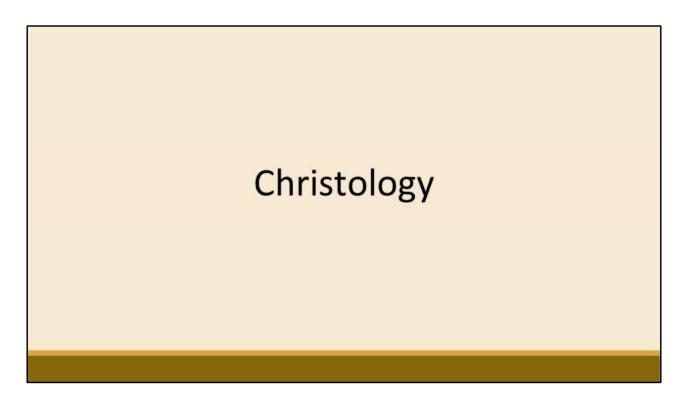
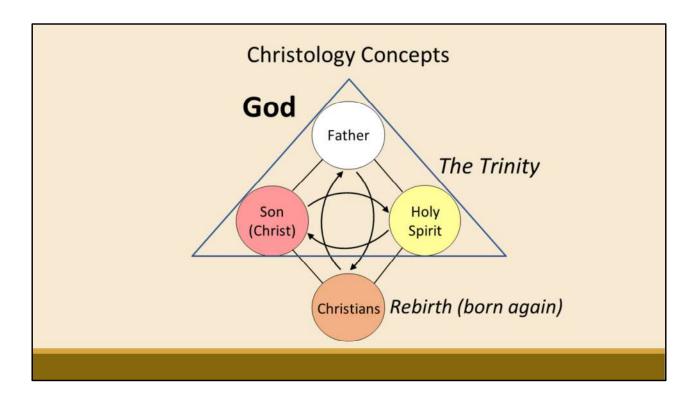
Divine Principle Bible Study 201



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- Christians have traditionally understood that Christ, the Messiah and Son of God, is part of the original Trinity which makes up the Godhead.
- In light of God's Purpose of Creation, what is the real meaning of the Trinity and the rebirth of fallen human beings?

Understanding Christ

- What is the purpose of the coming of Christ?
- What is the nature of Christ?
- · What is the Trinity?
- What is the proper relationship between fallen human beings and Christ?

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Why God sends Christ to Fallen Man

- God's purpose of creation is absolute and unchanging.
- Although Adam and Eve failed their portion of responsibility, God's plan to establish His Kingdom (the 3 Blessings) remains.
- God sends the Messiah as the new Adam to fulfill the 3 Blessings, thus restoring God's original ideal of Creation.

- We cannot understand who Christ is without understanding God's original Purpose of Creation.

Shimjung – The Motivating Force of Creation

- Shimjung is the irrepressible emotional impulse to experience joy through loving.
- God's shimjung motivated Him to create human beings as His children to be the perfect object of His love.
- God created the universe to bring joy to his beloved children.

- Why did God create at all? What was His motivating force?
- God was motivated by His Shimjung, which is at the core of everything God does.
- Love is the flow of shimjung ("heart").
- When the internal shimjung flows outwards, this is love.

- 1. Divine Value
- 2. Unique Value
- 3. Cosmic Value

- Because of God's Shimjung, He created us as His children who would inherit Divine Value, Unique Value and Cosmic Value.
- We are used to viewing human beings as we became since the fall fallen creatures, separated from God.
- To truly understand the value of Christ, we first need to understand the purpose of creation, and **the original value of human beings as God intended**.

Divine Value

- God created human beings as His children, in His image.
- We were created to reflect God's divine nature of absolute love, goodness and beauty.
- When our loving Heavenly Father would look at His children, He would be filled with pride and joy.

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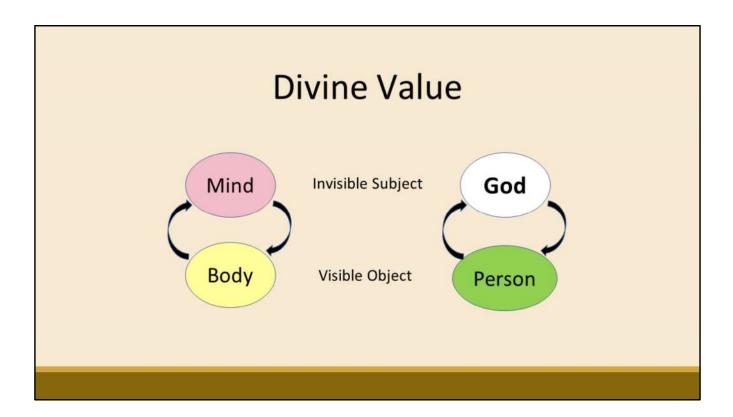
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- So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Gen 1:27
- "Be perfect, therefore, as your heavenly Father is perfect."

 Matt 5:48
- Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you? I Cor 3:16

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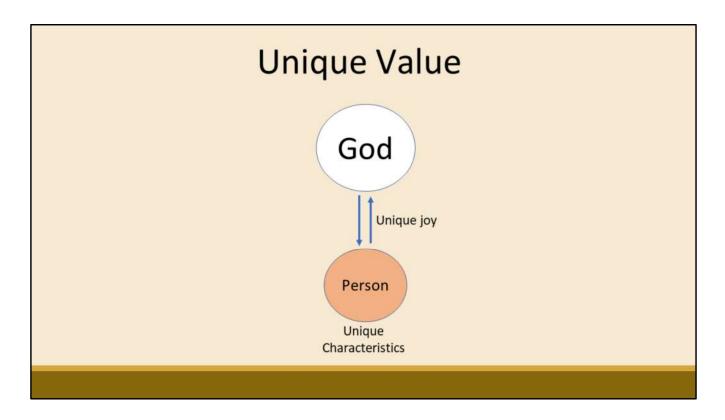
- Within a human being, the visible body reflects and resembles the thoughts, feelings and values of the invisible mind.
- People are created to be children of the invisible God, resembling His heart and character through their lives.
- Just as God embodies true, divine characteristics, a person who has matured in the love of God also reflects those characteristics.

Unique Value

- Every human being possesses a unique individual character, manifesting distinctive aspects of God's characteristics.
- Each person is the only one in the entire universe who can stimulate that distinctive aspect of God's nature to bring Him joy.

Unique Value

For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Psalm 139:13-14



- Each individual person has a unique set of personality characteristics and abilities, manifesting distinctive aspects of God's characteristics.
- God can experience a unique stimulation and joy through giving and receiving love with each person, just as a parent experiences different aspects of joy relating to each child. That person is the only one in the entire universe who can stimulate that distinctive aspect of God's nature to bring Him joy.

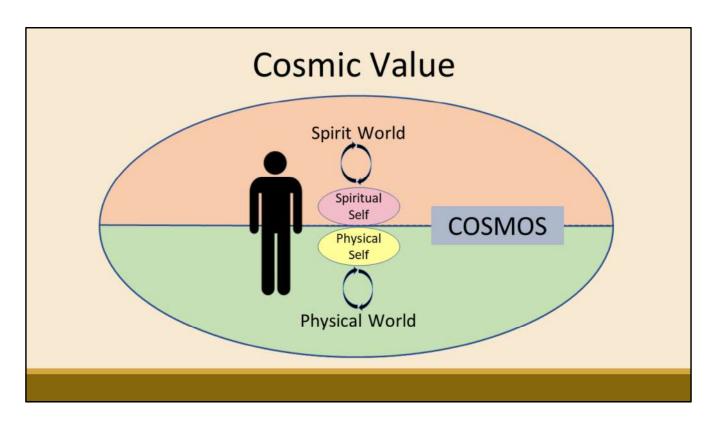
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- Man was created to be the Ruler, Mediator, and Microcosm of the Spiritual and Physical worlds, creating harmony between the invisible and visible realms.
- Throughout the Bible, human beings communicated with God, with angels and with the Holy Spirit.

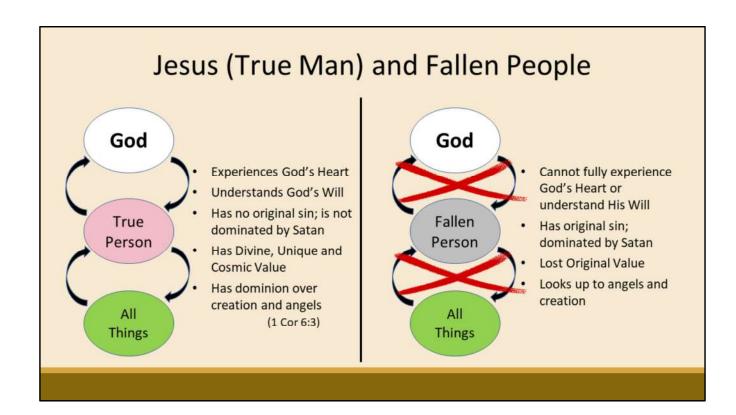
- As we learned in the Principle of Creation, human beings were created to have dominion over the entire cosmos, including the physical and spiritual worlds.

Cosmic Value

- If there is a natural body, there is also a spiritual body. 1 Cor 15:44
- Do you not know that we shall judge angels?
 1 Cor 6:3



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- When we think of human beings, we typically think of fallen human beings people who have not fulfilled the original purpose for which God created them.
- When we look at Christ as a True Man, with all the qualities associated with that, we can compare Jesus to fallen man and see how extremely different they are.
- Until the coming of Christ, we had never seen a person who totally accomplished His purpose as God intended.
- "All Things" refers to everything God created besides human beings, who are His children.
- All Things includes everything in the physical world and the spiritual worlds, including the angels.

The Identity of Adam

- The Bible tells us that Jesus came as the Second Adam.
- By understanding the value and purpose of the first Adam, we can understand the value and purpose of the second Adam.

For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

1 Cor 15:21-22

- A good God could never have created something with an evil nature. When He created human beings, He created them to be good.
- To understand the value and position of Christ, it is important that we clearly understand why God created Adam.

The Sixth Day of Creation

So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it ..."

Genesis 1:27-28

- Let us look more closely at God's plan for the creation, and His purpose for creating Adam and Eve.
- Chapter 1 of Genesis summarizes the process of creation, what God did on each day, and His Blessings to Adam and Eve.

God Created Adam First

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it.

Genesis 2:7,15

- In Chapter 2 of Genesis, there is a more detailed explanation about the creation of man and woman.
- According to the Bible, God created Adam in the Garden of Eden before Eve was created.
- And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."... Gen 2:18

God's Purpose for Creating Adam

- God Himself is beyond time and space, and invisible in both the physical and spiritual worlds.
- God created the spiritual and physical worlds as the environment where the 3 Blessings could be fulfilled.
- In order to experience giving and receiving love in the created world, God needed to take on a substantial form in the world.
- Adam was created to be the incarnate body of God through whom God would give and receive love with Eve and with the creation.
- Why did the all-powerful and loving God create human beings at all?
- We cannot understand the heart of God and the purpose of Christ without answering that question.

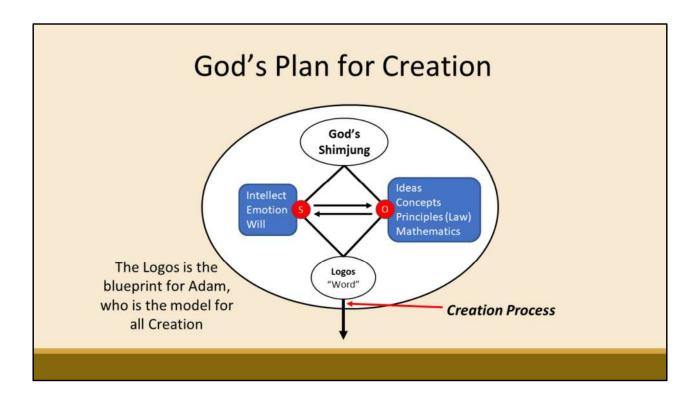
"Adam, who was to have become God's body, would have become the progenitor of humanity. In other words, he would have been God incarnate. For the invisible God to exercise dominion over the world of substance, He had to have a substantial form, namely a body, through which he would then be able to see and hear; hence He created Adam to become His embodiment."

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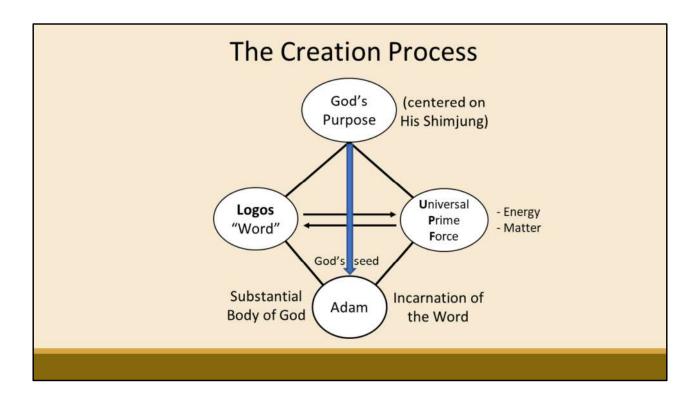
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- As the original ancestor of mankind, Adam was meant to be the eternal True Father of humanity.

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. John 1:1-3

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- Let's take a closer look at how God made the creation through the Word.
- God's purpose for creating the world and creating Adam was rooted in His Shimjung.
- Shimjung = the irrepressible emotional impulse to experience joy through loving.
- God invested His intellect, emotion and will, together with ideas, concepts, principles and mathematics to plan His creation.
- i.e.. Mathematics and principles do not stand on their own. Behind them is God's intellect, emotion and will. And motivating it all is God's Shimjung.



- Once God planned the creation of Adam and the universe, He used his energy, Universal Prime Force, to make His plan substantial.
- Adam was the substantial incarnation of the Logos (in image), through whom all things were created (in symbol).
- Adam was also the son of God and the first ancestor of mankind.

God Created Eve to be the Object of His Love

And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."...

And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

Gen 2:18, 21-23

- Then what about Eve?
- In subsequent verses 21-23 of the second chapter of Genesis, we read that woman "was taken out of man".

God Created Eve from Adam



The creation of Eve from Adam's rib depicted in sculpture.
 Sculpture – "Creation of Eve" - marble relief by Lorenzo Maitani on the Orvieto Cathedral (Italy – early 1300's)

True Adam is the Vertical Center of the Family

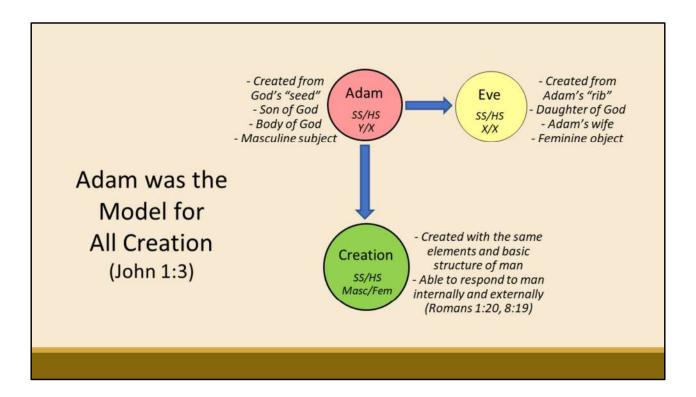
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- All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. John 1:3
- For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made Romans 1:20
- For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the sons of God;
 Romans 8:19
- God first designed Adam to be his substantial incarnation and image His son. This is how God would relate to His creation through the person of Adam.
- Jesus said, "When you see me, you see the Father". Originally that should have been Adam.
- Only Adam/Christ is created directly from God from His seed (vertical, God of Night). Everyone else is created horizontally from Adam's seed (horizontal, God of Day).
- He then designed Eve to be His perfect object of love, who would embody God's feminine characteristics and give birth to their descendants.
- He then designed the creation as the beautiful spiritual and physical environment in which His children could live and experience joy for eternity.
- (When you design a house, you first have to know who or what is going to live there. E.g. a house for a human family is different from a bird house or lion's

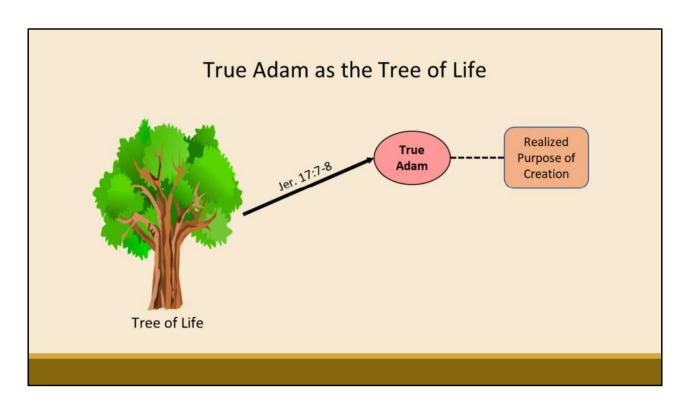
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Adam as the Root of God's Family

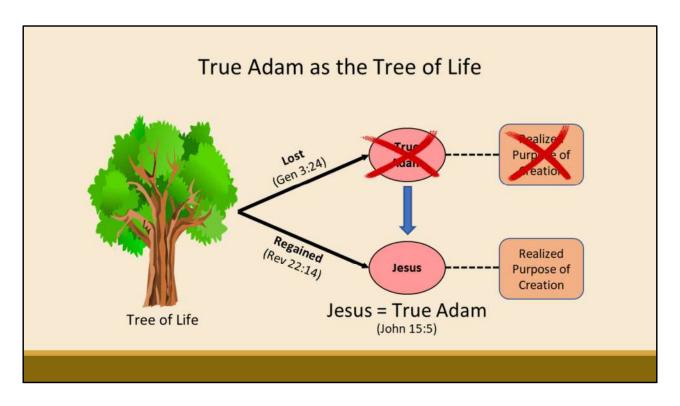
- As the son of God created from God's seed, Adam was created to be the model for creation.
- Had Adam not fallen, all of Adam's descendants would have been born from his sinless lineage.

... For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. Rom 5:15

- Adam's nature would be passed on to his children and all his descendants.
- Had Adam not sinned, he would have passed on his sinless lineage to his children.
- However, we know that Adam failed his responsibility, falling into a sinful state dominated by Satan.
- God sent Jesus Christ as the new Adam and savior of mankind as a result of the failure of the first Adam, to restore mankind back to God's dominion.



- As we learned in the lecture on the Fall of Man, there were 2 trees in the Garden of Eden. The Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil represents immature Eve, and the Tree of Life represents mature, or True Adam.
- Jer. 17:7-8 Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, And whose hope is the LORD. For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters, which spreads out its roots by the river.



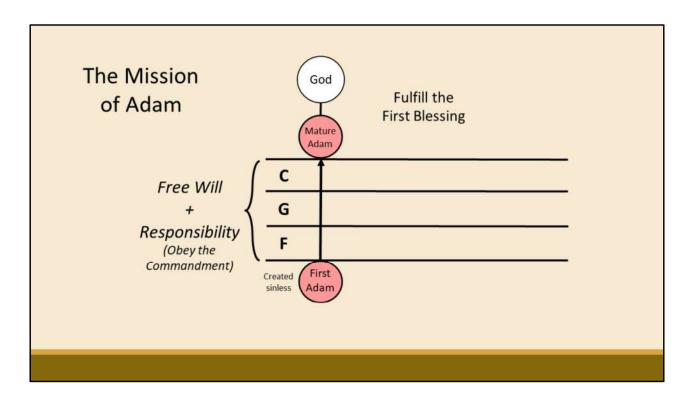
- Gen. 3:24 So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of ,the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.
- Rev. 22:14 Blessed *are* those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to the tree of life, and may enter through the gates into the city.
- John 15:5 "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."
- While Adam failed to realize his purpose as a true man, to be a true Son of God, Jesus, on the other hand, remained faithful until death.

Adam as King of Kings

- Adam was created as the sinless son of God to be the King of Kings the original ancestor and ruler from whom all God's sons and daughters would come.
- Each family would be a small kingdom, with the head of the household serving as king and priest on the family level.

And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

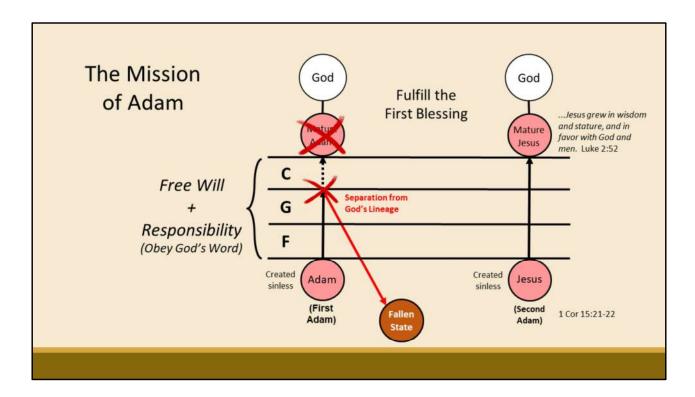
Revelation 1:5-6



What was Adam's primary responsibility? It was to obey God's Word to him (the commandment) and grow to maturity - to become one with God in spirit and body.

By accomplishing the first Blessing, Adam would have entered God's Direct Dominion, so that God could dwell on earth directly through him.

Without accomplishing the first Blessing, Adam could not stand as a true Son of God, and could not accomplish the second and third Blessings.



- However, Adam failed his portion of responsibility and became separated from God. His children and descendants also were born into Satan's lineage with original sin.
- Although Adam fell, God's Will is absolute and unchanging.
- God must work to bring a new, sinless "Adam" a "Second Adam" with the mission to accomplish what the first Adam failed to do.
- After the long history of Restoration through Indemnity, Jesus could be born in Israel as that Second Adam.
- Like Adam, Jesus had to go through a growing period, as well as experience temptation from Satan. (E.g. 3 great temptations of Christ as explained in Matthew 4:1-11)
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Christ is Fully God and Fully Human



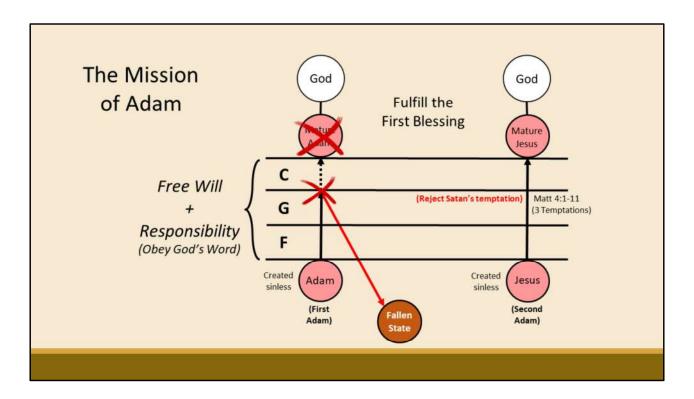
For the entire fullness of God's nature dwell bodily in Christ...

Colossians 2:9

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are -- yet was without sin.

Hebrews 4:15

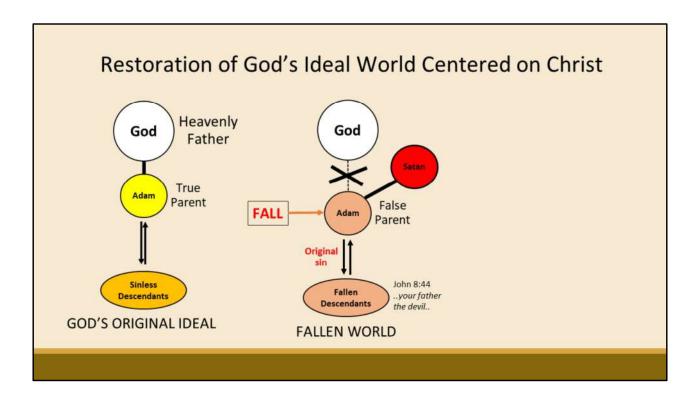
- As Jesus grew in spirit and in body, overcoming all of Satan's temptations, he came to resemble his Heavenly Father more and more.
- As he reached maturity, Christ could fully embody God's spirit and love.



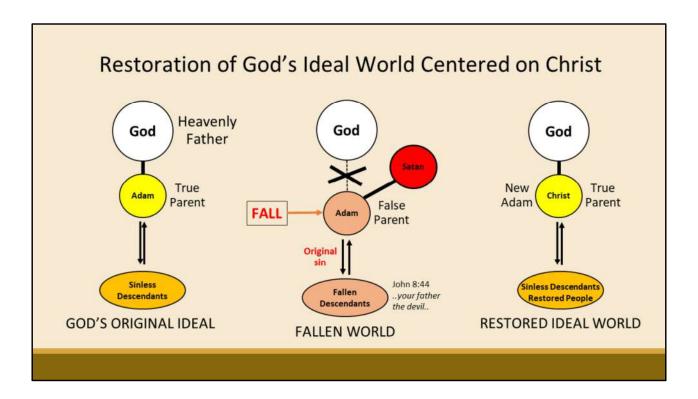
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- Like Adam, Jesus had free will meaning it was possible that He could have given in to Satan's temptation and fallen as Adam did. Temptation has no meaning if it was not possible that Jesus could have given in to temptation, thereby failing his portion of responsibility.

Restoration of God's Ideal World Centered on Christ God Heavenly Father True Parent Sinless Descendants GOD'S ORIGINAL IDEAL

- What is salvation? If we are truly and completely saved, would we continue to sin and to multiply children of sin?
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Restoration of the First Blessing

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

Gal 5:22-23

Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. Eph 4:15

"Therefore you shall be perfect, just as your Father in heaven is perfect."

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- The model for all human life and relationships starts with a true family.
- When people multiply to create communities and nations, a heavenly standard must be established including the form of government that God envisioned for the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.
- In a God-centered family, the husband/father stands in the role of priest, while the wife takes the role of evangelist.

Restoration of the Second Blessing

"What has God been looking for up until now? He has not been seeking a subject partner; rather He has been looking for an ideal object partner. He has been looking for those who resemble God and possess the inner and outer aspects of the world He created.

What is the starting point that leads to such a result? It is the family. There is nothing that can represent the universe better than the family. To be one with the parents is for past and present to meet. Here, you can love the past by loving your parents, love the present by loving your partner, and love the future by loving your children."

Rev. Sun Myung Moon - March 17, 1970

For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given;
And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.

Of the increase of His government and peace
There will be no end,
Upon the throne of David and over His kingdom,
To order it and establish it with judgment and justice
From that time forward, even forever.
The zeal of the Lord of hosts will perform this. Isaiah 9:6,7

"The only ideology we truly need to know is that centered on Adam. The only language, culture, traditions, way of living and system of government would be those that come from Adam. In fact, everything in this world should have been in accordance with the ideological system of Adam's nation." Rev. Sun Myung Moon – May 1, 1968

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- Restoration of the Third Blessing Adam/Christ establishes the Godly standard for a dominion of love over God's creation, where human beings live in a relationship of love and beauty with the natural world.

Restoration of the Third Blessing

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. Colossians 1:15-16

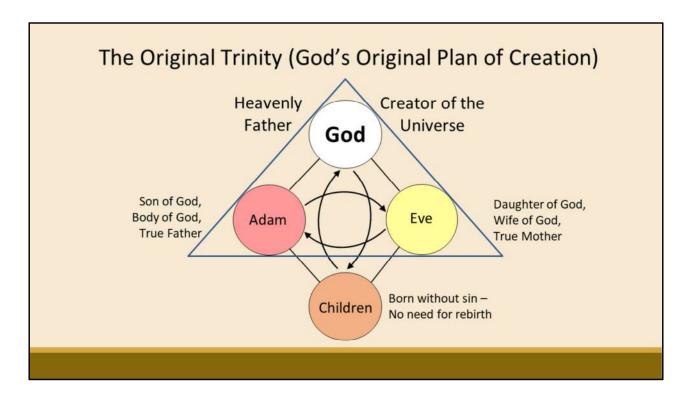
... the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. Romans 8:21-22

- All of creation was designed to respond to the pure love of mature, loving sons and daughters of God.
- Human beings would have established a true dominion over God's creation, as we would appreciate everything in the creation as a gift from our Heavenly Father.

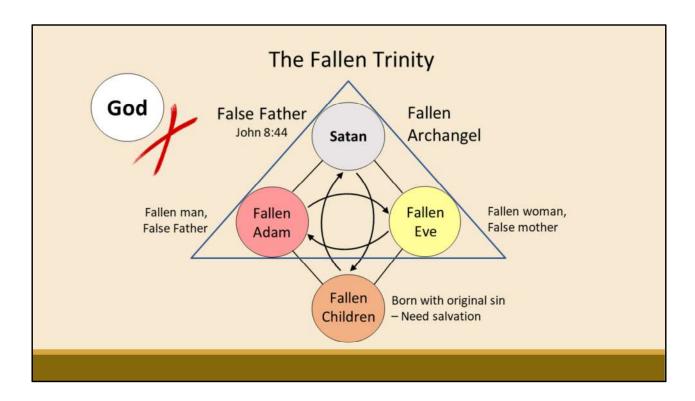
- By fulfilling his portion of responsibility (which Adam failed to do), Christ must become God's true image His true son.
- As the new Adam and True Father of mankind, Christ becomes the root of a restored Godly lineage – a lineage free from original sin.
- To accomplish the 3 Blessings, Christ must raise up a woman from the fallen world who can restore the position of Eve and True Mother.
- As True Parents, Christ and His bride are established as the King and Queen of the Kingdom of Heaven on earth and in the spirit world.

Why Fallen People Need Christ

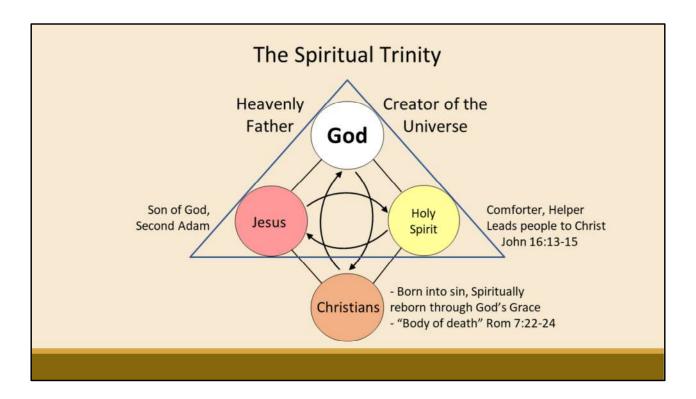
- Descendants of fallen Adam inherit the original sin i.e. the condition by which Satan can accuse and dominate fallen human beings, keeping them separated from God.
- Upon the foundation of restoration history, Christ is born from God's seed, having no original sin.
- Christ is the eternal body of God and the center of God's Kingdom.
- Only by being born again engrafting to Christ and becoming part of His sinless lineage - can fallen man return to God.



- As God's son, Adam was to have been in the position of Son of God, Body of God, and True Father of mankind, primarily reflecting God's masculine nature.
- As God's daughter, Eve was to have been in the position of Daughter of God, Wife of God, and True Mother of mankind, primarily reflecting God's feminine nature.
- In order to establish the Kingdom of God on earth and in Heaven, it was absolutely necessary for Adam and Eve to fulfill their portion of responsibility by obeying God's Word.
- Had they obeyed the commandment, they would have united as a Godly couple, completely one with Him.
- This Original Trinity would have been the foundation for God's children to multiply through Adam and Eve, born without sin, and having no need for rebirth or salvation.



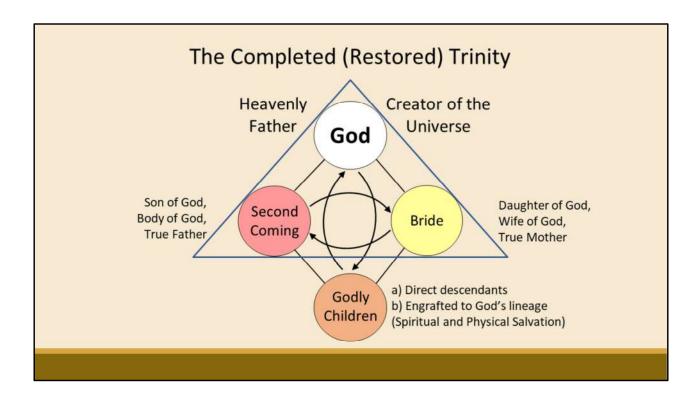
- However, as a result of the Fall, Adam and Eve became subservient to Satan, the fallen archangel, and separated from God.
- Inheriting Satan's evil nature, they became the fallen ancestors of mankind, passing on Satan's lineage.
- John 8:44 You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.



- At the time of Christ's first coming, Jesus did not marry, and did not fully restore the 3 Blessings.
- A Spiritual Trinity was established consisting of God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus did not have a physical bride. Instead, God sent the Holy Spirit to comfort and inspire those who were ready to receive the Lord.
- The Holy Spirit moves the hearts of people to repentance and guides them to receive Christ as their messiah and savior so they can be forgiven of their sins.
- Although Christians are "born again" spiritually through Jesus and the Holy Spirit, they continue to wrestle with their sin, and often succumb to temptations.
- Romans 7:22-24 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death?

The Holy Spirit Testifies to Christ

"When the Spirit of truth comes, He will guide you into all the truth, for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak, and He will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, for He will take what is mine and declare it to you." John 16:13-15



- The Completed Trinity resembles the Original Trinity, since it is the fulfilment of the Purpose of Creation. It is the fruit of the History of Restoration.
- The 3 Blessings are established on the earth, physically and spiritually, at the time of the Second Coming.
- Children will be born physically from the True Parents, and fallen people can be engrafted onto their lineage.
- Matt. 18:18 ".... whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven..."
- We are blessed to be living in the time when we can be born again spiritually and physically through the return of Christ.

