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## Introduction

A note of personal background: With a positive but ever-questioning mind plus decades of face-to-face instruction and guidance from Dr. and Mrs. Sun Myung Moon (hereafter referred to as Father and Mother Moon), I approached the writing of this series of books very seriously and prayerfully. From the time I first read *The Divine Principle* and later studied under numerous dedicated teachers and mentors, I held the deep conviction that someone needed to clarify some aspects of the official text. To my heartfelt relief, Father Moon himself addressed graduates of his Unification Theological Seminary in upstate New York, of which I am one, and told us explicitly: “*Your mission is to interpret the Divine Principle to the American people.*” These were the marching orders I was so much longing to hear. I have endeavored to do just that ever since, through many lectures, webinars and books. This series is part of that ongoing effort.

## Preface

The insights and teachings of Father and Mother Moon are truly revolutionary. They will unquestionably change the course of human history. A list of many of these revolutionary contributions to humanity can be found in the last pages of this book. Explanations and elaborations of each topic on that list can be found in the book *Revolution*, by this same author.

*Introducing the Divine Principle – Level 2* is my personal effort to describe the major aspects of their teachings based on my own understanding and decades of experience trying to apply them in my daily life. One cannot know a faith tradition by simply reading about it or hearing a lecture. To truly understand the Roman Catholic faith, for example, one must be immersed in it for a period of time and invest themselves in living according to it. In a similar way, this book is the result of decades of application. Even still, imperfect understanding and errors may occur. For that reason, the official expression of the Principle, called *Exposition of the Divine Principle*, published by the Holy Spirit Association for the Unification of World Christianity (HSA-UWC), or its contemporary replacement, should always be deferred to for any questions, conflicts, discrepancies, or just for deeper insights and explanations.

*Introducing the Divine Principle – Level 2* is in no way intended to replace or serve as an alternative to the *Exposition* book. It's designed as a more relatable complement to it through clarifying, reframing and sometimes expanding the explanation of some of the main points. It's written especially for readers who are not avid students of history or the Bible and designed to help them understand

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core concepts and topics of the *Principle*. Many details and sections found in the *Exposition* text are therefore not included or addressed in this book.

The *Principle* is timeless truth; as deep and broad as life itself. It's not just one of many theologies or a rehashing of knowledge we received long ago. It's a unique explanation of life and the universe in the context of God's original plan. It's a worldview. It explains the hidden mysteries of the Bible as well as bringing new depth and meaning to other sacred texts, history, science, politics and philosophy. There's literally no end to discovering its wisdom and insights.

The *Divine Principle* is God's revolutionary new expression of his same timeless truths but for people in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. You'll find more reasonable, rational, applicable and relevant understanding in the *Divine Principle* than was given to us in the past. The inner peace and lasting happiness that everyone hungers for every day, with so many not being able to find it, is now more readily achievable than ever before. The internal battle between our innate desire to live for the sake of others as opposed to living only for ourselves is finally explained and the remedy made available. The very definition of what is "right" or "wrong", healthy or toxic for human beings is made crystal clear. The doorway to reconciling the great divide between science and spirituality, or external and internal truth, is finally opened, enabling the world to embrace the singular reality which both camps are analyzing and trying to understand. The root cause of human conflict and suffering is explained and the prescription is now available. The process for personal healing, both physical and spiritual, is outlined. Environmental concerns and human life are seamlessly integrated and harmonized. Self-destructive radical individualism is replaced by a workable social and family paradigm. Common sense is brought back into our relationships both with God and with our fellow human beings. A new road map for humanity is laid out. A bright light is lit at the end of a very dark tunnel.

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While the above list appears too good to be true, these are but a few of many contemporary and revolutionary aspects of Father and Mother Moon's teaching and legacy which will change humanity forever.

That may be exciting, but religious people often ask why we need another expression of truth like the *Divine Principle*. People of almost every major religion believe that their own book of revealed truth is complete and final. They maintain that God cannot and would not express anything more than what their faith tradition has already received. This viewpoint is understandable since the various books of revealed truth are priceless messages to humanity from God and these messages have long been crucial to people's eternal spiritual lives and fulfillment. However, God has also been expressing the truth in a progressive way, depending upon our ability to receive it.

Sometimes this progressive revelation of truth involves simplification. During the Old Testament era, people were given 613 laws to follow, beginning with the 10 Commandments of Moses. Later the new Adam, Jesus, said all of these laws could be fulfilled by observing just two.<sup>1</sup> Jesus also said, "*I have many things to say to you but you cannot bear them now.*"<sup>2</sup> In our time, Father Moon simplified even the two laws of Jesus into only one: "*Live for the sake of others.*"

On the other hand, this progressive revelation of truth often means expansion of our understanding. Jesus revealed what he could under his circumstances to the audience at hand. Being an unmarried man, he taught very little about marriage and family relationships. Also, he used parables to convey his teachings which were hard for his disciples to understand. Today, Father and Mother Moon have given literally thousands of profound speeches about marriage, family, society, education, government, peace, harmony and many other subjects. They are all in the same vein as what the 2<sup>nd</sup> Adam, Jesus, said earlier, but clearly without using parables and designed for 21<sup>st</sup> century people.



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The belief that past revelations are complete and final and God will not reveal more understanding to people again must be exceedingly offensive to the real, living God. It effectively puts him in a locked, sound proof closet and throws away the key. It's absurd to think that God has revealed everything already and that our existing spiritual books are complete and clear. If that were the case, then why all the disagreement, confusion, conflict, contradictory interpretations and practices, and ineffectiveness of these religions to transform the world into God's ideal? Would a loving and wise God want to prolong humanity's suffering by withholding from us the understanding we need to remedy our many problems? Certainly the real, living God has spoken to mankind through various people throughout the ages and will continue to do so, as needed.

Hopefully, this book will lead to a radical shift in your perspectives on life and be a catalyst for positive change. When you've finished reading it, you should compare it to the official expression of the teachings, currently published in the *Exposition* book mentioned before. New official expressions of the *Divine Principle* are certain to evolve in the future, but this book will likely be a helpful guide for many years to come, regardless of the then-current official text.

Do not rush through a reading of this book. These are the kind of books you need to spend time with. Ponder each paragraph. Ask yourself what it's saying to you. Ask yourself what it really means. Ask yourself what the ramifications are of each point. When you feel you can answer those questions, move on to the next section. If you read and invest in the *Principle* that way, you'll be exceedingly enriched by the time you finish.

If you're a truth seeker, this book is written especially for you. But, human life was never intended to be based solely on intellectual knowledge. Knowledge is important but humans were designed to be like God himself, primarily motivated and guided by love and heart.

Aristotle said: “*Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.*”<sup>3</sup> Father Moon taught that the purpose of truth is actually not for truth itself. He said the real purpose of truth is to lead people to the love of God. The bottom line is... studying the *Divine Principle* will help you find both. Sit back, relax and enjoy...

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## **Part 1**

### **Chapter 1**

#### **The Principles of Nature**

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#### **The Question of God’s Existence**

Many people today doubt the existence of God. One reason is because science has risen to prominence in everyday life with sophisticated technology in the hands of almost everyone, including children, with astounding discoveries almost on a daily basis. It has given the impression that science will find the answer to every problem, without any need for a god. However, when one takes a step back and surveys the landscape of the world of science, they will realize that science is not even close to solving many of the most fundamental problems of life. In some cases, it’s not even trying.

Without going into great depth, let's look at a few examples. For instance, science has no answer to the destructive problem of human selfishness. It's simply labeled '*human nature*'. The solution to finding lasting happiness in life is also a mystery. Money, fast cars, big wardrobes and diamond rings don't seem to work for long. Psychology offers little except to say, "*Be yourself, lower your expectations, avoid negative people, etc.*" Mind-body unity is another elusive area for science. Self-discipline, self-denial, meditation, yoga and personal integrity are the only answers from the spiritual and psychological experts. Defining what it means to be a human being, let alone a man or a woman, seems to be more elusive every day. Medical science and common sense are being ignored and replaced by social conventions. Questions surrounding the origin of life and of the universe have escaped the scientific community, as well. In spite of a growing surge of evidence to the contrary, an atheistic mindset among much of the scientific community has left God off the table in terms of options. We also don't know how to love or even how to care at a level of maturity that marriages and society seems to require. Breakdown of any and all types of human relationships have become the accepted norm. The social sciences seem helpless to improve the situation. Real peace has remained a personal experience, at best. It can even be questionable on that level when we dig deeply enough. Certainly on a socio/political level it's elusive, and no amount of money or expertise has proven effective at creating peace. Wars and human abuse continue to abound, unabated. And, science has offered no help in preparing people for their inevitable eternal life. Most of those in the scientific world don't even believe it exists.

So there you have it. In that context and environment in our modern society, people who place their future hopes for happiness in the hands of science and relegate belief in God to mythology will be doing a lot of wishful thinking, at best. This is because science limits itself largely to the material world, denying the world of spirit.

Another reason many people today doubt the existence of God is the almost universal advocacy of Darwinism and self-directed evolution (i.e., no God). It's blindly promoted by almost all public schools and major information outlets throughout America and the world. Darwin believed that accidental random cellular mutations and survival of the fittest enabled simple organisms to eventually become increasingly complex creatures and eventually human beings. Darwin's 19<sup>th</sup> century ideas and Neo-Darwinism are commonly presented not as theory but as assumed or proven scientific fact.

These ideas and their contemporary versions, however, have been strongly challenged by a growing number of late 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> century biologists and mathematicians.<sup>4</sup> Modern technology has enabled biologists to peer into the very heart of living cells, actually seeing individual proteins with the aid of an electron microscope. They've made stunning discoveries which Darwin could never have imagined in his wildest dreams. It's now common knowledge that cells operate and reproduce by way of highly sophisticated components and thousands of molecular machines. An increasing number of studies show that these intricate mechanisms and their interactive and coordinated processes cannot possibly be accounted for by self-directed evolution or random accidental mutations.<sup>5</sup> But, for various reasons, schools have been slow or reluctant to incorporate recent scientific discoveries into their teaching regarding Darwinism. Thus, the idea that Darwinism is proven scientific fact instead of a theory is unfortunately being perpetuated and it says to people, '*There's no God*'.

Not only has the micro-universe revealed the need for an intelligent designer of nature, but the macro-universe has, as well. Scientists have found that there are between 36 and 150 fundamental aspects of the material universe which are incredibly finely tuned to enable the possibility of life. The research on cosmic fine tuning began in the 1950s when Sir Fred Hoyle, an atheist astrophysicist, was

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transformed when he realized the staggering amount of fine tuning that was required in order for stars to produce carbon, a necessary element for all life. The stunning realization of the many additional aspects of cosmic fine tuning were noted by another well-known staunch atheist, Steven Hawking, who said “*The remarkable fact is that the values of these numbers seem to have been finely adjusted to make possible the development of life.*”

It is becoming clear, even to some leading outspoken atheists in the scientific world, that the probabilities of this universe and nature evolving all by itself are virtually impossible. Some great intelligence had to have preceded it all. Meanwhile, even though the scientific basis for belief in an intelligent designer of the universe is becoming stronger, rather than weaker,<sup>6</sup> schools and the major information outlets are still not publicizing it. Thus, people are left to doubt the existence of God.

An added dimension to the problems stated above is the fact that the debate of “*God or no God*” has become highly politicized. Because proponents of materialism and Marxism in their various forms base their political views on the premise that there is no God, then scientific discovery and discussion has become biased and even restricted. Scientists and professors today often fear retribution should they espouse a belief in the world of spirit or a belief in God or deny atheistic perspectives being advocated. Real science must be free to question itself and its conclusions openly and freely, or it ceases to be real science.

Another reason many people today doubt the existence of God is because some religious people have historically promoted the notion that God is “*in control*” of human affairs and therefore causes both good and evil events or at least permits human fortune, misfortune and suffering. This is partly due to a misinterpretation of what prophesy really is, and also because it is reasoned that if God is so powerful that



he could create the universe, then he certainly must be managing human affairs. This perspective has been very popular among believers because it relieves people of personal responsibility in life. Some would use this concept to explain the fact that some people in poor countries are suffering from starvation and lack of medical care. When unfortunate things happen in life, it seems to some to be easier to say “*God’s in control*” than to take responsibility to resolve those things ourselves. Starvation and lack of medical care, for example, could be easily remedied if enough people really cared.

This idea, when adopted by people who saw mostly suffering and pain in their lives and couldn’t recognize God’s love, can become a catalyst for denial of God for his cruelty and cold-heartedness. Some Biblical passages can be interpreted to support this callous view of God.<sup>7</sup> He’s often been thought of as vengeful, harsh, mean, angry, jealous, punishing; i.e., he’s unlovable.

This negative image of God is in stark contrast to the compassionate, sensitive, loving God and Father that Jesus described and modeled during his life on earth.<sup>8</sup> Father and Mother Moon echoed the same loving descriptions of God and went even further to describe the real, living God as a tender-hearted and even broken-hearted parent who feels and agonizes over the pain of each and every human being. Obviously the cold-hearted and loving-parent perceptions cannot both be correct.

Father Moon explained that the harsh image of God was the result of the intermediary angels which God used to communicate with people before the coming of Jesus, his son. He explained that angels have the hearts and personalities of servants and messengers before God rather than that of children. He said they conveyed God’s instructions from their own perspective and unfortunately gave God the image of being more of a master than a Father. Later discussion about spirit world, angels, and healing and growth in the afterlife will

add more substance to this explanation. The conclusion is, God's image became distorted in the eyes of people even though in reality God has always been the caring, loving parent which Jesus and Father and Mother Moon modeled and described in intimate detail.

Another major factor which has caused some people to doubt the existence of God is the breakdown of the traditional family, both internally and externally. From the 1960's, divorce became more and more common and accepted in American society. Single parent families exploded in number. Family violence, and abusive and dysfunctional marriages became an epidemic. The very definition of marriage itself has even become unclear. All this has progressed to the point where, today, few couples even consider marriage to be a viable or desirable lifestyle. As a result, the relationships between husbands and wives, parents and children, and between siblings has become more shallow or even non-existent for many people. Many children do not even know who their father is.

Father and Mother Moon always called the family God's "School of Love". That was God's original plan but it's clearly become very far from that ideal. As a result, it's now increasingly difficult for many young people to conceive of or relate to a God who is called their "*Heavenly Father*". If God is a parent of love, but people's experience of love in their family and elsewhere has become very weak or even cold, heartless and abusive, then it will inevitably be difficult for them to believe in God at all.

And, the trauma experienced by a child who losses a parent or both parents or a close sibling often puts an emotional wedge between them and God. Without guidance as to how to digest such a situation, it can easily result in misdirected blame and resentment against God. The understanding offered by the *Principle* concerning the spirit world and life after death can give great comfort to such people and help them resolve their negative feelings toward God.

There are many other reasons for people's disbelief in God, such as peer influences, ancestral influences, cultural influences, etc. There will be more discussion of these as we go through *Introducing the Divine Principle – Level 2*. So assuming that God really does exist, then who is he and what is he really like?

## The Nature of God

If God exists, can we know anything about him? After all, the description of God that a Christian, Jew, Muslim, Hindu or Greek may give you can differ widely. Is he just whatever each of us wants him to be? Actually, it's not that whimsical. There's a rational approach to this question. Let's take a very brief look at 12 characteristics of God.

To begin with, there are no known exceptions to the phenomena of cause and effect. We know of nothing in our experience that could have caused itself to exist. Therefore, by definition God has been commonly called the "*First Cause*" and everything else would be a direct or indirect result or effect. It's not something we can prove, but it is logically inferred.

More importantly, there's always a predictable and consistent resemblance between an effect and its cause. Any pool pro knows that sinking the 8 ball requires a precise and predictable impact on the cue ball. It's upon this premise that we can have chemistry, physics, biology and all other sciences. Could we conceive of a chemistry lab or pharmaceutical company if effects did not bear some resemblance to their cause? When astronomers see a shift in the light spectrum of a distant star, they infer that it must be moving closer or further away by the Doppler effect. Behavioral psychology depends heavily on deductive reasoning. Because of cause-and-effect, both deductive reasoning as well as empirical proof are valid, accepted scientific methodologies. Deductive reasoning relies on "If...then..." statements

whereas empirical proof relies on observable evidence and measurement. Most science relies on both.

If God designed and created the universe - both the spiritual universe as well as the material universe - then he would have to exist outside of them both since they are resultant. While his spirit may permeate both the spiritual universe and the material universe, as the causal being he must also be beyond them. Therefore it's understandable that we can't perceive God with our limited senses. The Bible admits: "*No one has seen God...*"<sup>9</sup>

But by way of the same deductive reasoning that science uses all the time, we can understand God to have several other important qualities. As a premise to the 'First Cause' argument, we observe that the universe is permeated with logic and reason. If the universe (an effect) is infused with logic and reason, then the second characteristic of God is that he (the cause) must also have within himself a logical, rational nature. Chaos can only cause more chaos. Thirdly, because virtually everything material in the universe can be described by a mathematical formula, we can infer that God must have within himself a mathematical aspect.

The familiar nautilus sea shell offers a suitable example of this point. As seen in this image, the nautilus shell displays a geometric algorithm. Even evolutionists who do not believe in a god or designer of nature admit that this shell is an example of the natural processes



of evolution but with geometry applied to it. The obvious unanswered question is, *Where did the geometry come from?* The creature that made the shell did not have a conscious knowledge of geometry. But,

it came from somewhere. There are many other similar examples in nature.

Using the same reasoning, we can understand that God must also have a (4<sup>th</sup>) harmonious and (5<sup>th</sup>) balanced nature because there's a harmonious and balanced order in the universe and not simply chaos.

Two more primary characteristics of God that we can infer from nature are (6<sup>th</sup>) an internal non-material guiding force or character and (7<sup>th</sup>) an external mode of expression. Even the most basic elements of the universe are subject to the laws of nature or the laws of physics. These laws are non-material. More advanced living beings are influenced by such internal non-material qualities as intellect, emotion and will. Even simple life forms exhibit a will to survive and basic instincts. Therefore, it can be inferred that God himself must contain the essence of such internal non-material qualities as intellect, emotion and will, plus others. God must have personality, as many creatures do. As resultant beings, these attributes can be seen throughout nature, and especially in humans.

Because effects bear some resemblance to their cause, resultant nature must bear some resemblance to God's own causal attributes. The offspring of living things resemble their parent(s); i.e., the proverbial apple falls close to the tree. This is not projecting God in the image of man, as some might suspect. To the contrary, nature is a resultant existence and therefore it's not that God must be like man and nature; it's that man and nature must in some sense be like God, as the causal being.

Besides having an internal character, God must have an external ability to express that character outwardly. Ideas, ambitions, visions, goals or dreams cannot become substantial without some mode of expression. But God's mode of expression cannot be the energy of this universe, which itself is a result. Therefore, we call God's external mode of expression "*universal prime energy*". It's simply a label for

the theoretical energy which God must have used to create, direct and influence the energy that makes up this material universe. So we can infer that God must have character and personality plus some kind of medium with which to express it.

Two other primary characteristics of God which we can infer from studying nature are (8<sup>th</sup>) masculinity and (9<sup>th</sup>) femininity, or (10<sup>th</sup>) positivity and (11<sup>th</sup>) negativity (no qualitative judgement implied). While there are some creatures which are asexual, the existence and interaction of male and female, within even trees and other plant life, is abundant. Virtually every human being that ever lived has been the product of a man and a woman. They're designed to be complementary and help complete each other in the mutual expression and representation of their ultimate origin, which is God. More about this follows in the section on "God's Original Plan".

In the chemical and mineral world, we find not masculine and feminine complementary pairs but rather positivity and negativity. Just as a battery requires plus and minus poles in order to function, so too atoms consist of a positive proton and negative electrons. Science tells us that there are many other elements which make up atoms, but we're speaking here of basics. Even in the worlds of art and design, music and dance, architecture and engineering, and even weather, etc., we find basic positivity and negativity interacting harmoniously. Concave and convex shapes, active and passive patterns, high and low atmospheric pressure, mountains and valleys, even the ocean tides are but a miniscule sample of the expressions of positivity and negativity in our universe.

Thus, we can infer that the ultimate designer, God himself, must have the essence of masculinity and femininity, and positivity and negativity. This means that the notions of a Father God and a Mother God can both be correct, which is why Father and Mother Moon

lovingly referred to God as our “*Heavenly Parent*”, thereby encompassing both.

Finally, the almost universality of these and other complementary pairs in active relationship with one another tells us that God must also be (12<sup>th</sup>) a ‘relational’ being. He could have designed a different kind of universe – one that’s not so dependent upon interactions – but he seemed to be obsessed with relationships. Scientists tell us that if the proton and electrons of an atom stop moving and thereby stop relating with each other in their circular motion, the atom would no longer exist. It’s referred to as the state of absolute zero temperature. Thus it can be said that existence, as well as action and multiplication, all depend upon the *relationships* between internal and external, positive and negative, and/or masculine and feminine on some level. Even socially, when relationships cease, the friendship, marriage or organization is considered dead. And what motivates and directs each entity to relate with its complementary partner? Scientists today are going to extreme lengths searching for the answer to that very question. We call that mysterious and invisible force God’s universal prime energy.

Furthermore, any and all relationships must involve at least two things and they must interrelate in a subject role and an object role in order to achieve harmony. Two assertive subjects in a relationship result in conflict and volatility. Two objects in a relationship result in inaction and lack of direction. The harmonious interaction of a subject and an object works the best and results in existence, action and multiplication.

This not only applies to the material world. Again, it can be understood personally and socially as well. It’s true of any relationship on any scale. And, the subject and object can be interchangeable and switch positions and roles at any time. Sometimes I teach my grandchildren and the next minute I learn from them. It’s almost like a dance. It’s natural.

However, quality is the key. What's the quality of the subject? What's the quality of the object? This is the human problem. A mature person must develop a mastery of both roles. Neither is better or more important than the other. Both are necessary for any relationship to function well. Some may think that religion is the vehicle through which we learn about and develop the personal skills and qualities of a virtuous and effective subject and object. Ideally that may be the case, but students of counseling, psychology, sociology, business management, international relations, etc., are also learning the skills and qualities of virtuous and effective relationship building; at least ideally so. Another example can be seen in sports. Depending upon which sport you look at, the quality of the subject(s) and the quality of the object(s) in the game will determine who wins and who loses. How fulfilling and how long any marriage or friendship lasts depends on the same thing. People marvel at Jesus and Father and Mother Moon because they can perceive the qualities of a parental heart and also a childlike purity in them. People thereby perceive God's personality in them, both in the subject role and the object role to other people.

In the cosmic big picture, God is the ultimate subject and the universe he created, both spiritual and material, are his objects. On the individual level, the more something embodies the qualities of God, the more potential it has to be a stimulating object reflecting those qualities back to him. The more we mature our personalities, heart and character to resemble God's own, the more we'll be able to resonate with and harmonize with him and the more we can be an intimate part of each other's life. This was God's intention for all human beings; that we become his fully matured sons and daughters, experiencing his heart and spirit within ourselves as our own and thereby bringing joy both to ourselves and to him.

God himself intended to experience the joys and challenges of human life by experiencing them within us and among us. He wanted to see the world through our eyes, hear the sounds of nature through



our ears, even experience our most intimate interactions with each other. In this way, people and God were meant to live hand-in-glove for the mutual happiness and benefit of both. God wants to work with you, play with you, eat with you and sleep with you. It all sounds great, but the world we live in is so full of tragedy and injustice. If there is a God, does he really care?

## Law and Justice

You've probably heard it said that God is a just God. But it can seem so contrary to our life experience. Is God really a just God? Is he fair? The Bible says he is.<sup>10</sup> However God's sense of justice and fairness is not the same as that of fallen people, according to Father and Mother Moon. We commonly operate by logical, rational and/or ethical laws and rules which lead to enormous stacks of lawbooks used to enforce those laws and rules. We're effectively trying to force people to relate with one another fairly and act responsibly, as if they had fully matured love and character. *"You can't do this; you can't do that. You have to do it this way."* That doesn't mean there are never do's and don'ts. Any parent knows that doesn't work. But, it's not God's way to achieve fairness, either.

God doesn't operate that way. Father Moon explained that God operates instead by the *"Law of Love"*. He taught that God's own divine love is the motivation and direction for all that he thinks, feels and does. We are to become the same. The approach of the law of love is sometimes different from that of our human laws and rules. For example, Father Moon said that a person is not qualified to pass judgment upon a crime unless he has God's fully mature love for both the perpetrator and for the victim. God's mature love is parental love. God thinks and feels towards both with more love than their literal earthly parents have.

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In the world God intended, most mistakes and crimes would ideally be addressed by the family members of the perpetrator and victim, rather than by lawyers and judges. Prisons would be few and far between. The law of love finds goodness in both the victim and the perpetrator. The total focus would be on healing and remediation rather than on punishment. There would be no sense of hatred or revenge in it.

God is not a punishing God. Some passages of the Bible would seem to indicate otherwise, but this will be explained later. In fact, God loves the faithless, broken and wayward person just as much as the loving and obedient child. Jesus' story of the prodigal son tried to convey just that.<sup>11</sup> God is our loving parent. Within the law of love, justice and fairness become an entirely different paradigm; one that this hurting world sorely needs. How can we get it? God had a clear plan.

## **God's Original Plan**

God is one. He's a singularity. For example, while we can infer that he must have within himself the complementary characteristics of masculinity and femininity, his "*oneness*" prevents him from experiencing the interaction of the two within himself, even on the most basic level. You might imagine the colors blue and yellow mixed together in a glass of water. For the singular God, it would just be green. But, when the blue and yellow are separated and projected outside of himself, they can interact in a variety of new and creative ways to the happiness of everyone. Don't take this example too literally. It's just an example.

For this reason God divided himself and manifested his masculinity dominantly in men and his femininity dominantly in women with the anticipation of experiencing their interaction through

us. God's purpose for creating the material universe, then, was for the mutual happiness of himself and of you and I, together. Even the simple things we experience every day and think nothing about have great value to God who is a singularity and cannot experience them by himself. Holding hands, kissing, making love, bearing and raising children, playing sports, virtually any social interaction is an experience that God himself hungers to experience through us. Thus, the end goal of all of his 14 billion earth-years of work, namely human beings, are far more precious to him than words can express.

Sadly, too many people have become suffocated by the distortions and emptiness of wayward society and cannot see their own value. They take their lives and those of others frivolously and live recklessly. They commit suicide, trying to escape it all, only to find themselves still alive in the spirit world and with all the same internal conflicts and struggles as before. We will look at the cause of this dilemma in later sections of this book.

Of course, one major result of the interaction of God's masculinity and femininity in a man and woman is new children. Thus, the separated complementary aspects of God come together again in this physical world and together create a new expression of God, which will hopefully grow up and repeat the same cycle again and again. This pattern of Origin-Separation-Reunion has a name; we call it the Four-Position Foundation. A similar pattern can be seen in every level and aspect of the natural world. Each of those complementary pairs of characteristics that we spoke of earlier can be



described using the “Origin-Separation-Reunion” pattern. It’s fundamental to all that exists.

If we dig beneath the metaphor of the Bible’s book of Genesis, as Father Moon did, we can see that this was a major part of God’s original plan for his children. The story tells us that God’s instruction to the first humans was to: “*Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion...*”<sup>12</sup> Rather than settling for a simplistic interpretation of this as most people have done, Father Moon sought the deeper meaning in it. He explained that the first instruction, “*Be fruitful,*” actually meant to become fully mature in heart and character; resonant with God’s own heart and character. This was stated first because becoming “*fruitful*” was God’s prerequisite for multiplying, or becoming parents and raising his children. A fruitful person will naturally multiply, and multiply God’s own heart and character in all that they do.

Jesus taught, saying “*You therefore must be perfect as your Heavenly Father is perfect,*” in his famous “Sermon on the Mount”.<sup>13</sup> It doesn’t mean perfect in the sense of making no mistakes like for a machine or computer program. It means maturity of heart and character. It is what God originally meant by being “*fruitful*”. Not only Christianity, but some other religious traditions, such as Buddhism, also promote a belief in striving for maturity of heart and character.

In reality, even Christians differ widely in how they view Jesus’ words on perfection. Some Christians define it as spiritual maturity but others claim it as a de-facto consequence of belief in the salvation of Jesus. Still others believe it will be achieved when Jesus returns and ‘*makes us perfect*’, or that God will make believers perfect after they die. For some others, human spiritual maturity requires devotion to a life of asceticism.

The German sociologist Max Weber described two kinds of asceticism: “*worldly asceticism*” and “*inner asceticism*”. In worldly

asceticism, people discipline themselves to live what they believe to be a holy life, but they do not withdraw from society and ‘the world’. This kind of “*worldly asceticism*” is certainly essential to enable all people to purify themselves from temptation and sin. However, what Weber called “*inner asceticism*” requires the practice of extreme self-denial. For example, some Christians submit themselves to a strict, “*inner ascetic*” life in a monastery or convent, to become a nun, monk or priest. Such a person must abstain from all worldly pleasures, such as marriage, family, prosperity, ambition, desire, etc. They must deny their humanity, resigning themselves to a life of study, meditation, service and prayer. Some members of strict Christian Orders even vow to never speak for the remainder of their lives, or to never come out of their monastery. Buddhist monks have likewise subscribed to a life of extreme “*inner asceticism*” for the complete eradication of the ‘self’.

But, Father and Mother Moon saw God’s admonition to “*be fruitful*” totally differently. They saw it not as *minimizing* a person’s humanity but as *maximizing* it. They explained that it really means the development of our heart and character in the image and likeness of God to the point where they are resonant with, and one with, God’s own heart and character – a state which puts man beyond any possibility of deviation or distraction into sin and self-centeredness. It implies a love that can embrace all of humanity and even those who might be judged to be undeserving of it.

How many people in history have achieved such a high standard of heart and character? Actually, only Jesus and Father and Mother Moon have shown the kind of Messianic love that is willing to sacrifice their very lives to save all of humanity. Many great teachers of love and virtue have come and gone but none revealed this level of God’s love.

While all this may sound impossible for regular people such as you and I, it’s actually achievable. In fact, God designed and intended

each of us to achieve it. It is the purpose of our physical lives and the purpose of all of God's amazing investment to create the physical universe. Even though the details of each person's path are unique and need to be discovered by each of us, you will find that the *Principle* outlines the basic steps and a clear framework within which man can actually achieve the long-sought goal of full maturity of heart and character. The way has been opened for bankers, laborers, housewives, politicians, taxi drivers, dog walkers, cashiers – virtually anyone - to achieve spiritual maturity of heart and character, i.e., the direction of God to “*be fruitful*”.

The second instruction, to “*multiply*”, shouldn't be limited to just bearing and raising children, although that may be the primary focus. It can also be understood in a broader sense to include being creative and constructive in myriad ways. Whatever we create or produce, we should do so expressing God's heart and character in it. Thus, the entire culture that we create would become an expression of the heart and character of God. He seems to have wanted to multiply himself through nature and through his children in every conceivable way. Just as human parents naturally feel happy to see themselves in their children, God seems to have wanted to see himself in us.

The third instruction was to “*replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion...*” The deeper meaning of this was to care for nature with God's heart of love. That would naturally imply good stewardship, efficiency, responsibility, sensitivity, lack of abuse, i.e., taking care of nature as if it were our own bodies. Certainly we've made great strides in terms of technology in relating to nature, but pollution and abusive exploitation show that we have not always cared for it with God's heart of love.

These are called the Three Great Blessings from God to us, In a nutshell, they describe God's original plan for people and nature. At the center of this original plan is God's deep and vast love. His

motivation for undertaking this enormous project in the first place was for love. Father Moon said that God originally intended for people to be born of love, live a life soaked in love, and transition to the eternal spirit world in love. God gave the seeds of his own love to you and I and all people, to multiply and nurture. The family was intended to be the fountain of his love. Society was to be the same. What went wrong? We will take a penetrating look at that in later sections of this book.

The love of God is eternal. Genuine love is eternal. That means that God expected to see husbands and wives in love with each other eternally; not just for a few years. No power in the universe could tear apart such people experiencing God's genuine love with each other. Real love never dies. Truly, that's what eternity is all about; love. Because the eternal God loves human beings, we also become eternal. It's God's eternal love which makes people eternal. Likewise, if a person loves someone or something, such as a favorite pet or classic old car, etc., that object will also become eternal because of the connection of heart to its eternal owner.

And God's original plan has never changed. There was no reason for it to change. God's plan was simple and elegant. It's still God's plan today. Realization of God's original plan will create what people would consider 'the ideal world'. A harmony of love with God and with everything and everyone else was to be the fabric of a happy and prosperous world. Responsibility and fairness were to be motivated by a mature heart rather than by endless laws, rules and regulations. What more could anyone want?

If we look deeply into this original plan, we can see why Father and Mother Moon called the human family the "School of Love." The family was intended to be the wellspring which would produce all this wonderful culture. The bottom line is this: God is *not* self-sufficient. He actually needs something. Like any other subject, God needs an

object. He needs an object of his love. Even if God has all the love in the universe, without an object to share that love with, his love would have no value or meaning. God himself could never be happy without an object, which was intended to be you and me and all of humanity.

Father Moon even said that, in terms of fulfillment and happiness, the object partner has at least as much value as the subject partner in a relationship. Other beings are also God's object, of course, but a bird or fish simply cannot reflect as much of God's own character and heart back to him as we can. Therefore, we truly are God's children and he is our parent. As God's object of heart and character, we have the ability to make God happy or sad. Father Moon made it clear that the Father-Son relationship (or parent-child relationship) with God is the core and foundation of the universe. It's from this that we derive our original value.

## **Value**

Everyone wants to be happy, no matter what that happiness might look like for each individual person. Even God seems to exist for happiness; his own happiness and ours together, mutually. We could say it's the purpose of our lives and of the entire universe.

But people also seek value. What kind of value? There are many kinds. Some examples include: potential value, intrinsic value, sentimental value, eternal value, monetary value, investment value, historical value, short-term value, long-term value, aesthetic value, emotional value, medicinal value, political value, social value, practical value, entertainment value, spiritual value, etc. Certainly all of these are important. But, the value we want to address here is original value.



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Original value is the value which a fully-mature person feels for something or someone when he's resonating with how God feels and values it. Even though God may regard something or someone as precious within his own heart and mind, if we don't appreciate it or regard it in the same way, then the original value will only be a concept, at best. No one will actually feel it except God. This gives added value to the School of Love which is ideally to nurture God's own heart and character in the members of the family so that they appreciate and cherish all people and all things as God does, i.e., see the beauty in all people and all things. As such, love and beauty are related.

## **Love and Beauty**

If you could ask all the budding artists in art schools what their definition of "beauty" is, you would likely get as many definitions as you have artists. If you ask the philosophy professors who teach courses on "esthetics" for a definition of beauty, you will again find a diverse field without consensus or agreement among them. Then, how can we hope to create a beautiful life, beautiful music, beautiful art, a beautiful culture or a beautiful world if we can't even decide what beauty is?

The relationships within a family (School of Love), between any two or more people, or between people and things should ideally be the expression of love by the subject and the response of beauty by the object. But love can be expressed in so many ways, and so can beauty. The question is, what kind of love and what kind of beauty? Does the subject feel the original value of his object person or thing, thereby naturally giving God's love to it? Does a man feel the original value of his wife? Does she feel the original value of her husband? If so, at some point it will bring a response of divine beauty from the object. When people feel God's love and feel close to him in heart, they're

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said to have a special kind of beauty and a glow and brightness which is spiritual and exciting to see.

While we can point to dozens of man-made definitions of what beauty is, it also seems to have been an integral part of God's original plan. In fact we will find that love and beauty are really two sides of the same coin. As the hearts of husbands and wives, parents and children, and brothers and sisters grow and deepen to a profound level within the School of Love, or family, they are all ideally learning to see God in each other. They will experience giving and receiving that love from many different perspectives. This has everything to do with beauty and artistic expression.

For example, as a parent or sibling grows their love for a small child in the family, this will transfer into a growing appreciation for other small children and also small animals, flowers, and little things in general. Similarly, as the members of a family grow their love and appreciation for the grandparents, this will transfer into a growing appreciation for other aged people and also old things such as antiques, ancient redwood trees or historical artifacts. All kinds of love and appreciation were thus to be nurtured in the family, which would then generate responses of beauty. Depending upon the quality of these experiences, a person will develop the foundations in their heart and personality to create very emotional and spiritual expressions of art, music, literature or beauty in general, and also to appreciate the same. It's all natural. When pure and sincere love is given, we say it's returned as a form of beauty, but it's not always immediate. In some cases we may have to give love for years before the response of love and beauty comes back. But, the key point here is that joy results from both the love given and the beauty returned.

The reason for the experience of joy is that the giver sees something of themselves in the object of their love and the object also sees something of themselves in the giver. As we see a resemblance of

ourselves in the other, we feel joy. Even God wanted to feel the joy of seeing a reflection of himself in us, his children. There are many other details and insights into this topic of love, beauty and artistic expression but it would take us far beyond the scope of this book. Chapter 7 of *Essentials of Unification Thought* published by the Unification Thought Institute and based on the ideas of Father Moon, can give you lots of amazing depth and insight on this. Musicians and artists, take note.

In a world where no one can agree on what beauty is, where beauty is simply ‘*in the eye of the beholder,*’ such an explanation of the nature of beauty is revolutionary. It brings together many previously disjointed pieces of the human experience and integrates them into one. As the human heart grows and matures closer and closer to the ideal which God had originally envisioned for us, then certainly the world of art and beauty will see a new renaissance, the likes of which has never been seen before or even dreamed of. The world of music, dance, theatre, art, even life itself, will take on a beauty soaked with God’s divine love, moving deeply in the hearts of people like never before. And, such a renaissance will grow and expand endlessly. So how do we grow to have that kind of maturity of heart?

## **The Process of Growth and Development**

In the material universe we live in, everything we know of develops over time through a process. That applies to both external material things and also to internal, non-material things such as ideas and emotions. God waited patiently almost 14 billion earth-years for an environment to be developed suitable to host his human children. God must have felt that the object of his love was worth the wait.

Inorganic things reach their full maturity by the laws of nature that govern them. Rocks and minerals develop over time through heat

and pressure. Living things reach their full maturity by other laws of nature and also by instinct. Small or simple living things may seem to function by instinct alone. No one teaches an ant how to walk. Even a newborn baby horse can walk on its spindly legs within minutes. In contrast, a human baby takes around a year to learn.

For humans, the bonding of heart is most important in God's original plan. Therefore, a human baby is helpless and totally dependent upon its mother for a significant period of time. It's all intentional. After all, we're designed to become God's primary object of heart and character; his love partner. Human life is intended to be all about the development of heart and character. Intelligence and skills are important too, but secondary.

During the early stages of their development, children are intended to grow through their parents' love and mentoring plus that of elders and teachers. During this period they're meant to be guided indirectly by way of rules and social structures. This is God's plan to indirectly guide their lives. After maturing to the point where their hearts and characters are so saturated with God's love and compassion that they could no longer be lured into the many forms of selfishness, they would transition into a resonance with God's own heart and character. It then was to become God's heart and character which would directly and personally guide their life rather than indirectly through external rules and social structures. But, they would still not be finished growing. Growing is to continue forever, beyond full maturity, without limit.

While all adult humans were intended to reach full maturity before dying and transitioning to the spirit world, in fact this state was originally intended to be reached before becoming a father or mother and raising children. Because no one has been able to accomplish this since humanity got off-track, it seems impossible. The world has

become filled with suffering and God's original plan seems like only a childish dream.

However God had a workable plan and he created a system in which this seemingly childish dream could naturally become reality. In order to facilitate human internal growth and development, God created the material universe with two fundamental aspects which are essential. The first is the relatively fixed nature of time and space in the material world. The second is people's ability to experience the "School of Love" or intimate family relationships. Facilitated by these two aspects of the material universe, human beings are designed to naturally fulfill God's original plan - to be fruitful (fully mature in heart and character in God's image), multiply (God's heart and character) and have a dominion of love over all of nature - all during one short lifetime. At this point we need to get more perspective on how the material universe differs from the spiritual one.

## **The Spirit World and the Material World**

We're getting more and more familiar with the material universe, but evidence of a non-material spirit world is also abundant. Published studies documenting the testimonies of hundreds of people who died and were later revived reveal a basic but consistent picture of life after death.<sup>14</sup> The spirit world they experienced is very different from the material world. Time and space are relatively fluid and not fixed there. However, it's similar to the material world in that it not only has angels and the spirits of every person who has ever lived, but there are also mountains and rivers and every kind of imaginable vegetation and wildlife, etc.. These, too, are not fixed but rather object to the wishes and thoughts of the people and angels living there. According to Father Moon who researched and traveled throughout the spirit world so much that he became the foremost authority on the subject:

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*The spirit world is in a different dimension from this limited earthly world. (Here) we cannot move freely within mundane confines, but as the spirit world is a higher-dimensional place, you can do anything there; you can leap across time. If you want something based on love, you can have it all, anytime, anywhere.*

- CSG, 1<sup>st</sup> ed., p. 554

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*In the spirit world, there are no such things as one year, two years, or even a day.*

- CSG, 1<sup>st</sup> ed., p. 847

The spirit world is in the subject position to the material world, which is object. This doesn't mean that events in the material world can't affect things in the spirit world. But generally inspirations, revelations, inventions, music and art originate in the spirit world and are conveyed to receptive people on earth, knowingly or unknowingly. There are many other dynamics between the two worlds. Let's take a brief look at some of the most common ones.

Some people report an experience called *déjà vu* wherein they have vivid memories of a place or circumstance which they themselves never experienced or which happened in past history, perhaps long before they were even born. *"I remember this place. It seems like I've been here before, but I know I haven't."* Many people attribute this kind of experience to reincarnation, but it's actually the result of the influence of visiting spirits in the spirit world. The visiting spirit's experience is conveyed to the living person and they mistake it as being their own.

Special 'miraculous' protection, healings and guidance are usually the work of helpful ancestors or other spirits, sometimes at the direction of God, himself. God has no form so he uses angels and the spirits of people to do his bidding and deliver his messages to us.<sup>15</sup> In

addition, good or bad fortune – for example financial fortune – is usually the result of the type of lives lived by the ancestors and/or spirits that surround us and knowingly or unknowingly influence us. Generous ancestors or spirits can impart to us good financial fortune, whereas greedy and selfish ancestors or spirits can impart to us bad financial fortune.

In these and many other complex ways, both the material world and the spirit world meet and interact within human beings. Successfully managing the dynamic relationships between the spirit and the material is the basis for our growing and healing.

## **Personal Growing and Healing**

Every human being has not only a physical brain and body with which we are all too familiar, but also a spirit mind and spirit body which are invisible and eternal. A person's brain is commonly thought of as his mind, but this is wrong. The mind of a person lives on after they die and therefore cannot be the same as the physical organ called the brain. "Mind" more correctly means the eternal spirit mind which resides in and interfaces with the brain to carry out its wishes while living in the physical body.

Probes, electricity and chemicals may alter a person's thinking and body functions when applied to the physical brain, but this only affects the brain tissues, preventing them from properly interacting with the spirit mind and the rest of the physical body. The spirit mind is not affected by material, electrical or chemical interference. Thus, as was said before, when referring to a person's 'mind', we are speaking of the spirit mind; not the brain.

The invisible spirit body generally has the same appearance as the physical body of the person, but can sometimes look more handsome

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or beautiful or less handsome or beautiful depending upon the lifestyle of the person and that of their ancestors. Living an altruistic life of goodness and virtue will make one's spirit body more handsome or beautiful, while living a selfish, dishonest or hurtful life will make it look sickly or even deformed. The physical brain and body eventually die and return to the material environment while the spirit mind and spirit body live on eternally.

Because humans have both a material brain and body and a spirit mind and body, plus the most complete expression of God's personality, they can uniquely function as the best mediator between the two worlds. Living a life of goodness with the material brain and body generates good elements which nourish our spirit. Living a life of selfishness and evil with the material brain and body generates toxic elements which degrade and sicken both our spirit and body.

When our spirit benefits from the elements given it by our physical body as a result of living a life of goodness, then our spirit reciprocates by generating its own good elements which encourage, empower and sometimes heal our physical body. Both sickness and healing can be attributed to this dynamic, to some extent. When people realize that much of the disease and sickness they experience is not chemical but rather spiritual, due to their lifestyle, they will be able to live much healthier and happier lives and be less dependent upon drugs and chemicals for healing.

During earthly life, the spirit and the physical body are intertwined and interrelated so much so that good or bad outcomes cannot be solely attributed to one or the other but always involve the effects of both. Thus, spiritual problems usually manifest physically and physical problems likewise are affected by or affect the spirit. When medical science accepts the reality of the human spirit, it will be able to cure almost any ailment. In the future we will empty many medical and psychiatric hospitals with this knowledge. There is far



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more in-depth understanding of this to share but again, it would be beyond the scope of this book.

Our spirit is also designed to receive elements directly from God. They can come in the form of inspirations, revelations, messages, or just love, energy and healing powers. The more we grow to resemble God and resonate with him, the more we effectively open the door to his elements. If we live a very selfish or hurtful life, we will close the door to God's elements.

The bottom line is, development and growth of the human being requires the nourishment, development and exercise of both the spiritual mind and body and also the physical brain and body. The spiritual mind needs good elements from our physical body, plus God's elements and truth, beauty and goodness in order to grow properly and be healthy. In the same way, the physical brain and body need good food, water, sleep and exercise plus good elements from our spirit in order to grow properly and be healthy. A person cannot be truly healthy without all of these.

In addition, growing to become a healthy person requires the development of virtues such as honesty, responsibility, integrity, patience, tolerance, respect, a sense of deferred gratification, etc. Such virtues forms the foundation and framework for God's true love in a person and their development requires a certain environment. The material universe offers the needed environment where time and space are relatively fixed. In the material environment, a human being is forced to wait for even the most trivial and mundane things in life such as stop lights or a hot cooked meal. This provides the opportunity to learn the virtues of patience and a sense of deferred gratification which are essential to the development of true love. On the other hand, reacting to such inconveniences with complaint and blame is toxic and will damage the person's spirit.

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Similarly, in the material world people are forced to sometimes relate with people and circumstances which may be uncomfortable. We cannot choose our parents and brothers and sisters, nor can we choose who will be our classmates or work partners to some extent. This provides the opportunity to learn the virtues of tolerance and appreciation. But again, reacting to such people with complaint and hostility is toxic and will damage a person's spirit. In the same way, parents, elders, bosses, leaders, teachers and professors, etc., provide a relatively fixed structure within which we have an opportunity to learn respect for those in positions of authority over us, as God is also the ultimate parent over us.

Other examples could be cited. But the point is, the environment of the material world where time and space are relatively fixed is critical to the internal development of a human being. Father Moon explained that we have a physical life for the development of the true love of God within ourselves. Indeed he said it's the very reason that God made the material universe, even though our life within it is very short.<sup>16</sup> Therefore, our physical life is precious and must not be wasted on trivia, used counterproductively through complaint and resentment, or cut short unnecessarily. Fully maturing the virtuous heart and character can happen relatively quickly while we live in the material world, unlike in the spirit world. That's the sole purpose of our physical life.

A quick aside... as science and technology continue to develop and the need for even mundane things such as stop lights and meal preparation times, etc., etc., are eliminated, humanity will be challenged to find new and creative ways to learn and teach children such virtues as patience, tolerance, respect and a sense of deferred gratification, etc. Fully mature hearts and characters can never develop without such virtues.

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In contrast, the spirit world is such that time and space are not fixed. A spirit person can shape their environment with their thoughts and wishes if they have mature love. If they want to play tennis, a tennis court will appear in their back yard. Father Moon often said that if you have true love and you want a fancy dress or a big diamond ring, it will appear instantly. Thus, the spirit world is a great place to live, but it's a very difficult place to grow our virtues and mature heart and character. Waiting for something is not the same as on earth. Thus, Father Moon called our physical life a "*second womb*" for the development of our heart and spirit.

This brings us to the question of life-after-death. What if a person squanders their physical life in one way or another or simply dies early and doesn't grow internally to maturity before passing to the spirit world? How will they be able to keep growing? We will look now at growing and healing in the afterlife.

People in the spirit world who did not finish their requisite course of growing while on earth find themselves in a difficult situation. Because they're no longer in a relatively fixed environment of time and space, they can no longer experience the challenges that can help them grow. Patience, tolerance, respect and a sense of deferred gratification, for example, are difficult to learn because the person in the spirit world does not have to wait for or tolerate anything in the same way they did in the material world. Things happen as they wish, at the speed of their thoughts; both good and bad.

Also, people and circumstances which would have challenged them on earth are no longer an obstacle in the spirit world. If a person in the spirit world wants to be left alone and not be bothered, then they will never see anyone, ever, until they change their mind about it. No nagging, no bossy friends, no annoying neighbors, no bullying classmates, etc. Without such challenges, growing one's virtues becomes very difficult, if not impossible.

Finally, if a person dies at a young age, they not only don't have an opportunity to grow their virtues as we just explained, but they also won't have the opportunity to experience being a husband or wife, father or mother, and raising their own children. Babies cannot be born in the spirit world. Therefore creating a School of Love is out-of-reach there. The family is the primary engine for spiritual growth and maturity and its loss is a major problem for a person who dies young.

But, God made a way for them, even though it's more difficult and much slower. A person in the spirit world who needs to continue growing to heartistic maturity must return to someone with a similar character living on the earth and partner themselves invisibly with that person. The earthly partner is commonly an offspring, descendant or close friend. The spirit person will invariably influence the person on earth that they are partnering with. But, even more importantly, the person on earth can also influence the person in the spirit world.

Everyone has thousands of such spirits who are partnering with them. The spirit world partners are connected to a particular earthly



person because they have something in common. A smoker will attract people in the spirit world who were also smokers and are still psychologically addicted to it. Their own cravings will enhance those of the earthly smoker, thus making it much more difficult for that person to heal their addiction and break the habit. A similar example would be an alcoholic or drug addict.

Hostilities can also stem from the influence of ancestors or spirits. An example would be so-called temporary insanity wherein a host person may feel anger or even momentary rage toward someone or

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something. This then attracts like-minded spirits who amplify the earthly person's emotions far beyond their natural feelings, causing them to do harm. They may act in ways that are out of their control.

People who committed suicide will influence their earthly partner to also want to kill themselves. The bad influence is the only stimulus such a spirit person knows how to give. But the spirit person needs their earthly partner to resist and overcome their bad influence and resolve the problem so they can overcome it, too. This should give you a clue as to how to help and even heal troubled, sick, psychotic and criminal people.

Bad influences can and should cause the host person to resist their influence, but the host should realize that there is some aspect of their own personality which is attracting these hostile spirits to them like a magnet. Traditionally, spiritual healers will forcibly drive a troublesome spirit or group of spirits away from an earthly person to help them. However, if the earthly person doesn't change their mind and habits, they will simply attract more spirits like the ones who were chased away. A more permanent solution is for the earthly person to change themselves, their thinking, habits and interests, thus removing the commonality. Then, the troublesome spirits will naturally and permanently leave them. If the earthly person can change their own mind about smoking or drinking and get as much or more sincerely interested in pursuing another pleasure, such as video games or fishing, etc., then over a period of time their addicted spirit partners will leave them and others will replace them who are attracted by the new interest or hobby. A person with toxic habits or addictions can literally become a new and different person by applying this information. We will be able to empty the jails and prisons by developing programs to implement this knowledge. Control is in the hands or mind of the individual living on the earth. Therefore a person should not blame their difficulties on whatever spirits may be around them.

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Not only bad influences but also good ones can be exchanged. If the spirit world partner loved music or art, or was very generous or exceptionally virtuous in some way, or had good business sense, their earthly partner will also be affected in a positive way by these. They may have an amazing ear for music at a young age or have some other spiritual gifts. They may find it easy to make or receive money, etc. It works both ways. We need to appreciate our invisible spirit world partners and ancestors.

Those spirit people who were agnostics or atheists can also improve their situation and grow into oneness with God through partnering with people somewhat similar to themselves but who are growing spiritually and heartistically. And, spirit people from all the various religious traditions can partner with people on earth who are learning from Father and Mother Moon and their worldwide family of children and disciples. Through this partnership they can all gradually grow and melt into one cosmic family of humanity under the one living God, eventually healing the many religious barriers and divisions, both in this world and the next. This was one purpose of Father and Mother Moon's special Blessing Marriages of interracial and international couples from almost every country in the world. The torn and tattered tapestry of humanity is gradually being rewoven together.

What's ideally needed is for earthly people to live a life of greater virtue and goodness, living selflessly for the sake of others more than their partners did who are now in the spirit world. That way, as the earthly people go about their daily lives, both the earthly people and the spirit people can grow together and be healed together. Implementation of this dynamic would radically improve the quality of life of the billions of people in the world.

Angels can also cooperate with humans in a similar way and grow with them. That was God's original plan for the full maturation of

angels. The angels in the spirit world can have and experience almost anything and everything imaginable. However, they cannot grow their virtue and compassion to the same level of maturity that humans potentially can. This is again because time and space are relatively fluid in the spirit world and because they cannot have children and directly experience the School of Love, or intimate family relationships. Angels can never directly have the experiences that are available only through life in the material world. Their growth to maturity is effectively limited.

Because of the Fall and the crippling of human spiritual development, not only humanity but also the angels have suffered. Indeed, even God has suffered greatly from it all, being denied the many beautiful experiences of mature human relationships which would have occurred if humanity had not fallen away from him.

But, as mentioned before, God had a plan for them to progress further. He planned for the angels to continue growing beyond their circumstantial limitations by learning from their human ‘cousins’ living in the material universe. God intended for the angels to be our helpers and protectors. Thus, angels were to find their complete fulfillment through partnering with humans in love. This was God’s original plan. We’ll see why this plan didn’t unfold properly when we look at the Fall of man.

When that process is completed in the future, God’s original plan will finally be realized and his ideal world on earth and in the spirit world will become a reality. In this context we can more easily see why Father and Mother Moon are called the True Parents of humanity. They represent the parenthood of God in a new Adam and Eve, man and woman, father and mother, and bring humanity the new beginning it sorely needs.

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## The Goal of Mind-Body Unity

Mind-body unity has been touted for centuries as one of the end results of spiritual development and maturity. But just what is it? Is our body not following the thoughts in our brain? Do our arms and legs have a mind of their own? If that were the case, how could we drive a car or ride a bicycle? Is it effectiveness through training and self-discipline? Or does mind-body unity just mean becoming a person of integrity, whose words and deeds match? The *Principle* offers a fresh new approach to understanding just what mind-body unity is.

Just as there are different functional areas of the physical brain, there are a number of functional aspects of the spiritual mind, or ‘mind’ of people, as well. These include the original mind, outward-directed mind, inward-directed mind (physical mind), fallen mind, conscience and instinctual mind. There may be other aspects, as well. When we refer simply to the ‘mind’ of a person, it encompasses all of these functional parts of the spiritual mind, together. Are these aspects of your mind competing with each other for your attention, or are they all harmonized and working together toward the same end? Let’s look...

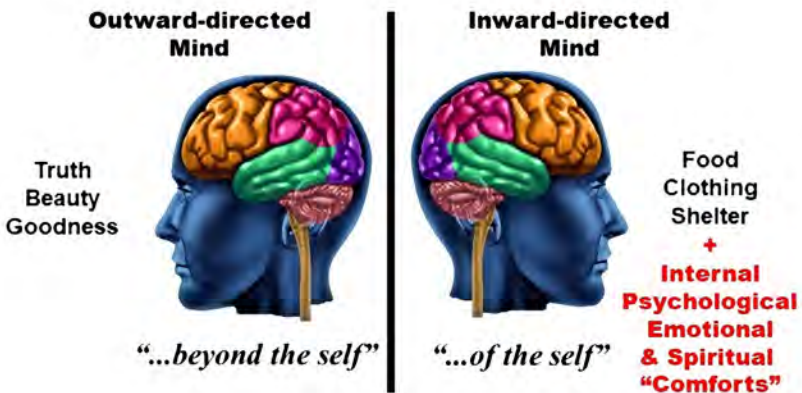
The functional aspect called the original mind is pre-programmed to always lead a person to think and do what is good or right. The original mind is not alterable and can’t be erased. You might think of it as a kind of God-given bios or GPS for humans. Father Moon said that without the original mind, the total healing of fallen people would be impossible. He also said that if there had been no Fall and no resultant evil, the original mind would automatically lead a person to become fully mature, or perfected in heart and character.<sup>17</sup>

A person’s conscience, unlike their original mind, is a part of their mind which is filled with *learned* concepts of what is good and evil or right and wrong. Therefore, in real time, the guidance of a person’s



fixed original mind competes with or ideally blends together with that of their learned conscience into what a person *perceives* as being their inner guiding voice. While everyone has an original mind which accurately leads them to think and do what is good and right, it's the programmable conscience's misperceptions of what is good or evil, right or wrong which we learn from our experiences and environment in the fallen world that cause us to have a distorted or dysfunctional inner guiding voice. The prisons are filled with people who committed horrendous crimes but whose inner guiding voice may not be troubling them at all. If people were educated and raised with a Principled viewpoint of what is good and evil or right and wrong, their earthly understanding and conscience would harmonize with their original mind from God and their inner guiding voice would work properly and chaperon them through life.

Another functional aspect of the mind is the outward-directed mind. This aspect of our mind is focused on concerns *beyond the self*.



It's this part of our mind that thinks about feeding the hungry, helping the poor, building roads and bridges, traveling to the stars, climbing mountains, finding remedies for diseases, etc. These interests are just some examples of external concerns *beyond the self*. The outward-

directed mind also encourages a person to seek and express internal concerns *beyond the self* such as truth, beauty, goodness and compassion.

The inward-directed mind (physical mind), on the other hand, is not the organ we call the brain but another functional aspect of a person's spiritual 'mind'. The inward-directed mind is that part of the mind which is focused on concerns *of the self*. These include external comforts and needs *of the self* such as food, shelter, clothing, sleep, sex, etc. However the inward-directed mind (physical mind) also seeks internal, emotional, psychological and spiritual comforts and needs *of the self*. It's with this background that we can now begin to discuss the true meaning of the goal of mind-body unity.

Father Moon repeatedly stressed the critical importance of achieving mind-body unity. However, he did not make crystal clear what he actually meant by it. Traditionally, as we saw before, the most extreme efforts to achieve mind-body unity as part of one's spiritual maturity require the purging or denial of all human ambitions and emotions, enabling a person to experience a kind of inner peace, or Nirvana. However, such *minimizing* of a person's humanity is opposite to Father Moon's view of it. Again, he instead saw mind-body unity as the result of *maximizing* a person's humanity.



Careful analysis of Father Moon's words about it resulted in the following understanding. It was enthusiastically acclaimed by some experienced scholars and teachers of the *Principle* and was presented

at the 26<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Unification Thought in Japan in 2015.

People were originally designed to grow virtues and compassion in their heart and character by following the guidance of their original mind and properly-educated conscience, as well as the guidance of their parents and elders. By living a life of goodness, love was to grow automatically. That love was to continue to mature and ripen into *true* love, which is God’s love. It’s unconditional love and the sincere desire to live for the sake of others.

True love was to first become rooted in the outward-directed mind, which again is concerned with things *beyond the self*. It eventually would spread to the inward-directed mind (physical mind) which is concerned with things *of the self*. As this process continues, both the outward-directed mind which is concerned with things *beyond the self* and also the inward-directed mind (physical mind) which is concerned with things *of the self* were to find that because of love they have both become focused on living for the sake of others. How could that be?

The mature outward-directed mind will influence the person to feel, *“I want to live for the sake of others, so therefore I must take care*



*of myself,”* and the mature inward-directed mind (physical mind) will influence the person to feel, *“I must take care of myself so I can live for the sake of others.”* When this convergence happens, we say that the person’s mind and body are totally united, centered upon the love

of God. The person will be 100% *living for the sake of others*. Thus, mind-body unity should be the goal of not just a select few guru's but of every person, including athletes, bankers, fishermen, teachers, gardeners, mechanics, trash collectors, computer programmers, etc. It's to be achieved by *maximizing* our humanity, not *minimizing* it.

Father Moon said nothing can defeat a person whose mind and body are united, centered upon the love of God. As you read carefully the following quotations of Father Moon, you will see that this is what he meant when he said it's imperative that we unite our mind and body. Take special note of the first few quotes which make clear that the brain and the body are not independent or disunited but always united and cannot function otherwise. Thus, when Father Moon refers to "mind and body" in the subsequent quotations, he's not talking about the brain and the physical body as has been commonly thought. He's talking about the outward-directed aspect and the inward-directed aspect (physical mind) of a person, both being functional aspects of the spiritual "mind". Consider the following quotes from the *Exposition of the Divine Principle*:

*Just as every part of the (physical) body spontaneously moves in response to the subtle directions of the mind....The (physical) body cannot act apart from its relationship with the mind;...*

*Exposition of the Divine Principle, p. 45*

*Because the (physical) body is the substantial object partner to the mind, resembles the mind and acts in oneness with the mind, it may be understood to be the mind's second self; but it is not the mind itself.*

*Exposition of the Divine Principle, p. 167*

*And Father Moon himself said:*

*What is the center of a person's (physical) body? It is the mind. The (physical) body revolves around the mind and moves according to its commands. When the mind directs the (physical) body to go east, it must do so, and likewise in the*

*opposite direction. The (physical) body cannot move at its own whims and fancies.*

- Cheon Seong Gyeong 1<sup>st</sup> ed., p. 555

Thus, when Father Moon was speaking of the need to develop mind-body unity, his reference to the “*body*” could not have meant the physical body of muscles, bones and tissues. With this in mind, consider his words which follow:

*Love strives to bring the **mind and body** into perfect **resonance** so they can move forward together in oneness. Love does not go toward only one side. When the conscience (outward-directed mind) and the physical mind (inward-directed mind) move forward with a **single purpose**, love rushes along in the same direction, toward the same destination.... Therefore, in order to be happy, your physical mind (inward-directed mind) and conscience (outward-directed mind) must resonate with each other. If you do not attain that resonance, love does not emerge. Thus, we need to pay attention to whether the conscience (outward-directed mind) and the physical mind (inward-directed mind) stand within the eternal realm of **resonance**. [Interpretation: The concerns of the self should not block or hinder the concerns *beyond the self*]*

(CSG – 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., p.1313. No. 11)

*Love is essential for the **unity of mind and body**. When parents come to love their children, they willingly endure hunger, hard work, ragged garments and going places they don't want to go. While walking the path of such love, the mind and body take the same unifying direction. It is the only way to unity, the only means to unity. If you take this as the standard for daily life and for your entire life, you will not perish. This I guarantee.*

(CSG – 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., p.861. No. 2)

*We create unity when we strive over and over again with our mind and body to live for the sake of others, centered on God's love. Unity comes when the body (inward-directed mind) serves the mind (outward-directed mind) as much as the mind (outward-directed mind) serves the body (inward-directed mind). [Interpretation: Both aspects of the mind should live for the sake of others.]*

(CSG, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., p.342. No. 33)

*The mind (outward-directed mind) wishes to serve the body (inward-directed mind), but the body (inward-directed mind) does not serve the mind (outward-directed mind). This is the problem. [Interpretation: Concerns of the self contradict and override concerns beyond the self] (CSG, 1<sup>st</sup> ed., p.1485)*

As common sense would tell us, all of the struggles, conflicts and lack of harmony that we experience is happening in our mind, not in our flesh. The fleshly body does not have a mind of its own. As we said before, if your leg had a mind of its own, you would not be able to walk, ride a bike or drive a car. Clearly, the mind and the material physical body of a person are inseparable and united, as the *Exposition* text and Father Moon stated. They cannot operate independently. Therefore, when Father Moon spoke of mind-body unity, he was referring to the needed unity between two often-competing functional aspects of our mind, namely the outward-directed mind and the inward-directed mind, as the previous quotes indicated.

And, since we have both an eternal spirit mind and an eternal spirit body, the need for mind-body unity also continues forever. The importance of mind-body unity does not end when our physical body dies and rejoins the material environment. When we understand that the inward-directed mind is not the material brain but rather is that functional aspect of the mind which is focused on the concerns of the self, then it makes sense that the internal concerns of the self (our needs for internal, emotional, psychological and spiritual comforts) will also carry on with us into our eternal lives in the spirit world. That's why people with psychological or emotional problems or addictions still have the same personality problems after they die. That's also why the spirit world has been divided up into realms for each of the religious traditions because they don't want to mix with each other. The same for the different races. Thus, the importance of mind-body unity is

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eternal. We will forever be striving to *live for the sake of others* with both our eternal outward-directed mind and our eternal inward-directed mind, expressed through our eternal spirit body.

As mentioned, one thing that we need to do is straighten out our programmable conscience. Thus, we need to learn an understanding of what good and evil is which conforms to God's thinking and his original plan.

## Good and Evil

Good or evil thoughts and actions can sometimes appear very similar on the surface. Therefore, it's critical that the definition of good and evil be clear and also simple enough to apply in everyday life. Historically, even though we've had the Bible and other books of revealed truth to guide us, the definition of good and evil has not been clear enough to dispel the confusion and diverse opinions about what good and evil are. It differs from one culture to another and also from one religion to another. Even the lives of many strong and faithful believers have been plagued with moral confusion and compromise.

Father Moon explained that the determination of good and evil depends upon the motivation, direction and purpose of our thoughts or actions. If all three are in sync with God's perspective and his process to heal humanity, then it can be considered good. If, however, only one or two of the three are in harmony with God, then it cannot be considered good. This is obviously a complicated definition, but let's look at an example of it. A much simpler definition will follow...

For example, the Jewish leaders who called for Jesus' execution may have been doing so out of their love for God and for their Jewish traditions. Such a motivation could be considered good. Their purpose may have been to protect the nation and the people from heresy. This,

again, could be considered a good purpose. However, their direction in calling for the death of God's son, the new Adam who came to bring God's love and a new understanding of truth and salvation to all mankind, was certainly evil. Therefore, their thoughts and actions were considered evil, according to Jesus' own words.<sup>18</sup>

Father Moon also simplified the definition of good and evil, making it easy to apply in our moment-to-moment decision-making and everyday lives. He said simply, "*Live for the sake of others.*" As you recall, our original mind and properly-educated conscience should be leading each one of us to live for the sake of others, and eventually influence our inward-directed mind (physical mind) to do the same, resulting in true mind-body unity. There's a good reason for this. "*Living for the sake of others*" encompasses all that is good. But what does it mean? It requires a mature understanding.

"*Live for the sake of others*" is not an action statement. It's not necessarily satisfied by doing good or noble things. It's not even about the things we do. Rather, it's about *why* we do them. Living for the sake of others is about 'why'. If we do good things out of duty or obligation, habit or peer pressure, etc., it's good but not the best. In such circumstances, we still may not be living for the sake of others. A person could be living a perfectly noble and virtuous life in their actions, but they may be doing it for selfish reasons such as to earn their way to heaven, avoid being punished or sent to hell, or to maintain a good image in the eyes of others, etc. This is not what Father Moon meant when he said, "*Live for the sake of others.*"

There can be no faking it. It must be rooted in heartfelt sincerity. Out of our sincere heart of love we should be living for the sake of others. That way, the person will be resonating with and expressing the heart and personality of God himself. It should apply to every thought, feeling and action in a person's mature adult life. This was the intention of God for his children. If what we are thinking, feeling



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or doing is more for my own benefit and at the expense of others, then we can say it's evil or bad. If, on the other hand, what we are thinking, feeling or doing is more for the benefit of others, even at our own expense, then we can be confident that it's good.

And what did he mean by “*others*”? The word “*others*” includes, first of all God, followed by one's family and all other people and ancestors, plus all of nature. Thus, Jesus' two great commandments, to “*Love the lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind*” and “*love your neighbor as yourself,*”<sup>19</sup> are hereby reduced to the most simple, singular statement possible: “*Live for the sake of others.*” Living in this way, with our mind and heart aligned with and resonating with the mind and heart of God, we can be confident that we are living in the realm of goodness.

## Chapter 2

### The Human Fall

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### The Characters in the Fall

It must be noted that in Jewish history and culture, Rabbis usually taught by way of storytelling. The Genesis story in the Hebrew Bible is just that; a story with a lesson. It was first discovered in its current form around the time of the Jewish captivity in Babylon, about 600 years before Jesus. Since no one was around taking notes when the first humans walked the earth, the story may have been revealed by angels as they alone could have had first-hand knowledge. In any case, in the spirit world such historical events can be known freely as time and space are relatively fluid.

In addition, let's give due respect to science. We will be talking about the progenitors of humanity, namely the Biblical Adam and Eve. Of course we need not insist that these were their real names, nor even that they came to exist in some magical way. The *Divine Principle* understanding of this story does not preclude the possibility of there

being pre-humans without an eternal spirit who may have given birth to the first two sentient human children of God.

In fact, we should be open-minded. Genetic research seems to indicate that there actually was such a thing as a Mitochondrial ‘Eve’ and also a Y-Chromosomal ‘Adam’.<sup>20</sup> This means that there is scientific evidence that almost every human being on earth today is related to one woman, and also to one man, although the timing for each is different based on what we know now. Also, the era of these two progenitors is not the millions of years cited by Father Moon, but as time and research progresses, the picture of this ancient past may become clearer. The point is, there is scientific evidence supporting the idea of a progenitor ancestor or even a progenitor couple which could have been the result of the cross-breeding of more ancient pre-humans. Acknowledging that, let’s take a look at the Biblical account of the story.

In the Bible, trees, vines and branches are commonly used as symbols for people.<sup>21</sup> In this case, the story tells that God put an abundance of *real* trees in the Garden which were “*pleasant to the sight and good for food,*”<sup>22</sup> but there were two special “*trees*” in the midst or center of the Garden. These two special “*trees*” were symbols for the first two human children of God, as Father Moon explained it.

These two special “*trees*” are called the “*tree of life*” and the “*tree of knowledge of good and evil*”. Their names are suspiciously metaphorical, which should be an obvious signal to the reader that these two are not real trees. The tree of life refers to Adam and the tree of knowledge of good and evil to Eve.

The tree of knowledge of good and evil was mentioned in the story even before the creation of the first woman.<sup>23</sup> Why? This is a story. The time sequence of events is sometimes out of order. We can also see this when the six “*days*” of creation are described, during which the sun was placed in the sky on the third “*day*”.<sup>24</sup> Obviously,

one cannot have a literal “day” without a sun in the sky. The story should not be taken too literally or the reader will be distracted and the important meaning will be lost.

The *Exposition of the Divine Principle* states that “*If Adam and Eve did not Fall, all of their descendants would have become trees of life.*”<sup>25</sup> This statement indicates that both men and women were considered trees of life in God’s original plan. This would make logical sense and show that men and women are valued equally in God’s heart and mind. That being true, then the label of “*tree of knowledge of good and evil*” may be even more out of time sequence, as we will see later.

The metaphorical tree of knowledge of good and evil bore a forbidden “*fruit*.”<sup>26</sup> A metaphorical tree could not bear a real fruit. The fruit, too, must be metaphorical, and it is. Just as all natural fruit contain seeds for reproduction, similarly the “*fruit*” in this story symbolized the woman’s sexual organ, as explained by Father Moon. Other Bible passages lend credence to this interpretation of the “*fruit*”.<sup>27</sup>

The final character in this story is the “*serpent*”.<sup>28</sup> This too is a metaphor for the angel Lucifer. He’s explicitly identified in the book of Isaiah,<sup>29</sup> and the “*ancient serpent*” is labeled in the Book of Revelation as “*the devil or Satan*”.<sup>30</sup> Now we have all the characters in this story, namely Adam, Eve, the angel Lucifer and a forbidden fruit which is the sexual organ of Eve. What happened?

## **The Events of the Fall**

When God breathed life into the first two human beings, the Bible says “*God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.*”<sup>31</sup> Therefore, the notion that evil or the Devil existed before Adam and

Eve has no basis in the Bible whatsoever and makes no logical sense when looking at the rest of nature and the universe which bear no signs of the evil we see in humanity.

The story goes on to indicate that the two people were pure and innocent, being “*naked and unashamed.*”<sup>32</sup> Understanding that the very reason God put so much time and effort into creating the material universe was for the perfection of love, meaning growing fully matured love within his human children, then it makes sense to assume that the “*guardian cherub*”<sup>33</sup> or angel Lucifer was likely one of God’s most trusted angels. However, his heart was not fully matured in God’s image and likeness or he could not have betrayed God and caused the Fall. He was as mature in heart as angels could be at that stage of the creation process, with no fully mature adult humans yet from whom to learn a higher level of divine love.

Lucifer may have been very responsible in God’s eyes. This may be why he was chosen to protect and guide God’s first precious human children at this most critical time in their lives and a most critical time in God’s original plan when God’s children were in the process of growing to full maturity of heart and character.

The pure and innocent children’s original minds were sharp and clear and unobstructed. They would have naturally grown to complete maturity if left to themselves.<sup>34</sup> God gave a simple instruction to guide them. He said “*Be fruitful and multiply, and have dominion...*”<sup>35</sup>

However, the angel began to compare himself and his own situation to that of God’s first children in front of him who were destined to become the new lords of nature. Theirs was an even higher position than that held by Lucifer in the spirit world. Lucifer began to put concerns *of the self* in the forefront of his mind, before concerns *beyond the self*. Concerns *of the self* belonged in the background of his mind. Looking at Adam, he became jealous of the man and his superior position. Adam may have looked immature and irresponsible

in Lucifer's mind. After all, Adam had almost no life experience. On the other hand, Eve must have been very attractive to him, with her blossoming beauty as the first sentient female child of God.

Lucifer and all the angels were individual, task-oriented creatures. They were still single beings with the potential to be mated with female counterparts, but their immaturity made them yet unqualified to receive them. Father Moon indicated they were to receive their mates soon thereafter, logically after they had learned fully mature divine love from their perfected human counterparts.

Lucifer was faced with a window of opportunity. The human children were physically mature enough to experience sexual conjugal love but they were internally still immature and unqualified to be parents yet. God had told them to "*Be fruitful and multiply and have dominion...*" Becoming fruitful, or fully mature in heart and character, was to come first as a prerequisite to multiplying. Lucifer wanted to dominate these two and all of their future descendants. He knew that if he waited until they were fully mature, they would be totally united with God and would never come under him. He would have to fulfill his original purpose and become their servant. He was fascinated and attracted to the beauty of Eve. He knew that if he could derail their paths to full maturity of heart and character in God's image and take dominion over them, he could have the same authority on earth that he had long-enjoyed in the angelic realms.

He made his move at precisely the opportune time. Eve was by herself while Adam was out exploring nature, as he loved to do. He said to Eve, "*Did God really say you must not eat from any tree in the garden?*" Eve replied, "*We may eat fruit from the trees of the garden, but God did say you must not eat from the tree that is in the middle of the garden, and you must not touch it, or you will die.*"<sup>36</sup> According to the story, God had spoken this warning to Adam. The angel lied to her and replied, "*You will not certainly die, for God knows that when*

*you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”<sup>37</sup>*

According to the trusted helper of Father Moon, Mrs. Hyo Nam Kim who channeled Mother Moon’s own deceased mother Dae Mo Nim from the spirit world, this was actually when Eve received the label of “*tree of knowledge of good and evil*” which makes logical sense. This situation was definitely not her original destiny, and the knowledge of evil had only existed as a concept in the mind of God before then. Evil had never yet been substantially manifested.

But, Eve put her trust in the angel’s words and she and the angel ‘ate’, which means they shared a sexual experience with their spiritual bodies. Thus, Eve’s eyes were indeed opened to carnal knowledge and she learned about sexual love from a seductive, immature, self-centered and dishonest angel. This way evil was realized and manifested for the first time. Since the angel has no physical form or body, this is called the spiritual fall and it infected Eve’s spirit, heart, personality and even her physical well-being.

It’s helpful to carefully analyze the angel’s words. He said, “...*God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.*” This does not mean that having a sexual relationship will facilitate or generate the knowledge of evil. If Eve had properly matured her heart and mind in the image of God and not fallen with the angel, she would not gain the knowledge of evil by consummating her marital relationship with Adam. Evil would have remained only a concept within the mind of God.

So what was the angel really saying to Eve? He was actually saying to her, “*when you eat of it (WITH ME), your eyes will be opened and you will know good and evil.*” Thus, sexual love was a most beautiful part of God’s original plan for humanity. God, himself, wanted to share in that holy experience where his true love is expressed and God’s children are conceived.

Mrs. Kim also posed the question, *“There were other angels there in the garden. Why didn’t they say something when Lucifer began lying to and seducing Eve?”* Certainly in the context of the fallen world, with our long history of deceit and crime, it would prompt most people to cry *“fowl”* and question Lucifer’s motives and actions. But Mrs. Kim did not answer her own question. She left it to us to ponder. My own conclusion is that the angels must certainly have been surprised and even bewildered by Lucifer’s lies and actions. But, since there was absolutely no precedent in the history of the universe of anyone ever lying or betraying or manipulating or seducing anyone before, then they likely said to themselves, *“Well, he must know what he’s doing. After all, he’s God’s emissary.”*

After Eve and Lucifer fell, she realized she had done wrong and went to Adam to bring her troubled conscience and her seriously distorted experience of love to him. She wanted to rectify her mistake and find comfort and security. This was certainly Eve’s motivation in going to Adam. However, from the angel’s point of view, he also needed Adam to fall with Eve. Otherwise, his desire to have dominion over humanity could not be fully accomplished. Lucifer was not looking for a one-night stand or a girlfriend. He wanted total dominion over Adam and Eve and all of their descendants. He needed both of them to fall.

Tragically, Adam trusted Eve instead of God’s word and he fell with her also, inheriting the same seriously distorted experience of love from her. Society today is not much different. The sexual relationship between Adam and Eve, prematurely consummated and outside of God’s plan, is called the physical fall. From their continuing relationships came their children and the family tree of all subsequent human beings. Everyone of their descendants has been infected with the original problems of immaturity, seductiveness, selfish jealousy, arrogance and dishonesty. This has affected our minds, hearts, spirits



and even our physical well-being. Most human problems are rooted in this misuse and distortion of love.

A strong clue in the story confirms that the Fall was the misuse of love through the sexual organs. God came to visit his children after they fell. The previously innocent and “*naked and unashamed*” man and woman had now made aprons of fig leaves and covered their sexual organs in shame. Shame had never been experienced before. God approached Adam and said, “*Where are you?*” (Remember, this is storytelling.) Adam replied, “*I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid.*” God’s response is revealing: “*Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?*”<sup>38</sup> This shows that covering his sexual parts was a direct indication of his mistake. It was a sexual one. Eve’s was the same. Other Biblical passages support this understanding.<sup>39</sup>

Their next words with God confirm that they were still immature and not ready to become parents and raise children in God’s image. Adam tried to pass the blame on to Eve by saying to God: “*The woman you put here with me – she gave me some fruit from the tree and I ate it.*” Then God said to the woman, “*What is this you have done?*” To which Eve replied, “*The serpent deceived me, and I ate.*”<sup>40</sup>

In this way, the young man and woman showed that they were not mature enough to take responsibility for their mistakes, had not grown to full maturity, and therefore were not ready for God’s blessing of marriage and the role of parenthood. Nevertheless, they began having children and their family was just as dysfunctional as any we see today. Their first son murdered the second.

God designed humanity such that true love would be the most powerful force guiding our lives. He did not want mature adults to be living a life of obedience to truth and laws. He wanted them to be guided by love, freely. This love was to naturally be groomed in the

family, the School of Love, and in social life. Parents were to impart God's true love to their children and guide them to their own maturity of heart and character.

However, God will not intervene in anyone's free will. God has given people freedom to choose, to create themselves and to love. He refuses to renege on that commitment. Therefore, God did not directly intervene when the angel began to lie to Eve and seduce her. God did intervene in a *Principled* way, warning Adam and initiating the process of total healing. God knows if he intervenes in people's free will and manipulates them, then his children will lose their humanity and God will lose the very purpose for which he created the universe, which was to have partners in the creation and multiplication of true love.

If Eve or Adam had explicitly asked God to help them or advise them, or asked for his clarification of their dilemma, then God could have intervened and done something, according to Father Moon. Freedom was not the cause of the Fall. God gave people freedom to love and create goodness and beauty. It was their failure to have faith in God's words and to exercise their human portion of responsibility before God that made possible the fall.

And, when God gave the commandment to Adam not to "*eat*" of the *tree of knowledge of good and evil*, he knew that the power of love was stronger than his words, or the power of truth. Therefore, God was counting on Adam to have *faith* in his direction to him, which would have given him the added power to overcome even the temptation of love. Unfortunately, since Adam lost faith in God's words, the power of love overcame his better judgement and he fell with Eve.

Adam had apparently told Eve of the commandment not to "*eat*". In the same way, if Eve would have had faith in God's words, she too would have been able to resist the temptations of the angel. Thus, during the growing process of a person's life, while people are still

less than completely mature, absolute faith in God's words is necessary and essential to safeguard them on their path to maturity.

At this point, it will be helpful to consider two aspects of this situation. Father Moon said that if Adam had resisted Eve's temptation and held on to God's commandment not to eat of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, which is Eve, then God could have created a new Eve for him.<sup>41</sup> (see endnotes)

This means that had Adam maintained faith and not fallen, and reached full maturity in the image of God's heart and character as intended, he and his new fully mature Eve could have then stood as saviors to the original Eve and fallen angel and healed them both. This way, total healing could have been quickly completed. The resulting human history would have been completely different.

The other aspect to look at is the behavior of the angel. If it's true that he was highly trusted and had been responsible before God, then if he observed immature Adam spending too much time exploring nature and not investing enough time and attention in his sister or as much as she needed, making her more vulnerable to Lucifer's advances, he should have gone to Adam and coached him to spend more time with Eve. Instead, he may have taken responsibility for Adam's immaturity in some twisted sense by taking Adam's place in the relationship.

In any case, the Fall created what are called "*blood ties*" to Lucifer, who is now called Satan. This should not be considered a direct, chemical blood tie since angels have no chemistry. They have neither blood nor sperm. Thus, Lucifer could not make Eve pregnant and they did not exchange chemistry when they fell. However, it refers to the human lineage which began with distorted Adam and Eve.

The first two humans were affected and distorted by the misuse of love between the angel and Eve. She was spiritually infected with

his unprincipled mind and heart. And, as we discussed before, the spirit can affect the physical body (chemistry) of a person. Modern medical science tells us that the quality of life of a man and/or woman, even before they conceive a child together, can affect their future child in positive or negative ways.<sup>42</sup> Therefore this lineage problem can be understood spiritually, genetically, chemically or sociologically. It's called in Christianity the "original sin" and it's passed down from generation to generation. We will call it the original mistake. It's supported by these words of Jesus in the book of John:

*You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.*<sup>43</sup>

It's also evidenced in the rite of water baptism in the Christian faith. Water baptism is believed to bring forgiveness or removal of the effects of the original mistake. But, descendants of baptized people are still said to need baptism, so its effectiveness in removing the effects of the original mistake, beyond forgiveness, is questionable.

God was hoping to complete healing of the Fall in a very short period of time, even within Adam's family. However, when the original couple had children and when the first son, Cain, murdered his younger brother, Abel, then the wheels were set in motion for an extended process of healing leading to the creation of a new Adam and Eve. Even God did not know how long it would take because the process depended upon the cooperation of people who have free will and who were now partially influenced by the forces of darkness. Father Moon indicated that the actual period of time that has transpired since the Fall has been millions of years.<sup>44</sup> Thus, the mistake in the garden caused immeasurable suffering, both for God and for humanity. When Father Moon fully experienced the devastated heart of God, his

disciples said he cried for days and his tears literally soaked through the wooden floor boards of his upstairs room into the sanctuary below.

## Consequences of the Fall

As a consequence of the Fall, God's original plan could not be realized. The purpose for which God created both the spiritual and the material universes was shelved indefinitely. God "*grieved in his heart*" so much so that he said he was "*sorry he made man on the face of the earth.*"<sup>45</sup> Lucifer, a good and trusted angel, became Satan. He corrupted those angels that were under his charge<sup>46</sup> and they and all the forces of darkness which follow them affected every human being who has ever lived; the forces of darkness being those angels and spirit people who knowingly or unknowingly work with Lucifer.

In addition, the critical parent-child relationship, which is the core of God's original plan, has been compromised and corrupted in so many different ways. Every person who ever lived has been pulled between God and the forces of darkness. Both of them claim ownership of each person and both find their resemblance in us. Both form a common base with us in overt and subtle ways.

Instead of fully matured people dying and populating a divine paradise called heaven in the spirit world where they can live intimately with God's love and presence, they created a realm of despair, anger, loneliness, prejudice, hopelessness, fear and suffering called hell. People in the spirit world have the same personalities and limitations they had while they lived on earth. Many realms of the spirit world were created because societies have been disunited and fragmented in myriad ways.<sup>47</sup> As Jesus said, even husbands and wives and brothers and sisters many times go their separate ways when they die and go to the spirit world.<sup>48</sup>

We already discussed what good and evil, and right and wrong are in the section on growth and development. Humanity became far away from God and disconnected in heart from one another, more or less. People came to live not in a world of love and trust, but rather in one of fear. They're afraid of dying, of going to hell, of not having enough money, and not being loved. They're afraid of losing their jobs or businesses, not getting enough education, not being beautiful enough and of being rejected. They're afraid of crime, war, punishment and commitments. They're afraid of the food and water, of not being happy, of not being in control, and of relationships. The list goes on and on. These result in stress, diseases, nervous breakdowns, aggression, depression and heart attacks. A list of more of the consequences of the Fall includes the following, most of which are negative and harmful but some of which are simply consequences, meaning if there had been no Fall, they just wouldn't exist:

incest, rape, human trafficking, sexual promiscuity, celibacy, pornography, adultery, pedophilia, circumcision, polygamy, homosexuality, gender confusion, prostitution, divorce, bestiality, arson, atheism, bombs, bribery, bullying, child abuse, Christmas, churches, communism, coups, deception, dehumanization, dictatorship, discrimination, distrust, domestic violence, drug abuse, Easter, environmental destruction, ethnic cleansing, exploitation, gangs, genocide, greed, guilt, homelessness, hunger, imperialism, isolation, lust, lying, manipulation, materialism, mental illness, misuse of money, murder, narcissism, necrophilia, orphanages, passports, plagiarism, poaching, police, poverty, prejudice, prisons, racism, religions, resentment, Satanism, sexism, slavery, slums, starvation, stealing, the United Nations, vandalism, vanity, verbal abuse, violence, etc., etc.

From this we can see that virtually everything in human life has been distorted by the Fall. For this very reason, humanity needs a new start by way of the True Parents of humanity, Father and Mother Moon.

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In addition, everyone has inherited four aspects of fallen personality traits. The first is the failure to take God's viewpoint. What is God's viewpoint? In a nutshell, it's the viewpoint of true love. The other three aspects of fallen personality traits stem from this first one. Second, we leave our proper position in life. That can mean failure to take responsibility in relationships, or it can also mean not realizing our ultimate position and value as literal sons and daughters of God. Third, we reverse dominion over others. That usually means manipulating others by force, intimidation, deception, coercion or fear instead of influencing them naturally by love. And finally, we multiply our wrong thinking, feeling, values and actions by encouraging or even forcing others to join with us or to be like us in unprincipled ways.

Having these tendencies quietly buried deep within our hearts and personalities, whether we realize it or not, the forces of darkness easily find commonality with us and manipulate us for evil ends. Each person must purge themselves of these fallen personality traits, thereby eliminating the commonalities they have with the forces of darkness.

As we try to clean out our fallen personality traits, we are effectively separating from the influence of the forces of darkness. The more we can grow our hearts to resemble God, we're also effectively separating from the influence of the forces of darkness. Rather than a mechanical thing, we should think of it as a qualitative thing. We're becoming more like God and less like the fallen angel. That way, we're removing our commonalities with the forces of darkness.

We've also inherited four types of mistakes. The first of these is the original mistake which was made by the first people and which has infected the spirit of every human being; like spiritual DNA. The existence of this in our spirit connects us with the forces of darkness which claim ownership over us because of it. The original mistake also effectively separates us from God.

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The second type of mistake is inherited mistakes. This means that mistakes or unprincipled characteristics and actions of our ancestors have become a part of us because these distortions and problems need to be healed by someone in the material world. If an ancestor stole money but never repaid it and was never held accountable, we may find our financial life difficult for no apparent reason or we may lose an equivalent amount of money, one way or another. This is one significant reason why bad things sometimes happen to good people, again for no apparent reason.

Because we have blood ties with our ancestors and share personality traits, the responsibility comes to us. It may seem unfair, but we should feel some compassion for our ancestors. One day we, ourselves, will be one of those ancestors to our descendants. Who will help *us* to resolve our mistakes and problems and continue growing? We will hope someone will care about us enough to allow us to silently and invisibly partner with them throughout their lives and inherit some healing in the process. By living a life of goodness with God's love and virtue, we can heal the problems of our ancestors, even if we don't have a clue as to what their problems were.

The third type of mistake is collective mistakes. This means the unprincipled attitudes and behaviors of a group of people against an individual or against another group of people. Those who abused others are collectively responsible to rectify the wrong. Some Americans of European ancestry abused Native Americans who lived here before them. Healing of this mistake needs to take place. Even though a person living today and even their own ancestors were not actually the perpetrators of the wrong, descendants of European culture should apologize to and love Native Americans even more than may seem necessary. In this way, those abused Native Americans in the spirit world can be comforted and liberated from their pain and loss, and those Native Americans living on the earth today will also feel that liberation and a heart of forgiveness.



Collective mistakes can also be as simple as ignoring the pain and suffering of others around us. Even within a community, if a person chokes or faints and no one cares enough to try to help them, then it would be a collective mistake.

The last type is personal mistakes. This means the wrong thinking, feelings and actions which each of us needs to take responsibility for and purge from our own lives. Those mistakes which today are personal mistakes will later become ancestral mistakes, plaguing our descendants, if we don't take responsibility for them during our lifetime.

We may not know the mistakes of our ancestors, or even recognize our own mistakes, making total healing somewhat unclear. But, the cause of all of these mistakes are the four aspects of the fallen personality traits and a shortage of God's love in our life. The remedy, then, for all of our mistakes and those of our ancestors is to nurture God's love within ourselves and live a life of expressing that love by sincerely living for the sake of others.

Finally, due to the Fall we lost four realms of heart. The first is the child's realm of heart. During the earliest years of a child's life, it should experience the fullness of the masculine heart and character of God through its father and the fullness of the feminine heart and character of God through its mother. That was God's original plan but children have never experienced all of the fullness of the heart and character of God through their parents because of the Fall. Parents are the face and heart of God to young children. That's what God intended.

The second realm is the sibling's realm of heart. As the family was intended to be the School of Love, social development of the human character was to begin at home with parents and siblings. Siblings are either elder, younger or twins. While relating with their siblings, a child can learn many dynamics of heart and character that they cannot learn from their parents. As impossible as it may seem by

today's standards, outside the home unrelated boys and girls should innocently look at each other as they do their own brothers and sisters. Growing to love and relate to siblings is exactly the training needed to go out beyond the family into the outside world and love all kinds of people, young and old. Unfortunately, because of the Fall, siblings and unrelated boys and girls seldom relate with one another in such a virtuous and respectful way. But again, that's what God had planned.

The third realm is the conjugal realm of heart. On the foundation of successfully growing through the child and sibling realms of heart, a young adult should be at their peak in being qualified to share profound and mature love with their new spouse. The relationship of husband and wife will take their brother-sister experiences to a whole new level in preparation for parenthood. Sadly, people in the fallen world often seem to be very unqualified to love their spouse with God's pure and profound love as attested to by the epidemic of divorce; that is, if they even get married at all.

Of course, the final realm of heart is the parents' realm. This is where the life cycle starts all over again. The parents learn new dimensions of love and character in bearing and raising their own children, expressing God's love to them in ways they never experienced before. Grandparents get to experience even one more level of this parental realm, and have another chance to make up for past shortcomings. Every human being was designed and intended to experience these four realms of heart.

Father and Mother Moon always taught that it's best for three generations to live together under one roof. The grandparents can ideally share their wisdom and virtue with the grandchildren while the father and mother are supporting the family or busy with other activities.

This must sound like a children's book; a real fairy tale. Total fiction. "*What dreamers came up with this?*" you say. However,

God's original plan can actually work. It's realistically capable of creating God's world of love and happiness. But as we all know, the world described above doesn't exist. People have derailed God's original plan. Tragically, because of the Fall we instead see a world in which it's common for semi-mature or even painfully immature adults to be bearing and raising children without being able to give them God's profound love; sometimes far from it, thereby perpetuating an endless cycle of unfulfilled human beings. With all that unbearable suffering, why didn't God stop it from happening?

## **Why God Didn't Stop the Fall**

Could God have intervened and stopped the angel from seducing Eve? Of course he could have, but he didn't. Why not? How much anguish and pain he could have prevented had he done so, both for humanity and for himself. Some people have taken a harsh view of God because he didn't stop it from happening when he logically had the power to do so.

The reality, however, is that it wasn't a question of power and authority. It was a question of the purpose for which God created the universe and humanity. God created the material universe as a growing environment (i.e., garden) in which his human children could develop his own love and personality within themselves. He also created the spiritual universe as an ideal place for them to live eternally with the mature love and character they were to nurture in the material universe, even during a very short human lifetime. It was all about the creation and experience of love; between God and his human children, and among us, socially. We humans unfortunately don't know the love that was in God's heart, bursting with a desire to have an object like himself to share it with. If it weren't for this unfathomable love, he

wouldn't have bothered to create the material universe and humans at all.

Therefore, Father Moon said God was frantic when the angel was plotting to seduce his daughter, Eve. He knew full well the potential ramifications of it. But God's dilemma was this: If he intervened forcibly and stopped the angel or Eve, he would be canceling the free will that is essential to the development of love. No free will; no love. Not only do we have free will, as animals also have some free will, but we have moral responsibility which goes with our free will. It's unique to angels and humans. If God were to interfere with our free will and moral responsibility, he would be canceling the very purpose for which he created us. That was not, and never will be, an option for God.

He absolutely refuses to interfere with people's free will and moral responsibility. No matter what bad thing you may want to do, God will not stop you. And, no matter what good thing you may want to do, God may not even help you. He made us to be free agents of his love. If he had usurped their free will and moral responsibility, in effect he would be destroying his own way to happiness. He would be killing himself in a loose sense of the word. Therefore, God had no choice but to warn Adam not to eat of the now-defiled "*tree*" which was his sister, and watch as the devastating event transpired before his eyes.

If Eve or Adam had reached out to God for help or advice, then God would have been free to intervene and do something to stop the Fall from happening. Such a situation would have preserved the free will and moral responsibility of his children while still allowing him to intervene. Tragically, however, they didn't reach out to God but handled the situation by themselves, with their own immature and limited point of view.

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In a different sense, God did intervene in the Fall... but in a *Principled* way. He couldn't stop the Fall, but God did warn Adam and initiate the process of total healing so that he could eventually create a new Adam and Eve. The promised new Adam was later referred to in Judaism and Christianity as the Messiah, or Christ. But instead of being a very quick process of healing, it ended up taking millions of years just to prepare the world for the new Adam and Eve. One reason it took so long was that people were not trained to recognize the strategies and tactics that the forces of darkness were using to undermine God's work in their lives.

## Strategies and Tactics of the Forces of Darkness

The forces of darkness do not influence only people of a particular group or nation or religion. They work in perhaps different ways on people of the political left and the political right, on Christians and non-Christians alike, on believers and atheists, etc. No one is exempt. No one. The following is a list of some of the strategies and tactics of the forces of darkness. Each is deserving of extensive explanation but, again, that would be far beyond the scope of this book.<sup>49</sup> Some of them should be familiar:

God's world is about love, heart, happiness, unity, oneness, tolerance, respect, appreciation, gratitude, patience, kindness, investment, responsibility, eternity, forgiveness, cooperation, interdependence, prosperity, one family under God, etc. In stark contrast, the forces of darkness:

- deny and demean God
- get people addicted to absolutely everything except God and God's love, and '*any stimulation must be good*'
- press us to put personal comfort above all else

- drive people to escape if life's not fulfilling enough or doesn't conform to them
- distract people from God's providence with good, important, valuable things
- ridicule and deny the truth or twist it to their own benefit
- attack people through promoting false *perceptions* of them
- redefine evil as "*the new normal*"; moral righteousness is radical right wing - dangerous
- label, mock and discredit the *deliverer* of the truth
- breed doubt, faithlessness, confusion
- promote "*self*" as the top priority
- play on your fallen personality traits
- push you down from behind or pull you down from in front.
- mock humility and virtue
- get us to flaunt the freedoms God gave us to his face
- get us to blame others for our own shortcomings
- promote irresponsibility and complaint
- stir up selfish jealousy
- use coercion, manipulation, extortion and threats to force and enslave people
- trap you through guilt-by-association
- accuse you of what THEY are doing
- attack you with cheap, demeaning labels, rather than dealing with real issues
- have promoted uncommitted sexual love literally since day-one
- weaponize sex
- meet you at whatever line you draw in the sand
- still employ 'divide and conquer'
- invade and discredit good organizations
- hate religion

- play the guilt card
- promote fear-based life perspectives which create stress
- use our compromises and missteps to infect our kids
- threaten to kill you if you don't surrender to them

Clearly, knowing and observing the 10 Commandments or other religious rules and laws is not enough to protect us from the influences of the forces of darkness from our lives. The one who is the expert in this area and can teach the rest of us is the long-awaited Messiah or Christ, the new Adam.

## **The Messiah or Christ**

Christology is the study of the life and meaning of the Messiah or Christ. "Christ" is the Greek version of the Hebrew word Messiah. The Hebrew or Jewish meaning of Messiah is generally a prophesied king of the Davidic lineage who comes to deliver Israel from foreign oppression and restore the nation and culture. Different branches of Judaism view the Messiah somewhat differently.

Islamic teaching contains the notion of a Messiah, or Mahdi, but its understanding of the word is very different from that of Judaism. All branches of Islamic faith do not define the Messiah the same.

Christianity is focused upon Jesus as the Messiah, or Christ. However, some denominations and branches of Christianity see the the life and ministry of the Messiah or Christ in somewhat different ways. Also, most Christian denominations view Jesus as God or the third person of a triune God. They see God as a combination of God the Father, God the son in Jesus, and God the Holy Spirit or Holy Ghost. Other Christian denominations do not agree with this and see Jesus as the son of God but not God the son.

All of these faith traditions are called Abrahamic Faiths because they all recognize Abraham as the founding pillar of their beliefs and cultures. However, some non-Abrahamic faiths also have a kind of Messianic concept. These include Druze, Zoroastrianism, Buddhism, Taoism and Babism. The point is, the understanding and concept of a Messiah or Christ varies, and sometimes widely, across the world of believers.

*The Divine Principle* has a unique understanding of the meaning of Messiah or Christ. We will look at this understanding in the following paragraphs. But it's this author's opinion that such an unclear term as 'Messiah' or 'Christ' need not be used at all in explaining the *Divine Principle* perspective except to relate it to traditional beliefs. Rather, referring to the position and role of the Messiah or Christ as a new Adam (and Eve) tends to simplify and clarify the concept and eliminate most of the confusion.

What is the new Adam? The first Adam failed to grow properly to full maturity of heart and character in the image of God. His wife was the same. Therefore, since they could not share and impart God's true love to their children, nor to each other, mankind has been like orphans without the experience of true parental love. All manner of suffering and problems have resulted from this. The only way to fix this situation is for a new pair of fully-matured parents to emerge who re-start humanity and then engraft the old humanity into the new one.

Of course such a transition will be very difficult and will take time along with an enormous amount of re-education. Each and every person must eventually be transformed in the process together with all their ancestors in the spirit world and even the angels. A new Adam must raise up a new Eve and together they will become True Parents to all of humanity. This is Father and Mother Moon's understanding of the Messiah or Christ.



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Jesus came as the new Adam<sup>50</sup> but he was met with bitter opposition by the religious leaders of Israel and killed before he could raise up his Eve and consummate the position of True Parents. This made it necessary for another new Adam to be born. This person came 2000 years later in the person of Sun Myung Moon. He raised up his Eve in the person of Hak Ja Han Moon, or Mother Moon, and they restarted humanity through the children they bore and those they engrafted from the fallen world into their family and lineage. Unavoidably, it has been a very difficult transition. Many were able to make successful progress, but others lost faith and fell by the wayside.

All of earthly humanity and spirit world will undergo an enormous transformation because of the existence of the True Parents, and God's original plan will eventually become reality. The process to make this happen, however, requires the exercise of our human portion of responsibility. It will not happen just because True Parents came or because God wishes it to happen. Just as in the beginning, humans can – and this time will – make it happen.

Some topics related to Christian theology and Christology, namely the trinity, rebirth and whether Jesus was a human son of God or God the Son are addressed in the *Exposition of the Divine Principle*. Please refer to the *Exposition* for a discussion of these topics.

# **PART II**

## **Chapter 1**

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God works to help fallen people repair themselves through a process of total healing. Father Moon was very disappointed when he discovered that there was no word in the English language to fully capture what he tried to explain this healing process to be. The closest English word we have is probably ‘restitution’, but that still did not capture the complete meaning as translated from his native Korean language.

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Perhaps we can better understand this healing process by describing it. It's not punishment, as God is not a punishing God. That kind of language in the Old Testament of the Bible could be called "angel-speak". It would not be an accurate expression of the God of love that Jesus and True Parents described and modeled. People suffer, not because God punishes them, but because of their unprincipled thinking, feeling and actions and their attitudes toward taking responsibility for them. The healing process doesn't require pain. It's the process of rectifying and fixing a wrong thought, feeling or action as much as possible plus the effects of it as much as possible, centered upon love.

The process can be seen in a white European family adopting a Native American baby and raising it with God's love. (No pain, suffering or punishment) In the movie "Gandhi," a man begs Mahatma Gandhi for a solution to his guilt because he killed a Muslim man. Gandhi told him to adopt a Muslim child and raise him to be a good Muslim. These are classic examples of the healing process Father Moon spoke of.

But he explained that a typical person has far too many mistakes to rectify in their personal life and ancestry for healing to be applied literally, mistake-by-mistake. Therefore, as the Hindu man could not literally bring the man he killed back to life, his course of healing must be symbolic. This is called grace. To totally heal ourselves and our past, God accepts certain symbolic processes of healing and returns to us grace. This is such a huge gift from God. Father Moon said people should be hungry for opportunities to participate in such processes of healing and receive such grace, 24/7. Then just what do these processes of healing look like?

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## Processes of Total Healing

There are informal processes and there are formal processes of healing. The informal processes could actually work for us or against us; help us or hurt us. We might call the informal process “posturing”. Informally, we’re posturing ourselves spiritually every minute of our life. With each and every thought, feeling and action we do, we come closer to God in a small way or push ourselves further away from him. In a very real sense, through every step we take we are ‘posturing’ ourselves both in relation to God and in relation to the forces of darkness.

We are spiritual beings and there is no on/off switch. No matter how much a person may not want to believe in God and religion, they’re still informally posturing themselves – good or bad – all day, every day of their lives. Whenever we push ourselves further away from God, more need for healing is added to our life (i.e., the need to fix our mistakes). For example, reading a spiritual book or helping a friend could be informal *good* actions bringing us closer to God, while pursuing a bad habit could be an informal *bad* action pushing us further away.

In contrast, formal processes of healing are strategic, structured offerings of such things as fasting, tithing, prayers, study, etc. While informal spiritual posturing, i.e., how we live our everyday lives, is very important, formal processes of healing can be far more effective than informal ones because there’s a beginning and an end to the process. It’s a recognizable package that can be either accepted or rejected by God and quantified. A three-day water fast done for spiritual reasons could be an example of a formal process of healing in contrast to simply skipping breakfast every day for an unspecified period of time.

However, making a real fundamental change and transformation in our life is much better than informal posturing or even formal processes of healing. A person might engage in hundreds of formal processes of healing during their life, but if they don't actually grow their heart and purge their personality of fallen personality traits, then the real transformation that God is looking for in us may still not happen.

## **Vertical Processes of Healing**

Processes for total healing are not only informal or formal, they are also vertical or social. Vertical processes of total healing are processes of healing between you and God. Through vertical processes of total healing we can strengthen and develop our relationship with God. This is to help heal our own weakness of faith and also the historical failure of Adam and Eve, the effects of which everyone has inherited.

## **Processes of Social Healing**

Processes of social healing are made between people. Because the first two people lost vertical faith in God's words and made a serious mistake with love, their ability to grow to full spiritual maturity was impaired. They found an immature expression of sex but they didn't find the divine love that was supposed to empower it. Thus, people have not had the fullness of God's love to give to one another socially. This made not only vertical healing necessary, but social as well. People need to both grow their faith and love with God and also purge their fallen personality traits so they can share more of God's love with each other.

For example, because we have a limited amount of God's love in our hearts, we may have a tendency to be revengeful or hot tempered, overly jealous or impatient. These would give us commonalities with the forces of darkness. The solution is for people to not only grow their love for and faith in God vertically, thereby resonating more with God's heart, but to also remove their fallen personality traits so they can express that love socially. In a social process of healing, one person is always naturally in more of an Abel-like role, loving another person(s) who is in more of a Cain-like role, or visa versa. Cain and Abel need to love each other. Cain and Abel both need to see God in and behind one another. A person in the role of Cain needs to see God in and behind someone in the role of Abel, and a person in the role of Abel needs to see God in and behind someone in the role of Cain. If we think of the roles of parents and children, someone in the role of Abel needs to find the heart and perspective like that of a parent toward a person in the role of Cain. Likewise, a person in the role of Cain needs to find the heart and perspective like that of a child toward a person in the role of Abel. All of these roles were intended to be learned and mastered in the School of Love, the family. In no way should it be like a master-servant relationship.

Recall that the elder son of Adam and Eve, Cain, inherited more of the attributes of the angel and felt intensely jealous of his younger brother, Abel. Abel had more in common with Adam since Adam was much younger than the angel in terms of life experience. God had wanted Cain to overcome his jealousy of Abel and love him, as the angel should have done toward Adam. On Abel's side, God wanted Abel to win Cain's jealous heart and mind as Adam should have done with the angel. When we successfully navigate a similar social process in our own life, we are healing our love and removing our fallen personality traits. It requires loving our neighbor; indeed sometimes loving our enemy, as Jesus and Father and Mother Moon did and admonished us to do, also.<sup>51</sup>

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When we successfully engage in both vertical processes of healing through faith and also processes for social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits, then we are making a spiritual foundation in our life to receive the new Adam and Eve. This process is not seen as just a one-time event but rather a repeating, continual process of living this pattern in our spiritual life. It can be understood simply as strengthening the commonalities that we are building with God and the new Adam and Eve.

## **The Goal of Total Healing**

The primary goal of God in healing humanity is to send a new Adam and Eve who can then affect the worldly changes that need to be made to realize God's original plan. According to Father Moon, this could have been done within Adam and Eve's family after a few generations if Cain had not killed Abel. Before God can create a new Adam and Eve, people need to create a foundation to receive them. If people are not prepared to receive them, there is no reason for God to create them. What is a foundation to receive the new Adam and Eve? It's simply the sincere and successful processes of vertical healing through faith and social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits.

Several attempts in history to establish the foundation to receive the new Adam and Eve ended in failure. Vertical healing through faith was repeatedly demonstrated, but social healing turned out to be very difficult to achieve. It was finally accomplished with the reunion of Esau and Jacob and later improved upon by Jacob's son Joseph and his brothers.

But, by the time that occurred, there were nations in the world. For this reason, the foundation to receive the new Adam and Eve had

to be expanded to the national level. This was done by expanding the processes of vertical and social healings of individuals and families to become the spiritual *traditions* of a large group of people. After accomplishing that, a nation of these people had to be created. Finally, a physical temple was needed to symbolize the unchanging 'living temple of God'<sup>52</sup> to come, which was the new Adam, Jesus.

As mentioned, the foundation to receive the new Adam and Eve was finally accomplished millions of years after the first Adam and Eve, according to Father Moon. Almost all of this time was spent establishing the basis of these vertical and social healing traditions. Nothing was more important than these healing traditions. Without these traditions, there could be no foundation to create a new Adam and Eve. Even if multitudes of people might claim to be believers, or many nations might claim to follow the proper faith, or many ornate physical temples might purport to represent that faith, they would all have little or no practical value to God if these vertical and social healing *traditions* were not clearly and solidly established. Let's take a brief look at the turbulent history of God's efforts to guide people in establishing these healing traditions...

## **Requirements for Advancement**

Both God and the forces of darkness claim ownership over people and they both exert influence on each one of us, whether we know it or not or accept it or not. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits will strengthen God's influence upon a person or people or nation. Failing to successfully engage in such healing processes will cause God's influence to weaken and the forces of darkness will have growing influence. Thus, in preparing for the new Adam and Eve, God needed these processes of healing to be accomplished on progressively higher levels until a



people and a nation were prepared to receive them. Let's take a brief look at how this process played out in the key families of history.

## **The Process of Healing in Adam and Eve's Family**

The angel had far more life experience than the first humans and he looked down upon Adam as immature and irresponsible; i.e., less worthy of God's blessings than *he* was. The angel's pride came to the forefront. Therefore, after the Fall, the elder son of Adam and Eve, Cain, tended to take a similar viewpoint toward his younger brother Abel. This was accentuated by God's accepting the younger brother's vertical offering of faith and denying the elder brother's. There's no indication that Cain's offering was inferior. It arguably may have been flawless. Otherwise his extreme anger and jealousy toward his brother would be less justifiable. But, God needed a person to overcome the same kind of feelings of jealousy that the angel had felt toward Adam. Cain was in the natural position to do that in relation to his younger brother.

After making their vertical offerings of faith, if Cain had been able to humble himself and embrace his younger brother in spite of God's rejection of his offering, then both the vertical healing through faith and the social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits would have been established. God would have been able to create a new Adam and Eve in their family within a few generations. The total healing of humanity could have been completed forevermore.

Tragically, Cain murdered his brother in a rage of jealous anger. God had even pleaded with Cain not to let his emotions get the best of him,<sup>53</sup> but he couldn't do it. Therefore, the fallen personality traits became deeply embedded in humanity and it would take God a very long time to guide people to create the traditions of vertical and social healing upon which he could create a new Adam and Eve. The third

son, Seth, became the ancestor of God's next attempt at healing, in Noah's family.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Adam's Family**

Adam and Eve failed to maintain faith in God's word to them and therefore they distorted their hearts and characters and could no longer fully mature them. In heart and mind they were united both with God and with the rebellious angel. Cain and Abel made formal offerings of vertical healing through faith, thereby satisfying one requirement for advancement, but they failed to overcome jealousy and could not accomplish the social healing through loving each other and removing their fallen personality traits. Therefore, very little if any advancement in God's work of total healing could take place. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were not made.

## **The Process of Healing in Noah's Family**

Noah was described as a righteous man. God asked him to build a very large boat on top of a nearby mountain, thereby challenging his faith. He told Noah that he was going to flood the earth and destroy every living creature on it. Noah accomplished a process of vertical healing through maintaining absolute faith despite all manner of presumed persecution, from not only the people who lived nearby but also from his wife and sons. The boat symbolized a new start for history, containing seven pairs of every kind of animal. Noah's family was reminiscent of Adam and Eve's family in that Noah also had a wife and three sons, plus *their* wives. It was clear that God was making a new start in the process of total healing.

The 40 days and nights of rain began when Noah was 600 years old, according to the story. The flood itself lasted for 150 days, after which the waters subsided and Noah and his family settled and planted a vineyard. God then blessed Noah and his family, saying “*Be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth,*”<sup>54</sup> reminiscent of what God had said to Adam and Eve. More detailed symbolism is explained in the *Exposition* book.

One day Noah was tired and drank too much wine from his vineyard. The story says that he laid down naked in his tent. His son Ham peeked into the tent, saw him and told his two brothers who then covered their father in shame. Noah awoke and cursed Ham for his disrespect of him. So what is this story saying to us?

Noah was a very old man. He had maintained absolute faith in God in spite of the very illogical instruction given to him. He saved his family from the flood. He laid down in his personal tent, i.e., his bedroom if you will, likely with the door of the tent closed. Yet his sons felt shame at his nakedness and disgraced him.

It could be speculated that the sons were predisposed to accuse their father since they and their mother probably persecuted him all the years when he was away on the mountain top, building the boat while not attending to the needs of the family. The story doesn't fill in the details, but their disgraceful act toward their father seemed unfair. Their shame at his nakedness flashes back to the shame of Adam and Eve after the Fall and the covering of their naked bodies with leaves.

All-in-all, God had wanted to see Ham demonstrate his unity with his father and qualify himself to assume the role of Abel in front of his elder brother. Shem and Ham were then to reenact a process of social healing similar to Cain and Abel, but hopefully in a successful way this time.<sup>55</sup> God needed them to successfully accomplish the social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits. However, none of this transpired because Ham disqualified himself and his

brothers from assuming the roles of Cain and Abel. Thus, the healing process in Noah's family came to an end.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Noah's Family**

Noah successfully accomplished the vertical process of healing through his absolute faith in building the boat, but his family failed to unite with him in heart and mind. Therefore, the process of social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits did not happen. Thus, advancement in God's work of total healing was again only partially satisfied. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were not made.

## **The Process of Healing in Abraham's Family**

Abraham's healing course began in a manner somewhat reminiscent of Noah's course. Both started by going back and reenacting, at least symbolically, the beginnings of the historical process. Noah built a boat which symbolized all of nature and he and his family represented Adam and Eve and their family. In Abraham's case, he and his wife Sarah went through a situation reminiscent of Adam, Eve and the angel. In fact, it's necessary for all key figures used by God for total healing to at least symbolically address the failures of the past before beginning their own courses. Father Moon had to go a similar course before beginning his own historical mission.

For healing purposes, Abraham's course began when he and his wife Sarah were confronted by officials from Egypt. They were impressed by Sarah's beauty and took her away from Abraham. They then brought her to the Pharaoh to become one of his wives or part of

his harem. Abraham had told Sarah to tell the Pharaoh that he was her brother rather than her husband, lest the Pharaoh have him killed. But the Pharaoh found out that she was his wife and he sent her back to Abraham without defiling her.<sup>56</sup> Obviously this bears some resemblance to how things should have gone in the garden with Adam, Eve and the angel.

On the foundation of that successful series of events, God told Abraham that he would be greatly blessed and his descendants would number like the stars in the heavens. God then asked him to accomplish a process of vertical healing through faith by offering animals and birds on his altar.<sup>57</sup> The symbolism of these are explained in detail in the *Exposition of the Divine Principle*.

Noah's sacrifice of himself and his family to build a huge boat on a mountain top still had great value in God's process of total healing. For this reason, God only asked Abraham to make a relatively small symbolic vertical offering of healing and faith to inherit the victory established by Noah. Unfortunately, Abraham failed to value even this simple request of God enough to completely finish it, and God was very disappointed.<sup>58</sup>

This set the stage for a future 400-year period of suffering during which God hoped the vertical healing and faith of the people would become more focused and serious than Abraham's was. As a result, later generations of those who believed in Abraham, Isaac and Jacob lived for 400 years in Egypt and were enslaved for a significant part of that time. It was not punishment for Abraham's mistake. God is not a punishing God. Certainly they suffered during that time, but it was a course intended to strengthen and deepen their vertical healing and faith.

Still, God's promise of multitudes of descendants seemed hard to believe since Abraham and Sarah had no children and were old. Therefore, Sarah gave her maid, Hagar, to Abraham as a concubine

with whom he could hopefully have a child. Hagar indeed became pregnant with Ishmael. But Sarah grew intensely jealous of Hagar and drove her and her unborn baby away. God spoke to Hagar and expressed his support for her and her child and told her to return to Abraham's family, which she did.<sup>59</sup>

God then replayed a circumstance very similar to that which had unfolded with the Egyptian Pharaoh, but this time with the King of Gerar.<sup>60</sup> Because of Sarah's great beauty, the king took her from Abraham to become his wife or part of his harem. Just as before, Abraham told the King that he was her brother, lest he have Abraham killed. But, the King found out that Abraham was really her husband and he released Sarah to return to him without defiling her. After this, Sarah also became pregnant and bore Isaac. God originally had plans for the two boys, as we shall see.

Sadly, when Ishmael and Isaac were young and playing together, Sarah again became intensely jealous and demanded that Abraham send Hagar and her son away, which he did.<sup>61</sup> These two acts of jealousy on the part of Sarah did enormous damage to the process of total healing and these mistakes would need to be relived and fixed someday by another wife and mother in a similar situation.

The healing of serious mistakes such as these eventually became the responsibility of Father and Mother Moon. Their life courses are not included in this book but it's very important to study them for those who hunger to learn more. It's strongly recommended that you read their autobiographies: *As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen*, about Father Moon's life, and *Mother of Peace*, about Mother Moon.

Even though Abraham had failed to accomplish his own process of vertical healing through faith by not completing the offering of the animals and birds, upon the successful repeat of the taking of Sarah from Abraham and her undefiled return, God gave Abraham one more chance. But, this time he asked Abraham to demonstrate the same kind

of absolute, earthshaking vertical healing through faith that Noah had accomplished earlier. Abraham could no longer unite with Noah's successful vertical process of healing symbolically. God told Abraham to offer his son Isaac on an altar. This time, Abraham successfully demonstrated vertical healing through his absolute faith in God.

Just when he was about to slay Isaac on the altar, an angel appeared and told Abraham that he must not kill the boy. The angel indicated that God only wanted to see if Abraham was willing to do it; i.e., offer to God even that which was most precious to him in this world.<sup>62</sup> Because Isaac helped his father carry the wood for the offering and willingly laid down on the altar to be slain, Isaac inherited this victory of vertical healing through faith. Unlike Ham with Noah, Isaac showed that he was united in heart and mind with his father. Hereafter, Abraham became regarded by all Jews, Muslims and Christians as the Father of Faith.

But, before Abraham's failure with the animals and birds and Sarah's failure to overcome her jealousy of Hagar and her son, God had planned to see Ishmael and Isaac reenact Cain and Abel's failed process of social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits. God would have set up some extremely challenging situation between them. Ishmael, the elder of the two, would have reenacted the role of Cain, and Isaac, the younger, would have reenacted the role of Abel. However, no such struggle between the boys happened because of Abraham and Sarah's failures.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Abraham's Family**

Because Noah had successfully accomplished the vertical process of healing and faith, Abraham was only asked to connect with and inherit that healing and faith through a symbolic offering of animals and birds on the altar. But, Abraham failed that simple process of

healing and faith. Had he successfully accomplished it, his two sons Ishmael and Isaac would have been in a position to engage in the process of social healing and overcoming of fallen personality traits which Cain and Abel had failed to do earlier. This didn't happen. Abraham was given a second chance to successfully accomplish a vertical process of healing and faith but this time it was an absolutely earthshaking process like that of Noah. Abraham succeeded when he was willing to offer his son, Isaac, on the altar. Isaac inherited this vertical healing through faith by being a willing sacrifice. But, all the processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were still not completed.

## **The Process of Healing in Isaac's Family**

Isaac was married to Rebekah. She became pregnant with twins. God spoke to her and said that two nations were at war in her womb and "*the elder shall serve the younger.*"<sup>63</sup> We saw this "*elder-shall-serve-the-younger*" dynamic originally between the angel Lucifer and Adam and Eve, where Lucifer was the elder in terms of life experience. We then saw the same dynamic in God's efforts to effect total healing and prepare for the new Adam and Eve in the first family, with Cain and Abel, and in later plans for Ham and Shem, and Ishmael and Isaac who were to follow the same pattern. It shows the method God used to help people accomplish social healing and overcome jealousy and other fallen personality traits.

Rebekah gave birth to Esau first, followed by Jacob. As the boys grew up, a situation unfolded in which Jacob obtained the birthright from his father by trickery and deceit. The birthright should normally be given to the eldest son, in this case, Esau. Of course this made Esau



intensely jealous to the point of wanting to kill Jacob.<sup>64</sup> This pattern should be familiar by now.

Jacob left home and spent the next 20 years living with and serving his uncle Laban. Laban was constantly tricking and deceiving Jacob, but Jacob never once complained, even in his heart. Jacob was very humble in serving Laban, but wisely obtained great wealth and herds of cattle and sheep in the process, plus Laban's two daughters as his wives and 12 children.<sup>65</sup> Through his repeated abuse at the hands of Laban, Jacob came to understand the heart of his elder brother Esau whom he had also deceived. He eventually decided to leave Laban and, with his family and wealth, return to Esau to make amends.

During the trip home he encountered an angel on a small bridge and they fought all through the night. The angel dislocated Jacob's thigh in the struggle but Jacob would not surrender to him. In the end, Jacob obtained a blessing from the angel. He was given the name "*Israel*" which means "*he who prevails*."<sup>66</sup> This step in the process of total healing was very important as it symbolically resolved the failure of Adam and Eve to maintain their position as God's children and the new lords of nature with respect to the servant angel in the garden.

Jacob and his family continued on their way to meet Esau. When they saw him, he was accompanied by 400 armed men hired to kill Jacob if he should ever return. But Esau and Jacob lovingly embraced in a tearful reunion and finally demonstrated victory over the fallen personality traits between jealous and angry brothers.<sup>67</sup> This was a major accomplishment in God's efforts to prepare for the coming of the new Adam, Jesus.

However, this victory was seriously compromised when Jacob left his brother's side. Instead of settling again together with Esau, Jacob took his family and moved far away.<sup>68</sup> This was not what God had wanted to see. It was an indication that their reunion was relatively shallow. For this reason, and because the dishonest method of stealing

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Esau's birthright could easily be misinterpreted, one more step in the process of total healing was necessary. That would become the mission of Jacob's family.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Isaac's Family**

Because Abraham and Isaac had together successfully accomplished the vertical process of healing and faith, Isaac did not need to repeat this in his own life course. His sons, Esau and Jacob, had the mission to successfully accomplish the social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits. The process unfolded in a messy way, subject to much misunderstanding in later history due to Rebekah and Jacob's dishonesty. Father Moon said it should have been done differently. Jacob victoriously overcame the challenge of an angel, symbolically healing the reversal of dominion in the Garden. In the end, Esau and Jacob overcame extreme jealousy and fallen personality traits and successfully reunited, at least superficially. Their reunion could be accepted as fundamentally fulfilling the needed processes for total healing, but it was seriously compromised by Jacob's failure to stay and settle with Esau's family after returning. Therefore, the process will be repeated one more time in Jacob's family to correct these mistakes. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were not yet completed.

## **The Process of Healing in Jacob's Family**

Joseph was Jacob's 11<sup>th</sup> son. He was the favorite son of his father and was gifted in being able to interpret dreams. Therefore, his brothers felt intense jealousy towards him. The day came when they conspired to kill Joseph. He escaped death and instead found himself

sold as a slave to the Captain of the Guard of the Pharaoh's palace in Egypt. Through a very interesting course of events, Joseph won the total trust of the Pharaoh and was appointed to the second-highest leadership position in all of Egypt.<sup>69</sup>

A prophesied seven years of famine struck the area and Joseph's brothers traveled to Egypt to buy food. Thanks to Joseph, Egypt had stored a lot of grain to survive the famine. The brothers didn't expect to find their younger brother there whom they had plotted to kill years before. Instead of cursing them and sending them away empty-handed, Joseph loved them and wept with them. Joseph told them to bring their father and all their relatives and friends to Egypt where he would take care of them. The Pharaoh helped Joseph to bring them there where they all settled together.

This resolved the failure of his father in the face of his jealous elder brother Esau. Father Moon said if Joseph had also invited the family and clan of Esau to join them in Egypt, it would have been even better. But, Joseph's victory was sufficient. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were finally completed.

As mentioned before, Abraham became the father of faith for the Jewish, Muslim and Christian traditions. Abraham, Isaac and Jacob together became recognized as the foundation of the Jewish and Christian faiths. But unfortunately, after millions of years of these total healing efforts, and by the time Joseph was in Egypt with his family and clan, the most conservative estimates place the population of the world at more than 25 million. Thus, God had to now expand these traditions of vertical and social healing and the the removal of fallen personality traits far beyond the family level to a national level in preparing to receive the new Adam and Eve. Let's briefly look at the intense spiritual battles that were fought to expand the traditions of total healing.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Jacob's Family**

Joseph overcame the jealousy of his brothers by loving them and serving them even after they had plotted to kill him. However, he went beyond his father's mistake with Esau in that he brought his entire clan and friends to Egypt where they all settled together. The processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve had finally been successfully completed after millions of years.

## Chapter 2

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The story of Moses is a dramatic one and the details worthy of reading in the Bible. Many aspects of his life and course are also discussed in the *Exposition of the Divine Principle*. Here we will briefly cover the key points which had the most impact on the process of preparing for the new Adam and Eve to come.

About 300 years after Joseph brought his clan and friends to Egypt, the Pharaohs began to enslave the Hebrews and others who had grown to large numbers. After 100 years of Hebrew bondage, Moses' mother spared her newborn son from being killed by the Pharaoh's soldiers by placing him in a floating basket in the Nile river. The Pharaoh's daughter and her maidens found the baby and she adopted

Moses into the Pharaoh's family. This is strongly reminiscent of Joseph being placed in top leadership under the Pharaoh years before. Moses lived in the Pharaoh's family for 40 years, side-by-side with the Pharaoh's only son, making Moses a potential heir to the throne of Egypt.

## The War

At this point we must pause and focus on a major aspect of this total healing history, which is the war. There has been an intense spiritual war going on which began in the Garden of Eden. In the early stages of the war, it was waged only on the personal and family levels. The forces of darkness were working through their commonality with people's fallen personality traits to cause key families to fail in their callings from God.

Noah's family offers a good example. While Noah followed God's calling with incredible absolute faith, his family was influenced through their fallen personality traits to oppose his work. The spiritual war seemed not so noticeable because all of humanity experiences these fallen personality traits and our lives are filled with tragedies. Therefore, the failures of these key families may just seem like any other human shortcomings or mistakes, i.e., nothing so special.

However they were *very* special to God and to the forces of darkness. The war was being fought by God and Lucifer and his helpers over humanity. Each human being was the target, and they still are today. In Moses' time, however, the war rose to a tribal level and became more visible and even obvious. As you will see, by the time the new Adam comes, the war will be a raging inferno.

## **Key Steps in Preparing for the New Adam and Eve**

God was not just watching humanity grow and simply living day-to-day as many of us might do. God had a strategy and game plan to accomplish through his traditions of total healing, which was to prepare humanity to restart and renew through a new Adam and Eve. God was absolutely serious and his whole being was invested in this effort. It can be compared to a person's life-and-death struggle. For God, people were created to become the object of his complete love and heart and personality. No other creature could fulfill that role. God can never find his own fulfillment and complete joy until people are healed and grow to full maturity of heart and character.

The forces of darkness following the angel Lucifer also see this war as an all-out effort to maintain their rebellion from God and their influence over humanity. It's a desperately serious war. People fail to see it because they've always lived in the middle of it and virtually everyone is a wounded casualty. People have therefore become conditioned to think their crippled and suffering life is "normal."

After millions of years of effort, God finally established the traditions of vertical and social healing in preparation for the new Adam and Eve. This would have been sufficient if it had been accomplished in Adam's family or soon thereafter. However, since the world population had become very large, God had to guide people to accomplish three more steps before he could give us a new Adam and Eve. They were first, to multiply these traditions of total healing to a large number of people who were serious to live by them; second, to establish a nation which observed and was structured to maintain these traditions; and finally to build a holy temple which would help to stabilize these traditions for a wavering humanity and also symbolize

in material form the living ‘temple of God’ who will come in the person of the new Adam, Jesus.

## **Moses in the Process of Expansion**

God’s efforts were poised for total and final success with Moses as the Pharaoh’s adopted grandson. If the Pharaoh’s son should prematurely die (which later happened), Moses would become the next Pharaoh of Egypt. From that position, Moses would have been able to complete all three of the remaining preparations for the new Adam and Eve.

The Bible indicates that the Hebrews in Egypt numbered over a million. If Moses were the Pharaoh, he could have decreed that the slavery of his fellow Hebrews was over and they were free. Next, he would have been in a position to either declare the faith of the Hebrews as an official Egyptian faith and possibly even transform Egypt into a Hebrew or Jewish nation, or he could have assisted the Hebrews in establishing themselves as a nation in Canaan, protected by the Egyptian army. Either way, the nation God needed could have been established easily within Moses’ lifetime. Finally, as would be normal practice for any good Egyptian Pharaoh, Moses could have ordered the construction of a fitting temple to the Hebrew God.

Had all of this transpired, which was God’s hope and plan, then the new Adam and Eve could have been created soon thereafter. A preceding 400-year period of vertical healing through faith would still be necessary, like that between Malachi and Jesus. This healing period could have followed Moses rather than the prophet Malachi nearly 1200 years later. Much of Jewish history between Moses and Jesus would have been unnecessary.



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Tragically, however, the forces of darkness blocked this process by working through Moses' fallen personality traits. He had a hot temper. Therefore, after living 40 years in the family of the Pharaoh, receiving the very best education available at that time and being prepared by God in so many ways, he was derailed. One day he saw a Hebrew slave being beaten by an Egyptian. Moses killed the Egyptian and buried him to hide his crime.<sup>70</sup>

Certainly the act of beating the Hebrew was immoral and very terrible. But, it was a common occurrence in Egypt and was not significant enough for Moses to risk losing the priceless position that he had in the family of the Pharaoh. In the end, the Pharaoh found out what Moses had done and sought to kill him. Moses then had to leave the palace, leave Egypt, and hide for 40 years in the wilderness.

At the end of that period, Moses was directed by God to go back to Egypt and take the Hebrews out to another place where they could establish their own nation. He reluctantly followed God's instructions and by way of many miracles, including the parting of the Red Sea, he took many or most of the Hebrews out of Egypt.<sup>71</sup> Again, it was a very dramatic story and worthy of reading in the Bible.

The many details of this story reveal how hot the war had become. It was a battle for the vertical and social healing and faith of the people at every turn. Their faith in God and Moses was on-and-off, over and over again. Instead of walking to Canaan in the normal 21-days time, escorted by the Egyptian military as it could have been if Moses were the Pharaoh, it ended up taking 40 years. During that time Moses received the Ten Commandments.<sup>72</sup> But, he disappointed God at least two more times, at which point Moses died before the people could enter the promised land of Canaan. Joshua and Caleb took the younger generation of Hebrews over the Jordan River where they settled in what is now Israel.

The War was incredibly hot during Moses' life, with the forces of darkness tempting the people into faithlessness many times and pushing Moses' hot temper to the breaking point. But, according to God's strategy and plan, he now had the precious traditions of vertical and social healing, a large group of people who held dear the faith of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, and a territory in Canaan. The next step was to establish God's nation.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Moses' Life**

Moses needed to successfully accomplish vertical healing through faith plus social healing and the the removal of fallen personality traits in order for God's work to advance to the national level. His being faithful for 40-years in the Pharaoh's family marked the successful accomplishment of his process of vertical healing through faith. However, he failed socially to love his enemy and overcome his fallen personality traits when he killed the Egyptian and was disowned by the Pharaoh.<sup>73</sup>

His next 40 years of hiding in the wilderness marked the successful accomplishment of his second process of vertical healing through faith. On the foundation of that, God called him to return to Egypt and take the Hebrews out to a new land which he would give them. If this had been completed successfully by the Hebrews uniting with Moses until they arrived at the promised land, Moses would have accomplished the processes of social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits required for God to advance his preparations to the national level.

Initially, the Hebrews did unite with Moses when they crossed the Red Sea. However, they lost faith many times after that. The worst failure occurred when Moses sent 12 spies to report on the inhabitants of Canaan before they would try to enter it. When 10 of the spies made

faithless reports, calling the planned invasion impossible, the people united with them and wanted to return to Egypt. Therefore, due to this failure to unite with God's plan through Moses, he had to accomplish a third process of vertical healing through faith which was 40 more years of wandering in the desert; one year for each of the faithless days of spying in Canaan.

This third 40-year process of vertical healing through faith was successfully completed, but at the end of it Moses, himself, dishonored God in front of the people. Moses unfortunately died without being able to enter the land of Canaan. Joshua and Caleb assumed Moses' leadership, united the people with them and successfully led the Hebrews into Canaan where they lived for the next 400 years as tribes.

Through this, the processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits needed for God to create a new Adam and Eve were made sufficiently enough to advance God's work of total healing to the tribal level. The next level God still needed to establish was the national level.

## **Final Preparations for the New Adam and Eve**

After 400 years of living as tribes in Canaan, the prophet Samuel appointed a king named Saul. He was a terrible king. The Bible says God was even sorry that he made Saul the king.<sup>74</sup> But, God now had a nation of believers. Saul's 40-year reign was followed by that of king David, who was a very celebrated king in Jewish history. David was good, but God didn't allow him to build his temple in preparation for the coming of the new Adam and Eve because he stole another man's wife and had her husband killed.<sup>75</sup> One of David's sons, Solomon, succeeded in building a world-famous temple to the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, putting the final piece in place for God to give the world a new Adam and Eve.

However, the forces of darkness unleashed their full fury to try to stop God's progress. Like the angel in the Garden, the forces of darkness again attacked the very core of God's efforts, this time the vertical and social traditions of healing. God had worked for millions of years to find a few human beings who would think, feel and do the right things to establish those precious and necessary traditions.

While King Solomon may have had good intentions, he decided to promote peace by marrying women of high standing from every nation. He ended up with 700 wives and 300 concubines. However, his greatest mistake in God's eyes was his attitude toward these women's various gods and faiths. Solomon offered sacrifices to some of the gods of his non-Jewish wives and permitted them to bring their non-Jewish ceremonies, rituals, prayers, songs and beliefs, etc., into the Jewish temple.<sup>76</sup> While historians point to more external, political reasons for Solomon's demise, it was his idolatry which served to confuse the Jewish believers in their own essential traditions established over millions of years by God.

Through compromising the vital traditions which God had worked for millions of years to create, Solomon handed all of God's work of total healing over to the forces of darkness. Why? If the traditions are compromised, then it doesn't matter how many people say they are believers, or how many nations call themselves God's nations, or how many ornate and expensive temples are constructed. Without God's essential traditions, they would all be useless to God and his efforts to prepare for the new Adam and Eve. In this way, the forces of darkness took everything from God at the last moment.

In response to this, God divided the Jewish nation in the same way he divided Adam into his two representative sons, Cain and Abel. The 10 tribes in the north were called Israel, while the two tribes in the south were called Judah. The 10 tribes of Israel were more rebellious and unfaithful, thus representing the role of Cain, while the two tribes

of Judah were more orthodox and faithful, thus representing the role of Abel. Many prophets from Judah were inspired by God to cry out to the leaders of Israel to repent and return to the precious traditions of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. But, after 400 years and many prophets, the people and leaders of Judah also became confused and faithless.

God's response to this dire situation was to perform a kind of radical surgery on the people he had raised up to receive the new Adam and Eve. He permitted the leaders of the nearby powerful nations of Babylon and Assyria to invade Israel and Judah and take many of the people and leaders into captivity. The world-famous temple of Jerusalem was burned down and the city walls and structures of Jerusalem were mostly destroyed. But, God was going to use this unthinkable nightmare for his own purposes in the end.

Decades later, when they were finally freed by their captors to leave and return to their homeland, most did not and many even wandered off to lands far away in seek of a new life. Those who decided to return to Jerusalem were the faithful remnant which God was looking for. He was effectively sifting out the wheat from the chaff. While this remnant was small, God needed quality more than quantity. Ezra and Nehemiah led the efforts to reeducate the people in the Mosaic law and the traditions of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob and to rebuild the walls around Jerusalem. A new Holy Temple was constructed and the population began to grow again. God had taken drastic measures to restore his traditions, people, nation and temple as he looked forward to creating the new Adam and Eve who would restart humanity on the right foot.

Approximately 200 years after the Jews were liberated from their captors, the last of the great prophets appeared, namely Malachi. He prophesied the imminent coming of the Messiah, the new Adam. Following another final 400-year period of vertical healing through faith, Jesus was born. This should have happened during the 400 years

after Moses, but because of the intense spiritual war between God and the forces of darkness and the instability and weakness in the faith of the people and leaders, this process lasted an additional 1,200 years. As impossible as it might seem, the war was about to get much hotter.

## **The Life of the New Adam, Jesus**

The prophet Isaiah and others foretold of the coming of the new Adam.<sup>77</sup> God gave the Jewish people a dual prophesy about the coming of Jesus. But, instead of giving the dual prophesy in a single continuous statement as he had done in the past,<sup>78</sup> he split the dual prophesy into two separate statements. One set of Isaiah's prophecies foretold of what wonderful things would happen if the people accept the new Adam when he arrives. The other prophesy foretold of what would happen if the people reject him when he arrives.

This new way to express the dual prophecies may have seemed like a good idea at the time, with God trying to address fallen humanity's unpredictable use of our God-given free will and our human portion of responsibility. But, after Jesus died Christian theologians misinterpreted these separated dual prophecies and declared them both to be foreordained and necessary, missing the whole point. Back to the life of Jesus....

After hundreds of years, and as the time drew near, the forces of darkness were frantically at work even before young Mary could give birth to Jesus. The teenage girl ran to her cousin's home after she received word through an angel that she would be the mother of the long-awaited new Adam. Her cousin Elizabeth seemed the best person to go to for advice in this situation since Elizabeth's husband was a respected priest and the same angel had also spoken to him. As it

turned out, Mary became pregnant with Jesus while she was staying at Elizabeth's home.

Elizabeth's husband had been told by the same angel that his decades of hoping for a son were over and that he and Elizabeth would soon bear a child in their old age. Not only that, but this miraculous son would help the messiah, the new Adam to come, which Mary was told she would bear. God had indirectly communicated his intentions to Mary, and to Zechariah, Elizabeth's husband, a priest.

One would think that would suffice to afford Jesus a royal welcome into this world. But no. The spiritual war was burning hot as a furnace. After Mary became pregnant with Jesus, Elizabeth and her husband sent Mary out of their home, fully aware that an unmarried pregnant girl like her should and could be stoned to death under Jewish law. This shocking situation was reminiscent of Sarah's driving out Hagar after she became pregnant with Abraham's baby, even though it was Sarah who had arranged it.

Another message of Jesus' imminent birth was given to some shepherds nearby. Word got around about this and King Herod determined to kill the baby ASAP. After all, *he* was the king. He didn't welcome the idea of another new king being born. A year later he ended up sending soldiers to kill all the baby boys in the area where Jesus was born. The war was blazing hot now. The forces of darkness knew who Jesus was before any humans knew; indeed, even before he was born.

After leaving Elizabeth's home, Mary rejoined with the man who had been previously betrothed to her. But, when he realized she was somehow pregnant, he grudgingly took her to his nearby home town of Bethlehem. His name was Joseph. Mary's mother's family was also from Bethlehem and her mother too had received a message from heaven that her daughter would give birth to the coming Lord.<sup>79</sup> Both

Joseph and Mary certainly expected that at least some of their family and friends in this small town would help them out. But no.

The forces of darkness moved the family and friends of both of them to turn on the couple and slam their doors in their faces. There was “*no room in the inn,*” or so the story says, for a pregnant, unmarried young Jewish girl.<sup>80</sup> To protect the newborn baby Jesus in this hostile environment, Mary delivered her baby, the son of God, not in a relative or friend’s back yard or even in their stable, but out in a pasture; in a manger. What is a manger, really? A manger is a filthy place where livestock eat and dump their feces and urine. This was hardly the welcome God had expected or wanted for his son. But this was only the beginning.

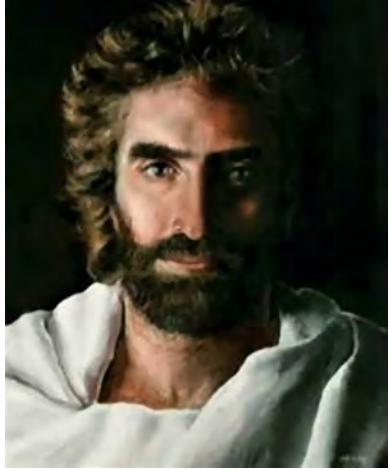
God had worked for millions of years to teach the essential traditions of healing to the people of Israel. This was to prepare them so they could recognize and learn from the new Adam, Jesus, when he should come. Now he is there in their midst but all the preparations seem to be insufficient. The vertical process of healing was to enhance the faith of the people and their relationship with God. The processes of social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits were to help people find the humility to welcome the son of God and learn from him how to embrace their enemies with love. But, the people around Jesus seemed to be underprepared, responding more to the forces of darkness, even after all of God’s efforts.

God had planned for Jesus to grow up together with Zechariah and Elizabeth’s son, John, in the same family and home. John’s revealed mission was to help Jesus, the long-awaited son of God.<sup>81</sup> But they didn’t grow up together at all. There’s not even a record of what happened during Jesus’ early life until he was thirty years old. One can only guess, but there are a few clues...

Jesus had at least six brothers and sisters,<sup>82</sup> and the writer of the Gospel of John said that his brothers wanted to see Jesus dead.<sup>83</sup>



Things were not well at home. Joseph never accepted Jesus from the time he realized Mary was pregnant, knowing the baby was not his.<sup>84</sup> Mary was helping a friend with her wedding party one day when they ran out of wine. She called on Jesus to miraculously turn some jars of water into wine for the party, at which Jesus barked at her, saying: *“O woman, what have you to do with me?”*<sup>85</sup> Another time, later during his ministry, Jesus commented that *“whoever does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother,”*<sup>86</sup> perhaps implying that his literal family was not. Mary even left 12-year-old Jesus behind when they went to register in the Roman census.<sup>87</sup> Father Moon said it was intentional, due to the strife in her family over Jesus. After three days she went back and found him in the Temple, learning from and astonishing the priests with his insights. Jesus told his mother that this was where he belonged.<sup>88</sup> But, instead of leaving him there to study and be groomed for his future mission, she took him back home to help Joseph in his carpentry shop.<sup>89</sup> Why?



When both John and Jesus turned 30, Jesus decided to begin his public mission. He went to John who had become a famous and very influential spiritual leader. John was doing something novel... baptizing people in the Jordan River. Jesus asked John to baptize him and when Jesus arose from the water, John saw a vision of a dove above Jesus and a voice from heaven revealed to him that Jesus was the son of God. Wow. What more could you want?



But no. John struggled with his ego and his great reputation compared with the controversial Jesus next to him. He said some flattering words but walked away from Jesus, never again to return to his side. And there is no record that he told anyone to follow Jesus, not even his friend the King.<sup>90</sup>

Jesus was stunned. There really was no plan “B”. John was the key to Jesus’ successful ministry and mission as described by the prophet Isaiah in chapters 9, 11 and 60. John’s respect and reputation plus his being the son of a revered priest made him the perfect person to defend and testify about Jesus to the Jewish leadership and people. Recall that the angel had told Zechariah that his son John would help the long-awaited Messiah and “*make his way straight.*”<sup>91</sup> Without John, Jesus had little credibility in the eyes of the Jewish leadership. It became common knowledge that he was at least conceived out of wedlock<sup>92</sup> and he taught some unorthodox things.<sup>93</sup>

The forces of darkness were ruthless and determined to stop Jesus. What were they so afraid of? Were they afraid that Jesus might teach the truth of God? It’s doubtful. Future theologians and skeptical Church leaders could be used by the forces of darkness to confuse people about his teachings. No. The forces of darkness were scared to death that the new Adam might raise up his new Eve and have children, reinitiating the human race. That was their greatest fear and they were frantic to stop him.

After John walked away from him, Jesus went out into the desert and fasted for 40 days. While he was there, Lucifer himself came to Jesus and tempted him three times to surrender to him, but to no avail.<sup>94</sup> Why did Jesus go out into the desert? Under Jewish law, there are several ways to atone for sin. One of them is called the scapegoat. The shepherd takes the best goat and sends him out into the wilderness alive. The goat is believed to bear the sins of the people and take them away with him.<sup>95</sup> Thus, Jesus was atoning for John’s sin of not uniting

with him in his heart and actions, and also making an offering to empower the spirit world to help him build God's kingdom another way. After Jesus returned from making this powerful offering, he began to proclaim forgiveness and do many miracles and heal anyone and everyone who had faith in him.

John, who was born with the greatest mission anyone could dream of, i.e., to help the new Adam, died soon after when Herod the King had him beheaded. Before he was executed, John sent some of his disciples to Jesus to ask him if he was really the long-awaited son of God or not. This made it crystal clear that John did not have faith in who Jesus really was, in spite of God's clear revelation to him at the Jordan River.

Jesus began teaching and healing the common people around the Sea of Galilee. Many people followed him but they were not the people who could help him gain the respect of the leadership of Israel and build God's kingdom on earth. He came to be the savior and King; to not only save Israel but everyone in the world.<sup>96</sup>

He then began to do many miraculous healings, trying to convince more people and especially the leaders to believe in him. In one case, Jesus healed a man and then instructed him, "*See that you don't tell anyone. But go, show yourself to the priest...*"<sup>97</sup> However his miracles only made the leadership more wary and afraid of Jesus. When he brought a man named Lazarus back from the dead, the chief priests made plans to kill Lazarus again so that no one would know what Jesus had done.<sup>98</sup> They literally stalked Jesus every day, accusing everything he said and everything he did.

Eventually, after two years of trying his best to build the foundations for God's kingdom on earth, he changed his direction completely. Instead of preaching about the coming kingdom, he began to announce that he was going to be a sacrificial offering by giving his life on the cross and returning again. He could see that becoming the

literal king of Israel and ushering in a future of unending peace, as the prophet Isaiah had predicted,<sup>99</sup> was not going to happen. He would therefore fulfill the other prophecy of Isaiah, that of the rejected and crucified Lord.<sup>100</sup>

His disciples were shocked and confused when he made this announcement to them. Scarcely a week after he first spoke of his future demise, the spirits of Moses and Elijah appeared and consulted with Jesus in sight of his chief disciples.<sup>101</sup> Why did they come to consult with Jesus at that time? The Bible doesn't give a clue. From then on, Jesus spoke primarily about dying on the cross and returning.

Jesus held the famous "Last Supper" with his 12 chief disciples. He asked them to remember him by the ceremony he hosted for them, which became what Christians call Holy Communion. During the supper, Jesus was "*troubled in spirit*"<sup>102</sup> having pointed out previously that one of them was "*a Devil*"<sup>103</sup> who would betray him.

After the supper Jesus went to a remote garden and prayed for God to spare him if his crucifixion was not what God wanted. He prayed so desperately that blood seeped from his forehead.<sup>104</sup> After that prayer, the disciple that Jesus had spoken of at the dinner sold Jesus out and arranged for his capture by the Roman authorities. Jesus later said of that disciple, "*It would be better for him if he had not been born.*"<sup>105</sup> Jesus was taken away and whipped and tortured in the most painful manner at the direction of the high priest.

In spite of this dark and seemingly hopeless situation, God still tried to make a way for Jesus to continue building his kingdom. When Jesus was brought before Pontius Pilate for his trial, Pilate tried his best to release Jesus. Jesus' trial was on the one day of the year in Jewish tradition when a criminal could be released if someone would take his place. Pilate tried to convince the screaming crowd of Jews before him to accept the thief Barrabus and release Jesus whom he declared was an innocent man. But the crowd refused and shouted all

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the more, “*Crucify him! Crucify him!*”<sup>106</sup>

Not only was God working through Pilate, but Pilate’s wife pulled him behind a curtain during the trial and warned him, “*Don’t have anything to do with that innocent man, for I have suffered a great deal today in a dream because of him.*”<sup>107</sup> God and the forces of darkness were still fighting fiercely over Jesus. But the Bible had said, “*Satan entered Judas, called Iscariot...*” and he betrayed Jesus.<sup>108</sup> That means it was the forces of darkness that put the son of God on the cross and executed him like a common criminal.

All would be lost except that Jesus had offered his life for the forgiveness of all who would have faith in him and he appeared many times for 40 days after he died. He inspired in his believers a much greater faith than they had before. The disciples literally gave their own lives to testify to him. One of Jesus’ own brothers, James, became his devoted disciple after his crucifixion. And, Jesus appeared to one of his mortal enemies, named Saul (aka Paul), and convinced him in a flash of light and a voice that he really was the son of God. Paul later became Jesus’ most ardent believer and advocate, planting and nurturing Christian church communities all around the Mediterranean Sea before his death in Rome.

From the time of Jesus’ crucifixion until now, Jesus and the Holy Spirit have stood in the positions of Spiritual Father and Spiritual Mother, the spiritual parents through whom all believers can have spiritual rebirth and forgiveness.

The war was hot. It was so hot that the forces of darkness took the life of God’s son whom he had worked for millions of human years to bring. This is critical to understand when you consider that 2000 years later, the teenage Sun Myung Moon, profoundly aware of what the forces of darkness did to Jesus, accepted his own call to continue in his footsteps as the third Adam. We should try to understand what kind of a decision that would be for a 16-year-old boy, or for anyone.

## **Requirements for Advancement in Jesus' Life**

Jesus was the new Adam, the fruit of millions of years of God's exasperating work to heal fallen humanity. His goals were to be blessed in marriage with the woman chosen to become his new Eve and raise her to full maturity like himself. They would raise a family into which all people could engraft through their special Blessed Marriages.

He also needed to create unity with the leadership of Israel and Judaism and then go on to unite the Hindu-Buddhist and Confucian cultures with him, meaning India and China and surrounding countries. Upon that foundation he would unite the Roman leadership with him and they would help him spread his teachings and special Blessed Marriages to the rest of the world. Even though the Roman Empire had many faults and shortcomings, as does almost everything fallen people create, it was prepared for that time and that purpose.

Jesus' first step was to advance his ministry to the national level in Israel. His preparatory period of vertical healing through faith was the 400 years between Malachi and his birth or the first 30 years of Jesus' life. The process of social healing and overcoming fallen personality traits was to be accomplished through the unity of John and Jesus. However, John failed to unite with Jesus so this was lost.

Jesus accomplished a second process of vertical healing through faith when he fasted 40 days in the desert and was tempted by Lucifer. The second process of social healing and overcoming fallen personality traits was to be the unity of Israel with Jesus. Many common people united with Jesus but the leadership of Israel and of Judaism did not. If the leadership had accepted Jesus, he could have

proclaimed forgiveness for the entire nation instead of just those few individuals who had faith in him.

Jesus accomplished a third process of vertical healing through faith by giving his own life on the cross for the failure of the nation to accept him. On this foundation he accomplished the social healing of love and the removal of fallen personality traits through revealing his living spirit to many people after his death. A groundswell of believers came to follow him. Therefore, he successfully completed both the processes of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits which together make the Foundation to receive the new Adam.

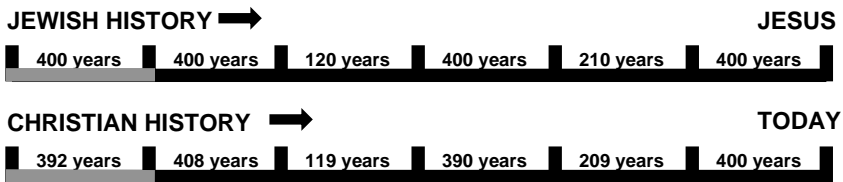
But, Jesus offered his physical body and was now in the spirit world. His accomplishment was a spiritual one. Jesus could stand as the victorious new Adam only spiritually. His new Eve was not found and raised up. His family was not created. The special Blessed Marriages could not be given. The nation of Israel still did not unite with him. And God's original plan for a happy and prosperous world was postponed again. Thus, the entire process of preparing for the new Adam would have to be repeated, leading up to the third and hopefully victorious Adam.

## **Preparations for the Third Adam**

The first of three historical timelines in the *Exposition of the Divine Principle*<sup>109</sup> shows how God responded in a Principled way to people's failures and how he worked to create the essential traditions of vertical and social healing and the removal of fallen personality traits in preparation for the new Adam and Eve. This timeline ended with the life of Joseph. The second timeline shows the process through which God worked to expand these traditions of healing to the national level. It didn't need to take 2000 years and mirror the entire pattern of

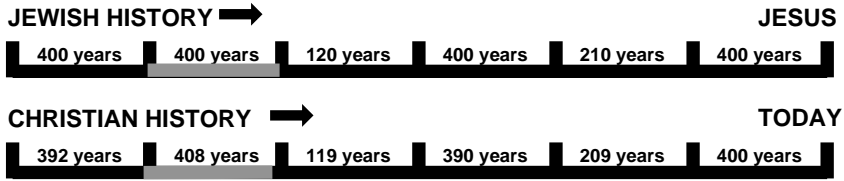
the first timeline, but due to repeated human failures, it did. The second timeline ended with the life of Jesus. The traditions of vertical healing through faith in God plus social healing and loving even one's enemy were planted even more deeply than before by the clear example and teachings of Jesus. Therefore, the first timeline which represented the creation of the traditions did not need to be repeated. The third timeline, following Jesus' death, traces the process through which God worked to restore the entire second timeline of expanding the traditions of healing, this time to the world level in preparation for the third Adam.

For most of the first 400 years following Jesus' death, Christians suffered vicious persecution, reminiscent of, but even worse than, the 400 years of suffering and slavery the Hebrews had experienced in Egypt. Christians in Rome were boiled in hot oil, fed to lions, dragged to death behind chariots and burned alive as human torches at the Emperor's garden parties. Christianity was finally liberated from this violent oppression and declared a state religion in Rome in 392 A.D. by Emperor Constantine.

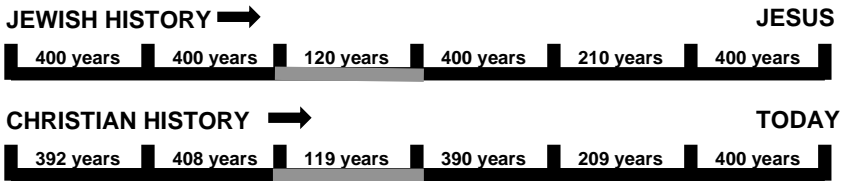


This was followed by approximately 400 years of a feudal Christian society. Seven Holy Sees were ruled by leaders who functioned as monastic, pope and king. This was reminiscent of a similar period of the Hebrew Judges who ruled over the 12 tribes in Canaan after the time of Moses but before they formed a nation.

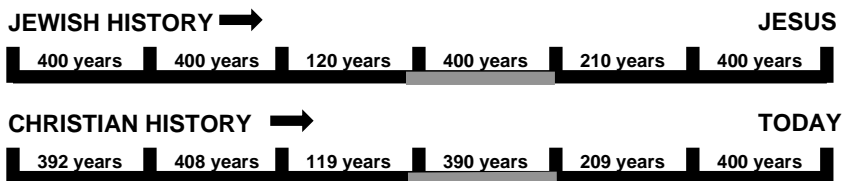




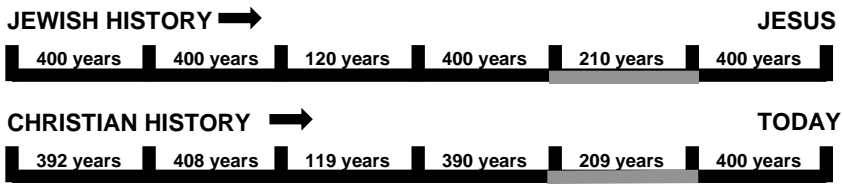
In 800 A.D. Pope Leo III crowned Emperor Charlemagne, beginning the Christian period of the Roman Empire. Charlemagne and his sons and grandsons reigned for a period of about 119 years. This was reminiscent of the previous 120-year period of the three Jewish kings, Saul, David and Solomon.



In 919 A.D., the Christian empire became clearly divided into the Eastern and Western Frankish kingdoms. This was reminiscent of the separation of the Jews into 10 tribes in the north, called Israel, and two tribes in the south, called Judah. The Jewish period featured outspoken prophets who tried to reform Israel. The parallel Christian period featured monastics such as St. Francis of Assisi and his followers, St. Thomas Aquinas and his followers, and others. Neither the reformation efforts of the Jewish prophets nor the examples of the Christian monastics were successful in renewing the faith.

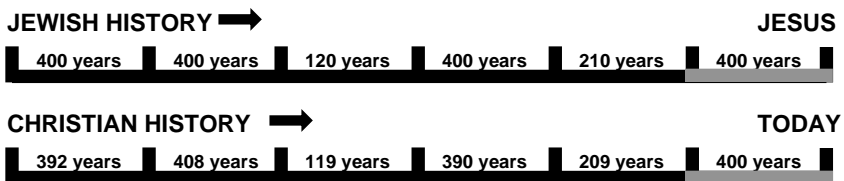


God then treated the divided Christian kingdom in a similar way as he had done before with the divided Jewish kingdom. The Jews were taken captive in Babylon for a period of time. But unlike the Jews, Christians were not located in any one nation from which they could be taken into captivity. Therefore, several French kings held the Roman Popes and Church papacy captive in the city of Avignon for a similar period of 69 years. Historians have noticed this striking historical parallel and referred to it as the “*Babylonian captivity of the Popes.*”<sup>110</sup>



## The Last 400 Years

Roughly 140 years after the “*Babylonian Captivity of the Popes*” ended, in 1517, the famous Christian reformer Martin Luther made public his famous “95 Theses” decrying what he considered heretical policies and practices of the Church. He risked his life to restore orthodoxy to the Roman church. His historical function was reminiscent of the Jewish prophet Malachi who lived roughly 140 years after the Jewish Babylonian captivity ended, and just 400 years before Jesus.



The last 400 years leading up to the coming of the third Adam have been more than intense in terms of the spiritual war. The forces of darkness used selfish spiritual pride and confusion to block Israel's leaders from recognizing Jesus as their long-awaited Messiah. However, as the time of the third Adam approached, the forces of darkness used a different strategy on a worldwide scale. Since they now had to deal with Christians all over the world, from many different cultures and traditions, they employed the strategy of distraction. This came in three waves.

The first wave featured the Renaissance. While some parts of the Renaissance were deeply spiritual and religious in nature, elevating faith in God and Jesus, it was largely promoting humanism in many forms. The beautiful paintings, sculpture, chamber music, culture and literature were masterful but often earthly and not connecting people with spiritual values. There was nothing evil or wrong with this fabulous creative outpouring of the human spirit. However, the dark side was trying to distract as many people as possible away from religious life; especially those who were cool or mildly serious about their spirituality. People were being distracted through their eyes and ears.

To counter this, God worked through Martin Luther and the Protestant Reformation. His efforts sparked a renewed passion in Christianity in the direction of taking the faith out of the control of the sometimes-corrupt Vatican and putting it directly into the hands of believers. Several independent branches of Christianity sprang up, such as Calvinism, Lutheranism, Anglicanism and Anabaptism. This period lasted until 1648 when the "30-Years War" between German Catholics and Protestants ended. The Renaissance generally represented the Cain-type view of life, and the Reformation generally represented the Abel-type view of life.

Then in the second wave, the forces of darkness turned up the heat and pursued a more aggressive tactic to distract people from God's work to bring a new Adam and Eve. This new tactic was distraction through philosophy, i.e., distracting people through their minds this time. Humanistic philosophers became wildly popular throughout Europe. They advocated a humanistic version of rationalism and empiricism, both of which denied belief in God. Humanistic rationalism and empiricism are still very much alive and enthusiastically embraced by many people today.

To counter this, God raised up philosophers who defended the possibility of a God and refuted the humanist perspectives. The humanistic philosophers generally represented the Cain-type view of life, and the God-affirming ones generally represented the Abel-type view of life.

Shortly thereafter, the French and American Revolutions occurred almost simultaneously. Both nations stood for human rights and freedoms, but there was a significant difference. In France, religious freedom was considered a low priority while in America, it was a high priority. The American Constitution was framed around faith in God. Certainly both countries had their problems, but France stood in more of a Cain-type role while America stood in more of an Abel-type role.

But this was still not enough. As the time of the third Adam approached, the forces of darkness decided they must raise the bar even higher for a third wave of distraction and literally force people to stop believing in God. Enter Karl Marx and Charles Darwin.

Karl Marx and Frederick Engels are promoted in the secular media and schools today as two of the most important thinkers in history. Charles Darwin's theory is touted as scientific fact by the same people. What did they advocate? Marx and Engels are the fathers of Marxism, which is based on the premise that there's no God and

religion is “*the opium of the people*”.<sup>111</sup> Their famous worldview denied God, religion, capitalism and the family. When their ideas later became politically empowered, they became the mechanism by which billions of people were literally *forced* to deny God and their faiths. By the mid-1980’s, Marxism had occupied 39% of the world’s area and controlled 42% of the world’s population.<sup>112</sup>

Marxist ideology is the mirror reflection of the *Divine Principle* perspective. Marxism teaches that conflict and violence are the means to progress; not harmony, balance and cooperation between subject and object.<sup>113</sup> It teaches that humans came to exist because of labor, not because of God.<sup>114</sup> In fact Marx wrote that there is no God, and the family (the School of Love) must be destroyed.<sup>115</sup>

One can point to economic, political and social reasons for the growth of Marxism, but from a spiritual perspective, the forces of darkness were simply waging an all-out war to keep humanity from receiving the third Adam. The world became generally divided into Cain and Abel camps, with the Cain side mostly communist, denying God, and the Abel side being mostly God-affirming societies or democracies.

About the same time as Marx and Engels were writing *Das Kapital*, Charles Darwin wrote his famous book, *The Origin of Species*. Darwin declared that living things simply evolved by themselves with no intelligent influence and became more and more sophisticated through accidental random mutations and survival of the fittest. He claimed simple cellular life gradually evolved into human beings all by itself. This has been promoted, not as a theory, but as unquestionable scientific fact and touted all over the world by schools and media. It was used to turn Marxism into what is now called “scientific socialism.” The spiritual war was blazing hot. But, that was still not enough.

It was not happenstance that the entire world became embroiled

in World War I, beginning in 1914. The forces of darkness were willing to see any number of people die in order to stop the new Adam and Eve. When the fighting ended in 1918, 17 million people had lost their lives, not all of them soldiers. Fortunately, the Abel-type nations won that war. Because of the victory of the Abel side, Father Moon was conceived in 1919 and born in 1920 as the third Adam. Was it all just a coincidence? But, that was still not enough.

World War II was fought just at the time of Mother Moon's birth. The total number of casualties from both world wars, including the sick and starving, military and civilian, was close to 90 million people. The stakes in this spiritual war are higher than perhaps most people can understand. For both God and the forces of darkness, it is all-or-nothing. Certainly there were economic and political reasons for the World Wars, but after all the curious parallels in history we have seen, you can be sure there was an underlying spiritual reason as well.

The nation of Korea, where Father and Mother Moon are from, suffered a 40-year period oppression under Japanese colonial rule from 1905 to 1945. Following this, Father Moon began his public mission of expanding upon Jesus' great accomplishments and, together with Mother Moon, bringing his work and sacrifice to its full conclusion through the special Blessed Marriages of couples from every country of the world.

The intensity of the war today is a further sign that the time of the new Adam and Eve is actually here. The final conflict between the world-wide Cain and Abel camps has been underway for the past century. It has recently entered its decisive stage.

Will there be a third World War? According to the Principle, God will give the forces of darkness three chances to prevail over goodness. Why? Because God loves Cain and his desire is to bring him to complete and natural surrender. God will not force anyone into submission. For that reason, there *will* be a third World War. Will it

be hot or cold? That's up to those who respond or fail to respond to God's work today.

God does not want to see another violent war. He wants the global conflict between Cain and Abel to be resolved peacefully and finally. To that end, Father Moon wanted to transform all of Christianity into one united family and educate them to effectively take the Abel-like responsibility at this crucial time in history. Not only that, but he wanted to also raise up the leaders and worldwide followers of all the other major faith traditions, including Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, etc. and join them all together to become a united spiritual force which could then absorb and resolve the atheist, humanist and Marxist worlds, thereby bringing to a peaceful end the history of Cain vs Abel. But, he was not able to accomplish this in his physical lifetime. Mrs. Moon carries on the effort in his absence. This work of God will continue.

But, the tipping point of all of human history is this: God's new Adam and Eve have finally been established. Their authority over the forces of darkness cannot be overestimated. On earth and in the spirit world, the new Adam and Eve will be the commanders-in-chief of the spiritual War of Armageddon<sup>116</sup> and make it possible for goodness to prevail and God's Kingdom to finally be manifested on the earth. It will not be quick or automatic. It will still depend upon the rest of us, people like you and me. They cannot do it alone.

Today the forces of darkness are exerting maximum effort to establish global control through Marxism and neo-Marxism. Marxist ideas have caused hundreds of millions of deaths in Russia, China, Southeast Asia and elsewhere. So much human suffering has resulted that Marxists must hide behind more acceptable labels such as "socialists." Who are they, really?

Generally, in some sense, Marxists and neo-Marxists are idealistic people with a religious zeal. They have faith in a society or

world which has never existed. They want to see a better world. The only problem is they stand on a worldview and methodology that's untrue. They believe peace and unity will be the result of conflict, humans were created by labor and there's no God. They have to deny any kind of absolute truth or truth from God. In communist countries religious scriptures are controlled or outlawed, called racist, erased, replaced, distorted, misrepresented or defamed. Marxists purge all mention of God from public life and punish people who believe in God (they can't get good jobs or go to good schools). With no God or eternal life, people have no eternal value; only political value. (live organ harvesting) They're trying to hide recent scientific discoveries which refute Darwinism plus other vital areas of knowledge by limiting people's access to information and controlling education. They're trying to control people through fear and the killing of hundreds of thousands and even millions of people through drugs such as deadly fentanyl and manufactured diseases. They use character assassination to erase each nation's real history and replace it with a fictitious history of conflict based on racism, economics and hatred. They force total compliance. They undermine the family (School of Love) through sexual and moral confusion, define it as an economic exploitive social structure and replace it with government. Finally, they prohibit private ownership of property, take from the rich, give a little to the poor, and destroy people's sense of personal responsibility and incentive. Government replaces God, just as Lucifer tried to replace him.

It's all just the mirror opposite of the *Principle* perspective. If you look carefully, you'll see that the actions listed above are strategically targeted to destroy God's original plan of the Three Great Blessings; to be fruitful, multiply and have dominion.

Today the forces of darkness likewise are attacking religion and religious people as dangerous and extremist threats and working to remove any mention of God from public life. They're working hard to



undermine all of the essential traditions established by Father and Mother Moon for the total healing of humanity, and doing everything possible to keep people from aligning with and joining with them at this critical time in history. Among those traditions which the forces of darkness are undermining are the most important and critical of all: moral purity, eternal marriage, the matching and special Blessing Marriage, and living for the sake of others. The total healing of humanity hinges on these and other crucial traditions. We recall the unthinkable fate that befell the Jews when they forgot *their* essential traditions. The war is as hot as it can get.

Amidst great signs of division, an undercurrent has been moving which has been pulling the world closer together. Eastern and Western cultures have begun to mix. Economic and political alliances have formed. Major religions have begun seeking common ground in their beliefs. The internet has made the world very small. Cutting-edge scientific discovery today is proving that Darwin's theory was wrong. Self-directed evolution by random accidental mutations cannot possibly explain the complexities we now see in nature. Left-wing and right-wing political conflict will be resolved by a new Head-Wing thought based on a Principled perspective. Culture will be transformed over a period of time to reflect God's original plan. The Abel-type free world must prevail over the Cain-type communist world without being killed, but then both Cain and Abel sides must unite as brothers under the one living God.

Father and Mother Moon's global family continues to grow, internally and externally. They have brought together through special Blessed Marriages hundreds of thousands of people from all over the world. These people are the first in human history who will be able to totally free themselves from the dual spiritual ownership problem which is rooted in Adam and Eve's original mistake, and spoken of by Jesus.<sup>117</sup> Father and Mother Moon are working to revive vertical healing through faith and love plus social healing and the the removal

of fallen personality traits; personal and social spiritual work which has all but disappeared from modern society. Large spiritual communities in Africa and elsewhere are discovering the True Parents and engrafting into their family. Effective education is being developed.



As briefly mentioned in the beginning of this book, Father and Mother Moon have made more than a few revolutionary contributions to the people of the world. Among them are:

They outlined God's original plan – a whole new vision for humanity; clarified the purpose of life; created a viable plan for world peace; prescribed practical steps to heal all types of sin; opened the door to full maturity for all people without extreme asceticism; pinpointed the root cause of people's broken personalities and evil, revealed purpose in history; clarified the nature and personality of God; enabled the eventual end of formal religion; expanded Christian salvation to full restoration; bridged the gap between science and spirituality; explained beauty and art; unlocked the secrets of the Bible and other revealed truths;

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demystified Jesus' life and mission; clarified the "last days"; revealed God's broken heart; explained the mechanisms of the spirit world; opened the way to eternal marriage; explained repeating parallels in history; paved the way for one global family of humanity under God; gave us a crystal clear definition of good and evil; opened the way for the eventual eradication of hell; introduced the world to 'absolute sex'; and opened a new realm of heaven for families.

While a meaningful explanation of each of these revolutionary topics would again be far beyond the scope of this book, let's take a peek at just one of them, the new realm of heaven for families...

Even though the place called "heaven" has commonly been understood to be populated with saints and all good people, Jesus said he was going to "paradise," rather than heaven. Father Moon, in his explorations of the spirit world and in his intimate relationship with God, found that a new and even more glorious realm of the spirit world awaits those qualified to enter it; and this new and empty realm is actually what God originally intended to be "heaven". It was to be the destiny of all of God's children, but has remained empty until now.

This realm is not for individual "do-gooders" and not even for saints. It's a realm reserved only for *families* which God can fully embrace and live in and among; i.e., families of Blessed Marriages who have realized God's original plan.

That means the adults in such a family have grown and matured to not only resemble God as sons and daughters, but even resonate with Him as fully mature people. It's a realm for husbands and wives who together have "become one" in God's divine love and fulfilled their purpose of creation. Nothing exists between them and God. These are the ones who will fill the empty heaven which Father Moon found, and this is the heaven to which all of Father and Mother Moon's global family aspire.

Finally, heaven is also a very personal thing, at that. Father Moon said he did not want to describe heaven in detail, or talk about it too much, because *his* piece of heaven was not going to be the same as *our* piece of heaven. He explained that each person must create their own piece of heaven which fits their own unique personality and preferences. You may desire to have a golf course in your heaven, while others may prefer a stream in which to fish. Your personal heart's desires will be manifested in your eternal heaven.

As you recall, all the significant events and time periods which led up to the birth of Jesus as the new Adam have been repeated, at least symbolically, since his rejection and death 2000 years ago. The persecution of the Hebrews was repeated with the early Christians in Rome; the Hebrew feudal period with the Christian Patriarchal period; the kingdoms of Saul, David and Solomon with the Carolingian empire; the Jewish division of north and south with the Christian division of East and West; and the Jewish captivity in Babylon with the papal captivity in France, etc.

Could it really be possible that the long-awaited new Adam has come and gone already and the world didn't recognize him again? Didn't Jesus say that he, himself, would someday return? As explained clearly in the book, *Dare to See*, by this same author, what Jesus actually said in the Bible about the return of Christ or coming of the third Adam is far different than what Christians have been taught to think. Key points from that book follow:

As the Book of Revelation begins, the writer "John" explains that Jesus himself spoke to him and directed him to "*write on a scroll what you see...*"<sup>118</sup> This is Jesus Christ, himself, talking to John and to us. From Chapter 4, Jesus then allows John to have a prophetic view into the spiritual world where he sees a series of mystical visions pertaining to the End Times and the Lord's return.

The focus of Jesus' message has to do with "*He who overcomes*"

(or *who conquers*, or *who is the victor*). Traditional Christian doctrine requires that Jesus be speaking here about wonderful, successful disciples... believers who overcome all trials and temptations of the forces of darkness and persevere in faith until the very end. Any of us could be one of those who “*overcomes*.” That’s what we’ve been taught.

But, is Jesus really talking about all good Christians when he talks about “*He who overcomes?*” No, in fact he is not. He’s talking about one specific individual. He’s talking about *someone*. The key word is “*he*” or “*him*.” Jesus himself said:

*“...To him who overcomes, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give him a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to him who receives it.”*

What is the symbolism of the “*stone*” and especially a “*white stone?*” Will all faithful believers get a white stone with a new name on it? That’s what we’ve been taught, but no. And whose “*new name*” will be on the white stone?

*“Him who overcomes I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will he leave it. I will write on him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on him my new name.”*<sup>119</sup>

Who is speaking here? Is it an angel representing the Lord. No. It’s Jesus Christ himself speaking. Jesus is telling us that the person he refers to as “*HE*” will be given a new name. It will not be a familiar name. No one knows the name except the one who receives it. And who will do the writing? Jesus.

Clearly Jesus is not talking about giving this new name to all the saints who have been faithful to him. The following is more evidence

that he is talking about a specific *someone*. Consider the following. Here John speaks of the vision he is given to see and experience in the spirit world after receiving the direct testimony of Jesus, himself:

*“I saw heaven standing open and there before me was a white horse, whose rider is called Faithful and True. With justice he judges and makes war. His eyes are like blazing fire, and on his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. He is dressed in a robe dipped in blood, and his name is The Word of God. The armies of heaven were following him, riding on white horses and dressed in fine linen, white and clean. Out of his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations. He will rule them with an iron scepter. He treads the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God Almighty. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: King of kings and Lord of lords.”<sup>120</sup>*

Here John *sees* the one who is coming with “a name written on him that no one knows but he himself.” Who is he? Christians everywhere have assumed this to be Jesus at his return! After all, he’s making war and judging the world from atop a white horse. He’s followed by the armies of heaven. The sword of truth issues forth from his mouth with which he smites the nations. He wears a robe dipped in blood. On his robe is *written* “King of kings and Lord of lords.” But again, who is the writer? It’s Jesus. Jesus is doing the writing. Who is the one written upon? Someone else. Not Jesus. Who wrote: “King of kings and Lord of Lords” upon him? Jesus! Is it becoming clearer now? The one on the white horse is not Jesus. Consider the following. Jesus himself is speaking to John:

*“To him who overcomes and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations -- he will rule them with an iron scepter; he will dash them to pieces like pottery, just as I have received authority from my Father.”<sup>121</sup>*

Jesus is clearly speaking of a specific *someone*; someone who is serving as an extension of himself.

These passages make three critical points. Jesus is saying, “*I will give him authority over the nations.*” “*I*” is Jesus and “*him*” is someone else. Secondly Jesus said, “*He shall rule them with an iron scepter.*” He didn’t say “*I.*” There are many cases in which Jesus spoke of himself in the third person, especially in the Gospels, but this is not the case here. Jesus then removes any lingering doubts by declaring, “*just as I have received authority from my Father.*” This makes it finally clear that Jesus is talking about someone else; someone very special who will serve as an extension of himself.

But couldn’t this be an angel talking for and about Jesus? Definitely not. This is Jesus Christ himself talking. Jesus is referring to someone else who will come and rule the nations with a rod of iron, with the sword of truth issuing forth from his mouth, who will lead the armies of heaven in the final judgment of the world and establish God’s kingdom while Jesus supervises from the Throne of God. Jesus will then grant *this person* to sit with him on his throne in heaven. Jesus himself said:

*“To him who overcomes, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I overcame and sat down with my Father on his throne.”*<sup>122</sup>

Will millions of good Christians sit with Jesus on his throne? No. We have not allowed ourselves to see, not only in these obvious passages but throughout this mystical experience, that Jesus is speaking of “*He,*” “*Him,*” “*His,*” etc., referring not to himself as in the Gospels but to someone else; a specific special person serving Jesus as the return of the Christ, the new Adam.

So, the elephant is now squarely in the middle of the tent. Dare we pose the question? Could it be possible that Jesus is saying to us

through the Book of Revelation that he will return in a manner similar to the way Elijah returned in *his* day, through the person of a specific special *someone* who is qualified to represent him?

*“She gave birth to a son, a male child, who will rule all the nations with an iron scepter. And her child was snatched up to God and to his throne.”*<sup>123</sup>

How many people knew and recognized Jesus 2000 years ago when he was alive? How might Jesus have been treated by the powers-that-be today and the modern media and internet? Would he have been acclaimed as the answer to all of humanity’s problems or ridiculed as a dangerous radical threat?

This all-out spiritual war is being fought over you and me and every single human being. No one has a choice of whether to engage in this war or not; only of which side to be on. There are no onlookers in this war. You can choose to be part of the solution or part of the problem. In reality, as fallen people, we are both.

This information is for people who think for themselves; who can get outside the box. Only then can you see what’s really happening around you. Only then can you see through the smoke and noise and recognize how God is working in the world today.

There is far more detailed and in-depth explanation in the *Exposition of the Divine Principle* book covering what you have read here. If you found this understanding to be intriguing, significant, important, vital or indispensable to you, then you need to study the *Exposition of the Divine Principle* or any subsequent official expressions of the *Principle*. There are plenty of materials and people to learn from. Your only regret will be that you didn’t learn about this sooner. There’s no time to waste. Dig deeper. You will not be disappointed.



Postscript...

Will there be a *Level 3 of Introducing the Divine Principle*? No. If you sense the value of what you have just read, then you need to keep going and dig deeper into it. There are many resources. Here are a few for you to consider:

*Exposition of the Divine Principle*, published by HSA-UWC [the official publication explaining the Divine Principle]

*Essentials of Unification Thought – The Head-Wing Thought*, published by the Unification Thought Institute [a philosophical work for scholars based on the *Divine Principle*]

*As a Peace-Loving Global Citizen*, published by the Washington Times Foundation [an autobiography of Father Moon's life]

*Mother of Peace*, published by the Washington Times Global Media Group [an autobiography of Mother Moon's life]

*The Triumph of Good – Cain, Abel and the End of Marxism*, by Thomas Cromwell [a contemporary look at Marxism today and the resolution of conflict in the world]

[www.DeeperDP.com](http://www.DeeperDP.com) [a deeper look at the *Divine Principle* plus a repository of most of Father Moon's published speeches in the original Korean language, plus other books and resources, with lectures in both English and Spanish]

Thank you for reading this book. I do hope it was a valuable use of your time and it enhanced your life and perspective. If so, would you do me a favor and write a very short review for this book on Amazon.com? Together, you and I can help someone else to experience what you did in your reading. Thank you.

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- *Who is he? really...*
- *Angelic DNA*
- *God Doesn't Want to be God Anymore*
- *Church on Sand*
- *Revolution*
- *Way More Good News*
- *The Divine Principle Study Bible for Truth Seekers*
- *Why bad things happen to good people*

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Tom Bethell, *Darwin's House of Cards*

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**NOTE:** The above is a short sampling of works

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<sup>8</sup> Lk 15:3-10

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<sup>23</sup> Gen 2:9

<sup>24</sup> Gen 1:16

<sup>25</sup> *Exposition of the Divine Principle*, 2006 ver., p. 165

<sup>26</sup> Gen 2:17

<sup>27</sup> Song of Solomon, chapter 4

<sup>28</sup> Gen 3:1

<sup>29</sup> Is 14:12 (KJV)

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<sup>35</sup> Gen 1:28

<sup>36</sup> Gen 3:1-3

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<sup>39</sup> Job 31:33; Jude 6-8

<sup>40</sup> Gen 3:9-13

<sup>41</sup> *"If Adam had not fallen, Eve could have been re-created many times over.*  
(1999.9.9) CSG 1<sup>st</sup> ed. p.1595

*"I know that if Adam had been intact from Satanic temptation, restoration would have been possible centered on him. Eve can be recreated or restored by the person of Adam if he is intact -- that is the Principle."*

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*"Even though the Fall had taken place, if it had occurred through Eve alone, the problem would have been simple. In such a case, God as the Creator could have re-created her."*

(1969.5.11) CSG 1<sup>st</sup> ed. p.514

*"If Adam had kept the promise, Eve could have been created again. Can you follow me? Actually, because both Adam and Eve broke the promise, God couldn't recreate them, so He started the providence of restoration through indemnity. At that time, if Adam had remained unfallen, God could have created a new Eve."*

Won Pil Kim – *Father's Course and Our Life of Faith*

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<sup>46</sup> Rev 12:9

<sup>47</sup> 2Cor 12:2

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[www.DeeperDP.com](http://www.DeeperDP.com)

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<sup>55</sup> Gen 9:24 indicates that Ham was Noah's youngest son, not the second son as was Abel in Adam's family. But, the sons of Noah are repeatedly referred to as "Shem, Ham and Japeth." This indicates that Ham was the second son of Noah. Either way, he is younger than Sham and can stand in the roll of Abel to his elder brother.

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<sup>57</sup> Gen 15:5-9

<sup>58</sup> Gen 15:10-13

<sup>59</sup> Gen 16:1-11

<sup>60</sup> Gen 20:1-14

<sup>61</sup> Gen 21:1-10

<sup>62</sup> Gen 22:2-12

<sup>63</sup> Gen 25:23; 48:12-20

<sup>64</sup> Gen 27:1-43

<sup>65</sup> Gen 30:43

<sup>66</sup> Gen 32:28; Hos 12:4

<sup>67</sup> Gen 33:10

<sup>68</sup> Gen 33:10-17

<sup>69</sup> Gen Ch. 38-41

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<sup>84</sup> K.C. McCarthy, *Realizing Jesus*

<sup>85</sup> Jn 2:4 RSV

<sup>86</sup> Mt 12:50

<sup>87</sup> Lk 2:42-46

<sup>88</sup> Lk 2:46-49

<sup>89</sup> Lk 2:51

<sup>90</sup> Mk 6:20; Lk 9:9

<sup>91</sup> Mal 4:5; Mt 3:3; Lk 1:17, 76-77

<sup>92</sup> Jn 8:41

<sup>93</sup> Mt Ch. 5

<sup>94</sup> Lk 4:1-13

<sup>95</sup> Lev 16:10

<sup>96</sup> Is 45:23; Rev 17:14; 19:16

<sup>97</sup> Mt 8:4

<sup>98</sup> Jn 12:10

<sup>99</sup> Is Ch. 9, 11, 60

<sup>100</sup> Is Ch. 53

<sup>101</sup> Mk 8:31-9:2

<sup>102</sup> Jn 13:21

<sup>103</sup> Jn 6:70

<sup>104</sup> Lk 22:44

<sup>105</sup> Mt 26:24

<sup>106</sup> Lk 23:21

<sup>107</sup> Mt 27:19

<sup>108</sup> Lk 22:3,4

<sup>109</sup> *Exposition*, 2006 ver., p. 311

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<sup>117</sup> Jn 8:44

<sup>118</sup> Rev 1:11

<sup>119</sup> Rev 3:12

<sup>120</sup> Rev 19:11-16

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<sup>122</sup> Rev 3:21

<sup>123</sup> Rev 12:5