
- It was against Jesus' words

When we look at Jesus' words,
we see that he wanted to be believed in and accepted.
Jesus testified that **God's will was that Israel believe in Jesus.**

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Then said they unto him, 'What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?' Jesus answered and said unto them, 'This is the work of God, that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.'

John 6:28-29

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It caused Jesus **anguish**.

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O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets,
and stonest them which are sent unto thee, how often would
I have gathered thy children together, even as a hen gathereth
her chickens under her wings, and ye would not!

Matt. 23: 37

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“

And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it, Saying, If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace! but now they are hid from thine eyes. For the days shall come upon thee, that thine enemies shall cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round, and keep thee in on every side, And shall lay thee even with the ground, and thy children within thee; and they shall not leave in thee one stone upon another; because thou knewest not the time of thy visitation.

Luke 19:41-44

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Jesus' filial prayer at Gethsemene.

“Let this cup pass...”

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Then saith he unto them, My soul is exceeding sorrowful, even unto death: tarry ye here, and watch with me. And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt....

Matthew 26:38-45

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...And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation: the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak. He went away again the second time, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass away from me, except I drink it, thy will be done...

Matthew 26:38-45

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...And he came and found them asleep again: for their eyes were heavy. And he left them, and went away again, and prayed the third time, saying the same words. Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

Matthew 26:38-45

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Why did Jesus pray “**Let this cup pass**”?

- sorrowful to death — they were rejecting God
- did not pray from human weakness
- **God’s original plan was that he would end all sin and evil and build the Kingdom of God**

It was God's Will that he be accepted,
but when the disciples slept and there was
no faith in the people, he was **betrayed**
into the hands of sinners.

The first martyr's testimony

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Ye stiff necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears,
ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.
Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted?
and they have slain them which shewed before of the coming
of the Just One; of whom ye have been now the betrayers
and murderers.

Acts 7:51-52

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Completion of the Providence of Salvation

What are perfect people like?

- Fully attuned to God
- Possess a divine nature
- Have no original sin
- No need of redemption
- No need for religious ritual
- **Have good and sinless children**

Was this providence completed?

- Original sin is passed on to the children of the saved—all generations are in need of baptism
- Sin still exists in the saved. The Apostle Paul wrote as a saved Christian that his body served the law of sin. Romans 7:21-25
- We await the redemption of our body. Romans 8:23
- Though we are saved, **we still have sin.** John 1:8-10

Is there another redemption?

The **redemption of the body is yet to come.**

Romans 8:23

When Jesus returns, the ultimate purpose of the providence of salvation will be fulfilled. He returns to **complete God's work** and save those who are waiting for him with a salvation waiting to be revealed in the last times. [Heb 9:28](#), [1 Pet 1:5](#)

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So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many;
and unto them that look for him shall he appear the
second time without sin unto salvation.

Heb 9:28

Who are kept by the power of God through faith
unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

1 Peter 1:5

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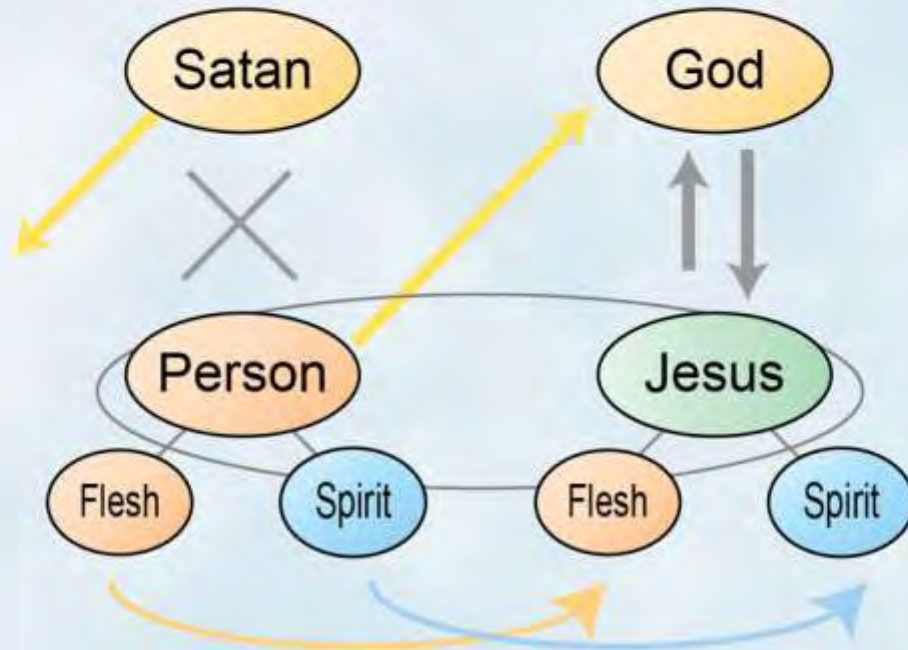
From this evidence, the ultimate purpose to end all sin and bring all into the Kingdom was not fulfilled.

That is why Jesus said **he will come again**.
He will return to wipe away every tear and bring evil to an end.

Why was the ultimate purpose not fulfilled?

Because **the people** to whom God sent the Messiah **did not recognize that Jesus was the Christ**, the one they were waiting for.

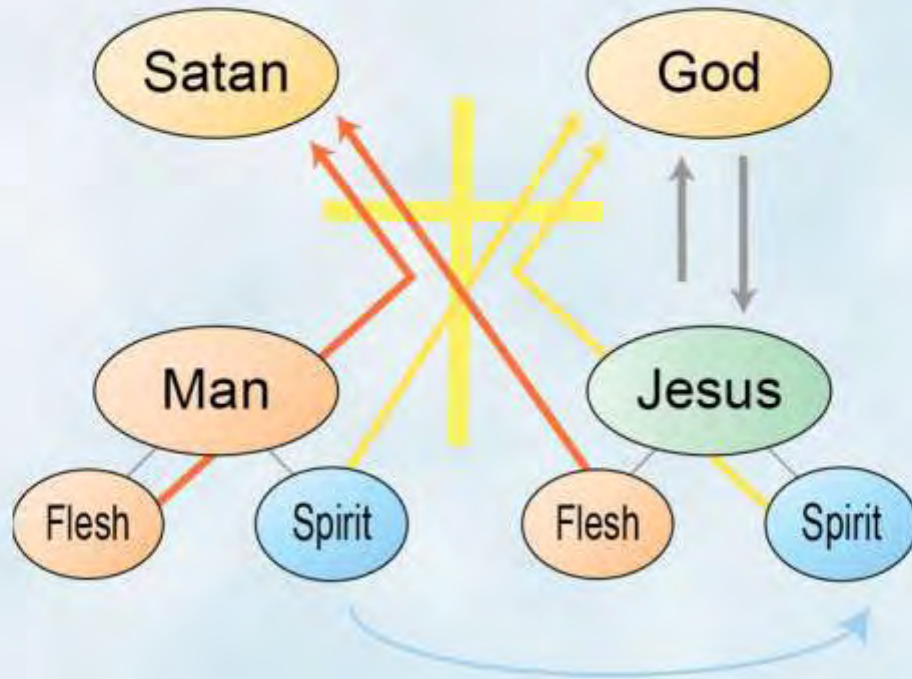
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**If the chosen people fail to believe in Jesus,
Jesus has to offer his body as a ransom.**

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Those who believed in the resurrected Jesus
were saved in spirit, but not in the flesh.

Romans 7:23 **slave to the law of sin**

1 John 1:8-10 **all are sinful**

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For creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God... We know that the whole creation has been groaning in travail together until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

Romans 8:19-23

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Salvation through the **Redemption by the Cross** and the Purpose of **Jesus' Second Advent**

ISAIAH 53

⁴He was bruised for our iniquities.

⁵By his wounds we are healed.

¹²He bore the sin of many.

Salvation through the **Redemption by the Cross** and the Purpose of **Jesus' Second Advent**

- Jesus' physical body was given as a ransom.
- Salvation of the spirit is offered to all who believe.
- Christ **returns to deliver us** from this body of death. Rom 8:23, Heb 9:28

Two Kinds of Prophecies Concerning the Cross

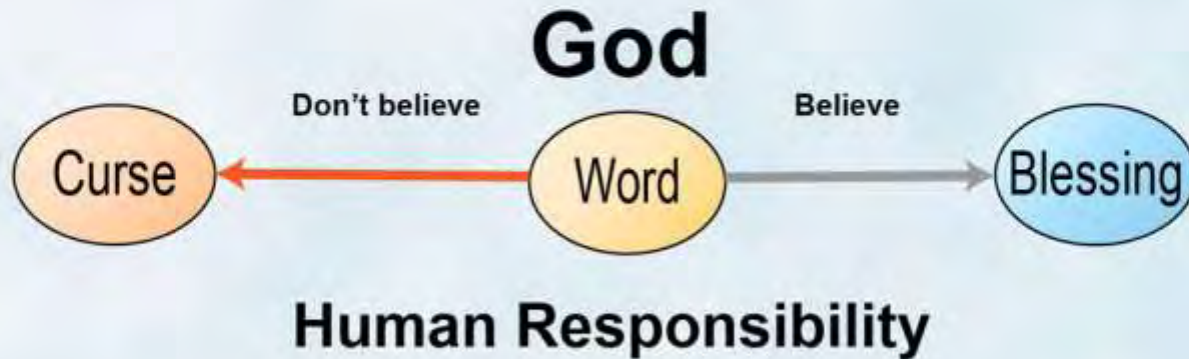
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Behold, I set before you this day a blessing and a curse;
the blessing, if you obey the commandments of the
Lord your God, which I command you this day, and a curse,
if you do not obey the commandments of the Lord your God....

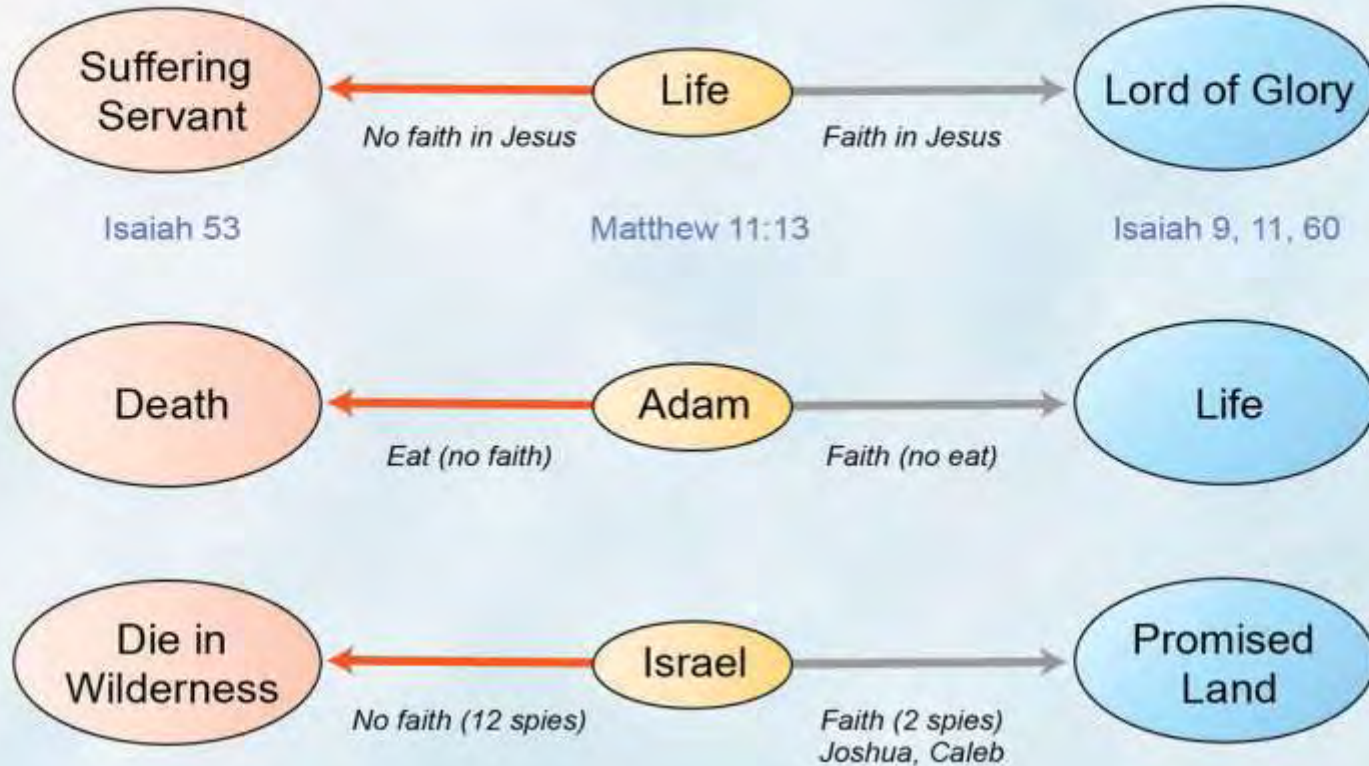
Deuteronomy 11:26-28

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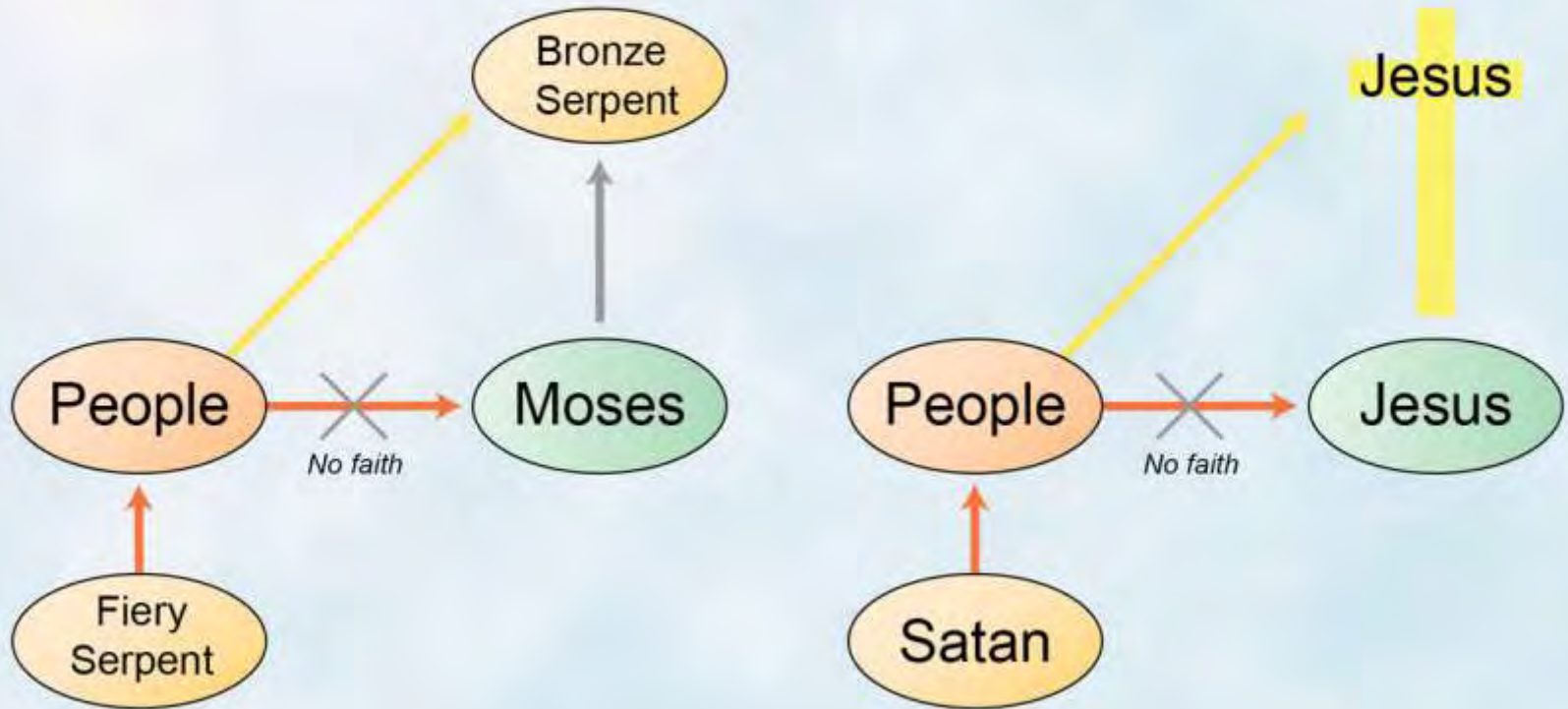
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Biblical tradition of dual prophecies



“The son of man must be lifted up...”



The Second Coming of Elijah and John the Baptist



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Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before
the great and dreadful day of the Lord.

Mal 4:5

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Who was Elijah?

Jesus said **John was Elijah**

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And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elijah must first come? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Elijah truly shall first come, and restore all things. ... Then the disciples understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist.

Mt 17:10-13

For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.
And if ye will receive it, this is Elijah, which was for to come.

Mt 11:13-14

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John said he was not Elijah

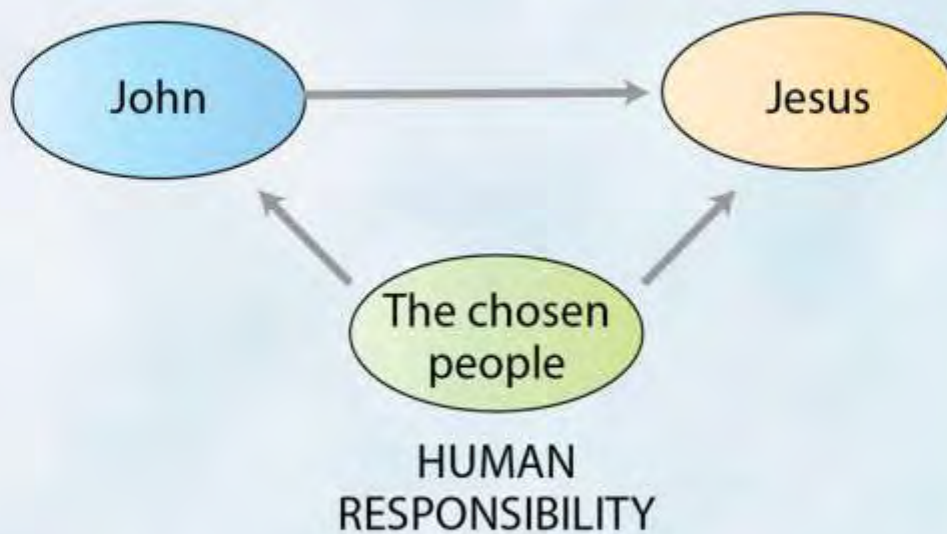
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And this is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou? And he confessed, and denied not; but confessed, I am not the Christ. And they asked him, What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not. Art thou that prophet? And he answered, No.

Jn 1:19-21

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The direction the people would choose



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JOHN THE BAPTIST

- Miraculous birth of high priest Zechariah
- Ascetic life
- **Messianic status**
Jn 1:20, Lk 3:15

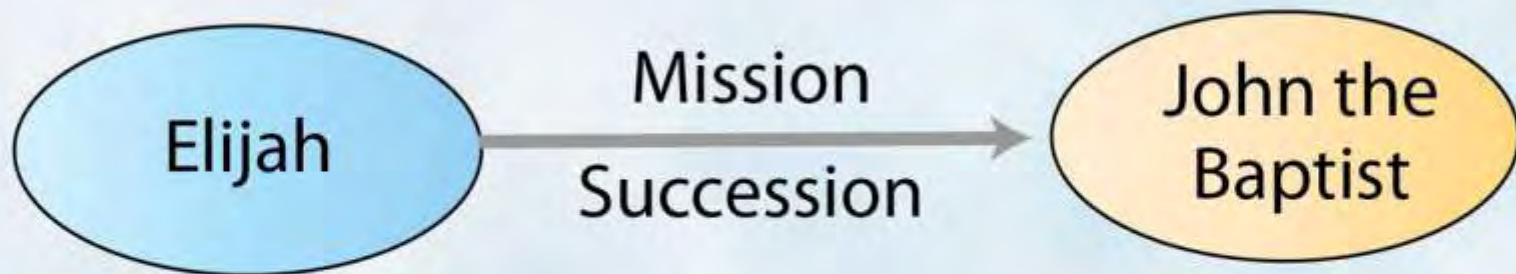
JESUS

- Carpenter's family
- Unlearned youth
- Broke Sabbath Mt 12:1-8
- Friend of tax-collectors, prostitutes and sinners
- Claimed to be from Heaven
- **Told people to love him more than their parents**

The people followed John, and this made them
doubt Jesus' words, not just about John,
but about everything he said and did.

Jesus seemed to be just another man
claiming to be the Messiah.

The mission of John the Baptist



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Make straight the way of the Lord.

Jn 1:23

... go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah ...
make ready a people...and he will go before him
in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts
of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to
the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord
a people prepared.

Luke 1:17

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The mission of John the Baptist

- Luke 1:17 Zechariah's prophecy
- Not reincarnation - shared mission
- Biblical meaning of a second coming
- Testimony PLUS deeds were necessary
- Jesus said John WAS Elijah
- John **denied** he was Elijah. Why?

The disbelief of John the Baptist Matthew 11:1-12

- Ignorant of God's Will and Providence
- Failed to inherit Jesus' vision and spirit
- Didn't understand Jesus' words and deeds
- Worried about his authority and reputation
- Had a **conventional expectation** of the Messiah

A new perspective on the Bible

- We have been reading the Bible through an old lens, based on a “given” that John the Baptist fulfilled God’s will as a great prophet.
- We should examine our inherited attitude of faith—our old wineskins.
- We should constantly make effort to stand in the light of faith by **searching in both spirit and truth.**

New light from scripture

- Rev. Moon's understanding came from Jesus
- Jesus revealed John's true mission and the meaning of the second advent
- Let us **open our hearts in prayer**, so God can guide our lives

Discussion

1. How has this presentation changed your conception of the messiah?
 2. If you had lived at the time of Jesus do you think it would have been easy to recognize him as the messiah? Why or why not?
 3. How has this presentation effected your understanding of the crucifixion?
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