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## Foreword

Based on the Divine Principle teachings of the Rev. Sun Myung Moon, this series of presentations has been developed by Rev. Alan Feldsott\* to convey the principles by which God has created the world and how He relates to His children with the heart of a loving Father. With the Bible as our guidebook, the clear and colorful diagrams along with supporting quotes and explanations help bring these eternal principles to life. Our hope is that these presentations can bring light to an often dark and confused world, leading the hearts of all people to connect deeply with the heart of our Heavenly Father.

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# The Principle of Restoration



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## THE PRINCIPLE OF RESTORATION

Today, we will begin our study of the topic **“The Principles of Restoration.”**

Most of us are familiar with **the terms “faith” and “salvation.”** But once we understand God’s purpose of Creation and the true nature of the **Fall**, we also come to understand that God’s heart of parental love is to restore His children to what **He originally intended** them to be.

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**, must and will eventually be fulfilled.

We will examine **biblical scripture**, as well as other events that have taken place in **human history** until now, and see how that is all connected with **God’s purpose of restoration.**

**What** exactly **do we mean**, then, by **“Restoration?”**

## The Purpose of Restoration

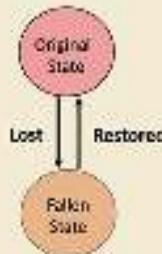
- God is an absolute God; His purpose never changes.
- His goals were not altered after the Fall; God has continued to work throughout history to accomplish His Will.
- Therefore, the final goal of restoration is to bring about God's original Purpose of Creation.

**When we talk about the providence of restoration**, we are referring to God's work to restore human beings to our original, unfallen state so that we may accomplish the original purpose of creation.

**Without understanding the Purpose of Creation** – which we studied in the Principle of Creation – it is impossible to understand the meaning of restoration or salvation.

**If God never accomplishes His original purpose of creation**, that would mean that God is a failure – and He is **NOT!!!**

## The Purpose of Restoration



**When God created human beings, He created us in a pure**, unfallen state – without any trace of sin or fallen nature. Although we have only known the history of sinful mankind, people were never meant to have sin at all.

**Due to our original ancestors' disobedience** of the commandment in the Garden of Eden and the sinful nature passed down to their descendants, we lost that original state and our original position as God's sinless children.

**From this perspective**, we can say that the purpose of restoration is for human beings to be restored to their original state before the Fall occurred, and back to our true relationship with God as His children.

**Originally, Adam and Eve should have been blessed by God** in holy marriage and then would have given birth to sinless children, multiplying to the society, nation, and worldwide level.

**When the purpose of restoration is accomplished**, human beings will be returned to their original relationship with God, restoring the Kingdom of Heaven as God originally intended.

## God's Purpose of Creation Never Changes

*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

**This verse from the book of Numbers** reminds us that God's nature is not like that of fallen human beings. God's Ideal of Creation did not change due to the Fall, and what He has promised, He will fulfill.

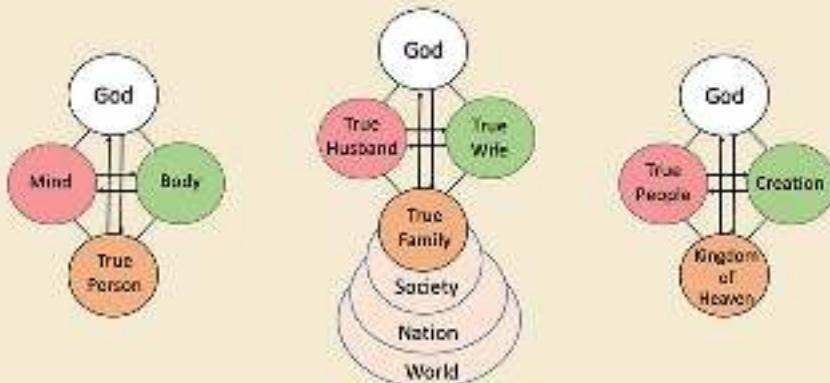
**Still, humankind has a portion of responsibility** in that process, as we learned in the Principle of Creation. And God will never take that away.

## The Principles of Restoration are Based on the Principles of Creation

- For God's Purpose of Creation to be completed, His original plan for the Garden of Eden must be accomplished, and the evil world destroyed.
- Since the Fall, God has worked His providence to prepare for the coming of a new, unfallen Adam – our Savior and Messiah.
- Through the coming of 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 based on His Principles of Creation, since those are the principles through which He created the world and mankind.

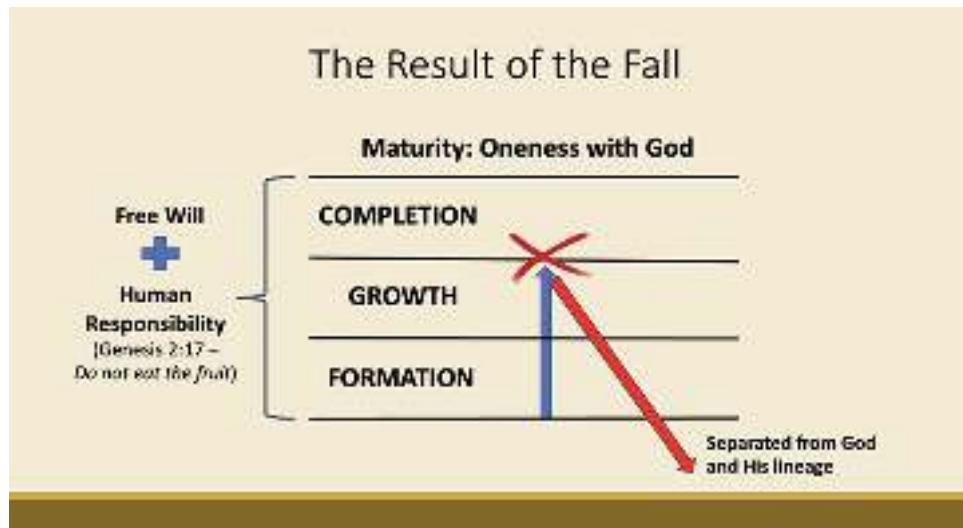
Let us briefly review God's original plan for creation that we studied in the Principle of Creation.

### God's Ideal of Creation: The Three Great Blessings



**God blessed Adam and Eve**, telling them to be Fruitful, Multiply, and to have Dominion. Had Adam and Eve completed their portion of responsibility and kept God's commandment, there would have been no Fall, no sin, and therefore no need for a savior or any sort of restoration. There would be nothing to be saved from or to restore.

**Human beings would have dwelt 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.



**In Genesis 2:17**, God gave a commandment to the first human beings, and warned them of the consequences of disobedience:

**“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.”**

**If Adam and Eve had already been fully mature** when they received the commandment, they would never have disobeyed God.

**We can conclude that it must have been** during the period of growth, while Adam and Eve were still immature, that God gave them His Word - requiring them to keep it until they were ready to be blessed in marriage.

**However, due to Adam and Eve’s failure to fulfill** their portion of responsibility, they fell away from God, unable to accomplish God’s original ideal of Creation.

**They fell into an unprincipled realm**, below even the formation stage of the growing period. This is the realm that is totally separated from God, dominated by Satan and evil spirits.

**They would pass on that sinful lineage to their descendants**, and when they died, they would go to hell in the spiritual world.

**God’s heart was broken when He saw His own children** spiritually die, falling under Satan’s dominion.

## RESTORATION IS RE-CREATION

**Wouldn't a God of love want to save His children and build his Kingdom without delay?**

**Then why didn't God send the Messiah immediately after the Fall?**

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

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.*

2 Corinthians 5:17

*And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.*

Revelation 21:4

**The providence of restoration is God's work of re-creation**, and has as its goal the achievement of the purpose of creation.

Therefore, God works this providence in accordance with His eternal and unchanging principles.

**God's providence since the Fall** – the providence of restoration – is reflected throughout the biblical record.

**God called saints, prophets, and other central figures** to fulfill their human portion of responsibility in preparation for the coming of Christ, the second Adam.

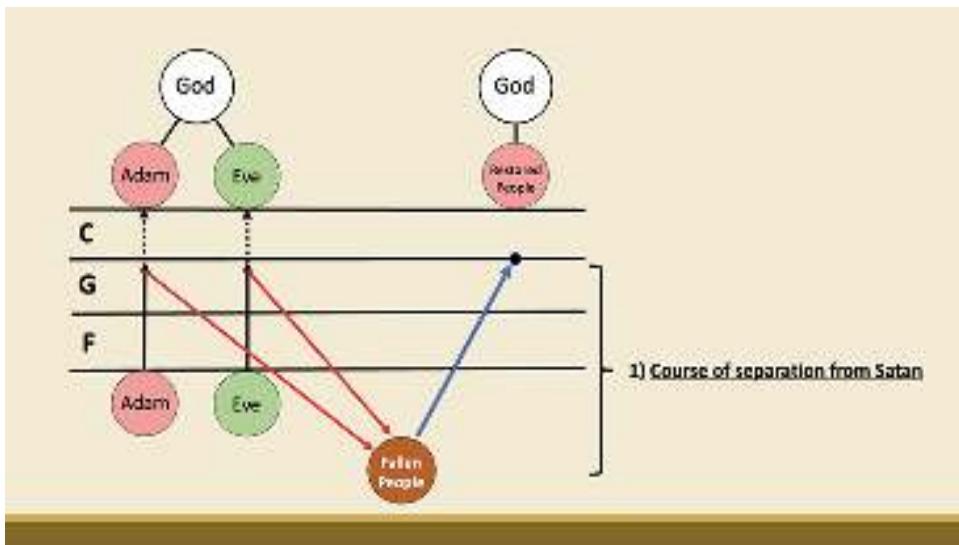
**This work of God throughout history is called** the Providence of Restoration.

**The “former things” that must pass** are those things associated with the Fall of Man and the disastrous consequences that followed.

## THE CRITICAL ROLE OF HUMAN RESPONSIBILITY

**When Christ comes and His mission is completed**, we become fully reborn into God's family, finally removing all traces of evil and sin.

**This is the final goal of God's providence.**



**Although God's heart is to restore His children as quickly as possible**, He cannot contradict His own Principles.

**He will never take away man's freedom and portion of responsibility** in the process of restoration.

**That means God cannot force any person to be obedient** and to cooperate with His providential will.

**If God were to interfere with a person's portion of responsibility**, He would be contradicting His own Principle of Creation – and He cannot do that.

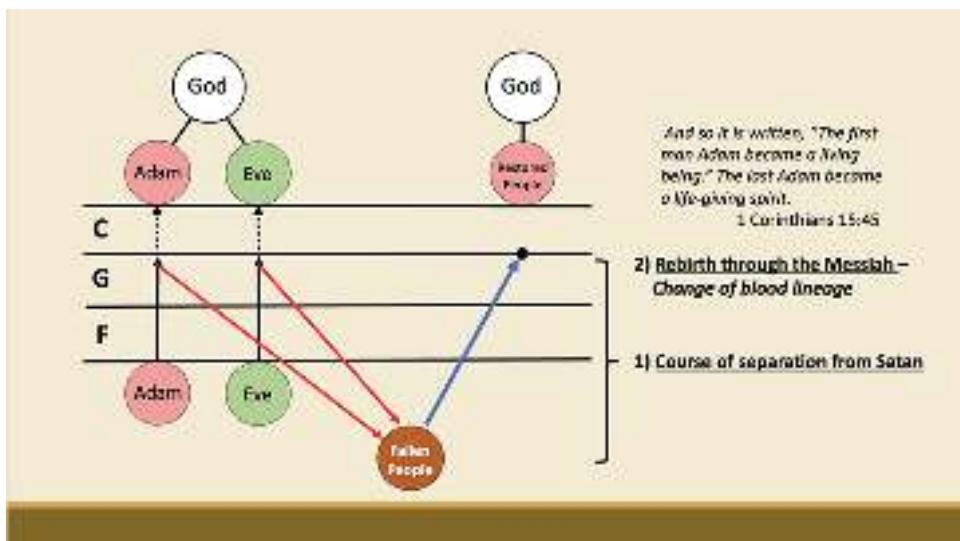
**Just as God could not interfere with Adam and Eve's responsibility** in the Garden, He will not interfere with man's portion of responsibility throughout the providence of restoration, no matter how long it takes.

**By not interfering in our portion of responsibility**, God demonstrates His true, unconditional love for us, His fallen children.

**As we learned in our study of the Fall**, 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?

**The restoration process must follow a course according to God's Principles.** Fallen people...

1. First must 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. This is the responsibility of fallen man and must be accomplished before God can send the messiah.



2. On this foundation, we are to receive the messiah and be reborn through Him, thereby being restored to the original state of human beings before the fall. Our blood lineage must be changed from Satan's blood lineage to God's blood lineage through the True Adam.

**As fallen people, we, who are under Satan's dominion, cannot remove our original sin by our own effort.**

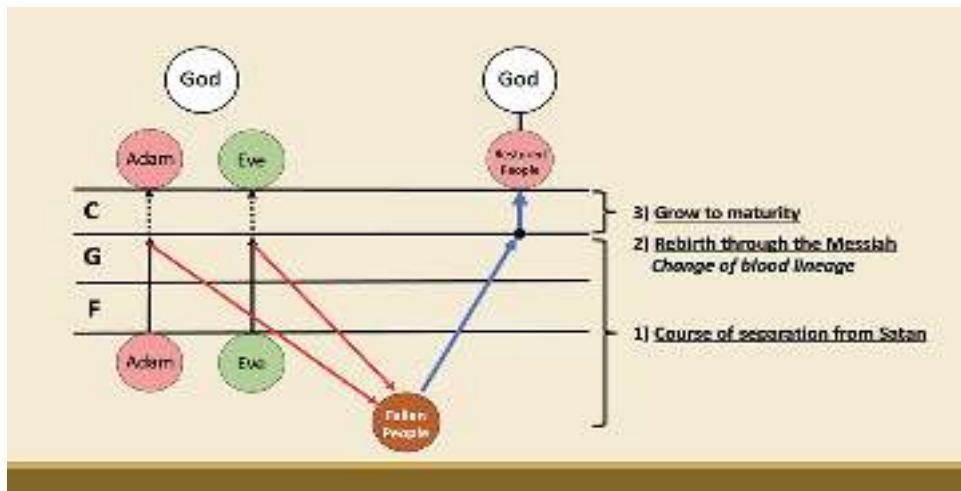
**Humankind must find rebirth through receiving the spirit** and Word of the Second, or Last Adam, referred to by Paul in the New Testament:

I Corinthians 15:45 says, **“And so it is written, ‘The first man Adam became a living being.’ The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.”**

## THE MESSIAH COMES AS THE NEW ADAM

**What did we inherit from the first Adam**, to whom God originally gave spiritual and physical life? Due to the Fall, we inherited a sinful nature, falling into a state of spiritual death.

**When we are reborn through Christ**, who comes as the new Adam, we can regain spiritual life and a connection to God.

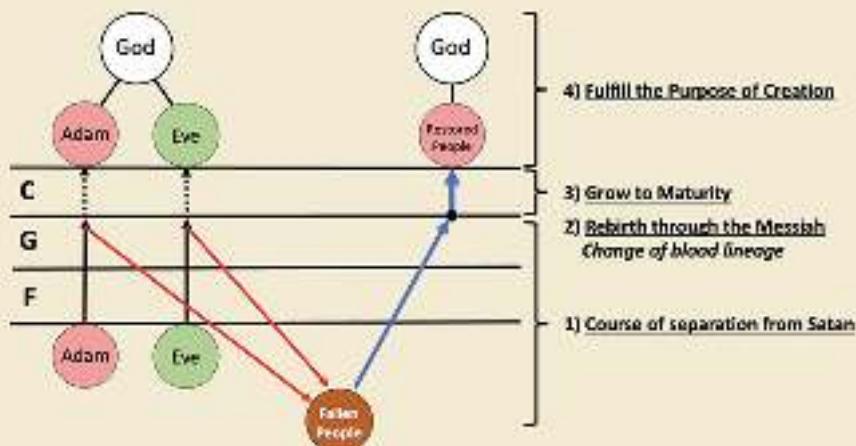


**3.** Once reborn, by following the Messiah, we should continue to grow through the completion stage to maturity.

**By becoming one in spirit and in action with the Messiah**, we can experience a new level of heart and love which no one in fallen human history could ever experience.



## THE POSITION OF FALLEN MAN



4. Finally, we can fulfill the original Purpose of Creation, becoming totally one with God.

**This is, in fact, what all of human history has been about.** This is what the Bible is really all about. **Through the process** of restoration, God has been working with his children – fallen human beings – to bring us back to His bosom as quickly as possible.

### The Position of Fallen Man

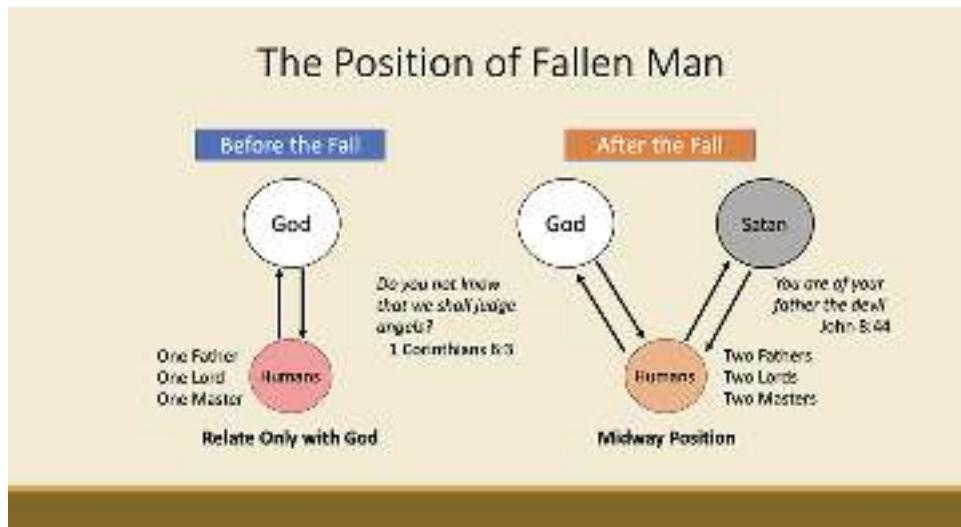


**Let us take a closer look** at the position in which fallen human beings find themselves.

**If the first human ancestors had reached maturity**, they would have lived relating with God only as their master, Lord, and Heavenly Father.

**Lucifer, as an angel created by God**, was originally placed in a position to serve Adam and Eve, relating to them from his servant's position.

1 Corinthians 6:3 says: **“Do you not know that we shall judge angels?”** This is because angels were created to be the servants of God's children, not our masters.



**However, due to the Fall**, our first ancestors joined in a kinship of blood with Satan.

**While we were originally created by God** as His children, through the Fall we also came to inherit Satan's evil nature.

As it says in John 8:44, **“You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do...”**

**Although human beings came to be dominated by Satan** through their sin, their original mind, which reflects the original nature God gave them, could not be completely eliminated.

**Hence, immediately after the Fall**, our fallen ancestors found themselves in the midway position between God and Satan.

## SEPARATING FROM SATAN

Instead of having only God as their master, they were now in a position of relating to 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

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

### Separating Satan from Fallen People



**Because God loves His children**, His desire is that they can completely cut off their relationship with Satan and be restored to their original, sinless state.

**How, then, does God separate Satan from fallen people?** If God could accomplish this based on His power alone, mankind would have been restored a long time ago.

**Since God created His children to become one with Him** through free will and responsibility, restoration can only occur based on this principle. This eternal principle did not disappear when the Fall occurred.

**Adam and Eve would have continued to grow** in their relationship with God had they believed in and obeyed the commandment God gave them.

**Similarly, a fallen person will go toward God's side** if he makes good conditions, and toward Satan's side if he makes evil conditions.

**From our study of the Principle of Creation**, we can understand that this is similar to the principle of spiritual growth. Through receiving God's Word and His love, and by responding with faith and good actions, we spiritually mature and come closer to God.

**On the other hand, we could choose to follow words** which originate from Satan, arising from the fallen, sinful nature within ourselves or from the fallen culture and people around us.

**Listening to and living according to Satan's words** leads to further separation from God, moving us closer to Satan's side.

*What does it profit, my brethren, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can faith save him? James 2:14*

*Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you.*      James 4:7

## RESTORATION THROUGH INDEMNITY

**The book of James explains the importance** of not only having abstract faith in God, but putting that faith into action.

**Obedience to God and resisting the devil is man's 5%** portion of responsibility, with which God cannot interfere.

### 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* is God's grace through which we can be restored to our original standing in relationship to God.

**The path of making the conditions necessary to separate** from Satan is known as "Restoration through Indemnity."

**The path of indemnity is man's actions** of resisting the devil and returning to God.

**What, then, is the meaning of restoration through indemnity?**

**We call the conditions fallen human beings** make as an expression of faith in and obedience to God "indemnity conditions."

**God's historical work to restore people to their true**, unfallen state by having them establish indemnity conditions is called the providence of restoration through indemnity.

## 3 Types of Indemnity



**The different types of indemnity conditions** can be understood based on how those conditions compare with the value of what was lost.

**We can find three major types of indemnity** described and applied in the Bible. **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.

This can also be described as restitution or compensation. For example, **“an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth,”** as described in the book of Deuteronomy 19:21, is an example of equal indemnity.

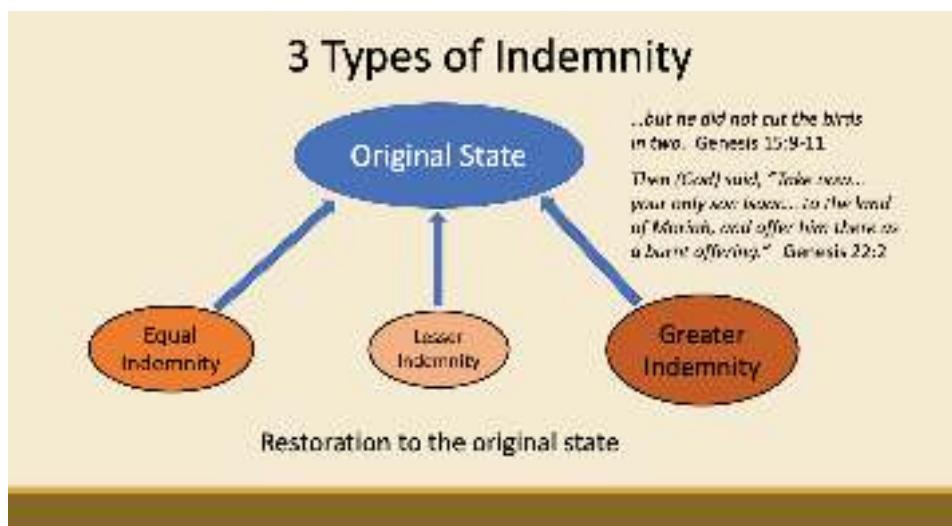
## 3 Types of Indemnity



**The second type of indemnity is called “lesser indemnity.”**

In this case, restoration is achieved by making a condition of indemnity at a price less than the value of what was lost. For example, our faith in Christ allows us to receive the priceless blessing of having our sins forgiven and attaining spiritual salvation.

**Our offering of faith in Christ and obedience to Him** doesn't compare with the sacrifice Christ made Himself; nor does it earn the blessing of the grace we are given, since nothing we as sinful people could do would earn that forgiveness. Romans 5:19 says: **“For as by one man’s disobedience many were made sinners, so by one man’s obedience many will be made righteous.”**

**The third type of indemnity is called “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.

**For example, we read about Abraham's offering** of the animals (heifer, goat/ram, and turtledove/pigeon) **in Genesis 15 and 22.**

**When Abraham failed to complete the animal sacrifices** according to God's instructions, God asked him to sacrifice Isaac, his beloved only son, on the altar.

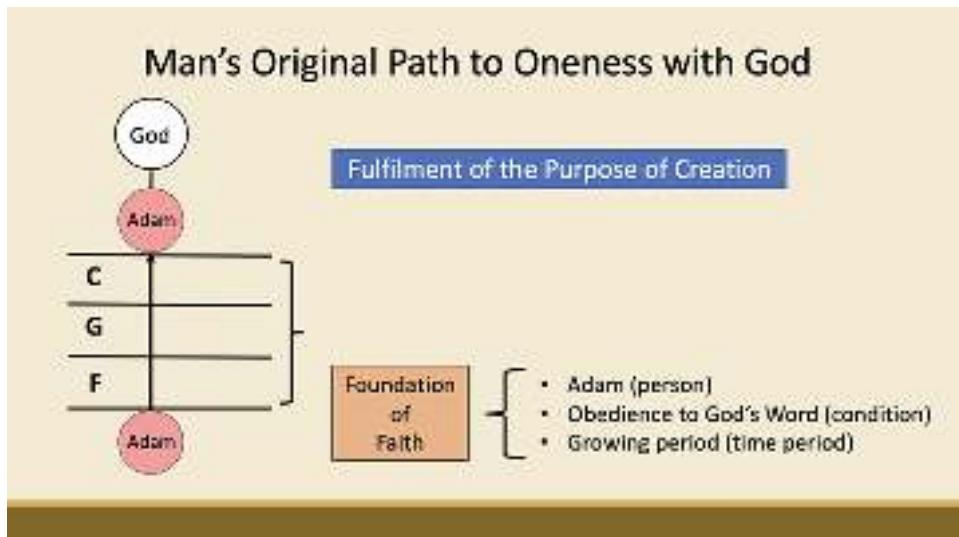
**This was a much more difficult course for Abraham**, but it had become necessary due to failure of the previous offering.

**This time Abraham was willing to make the offering**, but

God stopped him at the last minute, accepting Abraham's great demonstration of faith.

**When a person makes a greater indemnity condition**, it is always greater than the previous condition that God had asked.

**However, even a “greater” indemnity condition cannot** compare with the value of the grace and blessing received by the person who offers it.



**As discussed earlier, for fallen people to be restored** to their original state, we must receive the Messiah, and remove the original sin.

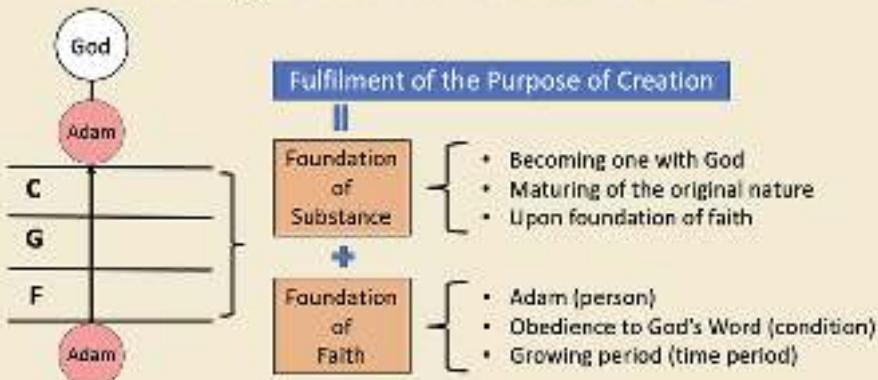
**However, before we can receive the Messiah**, we must first establish the foundation for the Messiah.

**This process is based on the original path that Adam** was to have gone through in order to complete his own portion of responsibility required for him to become one with God.

**For Adam to realize the purpose of creation**, he needed to fulfill two types of 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.

## Man's Original Path to Oneness with God



**Second, Adam was supposed to establish the foundation of substance.** Through successfully maintaining an unshakable foundation of faith, his character would have continued to mature into a state of oneness with God, resembling God's character of unconditional, parental love.

**If Adam had kept the Word God** gave to him throughout his growing period, he would have achieved his purpose to become the eternal and unchanging image and likeness of God.

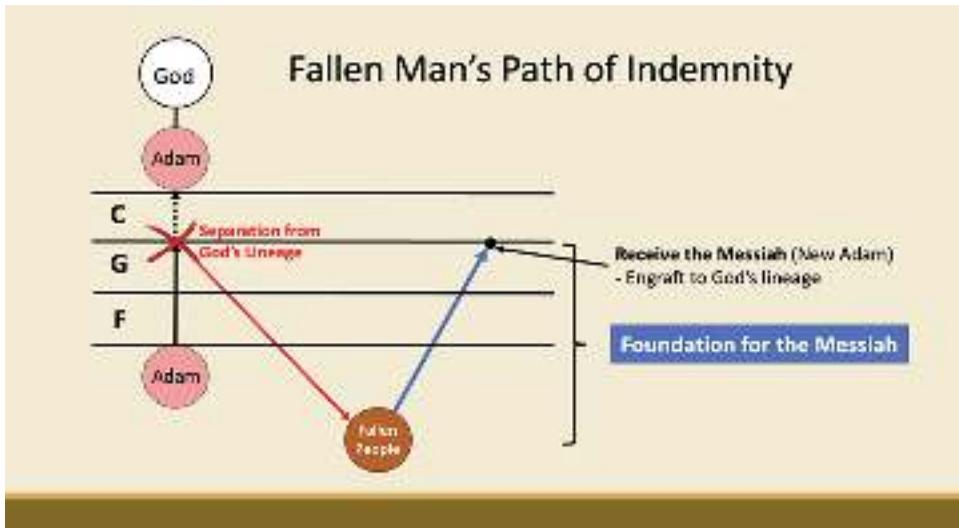
**As the son of God and His perfected dwelling place of love,** Adam himself would have been in essence God's body in the created world.

As Saint Paul said in **1 Corinthians 3:16**, “**Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?**”

Then all of Adam's descendants would have been born without sin, resembling perfected Adam and God Himself.

**This was the original plan and process through which God's purpose of creation was meant to be accomplished.**

## RECEIVING THE NEW BLOOD LINEAGE THROUGH CHRIST



**In the course of restoration, fallen human beings must** go through a similar, though more complex and prolonged course, based on these original principles.

**Then, having successfully established the Foundation** to Receive the Messiah, we must recognize and receive Christ into our lives.

**To receive the Messiah is to receive the New Adam**, who is Christ, and become reborn into God's lineage.

**Upon receiving God's Blessing through Christ**, we can completely separate our blood lineage from Satan's blood lineage.

**How can we claim to be God's children as long as Satan's blood is still running through our veins?**

**This changing of the blood lineage through Christ is absolutely required** for us to engraft to God's lineage and become completely one with Him.

**Without changing the blood lineage**, sin can never be eradicated from fallen human beings.

*He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 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. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. 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.*

Colossians 1:15-18

**Although God created the first Adam without sin** and gave him the Three Great Blessings and the Commandment, Adam disobeyed God and lost the true lineage.

**Christ, as the new Adam**, comes upon the historical foundation of indemnity as the one who is born of God, having nothing to do with sin.

**He is the beginning of true love**, true life, and true lineage – the hope of fallen mankind.

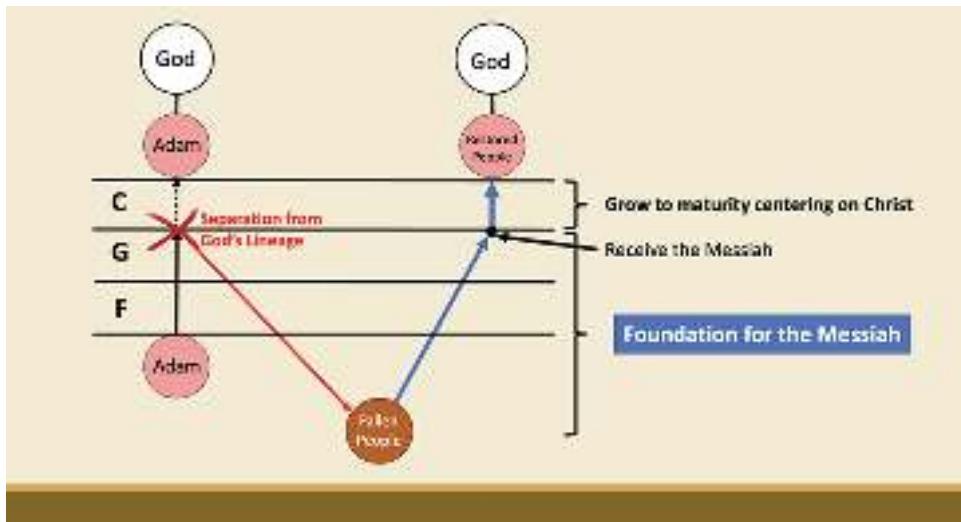
*"I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing."*

John 15:5

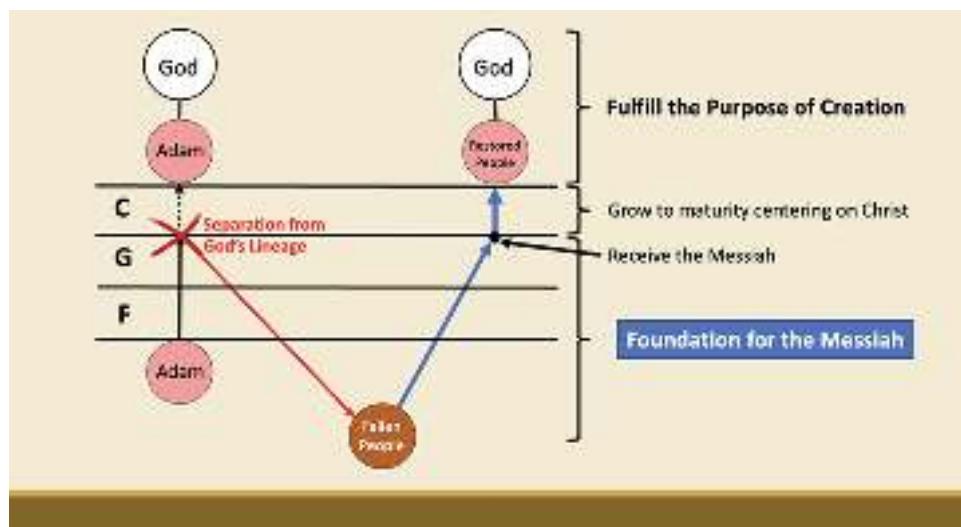
*Adopted children are of a different lineage, but through the coming of the Lord, they were engrafted and thus able to call God "Father," with the title of son. You should know that the establishment of the parent-child relationship with God was a heavenly secret that could be accomplished by no one other than Jesus.*

Sun Myung Moon, Cheon Seong Gyeong (1970.10.25)

**Jesus discusses this engrafting process in the book of John**, comparing it to engrafting branches to a vine. **Rev. Moon often emphasized the importance of changing** our lineage through connecting with Christ.



**Upon receiving the messiah and engrafting to Him**, we are able to cut our blood ties to Satan and become part of God's lineage. **When we can receive the Messiah, who is the True Adam and True Ancestor**, we can then grow in our relationship with God through the completion stage in the way God originally intended.

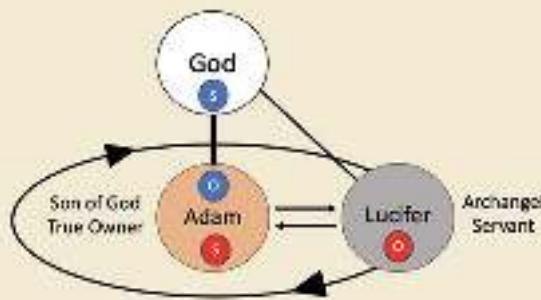


**Having completed the process of growth by reaching maturity,** we can finally accomplish the original Purpose of Creation, becoming God's true sons and daughters.

**Since God is eternal, absolute, and unchanging, His original** plan to establish His kingdom on earth and in heaven will undoubtedly be accomplished.

**Let us examine exactly how God worked to accomplish** the work of restoring His children as told in the Bible.

### 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.

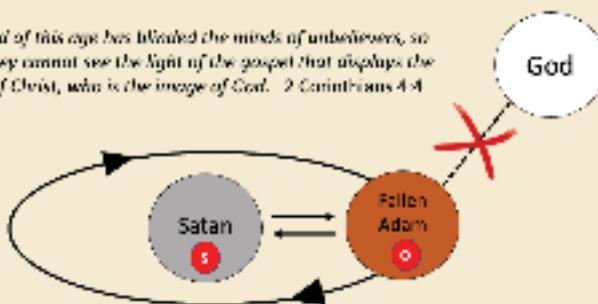
**He was to have inherited the world God bequeathed to His children, becoming the True Owner of the cosmos.**

**Lucifer, who was an angel in the position of servant,** should have stood in the object position to Adam, serving Adam who was created as God's son and Lord of Creation.

## ESTABLISHING THE FOUNDATION TO RECEIVE THE MESSIAH

### The Order of Creation Reversed Due to the Fall

*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. 2 Corinthians 4:4*



**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 fallen mankind. Satan had become the god of this world.

### The Foundation for the Messiah

#### Foundation for the Messiah

Foundation  
of Faith  
Mark 12:30

*"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength." Mark 12:30*

- Central figure
- Object for the condition
- Numerical period of indemnity

**As discussed earlier**, fallen human beings need to fulfill their own portion of responsibility to establish a foundation for the Messiah to come.

**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:

**“The first of all the commandments is ... ‘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.’ ”**

**First of all, God is looking for someone who can love Him** absolutely and be obedient to Him – symbolically restoring Adam’s failure.

**The foundation of faith represents the vertical relationship between man and God.**

**To restore the foundation of faith**, first there must be a central figure, representing the original Adam position. Second, an object for the condition must be offered.

**Originally**, the condition for Adam to reach oneness with God was to keep the commandment – God’s Word.

**Third, a numerical period of indemnity must be completed.** This represents the growing period – the time period during which Adam was to keep the commandment not to eat the fruit.

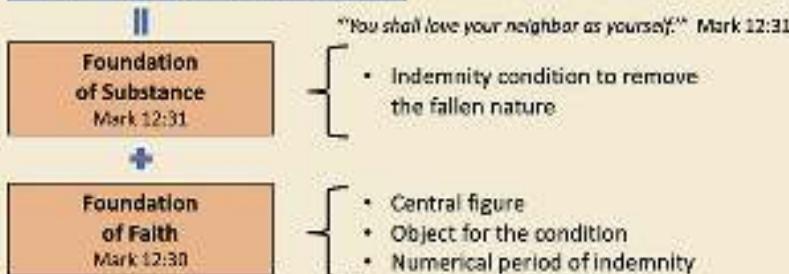
**God exists and created upon His Principle**, which has a numerical aspect. Human beings, who are at the center of God’s creation, are also created based on numerical principles.

**Originally**, the first human ancestors were to become complete by passing through a growing period characterized by certain numbers, thus laying the foundation of faith.

**We see certain numbers repeated throughout the Bible**, such as 3 stages of growth, 12 disciples, 40 days fasting, etc. – each having a particular significance in the restoration process.

## The Foundation for the Messiah

### Foundation for the Messiah



Mark 12:31 says: **“The second (great commandment) is this, ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no other commandment greater than these.”**

**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.

**This represents the horizontal relationship** between created beings, which was originally to reflect the characteristics of God's true, pure love.

**The archangel, in his arrogance and self-centeredness**, did not humble himself to Adam who was closer to God.

**The Foundation of Substance is the indemnity condition** to remove the fallen nature, which we can see played out in the Bible through the relationships between the central figures and the people around them.

**When the Foundation of Faith and the Foundation of Substance are completed successfully, the Foundation to Receive the Messiah is established.**

**Based on the Principle of Creation**, human beings were to have dominion over the creation, including the angels, through fulfilling their own portion of responsibility during the growth period. Therefore, in restoration, it is only when human beings establish this foundation through their own free will and responsibility that can God send the Messiah – a new Adam.

## THE PROVIDENCE OF RESTORATION IN ADAM'S FAMILY

## 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.

**Had both conditions been successfully established in Adam's family, the Foundation for the Messiah would have been established, and the Messiah could have come to Adam's family.**

**Why would God want to wait thousands of years** to send the Messiah, allowing millions of sinful people to multiply and cover the earth? God's parental heart was to have His children return to Him as soon as possible.

**How quickly world restoration could have been accomplished had the Messiah been able to come to Adam's family - the only family in the world!**

**Based on these principles**, let's study how God attempted to guide Adam's family to complete the required conditions of indemnity for restoration to take place.

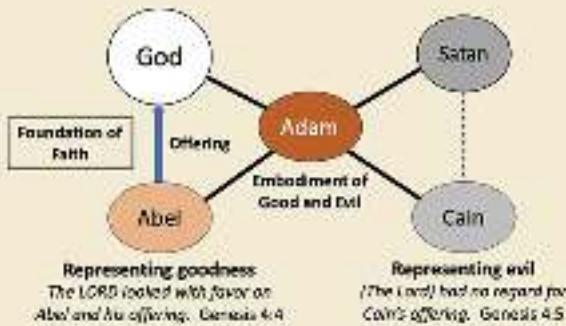
*In the course of time Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground. And Abel also brought an offering—‘the firstlings of his flock and their fat portions’ from some of the firstborn of his flock. The LORD looked with favor on Abel and his offering, but had no regard for Cain’s offering. The LORD 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

**God was able to accept Abel’s offering of faith, but rejected Cain’s offering.** God then guided Cain, telling him he would be accepted if he would do well. Why did God reject Cain’s offering to begin with? What was the principle behind this?

**We must also ask, what must Cain “do well” to “be accepted?”**

### The Foundation of Faith



**Exactly how was the Foundation of Faith to be established in Adam's family?**

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 in Adam's family 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 himself 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 Adam fell.

**God originally created Adam as a pure child of God.** However, after Eve sinned with the archangel, Adam disobeyed God by falling into sin with her, losing his position as God's trusted son.

**For the purpose of restoration, God symbolically divided Adam**, who himself embodied both good and evil, through his two sons who represented good and evil respectively.

**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**, as the elder son, he represented the first fallen act - the sexual relationship between Eve and the Archangel. Therefore, he was in the position to relate to Satan.

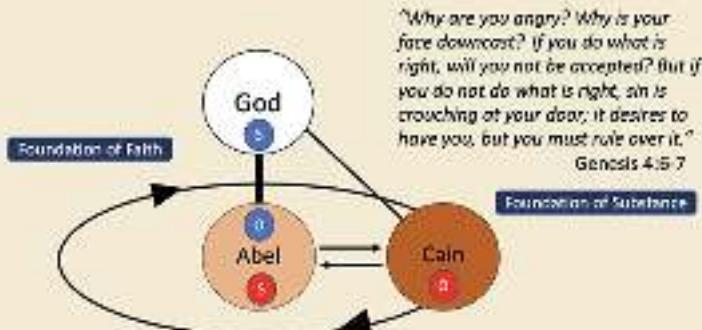
**Abel, as the second son, was designated to be on the side of God** and goodness. Abel was in the position to represent the second fallen act - the relationship between Eve and Adam.

**Although both acts of the Fall were against God's Principle**, the second one was relatively closer to God's original plan.

**God never intended for Eve to have a sexual relationship with an angel.** His plan was for Adam and Eve to become True Husband and Wife. Therefore, Abel, the second son, was in a position to relate with God.

**Abel made the offering in a manner acceptable to God**, while Cain's offering was rejected. In this way, Abel 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 stood in a similar position as the elder brother of Abel.**

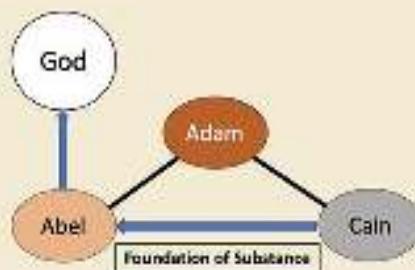
**As the being created before Adam,** Lucifer struggled to humble himself to the younger Adam, who was in the position of being closer to God than himself.

**Cain experienced the same feelings towards Abel as Lucifer felt towards Adam** – the four 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, symbolically restoring what Lucifer could not do in front of God and Adam.

**In addition,** Abel, though a fallen person, symbolically represented the position of the coming Messiah, who would be the true, sinless Adam.

**God spoke to Cain in Genesis 4:6-7** and offered a promise: **“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

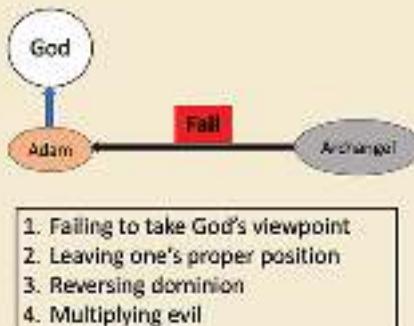
**To remove the fallen nature, a person must make an indemnity condition**, separating from Satan, taking a course which reverses the process through which human beings initially acquired the fallen nature.

**Had Cain established the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature** - in other words, had he done "what is right" and "mastered" the sin that was "crouching at his door," God would have gladly accepted his offering as well.

**This was in fact God's desire and plan, as He instructed Cain.** Had Cain accomplished his God-given responsibility, the Foundation of Substance would then have been laid in Adam's family, completing the Foundation to Receive the Messiah.



## Characteristics of the Fallen Nature



*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'?" Genesis 3:1-8*

To better understand Cain's responsibility in this dispensation, let us review the four characteristics of the fallen nature which must be reversed for the foundation of substance to be established.

We find the story of the Fall in Genesis 3:1-8, where Satan rebelled against God by tempting them to sin. **"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'?"**

*In what way, exactly, did the archangel fail in his God-given position?*

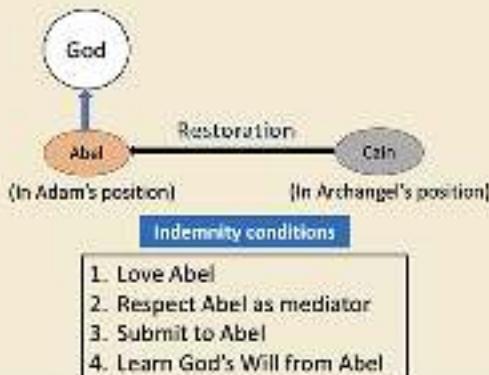
**First**, the Archangel fell because he did not love Adam as God loved him. Rather, he envied Adam, who was receiving more love from God than he. This was the first fallen nature: failing to take God's viewpoint.

**Second**, the Archangel fell because he did not respect Adam as God's son and did not receive God's love through Adam as God intended. This was the second fallen nature: leaving one's proper position.

**Third**, the Archangel claimed dominion over Eve and then Adam, who were his rightful lords. This was the third fallen nature: reversing dominion.

**And fourth**, the Archangel conveyed his own evil will to Eve, who then multiplied that evil will to Adam. This was the fourth fallen nature: multiplying evil.

## Indemnity Conditions to Remove the Fallen Nature

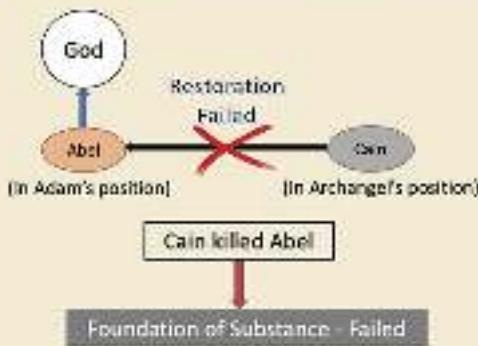


**To make the conditions in Adam's family to remove these characteristics of the fallen nature:**

- 1. Cain**, who stood in the Archangel's position, should have taken God's viewpoint by loving Abel, who stood in Adam's position.
- 2. Cain** should have received God's love through Abel, whose offering was accepted, respecting him as the one closer to God and God's mediator.
- 3. Cain** should have obediently submitted to Abel, accepting Abel's guidance and direction in relating to God.
- 4. Cain** should have learned God's Will from Abel, multiplying goodness by living according to God's Will.

**Although Cain experienced the same fallen characteristics** that the archangel had, it was his responsibility to make the indemnity condition to overcome those tendencies, follow his original nature, and humbly unite with Abel.

## Failure of the Foundation of Substance



**But 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, Cain failed to see Abel from God's viewpoint, killing the person who stood in the position of the one God loved most.

**Thus, Adam's family failed to lay the foundation of restoration required for the Messiah to come.** Consequently, God's providence of restoration through Adam's family could not be completed.

## 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 complete the Foundation of Substance. 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? By killing Abel, God had no condition to send a new Adam. Rather, Satan had secured control over Adam's family.

**Besides, 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?

**Tragically, there was no foundation to receive the messiah** in Adam's family, and God's providence of restoration had to be extended.

**By studying the events in Adam's family,** it becomes clear 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

## THE PROVIDENCE OF RESTORATION IN NOAH'S FAMILY

### What are the key lessons we can learn from Adam's family?

**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. Therefore, the accomplishment of God's will in any particular circumstance depends on the successful completion of man's portion of responsibility.

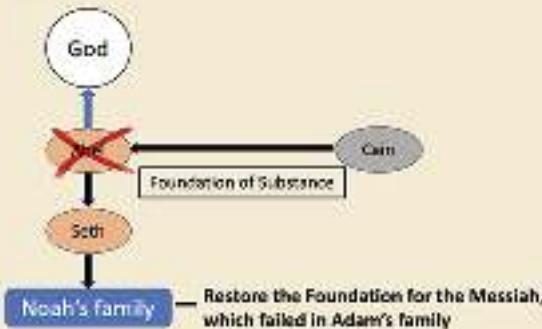
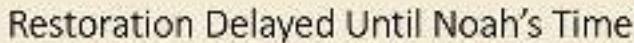
**Even after Cain killed Abel**, God began a new chapter of His providence by raising Seth in Abel's place. This shows us that God has absolutely predestined that His Will shall one day be fulfilled, even though His predestination concerning individual human beings and circumstances is conditional.

**Through the offerings of Cain and Abel**, God teaches us that fallen people must constantly seek a person in the Abel position. For example, the Israelites were given Moses.

**Jesus' disciples were blessed to be given the True Adam.** By recognizing, respecting, and faithfully following the one in the Abel position, we can accomplish God's Will, even though we may not understand every aspect of it.

### The Providence of Restoration in Noah's Family

**Next let us examine how God worked his providence centering upon Noah's family.**



**From before the creation of the world**, God predestined absolutely the fulfillment of his Purpose of Creation, and His Will remains unchangeable.

**Even though Abel**, the central figure for restoration in Adam's family, was killed, God continued to work.

**On the foundation of the loyal heart that Abel demonstrated, God chose Abel's brother Seth in his place.**

**From among Seth's descendants**, God chose Noah as the central figure in His providence.

**Noah's family was chosen to restore through indemnity** the Foundation of Faith, and then the Foundation of Substance.

**They were to restore through indemnity the Foundation** for the Messiah which Adam's family failed to achieve.

**Upon the successful completion of that foundation,** God's plan was to send the Messiah to Noah's family.

**Let's read from Genesis the story of Noah's family.**

*The Lord saw that the wickedness of man was great in the earth, and that every imagination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. And the Lord was sorry that he had made man on the earth, and it grieved him to his heart. So the Lord said, "I will blot out man whom I have created from the face of the ground, man and beast and creeping things and birds of the air, for I am sorry that I have made them." But Noah found favor in the eyes of the Lord.*

Genesis 6:5-8

**Genesis 6:5-8 reveals God's parental love for His children**, and the hope He had when He first created mankind. His heart was broken as His own children rebelled against Him, committing sins that brought God indescribable pain - even to the point that He regretted creating us.

## Noah as the Central Figure of Faith

*...Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God. Genesis 6:9*



- ① Adam to Noah: 10 generations, 1,600 years
- ② Second ancestor of humanity
- ③ Showed absolute obedience to God
- ④ Stood on the foundation of Abel's heart
- ⑤ Descendant of Seth (replaced Abel)
- ⑥ Righteous man

**Genesis 6:9 tells us that ...Noah was a righteous man, blameless in his generation; Noah walked with God.**

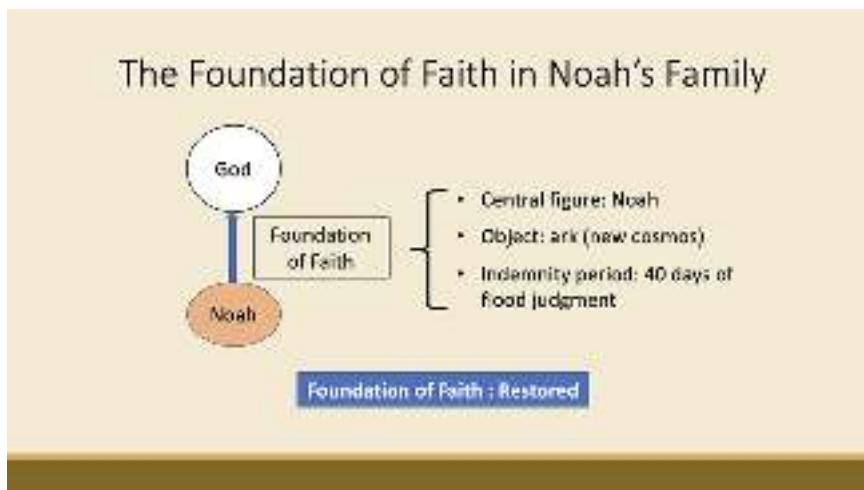
**There are several reasons why God chose Noah** to be the central figure of faith.

**There are certain numerical time periods** through which God works both in Creation and in re-creation, or Restoration. The number 10 represents perfection, and the number 40 represents separation from Satan. 1600 years is 40 times 40. We will see these numbers time and time again throughout the Bible.

**Just as Adam was created to be the ancestor of all humanity,** Noah became the new ancestor of all people who lived after him.

**According to the Bible**, Noah worked diligently for 120 years on the mountaintop to build the ark according to God's instruction – despite the mocking from the people around him or doubts his own family members may have had.

**For the reasons listed here**, Noah was qualified to make the symbolic offering to God.



### **How was the Foundation of Faith achieved in Noah's family?**

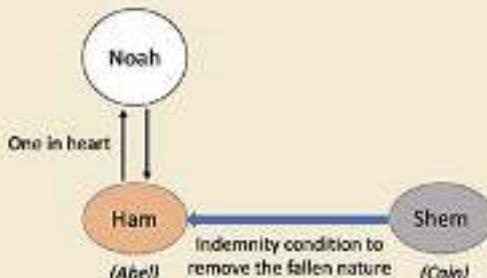
The object for the condition by which Noah was able to restore the Foundation of Faith was the ark. Building the ark with absolute faith was the indemnity condition for the restoration of the Cosmos which had been lost to Satan due to Adam's fall and signified the new cosmos. A family of human beings 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 – the numerical time period of indemnity representing separation from Satan. God's 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.

**We can see that Noah himself was the central figure** who successfully established the Foundation of Faith, symbolically restoring Adam's lack of faith in God.

### The Foundation of Substance in Noah's Family



**How was the Foundation of Substance meant to be fulfilled in Noah's family?**

**Noah's sons, Shem and Ham**, were to have stood in the positions of Cain and Abel respectively.

**Had they succeeded in the Substantial Offering** by completing 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 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 of faith.

**Was the Foundation of Substance successfully accomplished?** Let's read what happens next...

*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."*

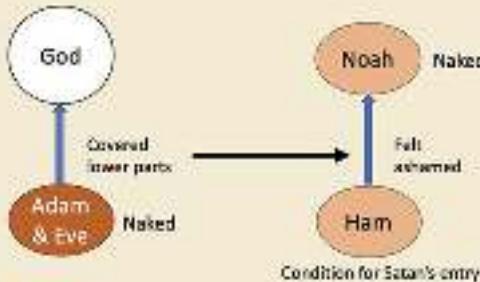
*He also said, "Blessed by the Lord my God be Shem; and let Canaan be his slave."*

Genesis 9:20-25

**We see that instead of giving his blessing to the second son**, Ham, Noah cursed Ham and Ham's descendants, beginning with Canaan.

**Why did Noah do this?**

### Providence surrounding Noah's nakedness



Ham: Failed to restore Abel's position

**Instead of uniting in heart with Noah by overcoming his fallen nature**, Ham allowed the four fallen natures to dominate his actions. **Standing** in the Abel position, Ham should have kept God's viewpoint about Noah, maintaining a pure heart of trust in his father who had shown incredible faith in God and saved their family.

**Instead, Ham judged his father from his own viewpoint**, left his position as a faithful son, took things into his own hands (reversing dominion), and then multiplied his faithless attitude by causing his brothers to cover up Noah in shame.

**When Ham felt ashamed of his father's nakedness**, an act that resembled Adam and Eve 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.

**Certainly God did not bring about the flood** and the destruction of the earth for Noah's family to fail. God wanted them to succeed and to receive all the blessings He had prepared for them, including sending the Messiah to their family. **However**, God could not interfere with their portion of responsibility. 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

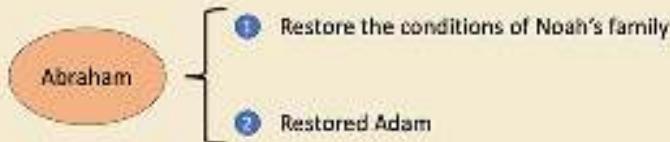
### The Providence of Restoration in Abraham's Family

Next, let's take a look at God's providence of restoration centering on Abraham's family.

### Abraham as the Central Figure of Faith

*"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."*

Genesis 12:2-3



**In Genesis chapter 12, God gives His Blessing to Abraham.**

**In the Providence of Restoration in Abraham's family**, the central person to restore the Foundation of Faith was Abraham himself.

**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.

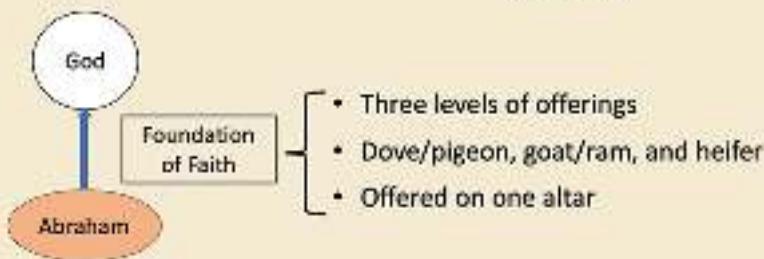
**Abraham was to inherit the mission of Noah**, which was the mission of Adam. In this capacity he represented the restored Adam.

**While Noah and Abraham were both men born into sin**, they were each called by God to be His champions in the providence of restoration.

**As God had blessed Adam**, God also blessed Noah and then Abraham to make a great nation and to be the source of blessing for the future of mankind.

## The Foundation of Faith in Abraham's Family

*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."*  
Genesis 15:9

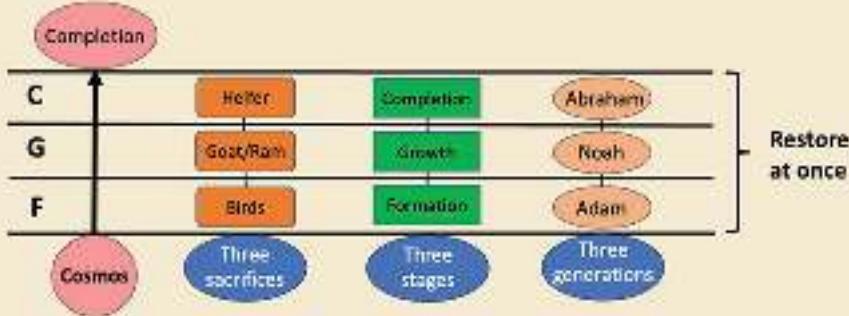


**What sort of offering did God ask Abraham to make?**

We read in Genesis 15:9 that God commanded Abraham to offer two birds, a goat and a ram, and a heifer.

**These were the conditional objects which Abraham needed to offer to restore the foundation of faith.**

## Three sacrifices: Cosmos completed through three stages



### What was the significance of the offering?

**It was an object for the condition** to restore all that Adam's family was supposed to accomplish through Cain and Abel's sacrifices. It was also an object for the condition to restore all that God wanted to accomplish in Noah's family through the dispensation of the ark.

**These three types of sacrifices symbolized the cosmos**, which is completed through three stages of the Growing Period.

**The dove and pigeon represented the formation stage**, the goat and ram the growth stage, and the heifer the completion stage.

**Abraham was supposed to restore all at once** the long providence which God had conducted through the three providential generations of Adam (formation), Noah (growth), and Abraham (completion).

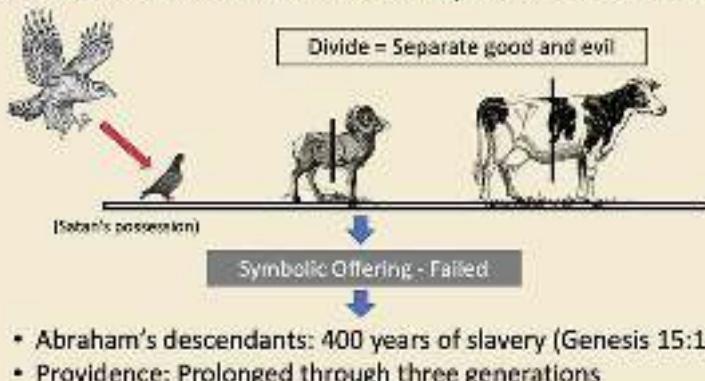


*And he brought him all these, cut them in two, and laid each half over against the other; but he did not cut the birds in two. And when birds of prey came down upon the carcasses, Abram drove them away.*

Genesis 15:10-11

What happened when Abraham made his offering? Genesis 15:10-11 says that birds of prey came down upon the carcasses.

### How Abraham Made the Symbolic Offering



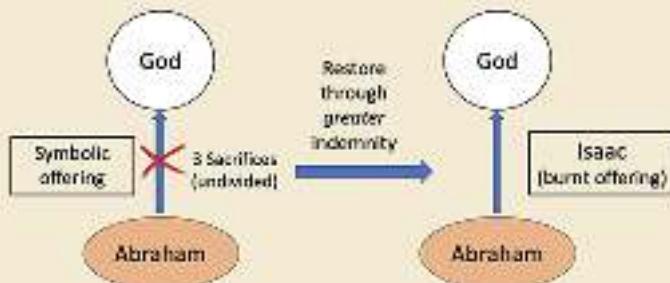
**Because Abraham did not cut the bird offerings in two** as he should have, birds of prey came down and defiled the sacrifices.

**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**, God told Abraham in Genesis 15:13 that his descendants would have to suffer oppression and slavery for 400 years in the land of Egypt.

**Due to Abraham's failure with the animal offerings**, the providence centered on Abraham also had to be extended to the three generations of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob.

## Abraham's Offering of Isaac



**When Noah's family failed to lay the foundation for the messiah**, God could no longer work with Noah's family.

**Why then did God continue to work with Abraham**, even after he failed the offering of the animals?

**God's work in Abraham's family was the third attempt** to complete the Foundation for the Messiah. The number three represents completion according to God's principle.

**Because it was the third dispensation**, 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.

**God then commanded Abraham to sacrifice his son**, Isaac, as a burnt offering.

**Although Ishmael was Abraham's son** through Sarah's Egyptian maid servant Hagar, Isaac was the only son Abraham had with his wife, Sarah. There was nothing more precious to Abraham than his son Isaac.

**By commanding Abraham** to demonstrate his willingness to offer Isaac as the sacrifice, God could begin a new dispensation for the purpose of restoring through indemnity Abraham's failure with the animal sacrifices.

*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. Then he reached out his hand and took the knife to slay his son.*

Genesis 22:9-10



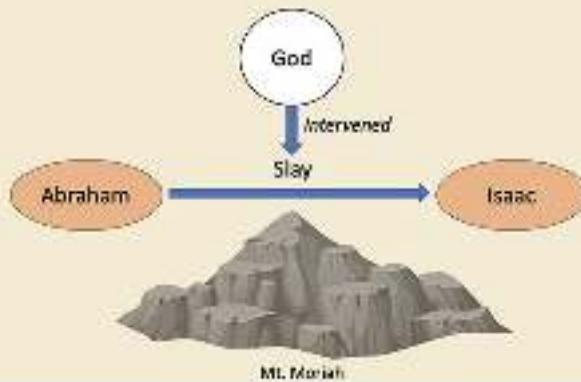
**It is difficult to imagine the struggle Abraham** must have gone through to trust God enough to offer his son Isaac. How much more difficult this was than the offering of the animals!

**Nevertheless**, Abraham's faith was strong, and he totally surrendered himself to God's instructions – even though he may not have understood at the time all the reasons why he had to do this.

## How Abraham Offered Isaac

*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.'

Genesis 22:11-12



**Just as Abraham was about to slay Isaac,** God sent a message to him through an angel.

**When God saw that Abraham was willing to offer his son,** God intervened, acknowledging Abraham's condition of absolute faith.

## Result of the Offering of Isaac



**What was the result of Abraham's willingness to offer his son Isaac?**

**Abraham's total devotion to do God's Will** and his unwavering actions carried out with absolute faith, obedience, and loyalty, lifted him up to the position of having already killed Isaac.

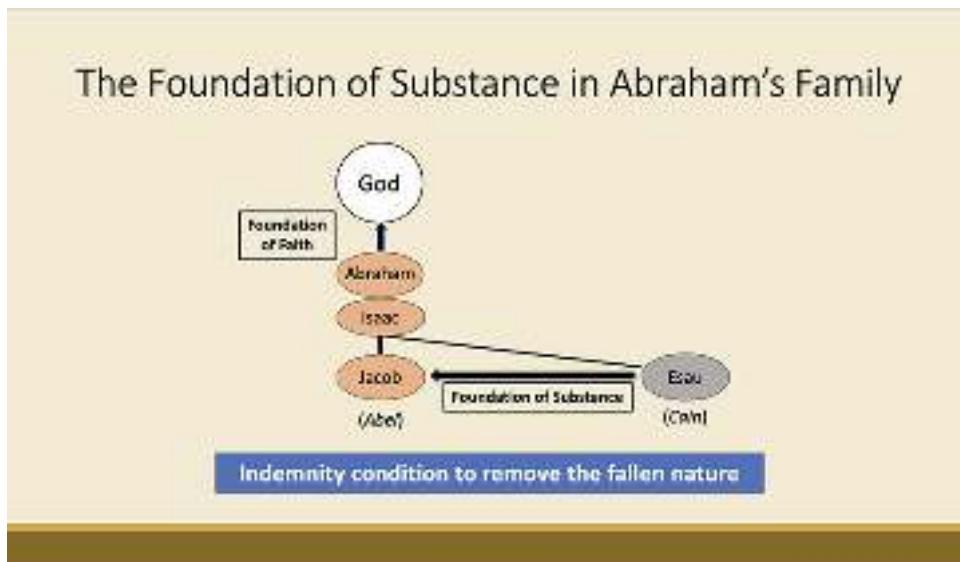
**Therefore, he completely separated Satan from Isaac.**

**Because Abraham succeeded in his offering of Isaac**, the providence of restoration could be carried on by Isaac.

**When Abraham** had put forth his hand and took the knife to slay Isaac, Isaac totally united with his father. Isaac was willing to die if that was required of him.

**Isaac's humble obedience to his father** allowed Abraham to make him the offering as commanded by God.

**Isaac's demonstration of trust in Abraham** also restored the failure of Ham, who had failed to unite with the heart of his father Noah, who was totally faithful to God.



**To complete the establishment of 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).

## Esau Sells His Birthright to Jacob

*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.*

Genesis 25:29-33

**Traditionally**, the birthright, which was the right of inheritance and privilege, was given to the elder son in the family.

**Esau was Jacob's older brother**, and therefore expected to receive the birthright from his father Isaac.

**In Genesis 25:29-33**, we read the story of Esau selling his birthright to Jacob for a bowl of stew.

**Later, when Isaac was near death**, Jacob tricked his blind father Isaac into giving him his blessing by pretending to be Esau.

**In this way**, Jacob received the promise of the birthright from Esau, as well as the blessing of his father.

**From a humanistic perspective**, what Jacob did to receive the birthright may seem morally questionable.

**However**, God's plan was for Jacob to receive the birthright from Isaac and become the ancestor of the Jewish people.

## 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**

**Before Esau and Jacob could make the substantial offering**, Jacob first had to establish the indemnity condition to restore the position of Abel.

How did he accomplish this?

**First**, in the fight to restore the birthright of the eldest son on the individual level, Jacob cleverly obtained it from Esau, who was willing to exchange it for some bread and a pottage of lentils.

**Second**, because Esau wanted to kill Jacob for taking the birthright and blessing, Jacob went to work for his uncle Laban in Haran, which represented the satanic world. After suffering through 21 years of hard labor and mistreatment, he restored the birthright by gaining family and wealth as his due inheritance.

**Third**, Jacob triumphed in wrestling with an angel at the ford of Jabbok while returning home, thereby restoring dominion over the angel.

*In 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."*

Genesis 33:1-5

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

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

*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.*

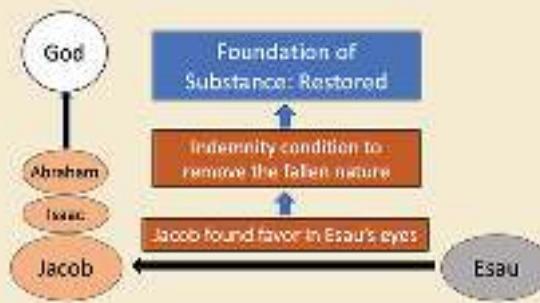
*But Esau said, "I already have plenty, my brother. Keep what you have for yourself."*

*"No, please!" said Jacob. "If I have found favor in your eyes, accept this gift from me. For to see your face is like seeing the face of God, now that you have received me favorably. Please accept the present that was brought to you, for God has been gracious to me and I have all I need." And because Jacob insisted, Esau accepted it.*

Genesis 33:6-11

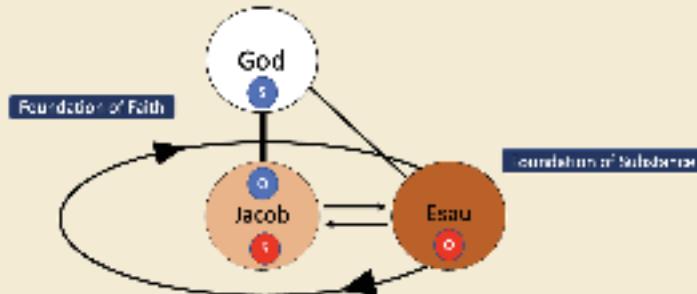
## THE VICTORIOUS FOUNDATION FOR THE MESSIAH

### 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 towards him. When Esau opened his arms and affectionately welcomed Jacob as he returned to Canaan, they completed the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature. Jacob was able to bring Esau, who was in the Cain position, to surrender naturally through love. 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 of restoration** – the “Abel” position, representing the position of the unfallen Adam.

**Those in the position of Cain**, which is the position of the archangel, must overcome their fallen nature to humble themselves to the Abel position, which represents God and Christ, who is the True Adam.

**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**, God could send the Messiah through Jacob's lineage – the people of Israel.

## 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 satanic nations which could easily overpower Abraham's family.

**This was different from the time of Adam or the time of Noah**, when God would have only needed to restore one family and lineage.

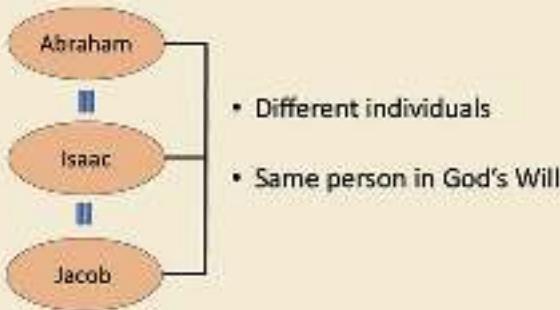
**In the time of Abraham's family**, the Messiah could not have safely come on just a family-level foundation. A foundation of a God-centered sovereign nation was needed to cope with the nations of the satanic world.

**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.

**While the Jewish people went through a course of 400 years** of indemnity as slaves in Egypt, they multiplied Jacob's lineage and built the national foundation for the Messiah.

### Three Generations Seen as One

*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.*  
Exodus 3:6



**Before Moses led the Israelites out of Egypt**, God spoke to him, in Exodus 3:6. God defined Himself as the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob – indicating the providential significance of the victory achieved in this family. Jacob, the central figure who laid the foundation for the Messiah in Isaac's family, was responsible to shoulder Abraham's sin.

**The providence centering on Isaac** was prolonged into the providence centering on Jacob. Jacob was also responsible to embark upon an indemnity course to realize on the national level the Will which had been originally 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: THE MODEL COURSE TO SUBJUGATE SATAN

### Jacob's Course: the 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**, in the position of Abel, won back the birthright of the firstborn son. Esau, who was in the position of Cain, was therefore in the position of the fallen archangel.

**Jacob's victory** represented Adam restoring dominion over the archangel. Jacob triumphed as an individual in his struggle with Esau to win the birthright.

**He entered Haran** and, as a family, triumphed in a 21-year struggle to win the birthright.

**Jacob was victorious** in the fight with the angel and completed the indemnity condition to restore the dominion over the angel.

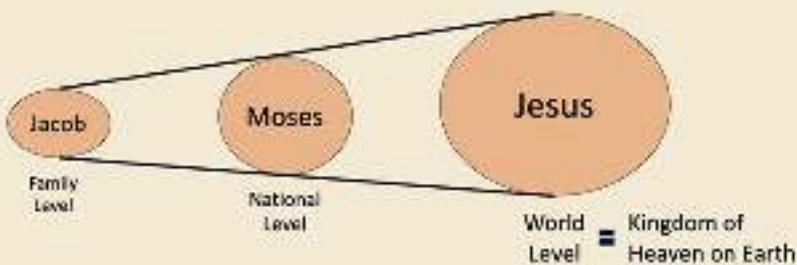
**Thereupon**, he received the name “Israel,” laying the groundwork upon which the chosen people would be established.

**After returning to Canaan with these victories**, Jacob won Esau's heart, and together they fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.

## THE EXPANSION OF THE FOUNDATION FOR THE MESSIAH

### Expansion of the Foundation for the Messiah

*Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven. Matthew 6:9-13*



**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 throughout the Roman empire 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.

**In Matthew 6:9-10, Jesus taught us to pray like this:**

***Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven.***

**God's purpose of creation** is not for Heaven to only be a place you go after you die. Heaven is to be established by His children on earth through the accomplishment of the three Blessings.

**Once people complete their time on earth**, they would naturally move on to Heaven in the spiritual realm for eternity. This is the very purpose for which the eternal, unchanging, and absolute God has been guiding His children throughout human history.

**God will not stop working until complete victory is won.**





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