

Divine Principle Bible Study 101

- At some point in our lives, all human beings struggle as we try to understand the meaning and purpose of our own existence.
- At the same time, we are all aware of the many problems facing mankind today on a societal, national, and worldwide scale.
- Many ask whether this was the kind of world God intended when He created it, or even whether God exists at all.
- In this presentation, we will share some of Rev. Moon's insights into God's original purpose and ideal of creation drawn from his life of prayer and study of the Bible, Old and New Testaments.

The Principles of Restoration

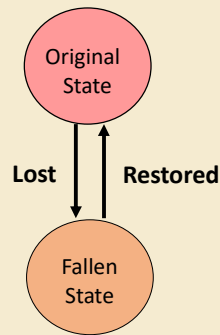
- Most of us are familiar with the terms “faith” and “salvation”. What then do we mean by “Restoration”?
- In this presentation, we’ll be learning the fundamental Principles of Restoration - how God’s original ideal, which was presented in the Principles of Creation, will be fulfilled.
- We will examine biblical scripture, as well as events that have taken place throughout human history.

The Purpose of Restoration

- God is an absolute God; His purpose never changes.
- His goals were not altered after the Fall; God has continued to work throughout history to accomplish His Will.

- The providence of restoration refers to God's work to restore human beings to our original, unfallen state so that we may fulfill the purpose of creation.
- We learned in the Fall of Man lecture that the reason Adam and Eve fell was: 1st, disbelief in God's word, the primary reason; 2nd, Adam asserted himself, putting his ego in the center of everything, that is, he took a self-centered position; and 3rd, Adam demanded a realm of self-centered love
- Just as Adam and Eve were originally (before the Fall) to grow to maturity through a process involving fulfillment of their own portion of responsibility, so too, their restoration can only occur through a process.
- We call this process Restoration through Indemnity.

The Purpose of Restoration



- What, then, is the meaning of restoration through indemnity?
- When someone has lost his original position or state, he must make some condition to be restored to it.
- The making of such conditions of restitution is called indemnity.
- We call this process of restoring the original position and state through making conditions restoration through indemnity.
- And we call the conditions made a condition of indemnity.
- God's work to restore people to man's true, unfallen state by having them fulfill indemnity conditions is called the providence of restoration through indemnity.

*God is not human, that he should lie,
not a human being, that he should change his mind.
Does he speak and then not act?
Does he promise and not fulfill?*

Numbers 23:19

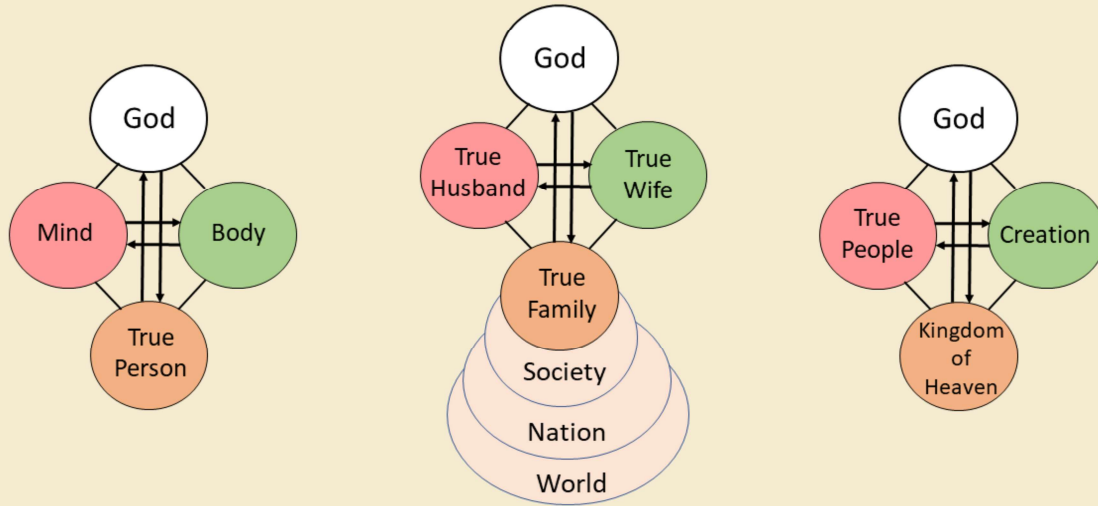
- These verses from Numbers remind God's Ideal of Creation did not change due to the Fall, and what He has promised He will fulfill.
- Still, humankind also has a portion of responsibility, as we learn from the Principles of Creation.
- God must have us fulfill indemnity conditions as part of the process of restoration.

The Principles of Restoration are Based on the Principles of Creation

- For God's Purpose of Creation to be fulfilled, His original plan for the Garden of Eden must be accomplished.
- Since the Fall, God has worked His providence to prepare for the coming of Christ – the new Adam.
- Through Christ, God desires to restore fallen human beings from our sinful state as children of Satan to our original state as children of God.
- The principles by which He has worked to restore humankind are the same as His Principles of Creation.

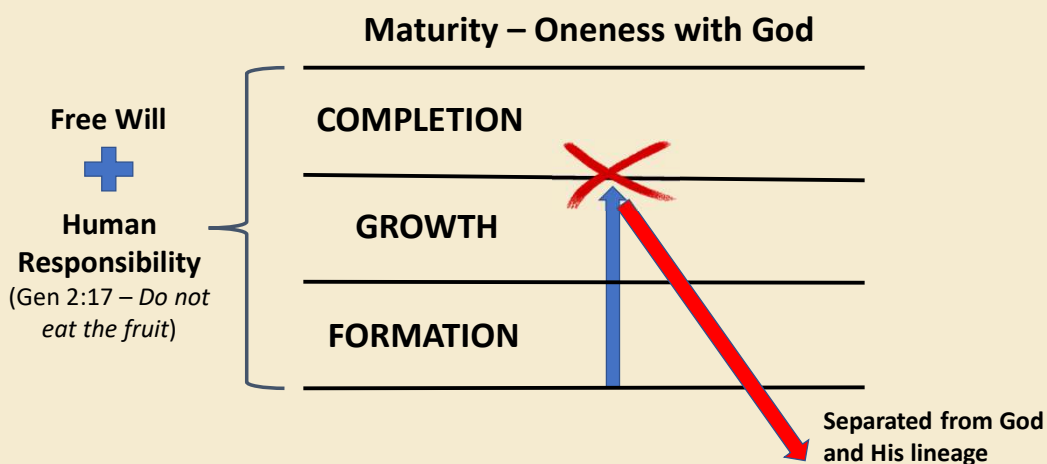
- God's Providence since the Fall reflects throughout the biblical record God's effort calling saints, sages and central figures to fulfill their portion of human responsibility in preparation for the coming of Christ, the second Adam.
- Let's review God's original plan for creation, as we studied in the Principle of Creation.

God's Ideal of Creation – 3 Blessings



- Had Adam and Eve fulfilled their portion of responsibility and kept God's commandment, there would have been no Fall, no sin, and therefore no need for salvation or a savior.
- Human beings would have dwelled with God in the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, and then continued to live forever with God in the Kingdom of Heaven in the eternal spiritual realm.
- Lord's prayer: *"Thy kingdom come, They will be done, on earth as it is in heaven".*

The Result of the Fall



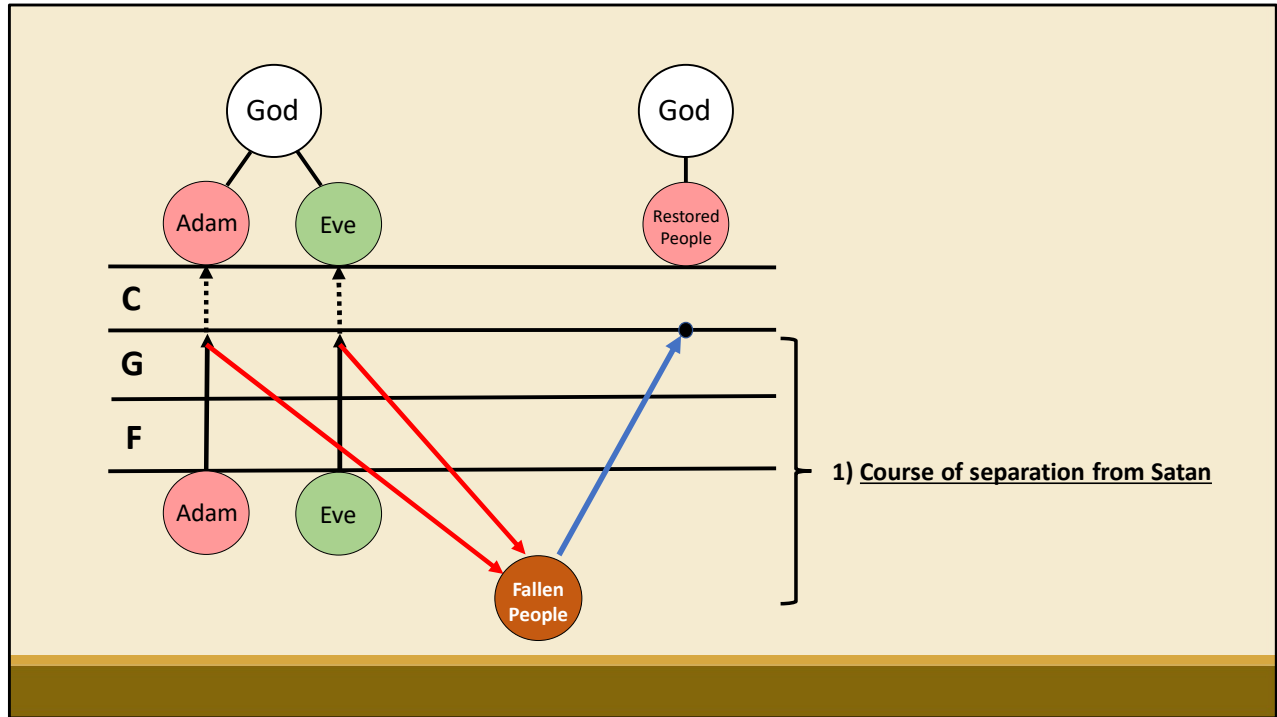
- **Gen. 2:17** - *but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.*
- During the period of growth, while Adam and Eve were still immature, God gave them His Word.
- Due to Adam and Eve's failure to fulfill their portion of responsibility by obeying the Word of God, they were unable to fulfill God's original ideal of Creation, and instead fell away from God.

The Providence of Restoration is God's Work of Re-creation

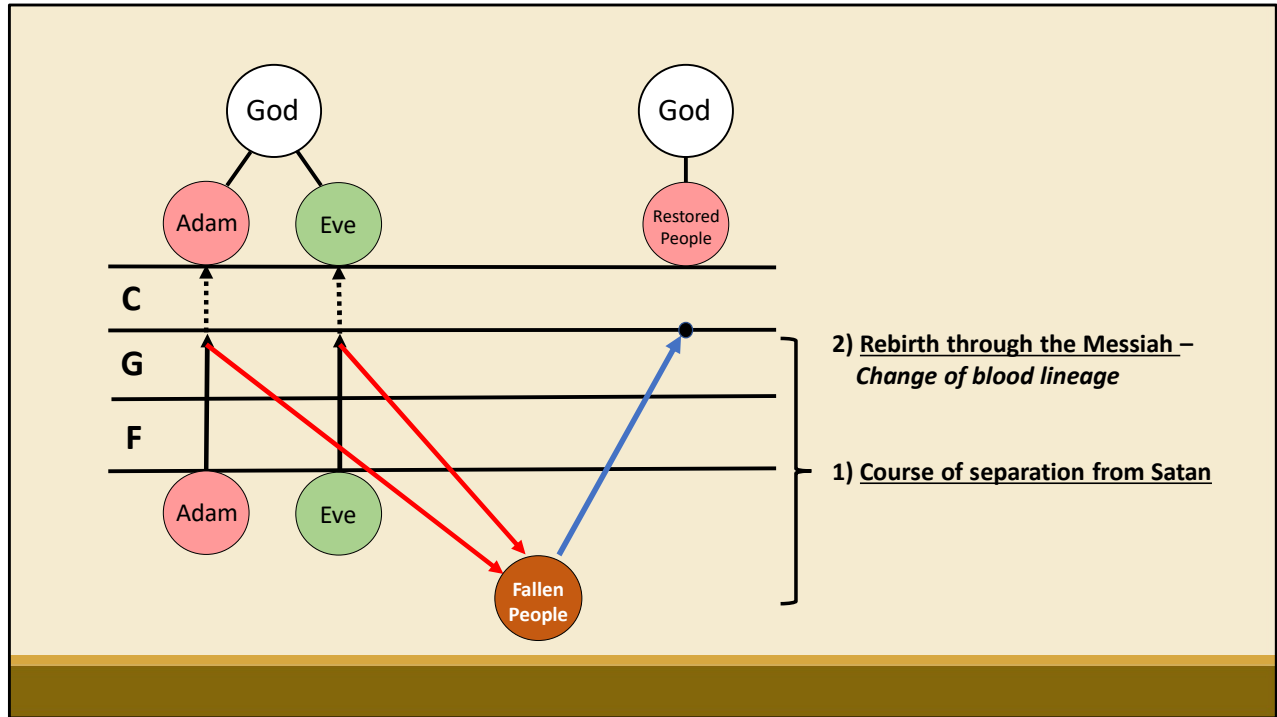
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new creature: old things are passed away;
behold, all things are become new.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

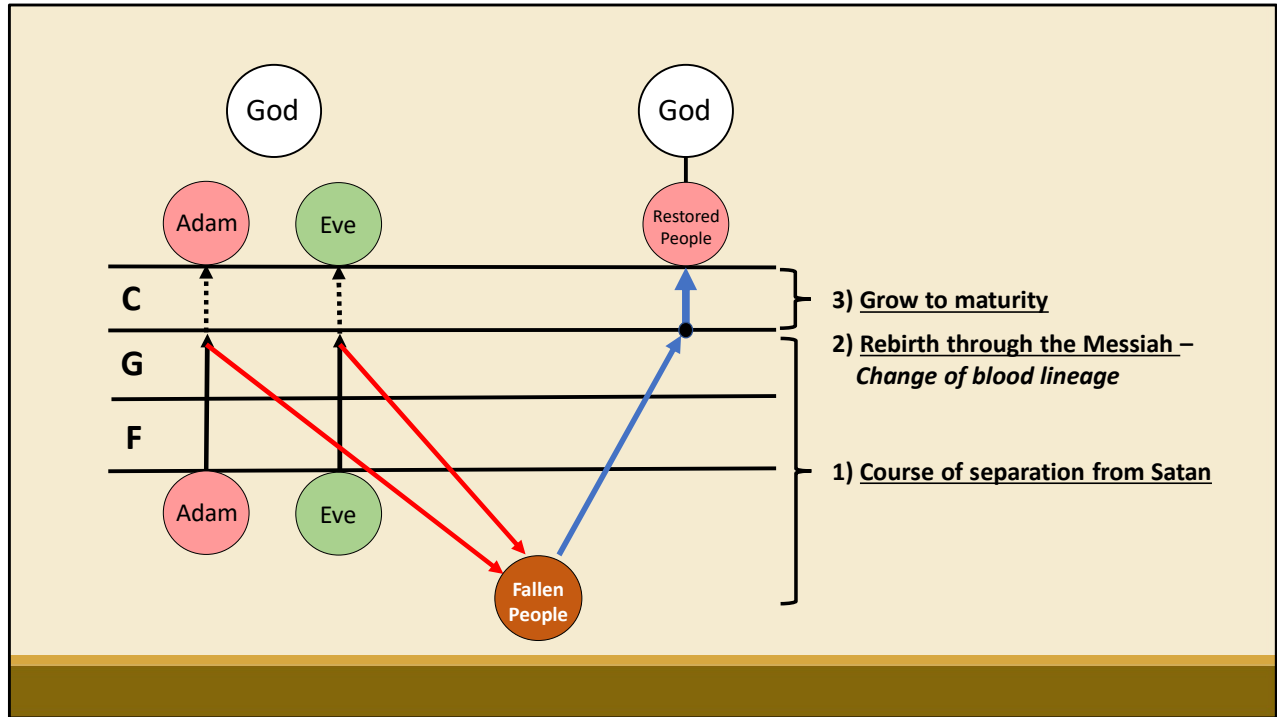
- Since the providence of restoration is God's work of re-creation, which has as its goal the fulfilment of the purpose of creation, God works this providence in accordance with His Principle.
- This principle is called the Principle of Restoration.
- **2 Corinthians 5:17** *"Therefore If any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new"*
- At the same time, God cannot contradict His own Principles. He will never take away man's freedom and portion of responsibility in the process of restoration.
- Since God is an Absolute God, His Will will absolutely be fulfilled.
- However, whether or not any particular chosen individual, family or nation fulfills what God has given to them to do is their portion of responsibility, with which God cannot interfere.
- Just as God could not interfere with Adam and Eve's responsibility in the Garden, He will not interfere with man's portion of responsibility through the providence of restoration.



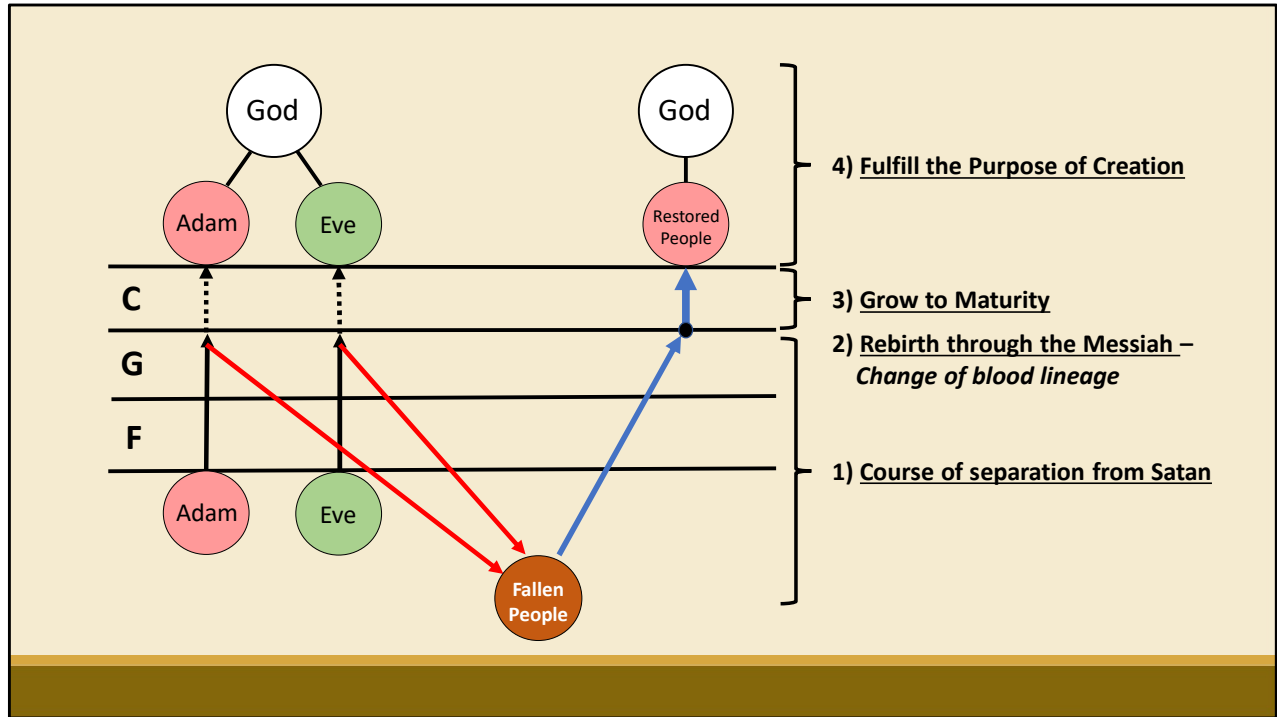
- Ever since Adam and Eve fell due to not following the Word – which was the commandment of God “not to eat” - they passed on their sinful nature to their lineage.
- Humankind must find rebirth through receiving the spirit and Word of the “Second, or Last Adam”, referred to by Paul in the New Testament (**I Cor 15: 45** refers to Jesus as the last Adam).
- Human beings fell from the top of the growth stage and have been held under Satan’s dominion.
- What then is the process through which human beings can separate from Satan and fully return to the direct dominion of God?
- To fully restore human beings, God works to cut off Satan’s influence.
- We must have the original sin removed to fully sever the influence of Satan and to prevent the continuation of the satanic lineage.
- Fallen people:
 1. First need to go through a course to separate Satan from ourselves. We do this in order to restore ourselves to the spiritual level which Adam and Eve had reached before the Fall – the top of the growth stage.



2. On this foundation, we are to receive the Messiah and be reborn, and thereby be fully restored to the original state of human beings before the fall.

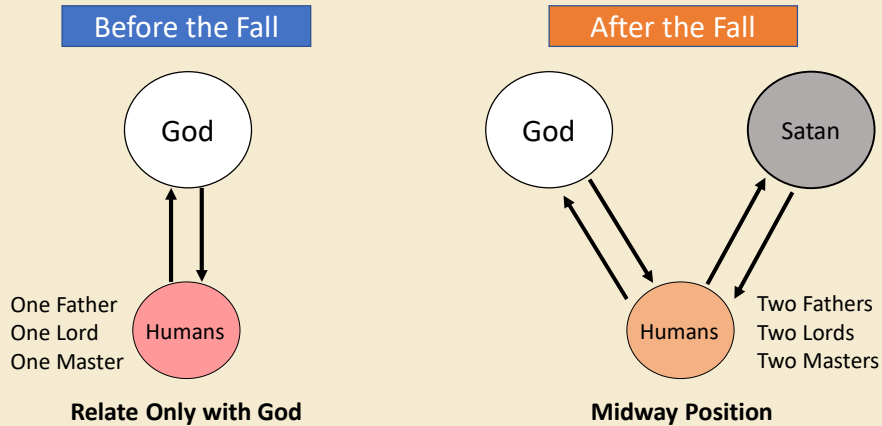


3. Once reborn, by following the Messiah, we should continue our growth to maturity ...



4. ... where we can fulfill the purpose of creation, become totally one with God.

The Position of Fallen Man



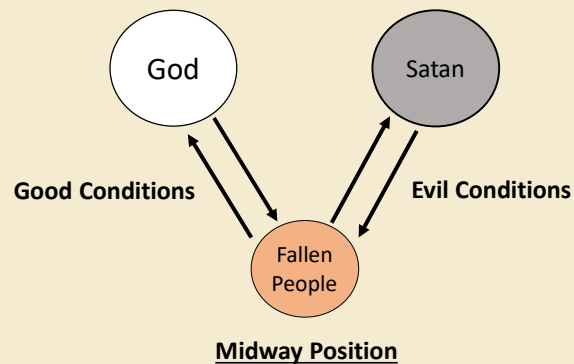
- If the first human ancestors had reached maturity, they would have lived relating with God only as their Lord and Heavenly Father
- Lucifer, as an angel, was placed by God in a position to care for Adam and Eve and relate to them from his servant's position.
- However, due to the Fall, our first ancestors joined in a kinship of blood with Satan.
- Although they came to be dominated by Satan through their sin, their original mind, which reflected the original nature God gave them, could not be completely eliminated.
- Hence, immediately after the Fall, they put themselves in the midway position – a position between God and Satan where they were relating between two masters.

For I delight in the law of God, in my inmost self, but I see in my members another law at war with the law of my mind and making me captive to the law of sin which dwells in my members. Wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? Romans 7:22-24

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- Paul graphically describes in this verse what it means for him to exist in this *midway position*.

Separating Satan from Fallen People



- How does God separate Satan from fallen people?
- A fallen person will go to God's side if he makes good conditions, and to Satan's side if he makes evil conditions.
- From the Creation lecture, we also can understand that this is similar to the principle of spiritual growth; through receiving God's Word and His love, and by responding with good actions, we spiritually mature and come closer to God.
- On the other hand, when we follow words which flow from our own fallen, sinful nature, or from the fallen culture and people not aligned with God's Words and love, this leads to us further separating from God and moving closer to Satan.

*Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil
and he will flee from you.*

James 4:7

- But how do we do this? How do we restore or recreate what was lost?
- What human example of following God and God's Word do we have to follow?

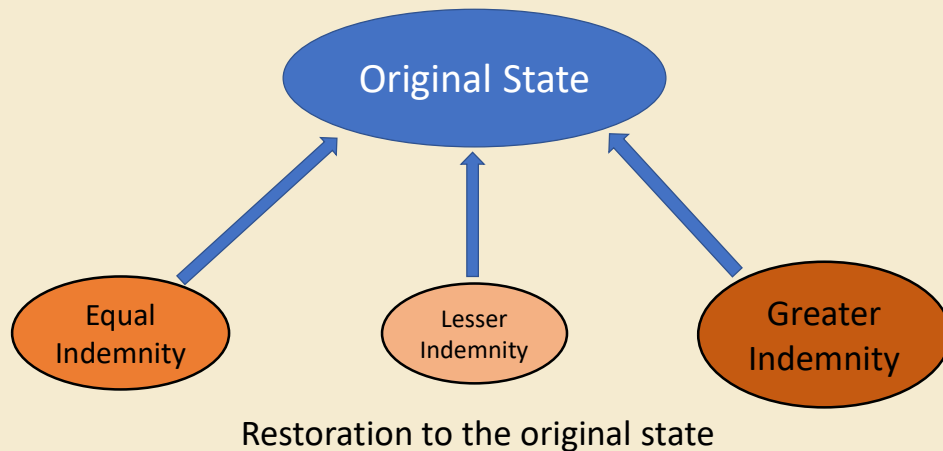
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Restoration through Indemnity

- When someone has lost his original position or state, he must make some condition to be restored to it.
- The making of such conditions of restitution is called *indemnity*.
- God's work to restore people to their true, unfallen state is called *the providence of restoration through indemnity*.
- *Restoration through indemnity*, then, is God's grace through which we can be restored to our original standing in relationship to God.

- The path of indemnity is man's actions of resisting the devil and returning to God.
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3 Types of Indemnity

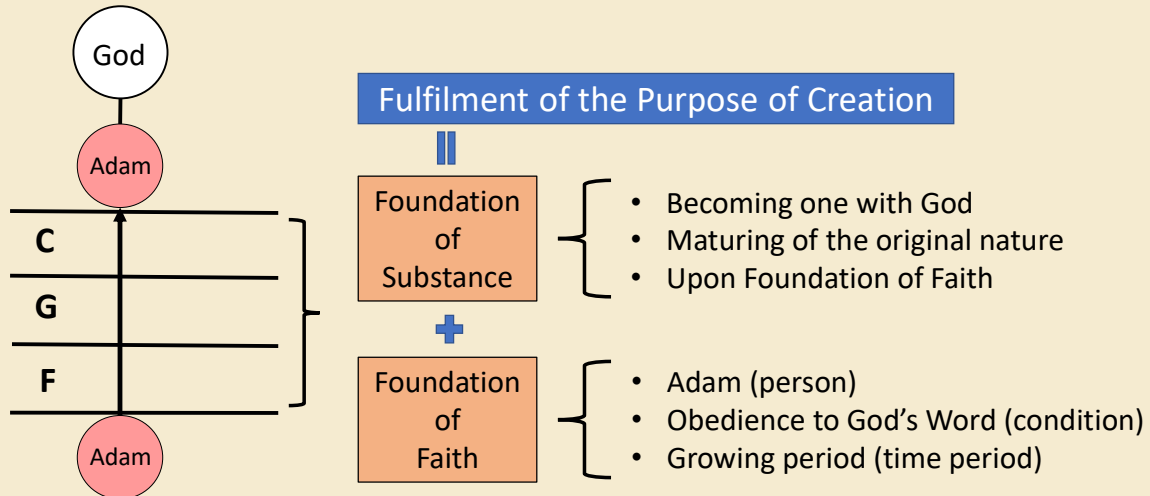


- How does a condition of indemnity compare with the value of what was lost?
- First, in the case of a condition of equal indemnity, restoration to the original state is achieved by making a condition of indemnity at a price equal to the value of what was lost (restitution or compensation). E.g., an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth
- Second, in the case of a condition of lesser indemnity, restoration is achieved by making a condition of indemnity at a price less than the value of what was lost. E.g. faith in Christ

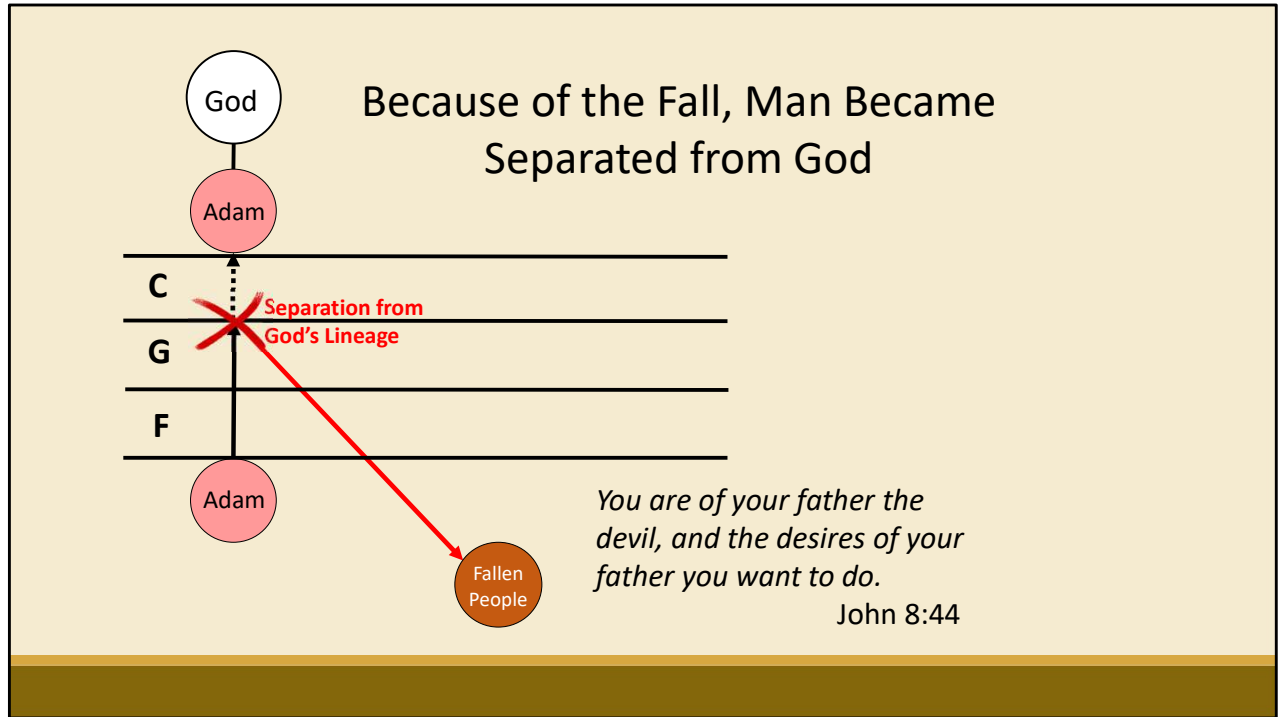
Romans 5:19 - *For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man's obedience many will be made righteous.*

- Third, in the case of a condition of greater indemnity, when a person has failed to meet a condition of lesser indemnity, he must make another indemnity condition to return to the original state, this time at a price greater than the first. E.g. Abraham's offering of the animals and then his son, which we will study later in this presentation. If a central figure fails to successfully offer the lesser condition, he then must not only restore his own failure, but must also restore the failures of the people who came before him.

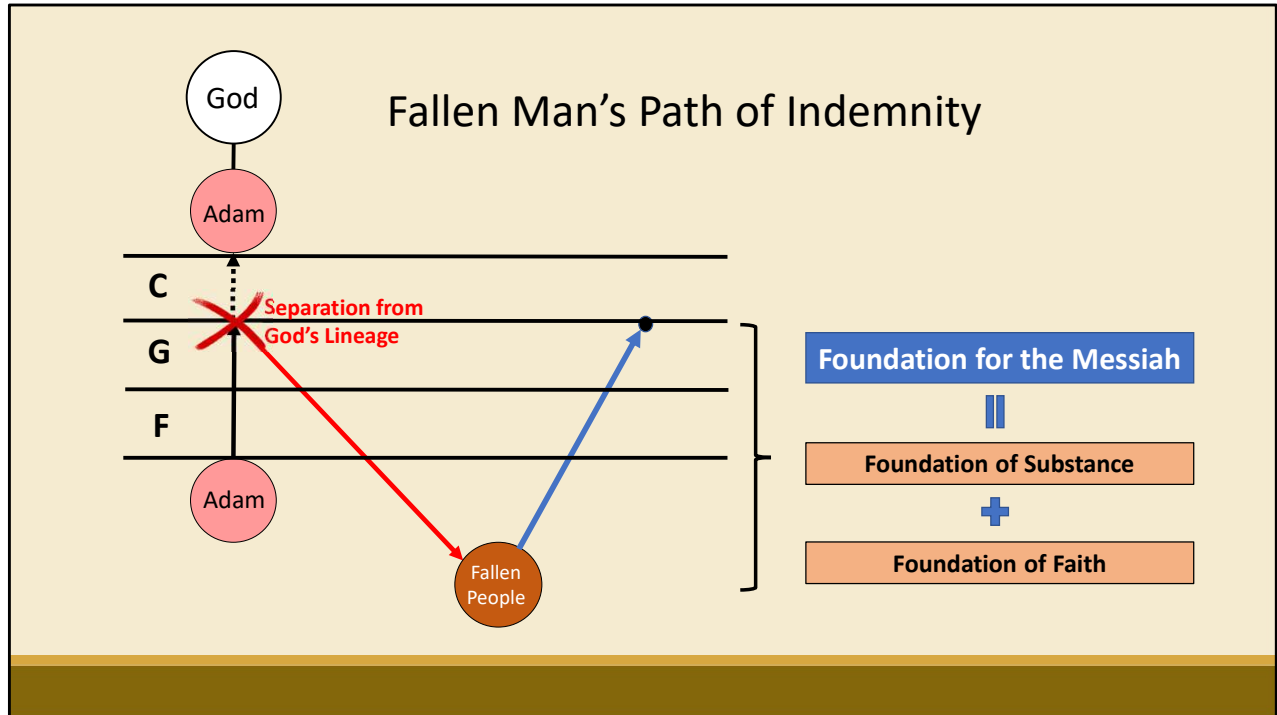
Man's Original Path to Oneness with God



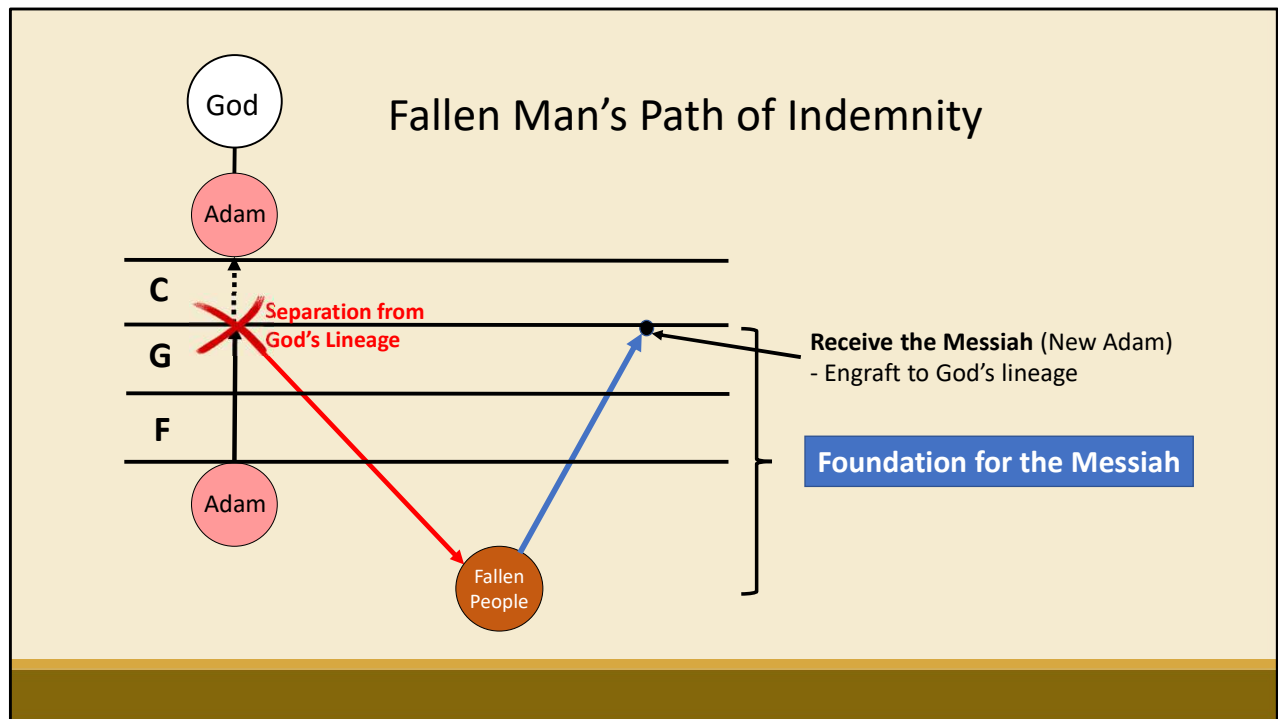
- For fallen people to be restored to their original state, we must receive the Messiah, and remove the original sin.
- However, before we can receive the Messiah, we must first establish the foundation for the Messiah.
- This process resembles the original process that Adam was to have gone through in order to fulfill his own portion of responsibility.
- For Adam to realize the purpose of creation, he was supposed to fulfill two conditions:
- First, Adam should have established the foundation of faith by strictly keeping God's commandment and passing through a growing period over a number of years.
- Second, Adam was supposed to establish the foundation of substance. After he established an unshakable foundation of faith, he was then to become one with God, thereby becoming completely one with God, resembling God's character.
- Originally Adam should have kept the Word God gave to him - the commandment - during his growing period, until he reached maturity and total oneness with God.
- This is the time period required to establish the foundation of substance.



As a result of the Fall, human beings lost their status as God's children, and instead became children of the Archangel Lucifer, who became Satan.



- The evil actions committed by the first human beings resulted in their being separated from God and being dominated by Satan.
- To return to God, human beings must make good conditions to separate from Satan and restore their relationship with their Heavenly Father.
- To restore the basis upon which they can complete the purpose of creation, fallen people must first restore through indemnity the foundation of faith which the first human ancestors failed to establish.
- On this foundation, we need to establish the foundation of substance and thereby the foundation for the Messiah, through which we can receive the Messiah and be cleansed of the original sin.
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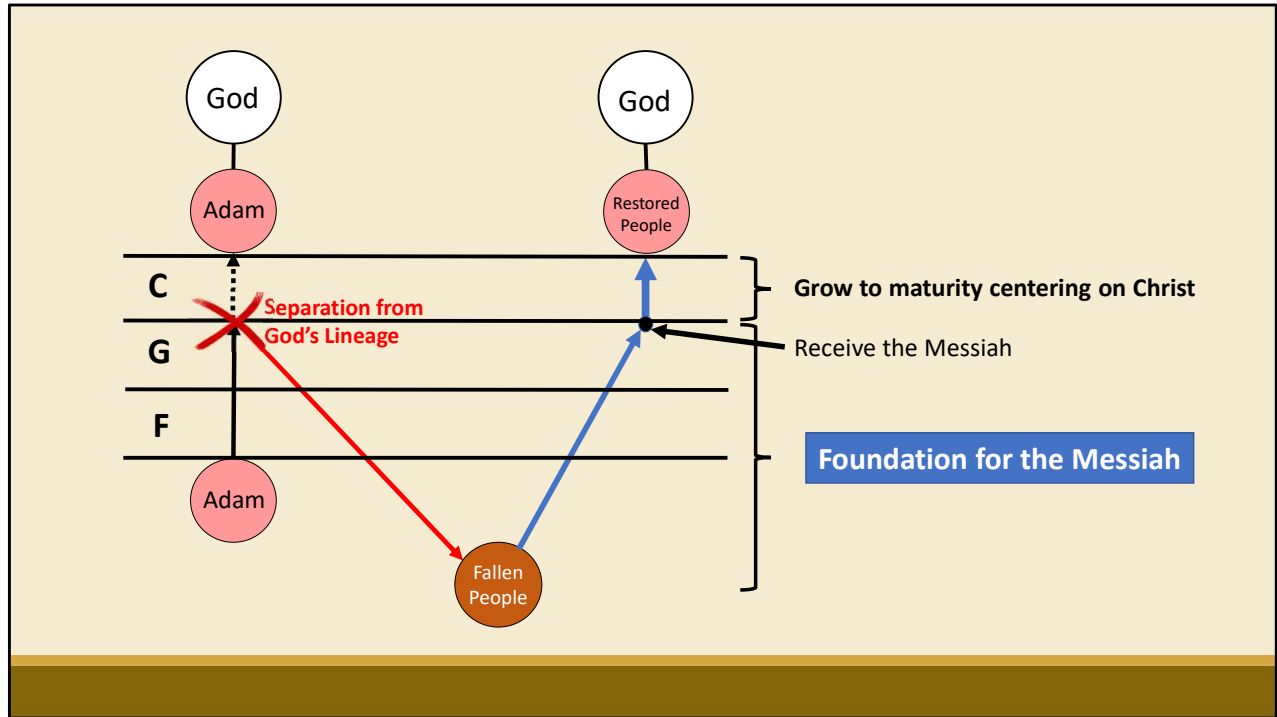


- To receive the Messiah is to receive the New Adam, who is Christ:

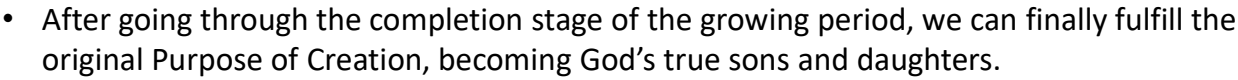
Colossians 1:15-20 ¹⁵ *He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation.* ¹⁶ *For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him.* ¹⁷ *And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.* ¹⁸ *And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.*

¹⁹ *For it pleased the Father that in Him all the fullness should dwell,* ²⁰ *and by Him to reconcile all things to Himself, by Him, whether things on earth or things in heaven, having made peace through the blood of His cross.*

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- Upon receiving God's Blessing through Christ, we can completely separate our blood lineage from Satan's blood lineage
- We then become part of God's lineage, and can grow to maturity centering on Christ, the True Adam.
- This is required in order for us to become completely one with God.



"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing."

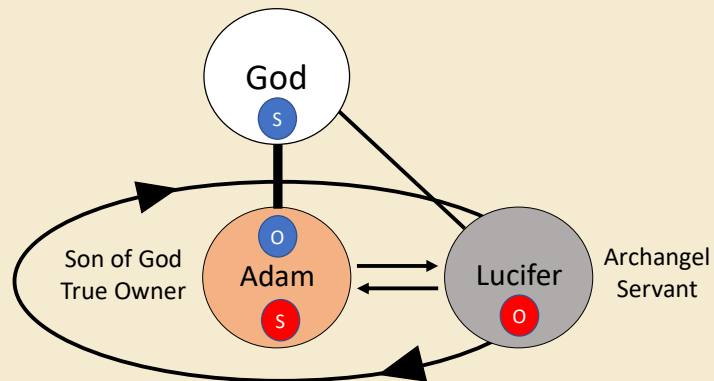
John 15:5

What should an adopted son do? He must be engrafted to the true son. The wild olive tree must be cut off at the root, and then the sprout of the true olive tree can be engrafted into it.

Sun Myung Moon, Cheon Seong Gyeong (19-164, 1968.1.1)

- To receive the Messiah is likened to a wild olive tree being engrafted in true olive tree, and like the branches of a vine or tree in which the spirit of the Messiah abides, bearing Godly fruit!

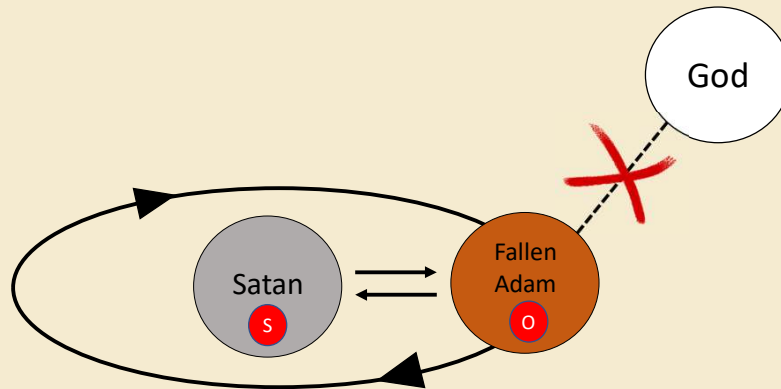
The Original Order of Creation



- According to the original order of God's creation, Adam should have stood as a true son of God in the object position to God.
- Lucifer, who was an angel, should have stood in the object position to Adam, serving him as God's son and Lord of Creation.

The Order of Creation Reversed Due to the Fall

2 Corinthians 2:4

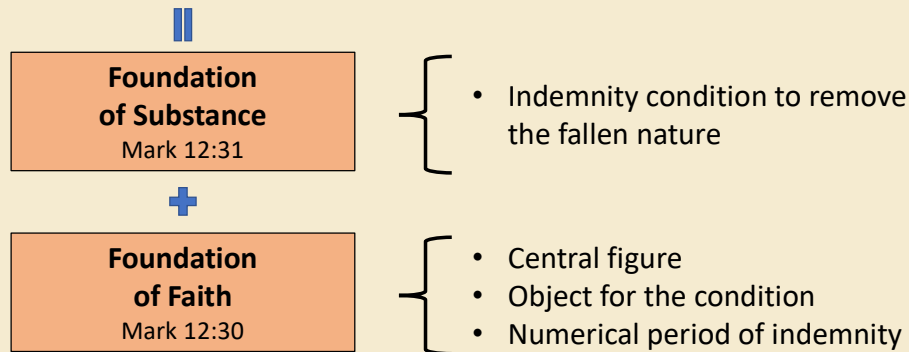


- As a result of the Fall, however, Adam became separated from God, and instead became an object to the archangel Lucifer.
- Lucifer, who came to be known as Satan, became the subject over Adam, and through Adam's lineage, over all of fallen mankind.

2 Corinthians 2:4 *"The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel that displays the glory of Christ, who is the image of God".*

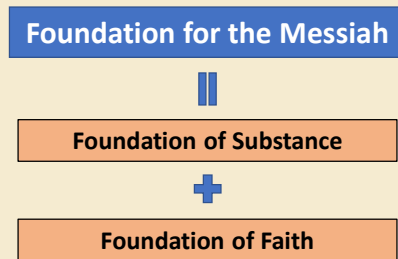
The Foundation for the Messiah

Foundation for the Messiah



- The foundation for the Messiah is laid when we establish the foundation of substance on the basis of the foundation of faith.
- When Jesus was asked which was the greatest commandment, he answered in **Mark 12:30-31**: “‘... you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.’ The second is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”
- In order to restore the foundation of faith, first there must be a central figure, representing the Adam position. This is a vertical relationship between man and God.
- Second, an object for the condition must be offered.
- Third, a numerical period of indemnity must be completed.
- God exists upon His Principle, which has a numerical aspect, with human beings at its center, who are also created based on numerical principles. Thus the first human ancestors were to become complete by passing through a growing period characterized by certain numbers, thus laying the foundation of faith. E.g. 3 stages of growth, 12 disciples, 40 days fasting, etc. We see the same numbers repeatedly throughout the Bible.
- In order to lay the foundation of substance, a fallen person must make the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature. This takes place by reversing the conditions of the fall which involved the relationship between the archangel and Adam.

The Providence of Restoration in Adam's Family



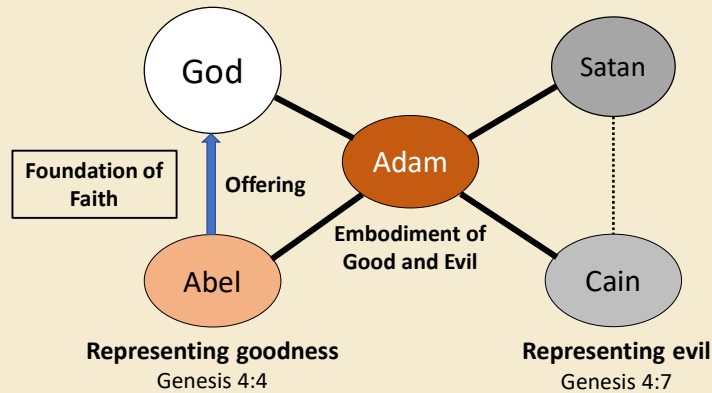
- For the providence of restoration to be accomplished in Adam's family, the members of his family had to make certain conditions of indemnity to restore the foundation of faith and the foundation of substance.
- On these two foundations, the foundation for the Messiah was to have been established, and the Messiah could have come to Adam's family.
- God's parental heart was to have His children return to Him as soon as possible.

In the course of time Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground. And Abel also brought an offering—'the firstlings of his flock and their fat portions' from some of the firstborn of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, but had no regard for Cain's offering. The LORD said to Cain, "Why are you angry, and why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door. And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it."

Genesis 4:3-7

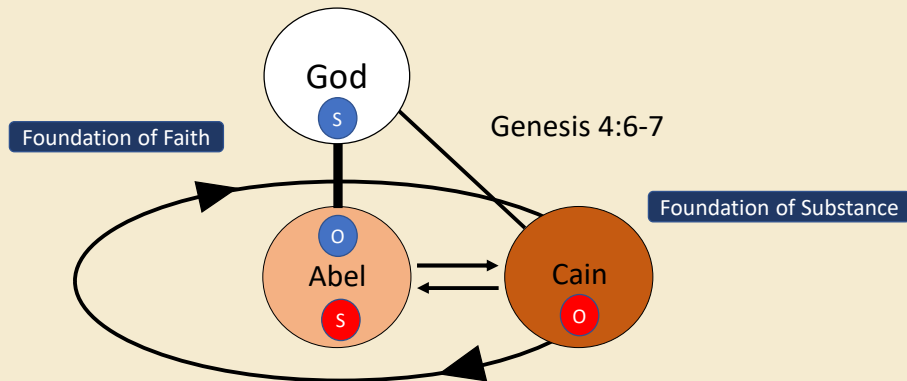
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- We can ask, what must Cain 'do well' to 'be accepted?'

The Foundation of Faith



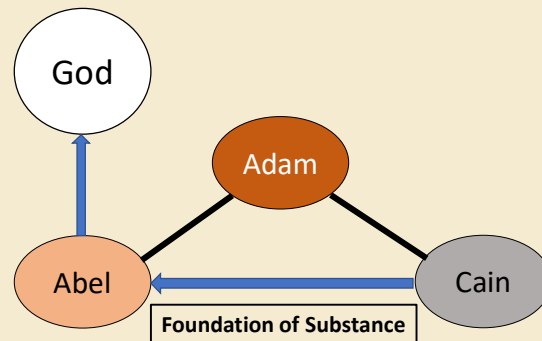
- To restore through indemnity the Foundation of Faith, conditions to separate from Satan must be established.
- To separate from Satan, people must set up an object for the condition substituting for God's Word, which was violated in the garden. This object is a sacrificial offering.
- To restore the Foundation of Faith, there must also be a central figure. Yet, nowhere in the biblical record do we find Adam offering a sacrifice. Instead, his sons Cain and Abel offered them.
- What was the reason for this? Since Adam fell, God could no longer relate to Adam as He did before.
- God symbolically divided Adam, who embodied both good and evil, through his two sons who represented good and evil.
- God set them in positions where each dealt with only one master, God or Satan, and had them offer sacrifices separately.
- Cain was designated to be on the side of Satan and evil, because he represented the first fallen act by Eve with the Archangel, never intended to be her husband. Therefore, he was in the position to relate to Satan. Abel was designated to be the side of God and good, because he represented the second fallen act with Adam who was to be her rightful husband. Therefore, he was in a position to relate with God.
- Abel made the offering in a manner acceptable to God. In this way, he successfully laid the foundation of faith.

Restoration of the Original Order



- Although still a fallen person who had inherited original sin, Abel, as a man of faith and obedience to God, was in the position relatively closer to God compared to Cain.
- Just as Lucifer was created before Adam, Cain, as the elder son, stood in a similar position as the elder brother of Abel.
- As the being created before Adam, Lucifer struggled to humble himself to Adam, who was in the position of being closer to God than himself.
- Cain experienced the same feelings – the 4 fallen natures.
- God's requirement of Cain was for him to overcome his fallen natures and maintain his humility in front of God and Abel.
- God promised Cain in **Gen. 4: 6-7**: *"Why are you angry? Why is your face downcast? If you do what is right, will you not be accepted? But if you do not do what is right, sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."*

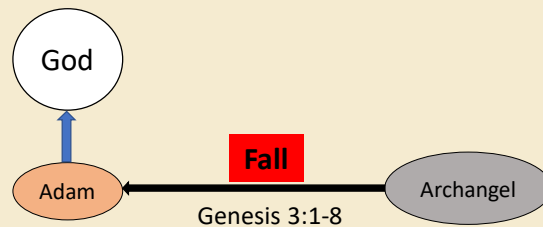
The Foundation of Substance



Indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature -
Reverse course

- To remove the fallen nature, a person must make an indemnity condition, separating from Satan, taking a course which reverses the process through which human beings initially acquired the fallen nature.
- Had Cain fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature. I,e, had he done "*what is right*" and "*mastered*" the sin that was "*crouching*" at his door, God would have gladly accepted his offering.
- The foundation of substance would then have been laid in Adam's family.

Characteristics of the Fallen Nature



1. Failing to take God's viewpoint
2. Leaving one's proper position
3. Reversing dominion
4. Multiplying evil

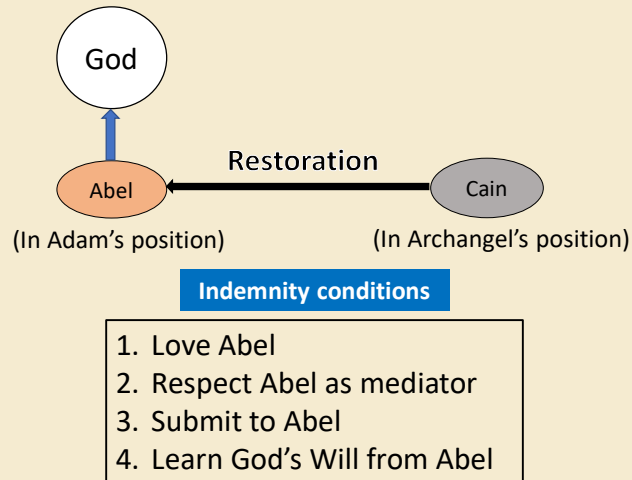
- Let us review the 4 characteristics of the fallen nature, which must be reversed in order for the foundation of substance to be established.

1. The Archangel fell because he did not love Adam as God loved him; rather, he envied Adam, who was receiving more love from God than he. This was the first fallen nature: failing to take God's standpoint.
2. The Archangel fell because he did not respect Adam as God's mediator and did not receive God's love through him; rather, he attempted to seize Adam's position. This was the second fallen nature: leaving one's proper position.
3. The Archangel claimed dominion over Eve and Adam, who were his rightful lords. This was the third fallen nature: reversing dominion.
4. The Archangel conveyed to Eve his evil will, and through Eve, multiplied that evil will to Adam. This was the fourth fallen nature: multiplying evil.

Genesis 3:1-8 (Story of the Fall)

Now the serpent was more subtle than any other wild creature that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat of any tree of the garden'?"

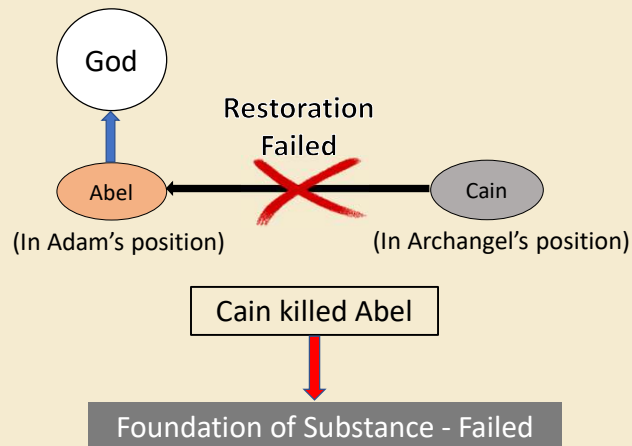
Indemnity conditions to remove the Fallen Nature



To remove these characteristics of the fallen nature:

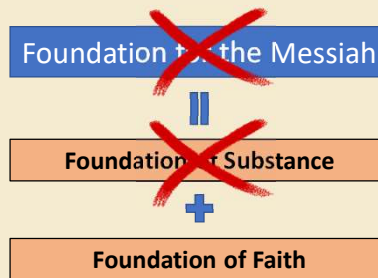
1. Cain who stood in the Archangel's position, should have taken God's standpoint by loving Abel, who stood in Adam's position.
2. Cain should have received God's love through Abel, respecting him as God's mediator.
3. Cain should have obediently submitted to Abel, accepting Abel's guidance and direction.
4. Cain should have learned God's Will from Abel, multiplying goodness.

Failure of the Foundation of Substance



- Instead, Cain killed Abel. In murdering Abel, Cain repeated the sin of the Archangel...
- ... just as Lucifer failed to see Adam from God's viewpoint, and eventually brought about the spiritual death of Adam and Eve.
- Adam's family thus failed to lay the foundation of restoration.
- Consequently, God's providence of restoration through Adam's family could not be fulfilled.

The Providence of Restoration in Adam's Family: Failed



- When Abel made his sacrifice in a manner acceptable to God, he fulfilled the indemnity condition to restore the foundation of faith and firmly secured his position as the central figure of the substantial offering.
- However, when Cain murdered Abel, they failed to make the substantial offering. Hence, neither the foundation of substance nor the foundation for the Messiah could be established.
- God's providence of restoration in Adam's family came to naught.
- Since Cain killed Abel, how could God send the messiah to that family?
- If Cain was willing to kill Abel, who was closer to God than himself, wouldn't he do the same thing to the messiah, who is the perfect incarnation of God's nature?
- There was no foundation to receive the messiah in Adam's family.
- This is why the foundation for the messiah must be established BEFORE the messiah comes.

Lessons Learned from Adam's Family

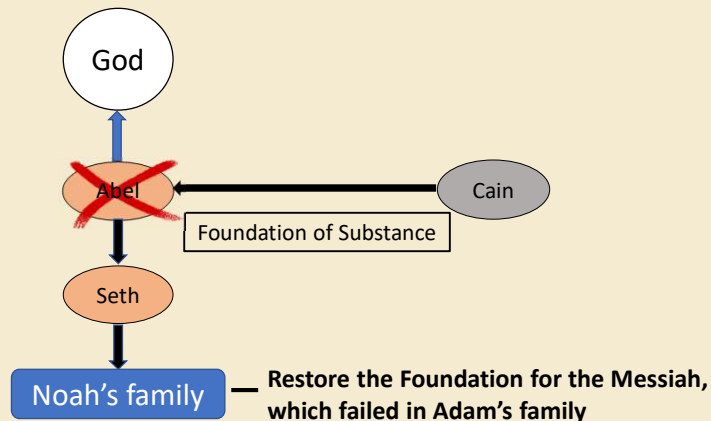
- ① [**Accomplishment of God's Will** ----- Conditional predestination
Human responsibility ----- Absolutely necessary
- ② [**God's Will** ----- Absolute predestination
Human being ----- Conditional predestination
- ③ — **Fallen People** ----- Humility towards Abel-type person

1. The failure of God's providence of restoration in Adam's family teaches us something about God's conditional predestination of the accomplishment of His Will and His absolute respect for the human portion of responsibility.
2. Even after Cain killed Abel, God began a new chapter of His providence by raising Seth in Abel's place. This shows us that God has absolutely predestined that His Will shall one day be fulfilled, even though His predestination concerning individual human beings is conditional.
3. Through the offerings of Cain and Abel, God teaches us that fallen people must constantly seek for an Abel-type person. By honoring, obeying and following him, we can accomplish God's Will even without understanding every aspect of it. (E.g. Israelites uniting with Moses, or Jesus' disciples following Him)

The Providence of Restoration in Noah's Family

Restoration Delayed Until Noah's Time

Genesis 6:5-8



- God has predestined absolutely the fulfillment of his Purpose of Creation, and His Will remains unchangeable.
- God, on the foundation of the loyal heart that Abel demonstrated, chose his brother Seth in his place.
- From among Seth's descendants, God chose Noah's family and commenced a new chapter in His Providence.
- Noah's family was chosen to restore through indemnity the Foundation of Faith, and then Foundation of Substance.
- They were to restore through indemnity the foundation for the Messiah which Adam's family failed to achieve.

Genesis 6:5-8 (Next slide...)

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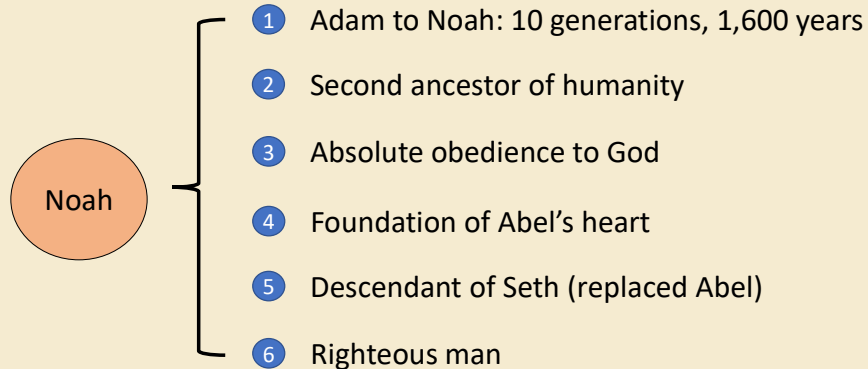
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Noah as the Central Figure of Faith

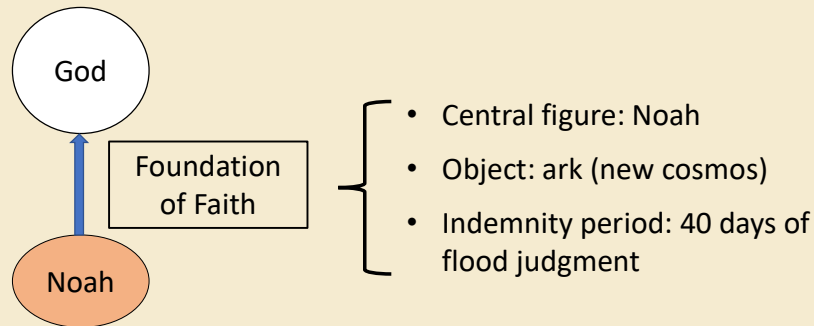
Genesis 6:9



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- In the Providence of Restoration through Noah's family, Noah was the Central Figure to restore the Foundation of Faith.
- According to the Bible, Noah worked for 120 years on the mountain top to build the ark according to God's instruction, and for the reasons listed above was qualified to make the symbolic offering to God.

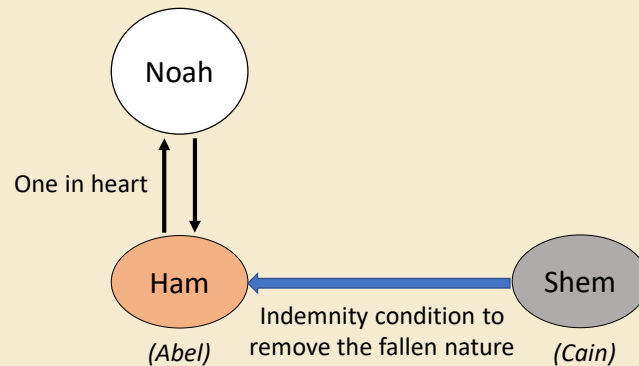
The Foundation of Faith in Noah's Family



Foundation of Faith : Restored

- The object for the condition by which Noah was able to restore the Foundation of Faith was the Ark. It was the indemnity condition for the restoration of the Cosmos which had been lost to Satan due to Adam's fall and signified the New Cosmos. A family of human beings and pairs of every type of animal were on the ark.
- After the Ark was completed, God judged the world with the flood for 40 days. His purpose was to eliminate sinful humanity in order to raise up a family who would relate only to Him.
- Through the 40 day flood judgment, Noah's family offered the Ark in a manner acceptable to God and restored through indemnity the foundation of Faith.

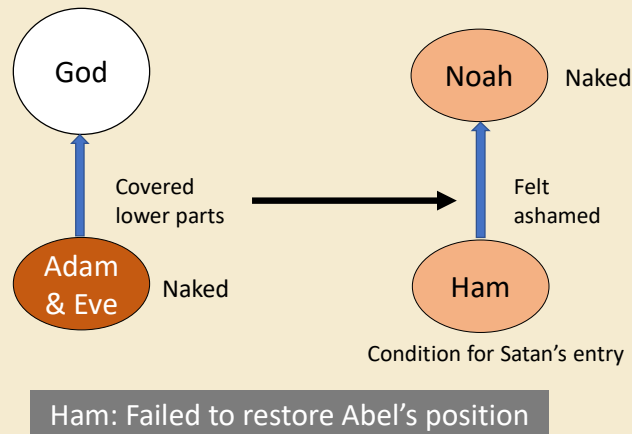
The Foundation of Substance in Noah's Family



- Noah's sons, Shem and Ham, were to have stood in the positions of Cain and Abel respectively.
- Had they then succeeded in the Substantial Offering, by fulfilling the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature, they would have laid the foundation of substance.
- For Noah's family to make a successful substantial offering, Ham, Noah's second son, and the central figure of the substantial offering, was to restore the position of Abel.
- For Ham to stand in the position of Abel, he had to become inseparably one in heart with his father, Noah, who had made the symbolic offering.

Providence surrounding Noah's nakedness

Genesis 9:20-25



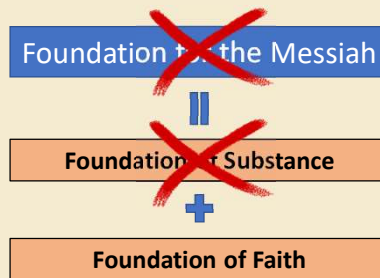
Gen. 9:20-25 *Noah, a man of the soil, proceeded to plant a vineyard. When he drank some of its wine, he became drunk and lay uncovered inside his tent. Ham, the father of Canaan, saw his father naked and told his two brothers outside. But Shem and Japheth took a garment and laid it across their shoulders; then they walked in backward and covered their father's naked body. Their faces were turned the other way so that they would not see their father naked.*

When Noah awoke from his wine and found out what his youngest son had done to him, he said, "Cursed be Canaan; a slave of slaves shall he be to his brothers."

He also said, "Blessed by the Lord my God be Shem; and let Canaan be his slave."

- Ham should have kept God's viewpoint, maintaining a pure heart of trust in his father who had shown incredible faith in God and saved their family.
- Instead, Ham left his position as a faithful son, judged his father (reversing dominion), and then multiplied his faithless attitude by causing his brothers to cover Noah as if Noah had committed some sin.
- When Ham felt ashamed of his father's nakedness, an act that resembled Adam and Eve's covering their lower parts and hiding, he made a condition for Satan to enter; hence his feeling and act constituted a sin.
- Consequently, Ham could not restore through indemnity the position of Abel from which to make the substantial offering.

The Providence of Restoration in Noah's Family: Failed

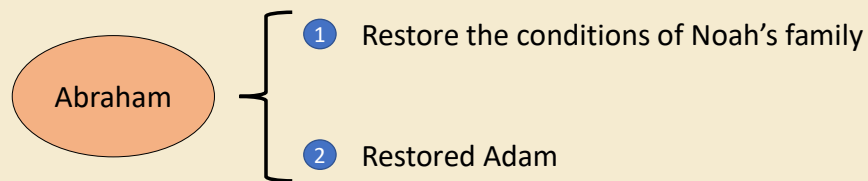


- Since Ham did not successfully make the substantial offering to establish the Foundation of Substance, the providence of Restoration in Noah's family ended in failure.
- However, God's ultimate victory does not depend on any one individual, family or nation. God will continue to work until His Will is accomplished completely.

The Providence of Restoration in Abraham's Family

Abraham as the Central Figure of Faith

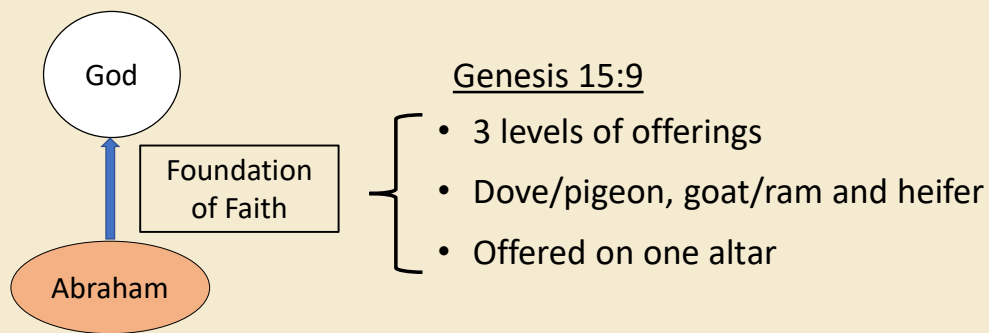
Genesis 12:2-3



Gen. 12:2-3 *"I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you."*

- In the Providence of Restoration in Abraham's family, the central person to restore the Foundation of Faith was Abraham.
- Abraham was to restore through indemnity all the conditions which were given to Noah to fulfill, but which were lost to Satan due to Ham's sin.
- Abraham was to inherit the mission of Noah which was the mission of Adam. In this capacity he represented the Restored Adam. As God had blessed Adam, God also blessed Noah and Abraham to make a great nation and be the source of blessing.

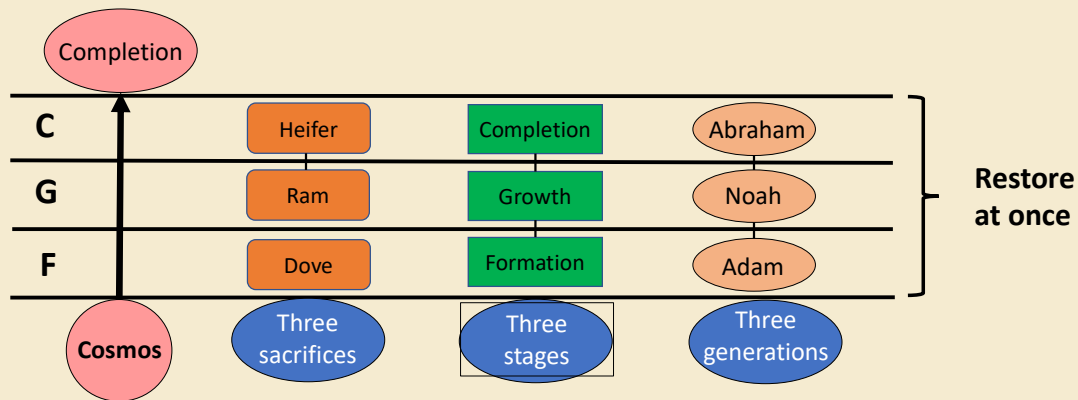
The Foundation of Faith in Abraham's Family



Genesis 15:9 *So the LORD said to him, "Bring me a heifer, a goat and a ram, each three years old, along with a dove and a young pigeon."*

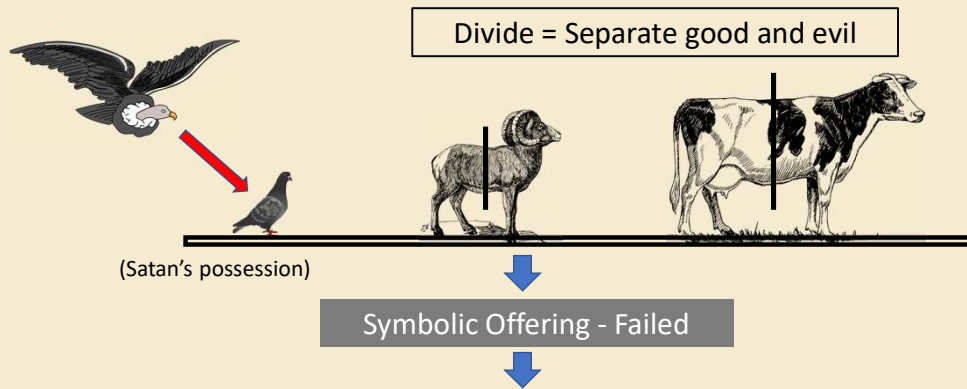
- God commanded Abraham to offer a dove, a ram and a heifer .
- These were the objects which he offered to restore the foundation of faith.

Three sacrifices: Cosmos completed through three stages



- What was the significance of the offering?
 1. It was an object for the condition to restore all that Adam's family was supposed to accomplish thru Cain and Abel's sacrifices,
 2. An object for the condition to restore all that Noah's family was trying to accomplish through the dispensation of the ark.
- These 3 sacrifices symbolized the cosmos, which is completed through 3 stages of the Growing Period.
- The dove represented the formation stage, the ram the growth stage, heifer is the completion stage.
- Abraham was supposed to restore all at once the long providence which God had conducted through the 3 providential generations of Adam (formation), Noah (growth), and Abraham (completion).

How Abraham Made the Symbolic Offering

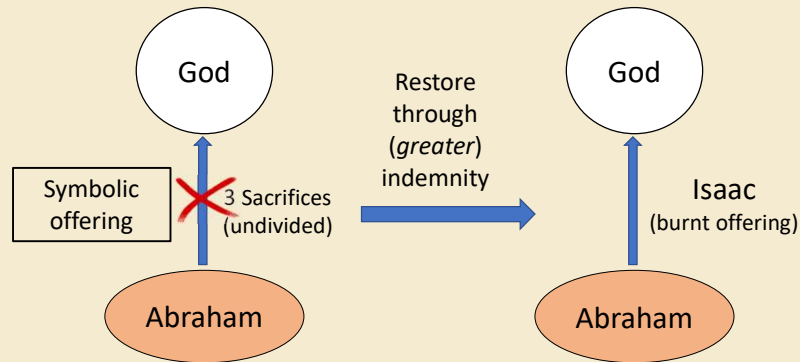


- Abraham's descendants: 400 years of slavery
- Providence: Prolonged through 3 generations

Gen 15:10-11 ... And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.

- Because Abraham did not cut the doves in two as he should have, birds of prey came down and defiled the sacrifices.
- His mistake had the effect of acknowledging Satan's claim of possession over the sacrifices.
- Through his failure in the symbolic offering, all the conditions God intended to restore through it were lost.
- As a consequence, Abraham's descendants had to suffer oppression and slavery for 400 years in the land of Egypt; and the providence centered on him had to be prolonged for 3 generations of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, because God was absolutely determined to succeed in advancing His Providence on the third attempt.

Abraham's Offering of Isaac



- Why did God work again with Abraham, even after he failed the offering of the animals?
- Abraham's family was the 3rd attempt which represents completion according to God's principle and the third dispensation, so it had to be concluded at that time.
- Even though Abraham failed in his first offering, God could raise him up and give him another chance, through a condition of greater indemnity, to make another offering based on the accumulated merit of Abel and Noah's faithful hearts.
- After Abraham failed in the symbolic offering, God commanded him to sacrifice his son, Isaac, as a burnt offering.
- In this way, God began a new dispensation for the purpose of restoring through indemnity Abraham's failure.

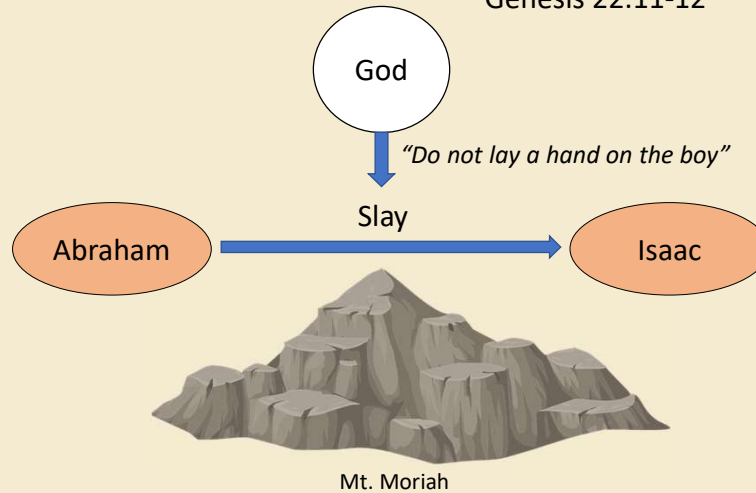


Gen. 22:9 *When they came to the place of which God had told him, Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order, and bound Isaac his son, and laid him on the altar, upon the wood. ¹⁰ Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.*

- It is difficult to imagine the struggle Abraham must have gone through to trust God by offering his son Isaac.
- Nevertheless, Abraham's faith was strong, and he totally surrendered himself to God's direction.

How Abraham Offered Isaac

Genesis 22:11-12



- Abraham put forth his hand, and took the knife to slay Isaac.

Gen. 22:11-12 *But the angel of the LORD called out to him from heaven, "Abraham! Abraham!"*

"Here I am," he replied. "Do not lay a hand on the boy," he said. "Do not do anything to him. Now I know that you fear God, because you have not withheld from me your son, your only son."

Result of the Offering of Isaac

Abraham's faith and absolute obedience



Separation from Satan



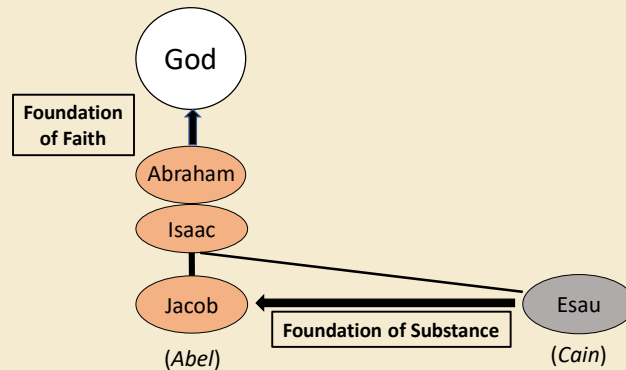
Success of offering of Isaac



Providence of restoration in Abraham's family carried on through Isaac

- Abraham's zeal to do God's Will and his resolute actions carried out with absolute faith, obedience and loyalty, lifted him up to the position of already having killed Isaac. Therefore, he completely separated Satan from Isaac.
- Because Abraham succeeded in his offering of Isaac, the Providence of Restoration could be carried on by Isaac.
- Abraham had put forth his hand and took the knife to slay Isaac, but Isaac totally united with his father, allowing Abraham to make him the offering as commanded by God.
- This also restored failure of Ham, who failed to unite with the heart of his father Noah, who was totally faithful to God.

The Foundation of Substance in Abraham's Family



Indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature

- To establish the foundation for the Messiah in Isaac's family, the foundation of substance had to be laid next. For this purpose, Isaac's sons, Esau and Jacob, had to be placed in the divided positions of Cain and Abel respectively.
- By making the substantial offering, they were responsible to fulfill the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature and lay the foundation of substance.
- Esau, the elder brother, had to love his younger brother Jacob, seeing him from God's viewpoint, and overcoming his fallen nature (restoring Cain's failure).

Jacob's Restoration of Abel's Position

- ① Restored birthright on individual level (bread and lentils)
- ② Restored birthright with family and wealth (21 years in Haran)
- ③ Restored dominion over angelic world (wrestling with angels)



Jacob: Restored Abel's position

- Traditionally, the birthright, which was the right of inheritance and privilege, was given to the elder son. Esau was Jacob's older brother, and therefore expected to receive the birthright.
- Story of birthright: **Gen 25:29** *Once when Jacob was boiling pottage, Esau came in from the field, and he was famished. And Esau said to Jacob "Let me eat some of that red pottage, for I am famished!" Jacob said, "First sell me your birthright." Esau said, "I am about to die; of what use is a birthright to me?" Jacob said, "Swear to me first." So he swore to him, and sold his birthright to Jacob.*
- Before Esau and Jacob could make the substantial offering, Jacob first had to fulfill the indemnity condition to restore the position of Abel
 1. In the fight to restore the birthright of the eldest son on the individual level, Jacob cleverly obtained it from Esau in exchange for some bread and a pottage of lentils.
 2. Second, Jacob went to Haran, which represented the satanic world. After suffering through 21 years of drudgery, he restored the birthright by gaining family and wealth as his due inheritance.
 3. Third, Jacob triumphed in wrestling with an angel at the ford of Jabbok, thereby restoring dominion over the angel in a substantial struggle.
- This way, Jacob restored through indemnity the position of Abel.

Jacob looked up and there was Esau, coming with his four hundred men; so he divided the children among Leah, Rachel and the two female servants. He put the female servants and their children in front, Leah and her children next, and Rachel and Joseph in the rear. He himself went on ahead and bowed down to the ground seven times as he approached his brother.

But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept. Then Esau looked up and saw the women and children. "Who are these with you?" he asked.

Jacob answered, "They are the children God has graciously given your servant."

Then the female servants and their children approached and bowed down. Next, Leah and her children came and bowed down. Last of all came Joseph and Rachel, and they too bowed down.

Esau asked, "What's the meaning of all these flocks and herds I met?"

"To find favor in your eyes, my lord," he said.

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Genesis 33:1-11

- Based on the successful Foundation of Faith established by Jacob, the Foundation of Substance needed to be established in order for the Foundation for the Messiah to be completed.

- In **Genesis chapter 33**, we read the beautiful story of the reunion of Jacob and Esau.

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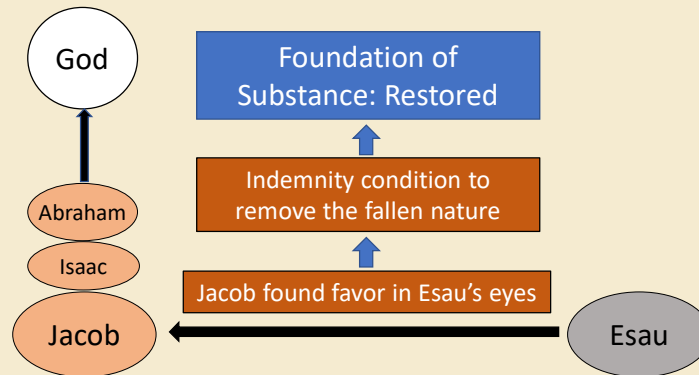
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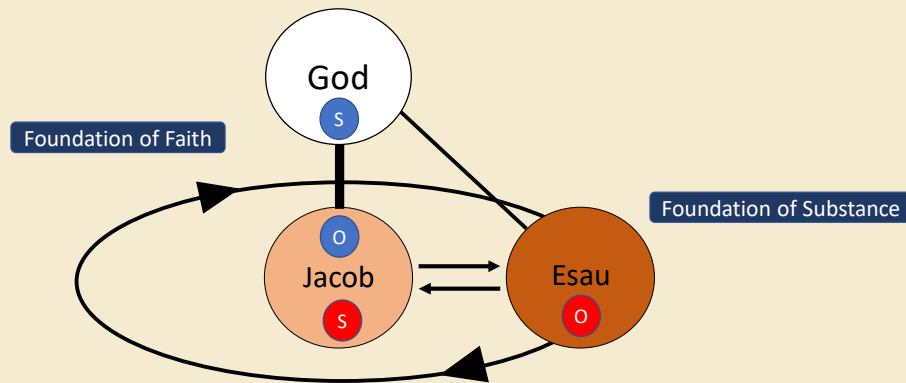
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Establishment of the Foundation of Substance



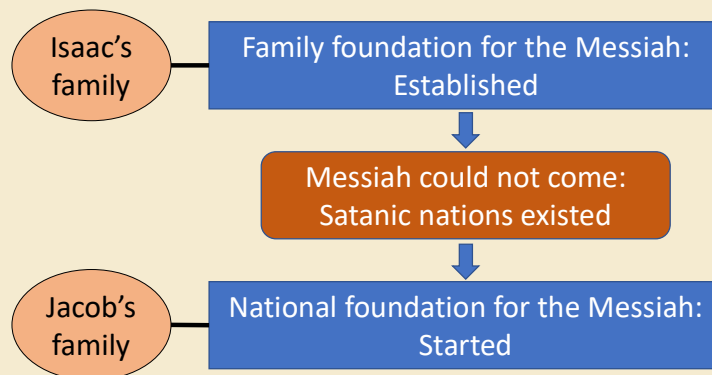
- In order to ease the anger of the older brother whose birthright and blessing had been taken, Jacob also had to humble himself to his older brother by showing unconditional love toward him.
- When Esau opened his arms and affectionately welcomed Jacob as he returned to Canaan, they fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.
- Their victory restored through indemnity, horizontally in one family, the long vertical course of history in which God had been working to restore the foundation of substance.

Restoration of the Cain-Abel Relationship



- Since the Fall of Man, God has always worked to guide human beings to establish the conditions to receive the Messiah – because He wants to bring His children home to Him.
- There is always a center in God's providence – the "Abel" position, representing the position of Adam. Those in the position of "Cain", or the position of the archangel, must overcome their fallen nature to humble themselves to the Abel position, which represents God and the True Adam – Christ.
- The restoration of the Cain-Abel relationship between Jacob and Esau was the first time in history that this foundation could be successfully established.
- Upon that foundation, the Messiah would come from Jacob's lineage.

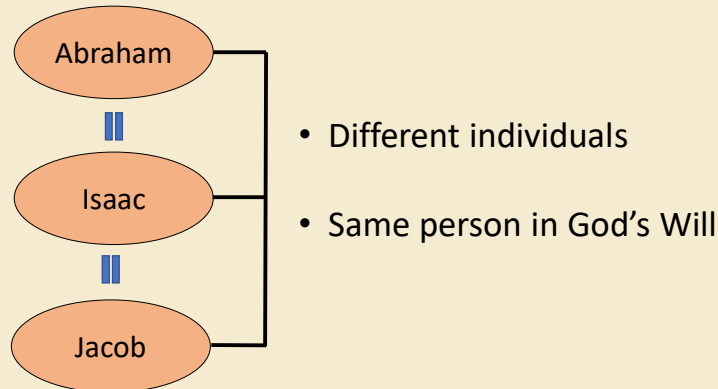
The Foundation for the Messiah



- At last, the foundation for the Messiah was established in Isaac's family.
- However, by Abraham's time, fallen people had already built up satanic nations which could easily overpower Abraham's family. Hence, the Messiah could not have safely come on that foundation. A foundation of a sovereign state was needed to cope with the nations of the satanic world.
- Hence, Jacob's family entered Egypt centering on Joseph, who had been sold into slavery by his brothers.
- Yet Joseph rose to the position of the governor of Egypt, the Pharaoh's right-hand man.
- The Jewish people went through the 400 years of indemnity course, in order to build the national foundation for the Messiah.

Three Generations Seen as One

Exodus 3:6



God spoke to Moses in **Exodus 3:6** *Then he said, "I am the God of your father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob." At this, Moses hid his face, because he was afraid to look at God.*

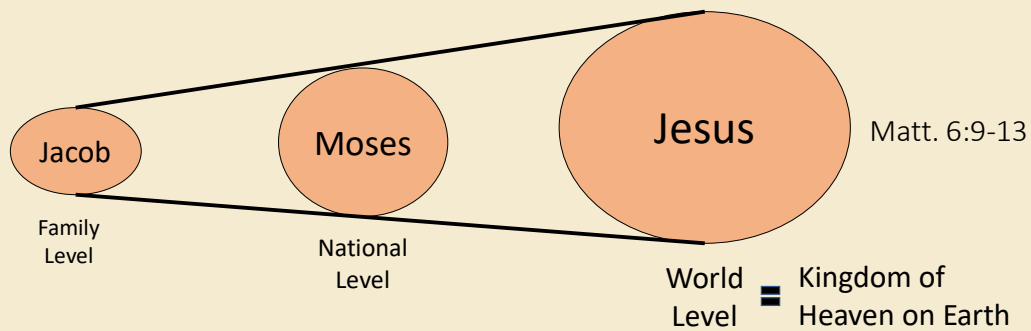
- The providence centering on Isaac was prolonged into the providence centering on Jacob.
- Jacob, as the central figure who laid the foundation for the Messiah in Isaac's family, was responsible to shoulder Abraham's sin.
- He was also responsible to embark upon an indemnity course to realize on the national level the Will which had been entrusted to Isaac.
- Therefore, as was the case with Abraham and Isaac, God regarded Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as the same person with respect to His Will, even though they were three different individuals.

Jacob's Course – Model Course to Subjugate Satan

- ① Won the birthright as an individual
- ② Won the birthright as a family
- ③ Restored dominion over the angel
→ Groundwork for the chosen people (Israel)
- ④ Fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature

- The model course successfully established by Jacob can later be seen in the courses of Moses and even Jesus.
 - Jacob (Abel position) won back the birthright of the firstborn son. Esau (Cain position) was in the position of the fallen archangel. This represented Adam restoring dominion over the archangel.
1. Jacob triumphed as an individual in his struggle with Esau to win the birthright.
 2. He entered Haran and, as a family, triumphed in a 21-year struggle to win the birthright.
 3. Jacob was victorious in the fight with the angel and fulfilled the indemnity condition to restore the dominion over the angel. Thereupon, he received the name "Israel," laying the groundwork upon which the chosen people would be established.
 4. After returning to Canaan with these victories, Jacob fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.

Expansion of the Foundation for the Messiah



- God's work in history starting from the time of Jacob's victory was to expand the Foundation for the Messiah to the national level.
- Only after establishing a sovereign nation could Jesus be born amongst the descendants of Jacob.
- If Jesus could have been welcomed by the Jewish people in the small nation of Israel, the kingdom would have started there, and spread to the world level.
- Jesus constantly preached about the establishment of the Kingdom, and asked us to pray every day for it to be established on earth.

Lord's prayer: In **Matt. 6:9-10**, Jesus taught us to pray for His kingdom to come on earth:
... Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven.

- God's purpose of creation was not for Heaven to only be a place you go after you die. Heaven was to have been established by His children on earth, where they would fulfill the 3 Blessings. Once their earthly lives were done, they would move on to Heaven in the spiritual world for eternity.

Thank You Very Much!