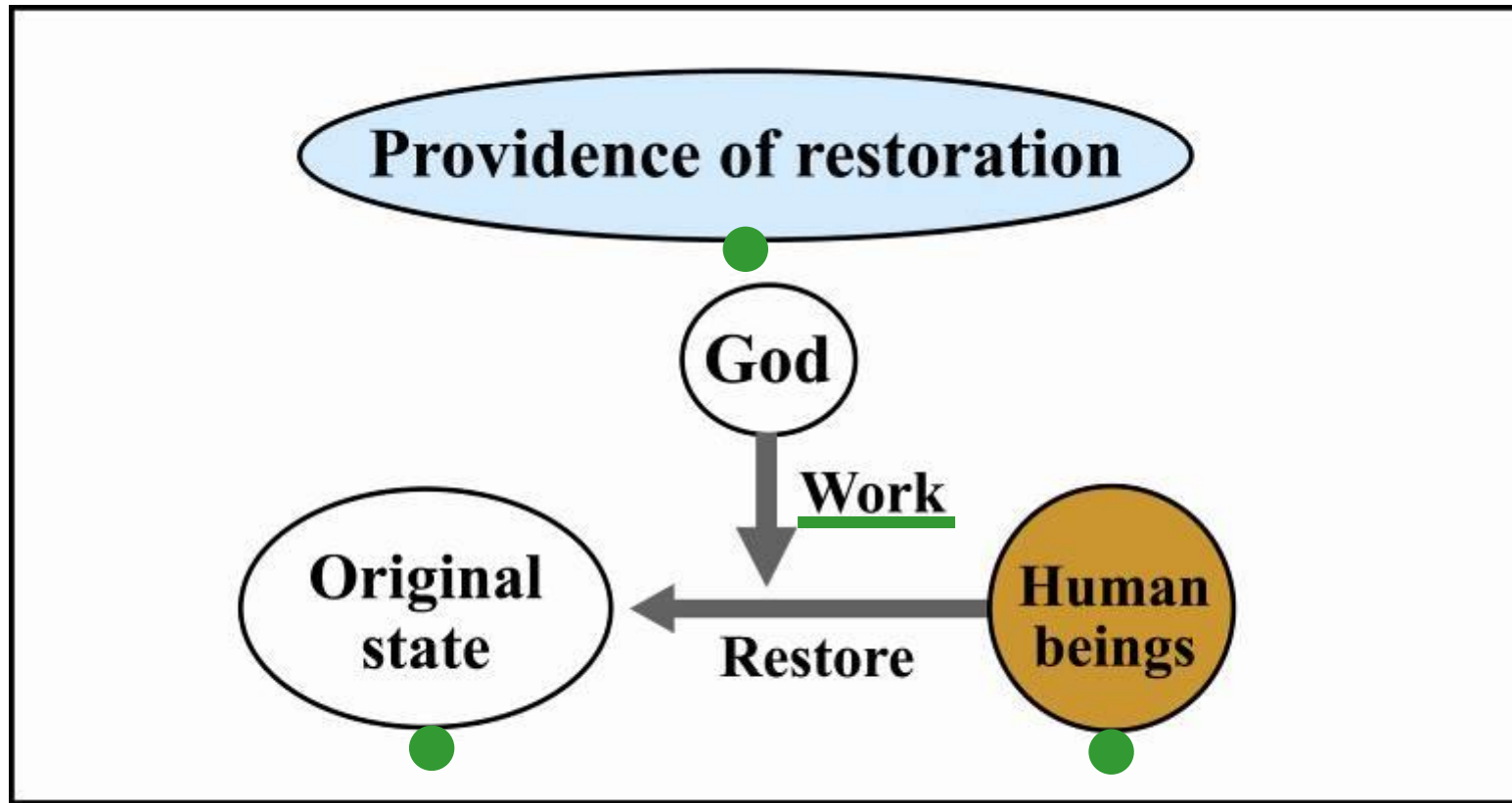
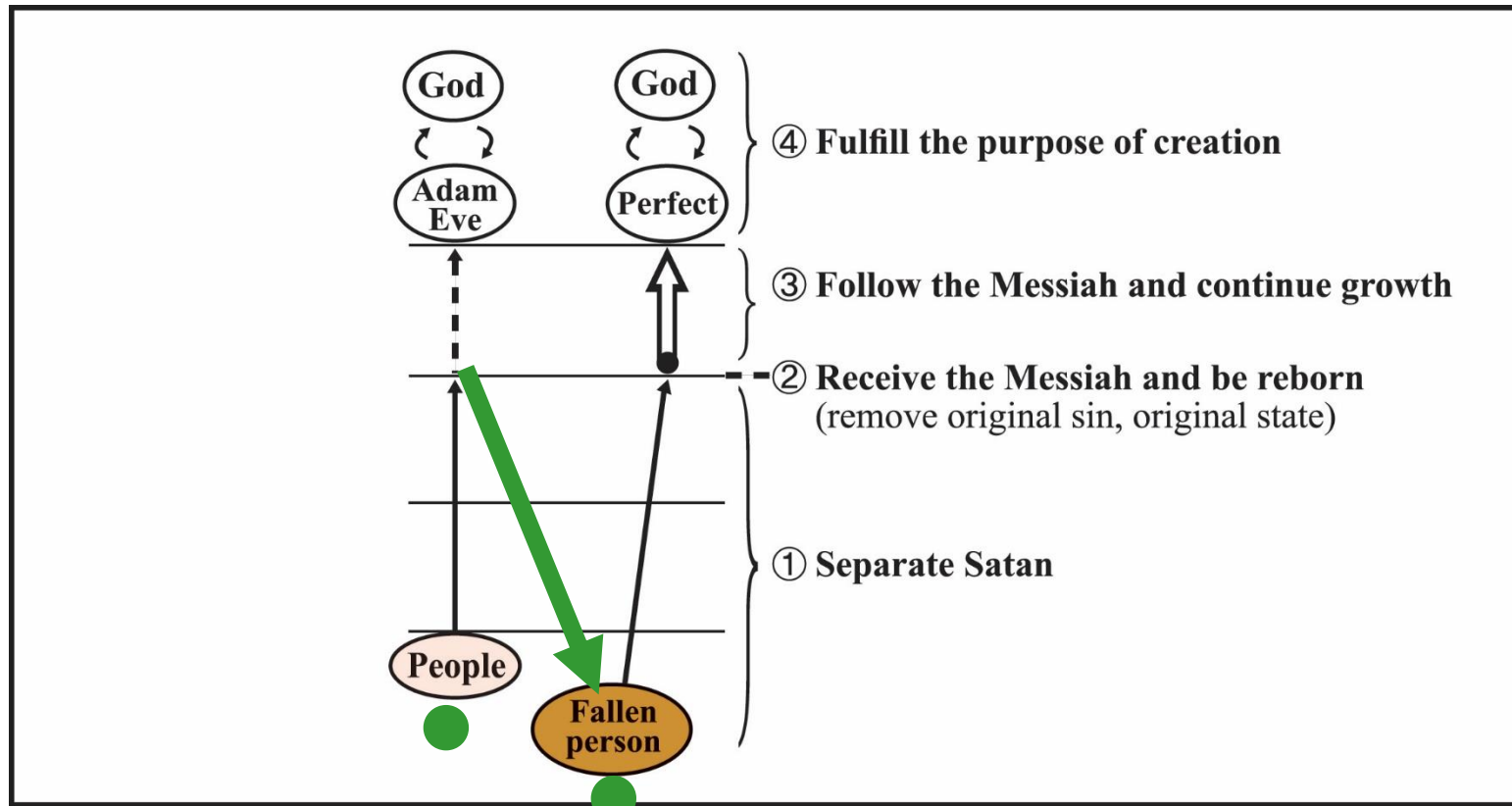


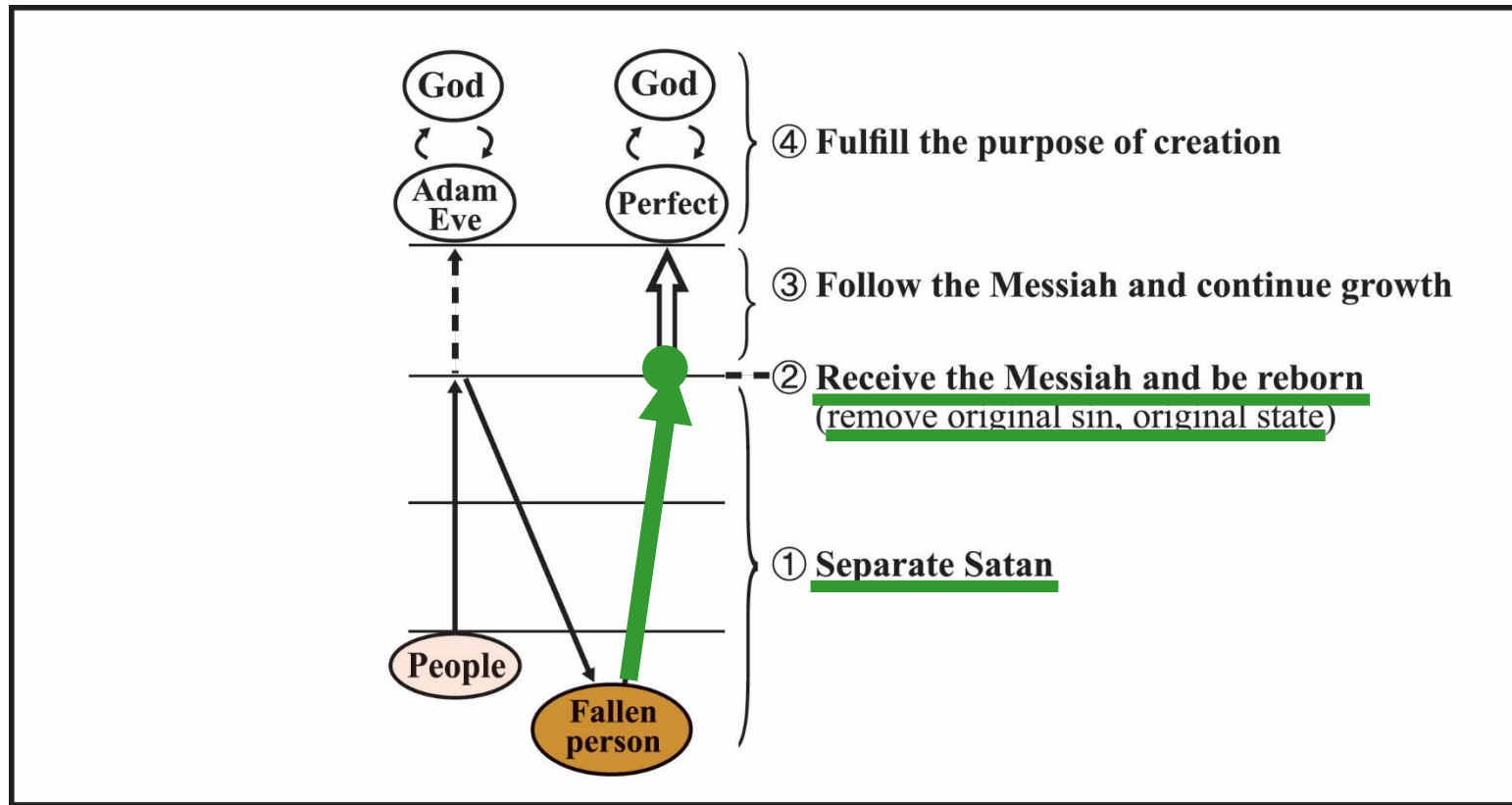
Introduction to Restoration



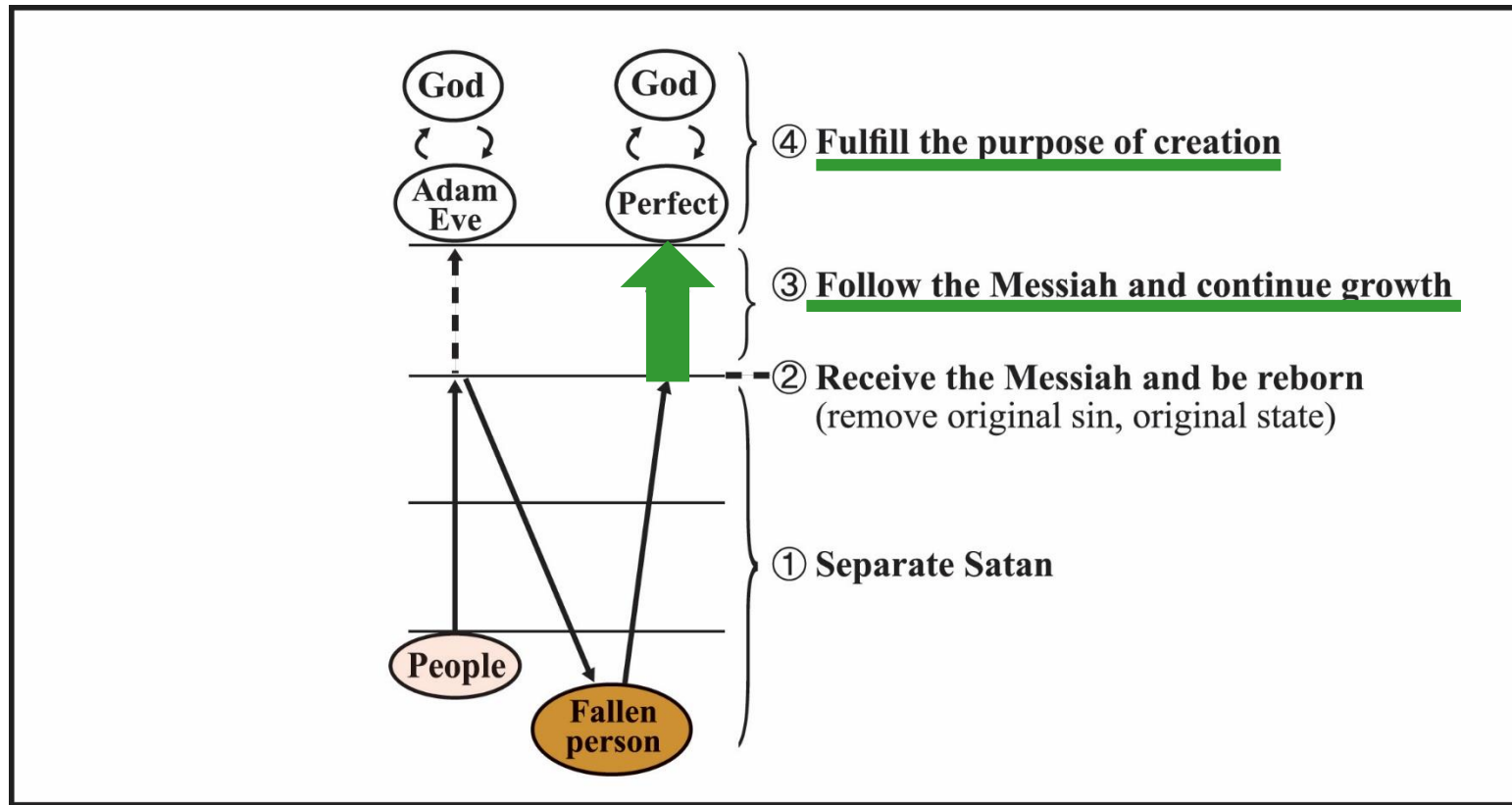
- The providence of restoration refers to God's work to restore human beings to our original, unfallen state so that we may fulfill the purpose of creation.



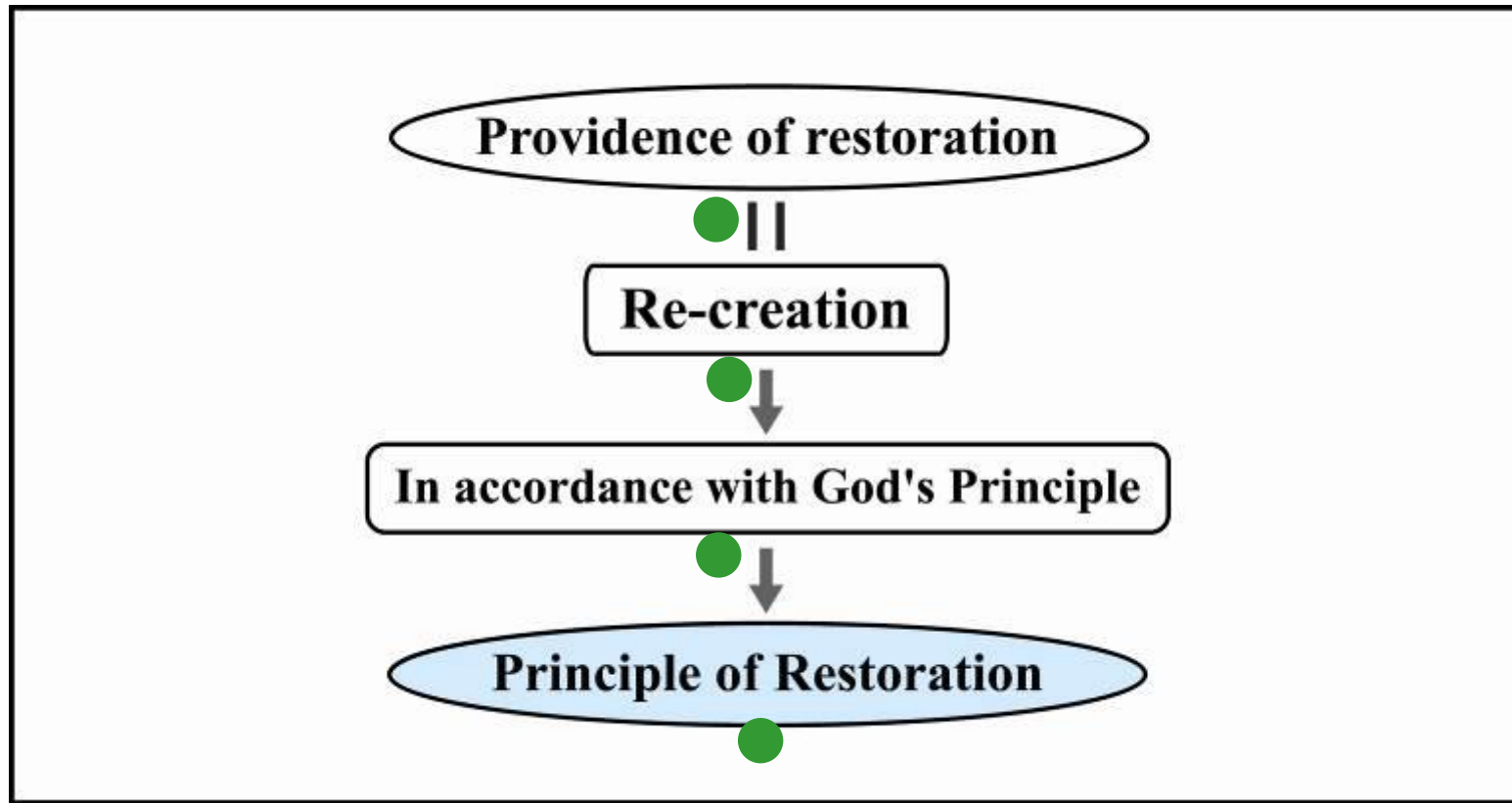
- Human beings fell from the top of the growth stage and have been held under Satan's dominion. To restore human beings, God works to cut off Satan's influence.
- For this, we must have the original sin removed by being born anew through the Messiah, the True Parent.
- Hence, we, fallen people,



- ① First need to go through a course to separate Satan from ourselves. We do this in order to restore ourselves in form to the spiritual level which Adam and Eve had reached before the Fall - the top of the growth stage.
- ② On this foundation, we are to receive the Messiah and be reborn, thereby removing our original sin and being fully restored to the original state of human beings before the Fall.



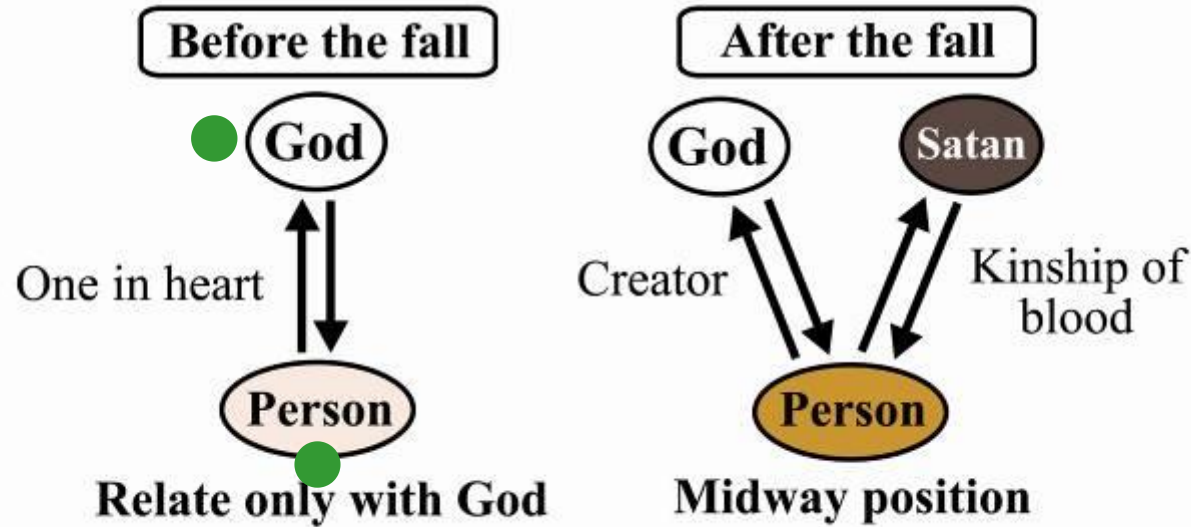
- ③ Finally, by following the Messiah, we should continue our growth to maturity,
- ④ Where we can fulfill the purpose of creation.



- Since the providence of restoration is God's work of re-creation, which has as its goal the fulfillment of the purpose of creation, God works this providence in accordance with His Principle. In the course of the providence of restoration, this principle is called the Principle of Restoration.

I. The Principle of Restoration through Indemnity

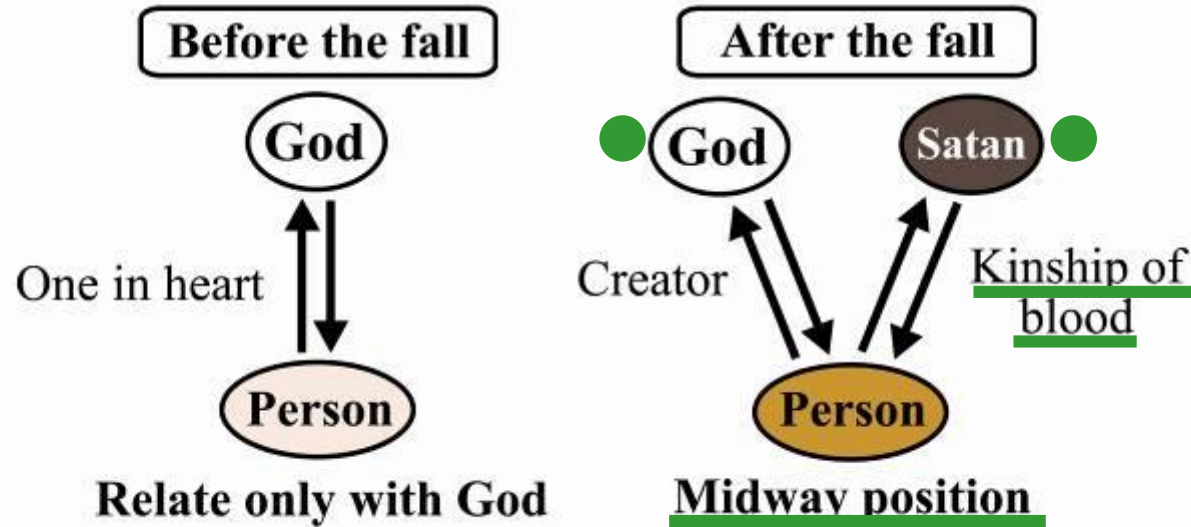
1. Restoration through Indemnity



- Before discussing the Principle of Restoration through Indemnity, we must first understand in what position, due to the Fall, human beings came to stand in relation to both God and Satan.
- If the first human ancestors had not fallen but had reached perfection and become one in heart with God, then they would have lived relating only with God.

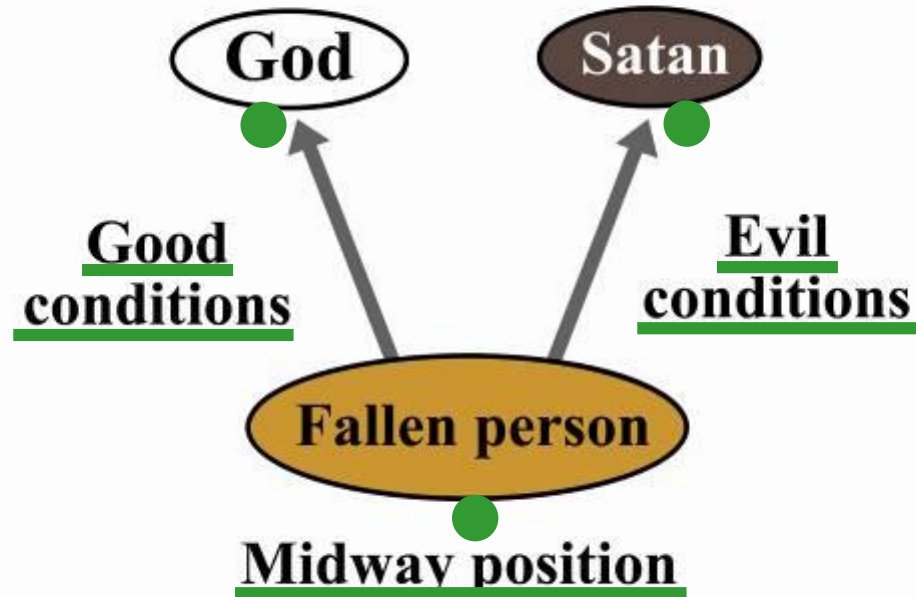
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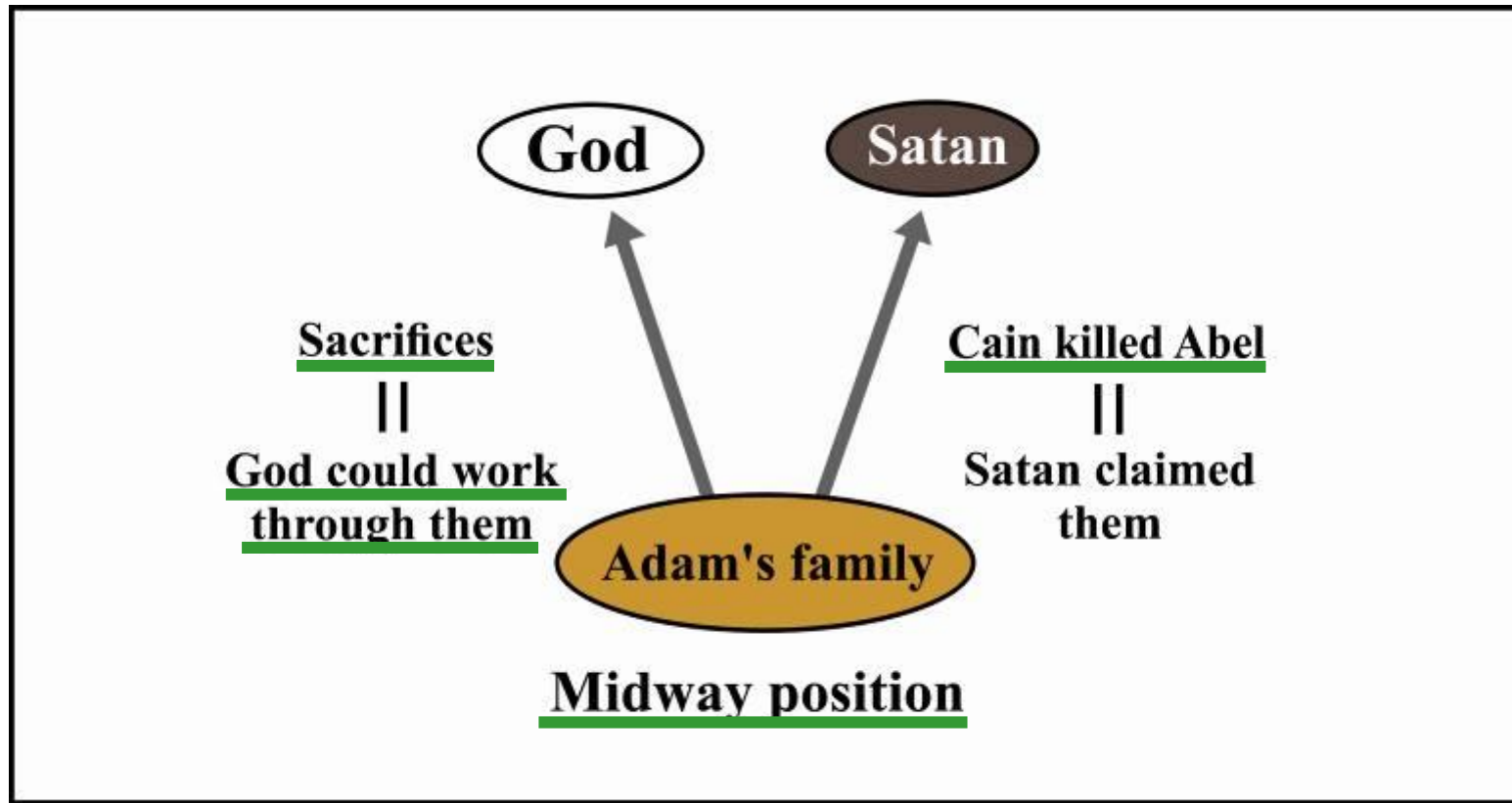


- However, due to their Fall, they joined in a kinship of blood with Satan. Hence, immediately after the Fall, they found themselves in the midway position - a position between God and Satan where they were relating with both.
- As a consequence, all their descendants are also in the midway position.

Separating Satan from fallen people

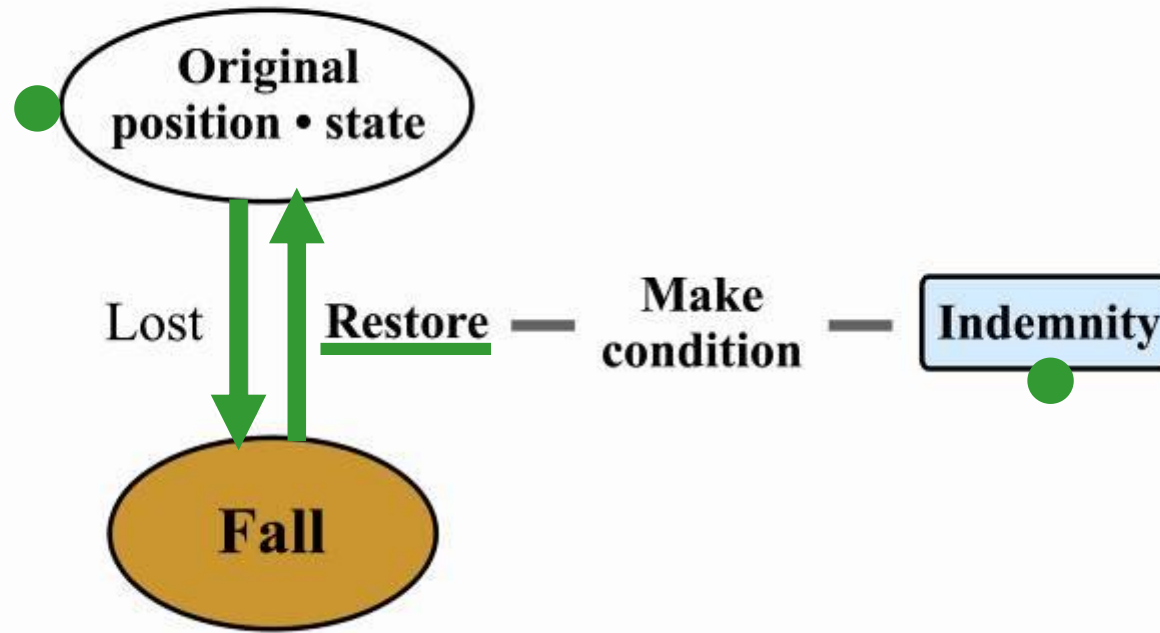


- How does God separate Satan from fallen people, who stand in the midway position?
- A fallen person will go to God's side if he makes good conditions and to Satan's side if he makes evil conditions.

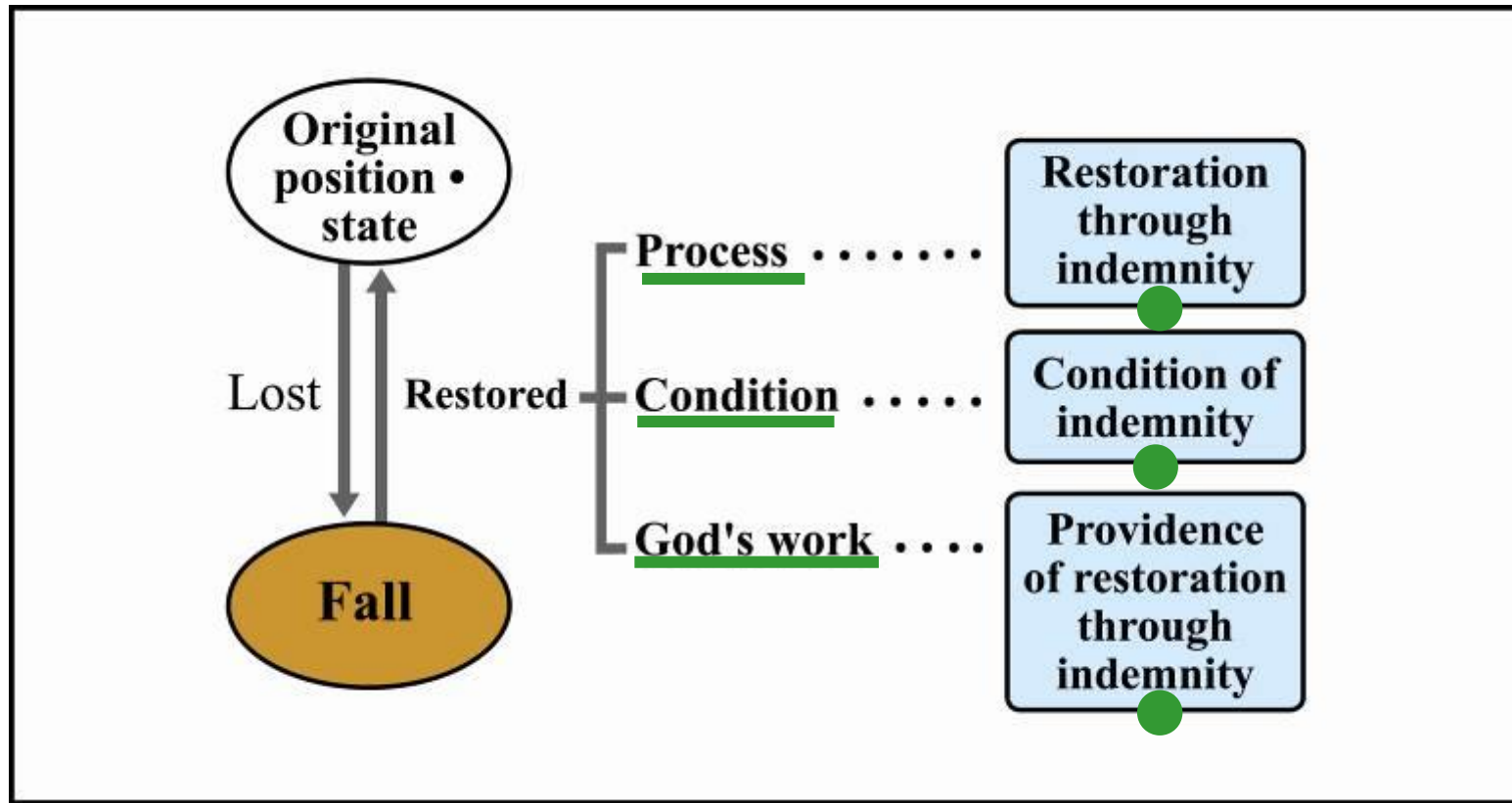


- For example, when Adam's family was in the midway position, God instructed the children, Cain and Abel, to offer sacrifices that they might come into a position where God could work His providence through them.
- Yet because Cain killed Abel, the condition was made which allowed Satan to claim them instead.

What is restoration through indemnity?



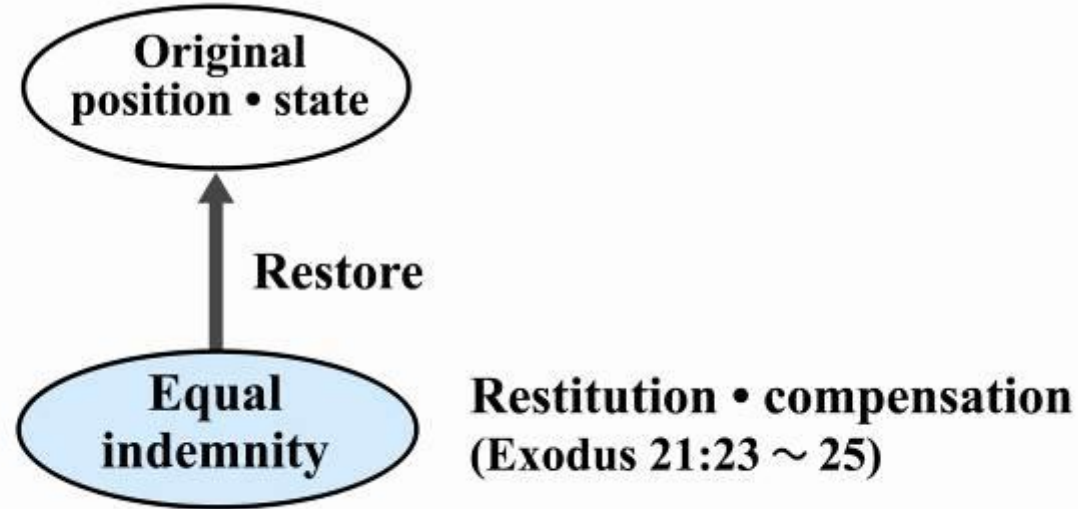
- When someone has lost his original position or state, he must make some condition to be restored to it.
- The making of such conditions of restitution is called indemnity.



- We call this process of restoring the original position and state through making conditions restoration through indemnity,
- And we call the condition made a condition of indemnity.
- God's work to restore people to their true, unfallen state by having them fulfill indemnity conditions is called the providence of restoration through indemnity.

Types of indemnity conditions

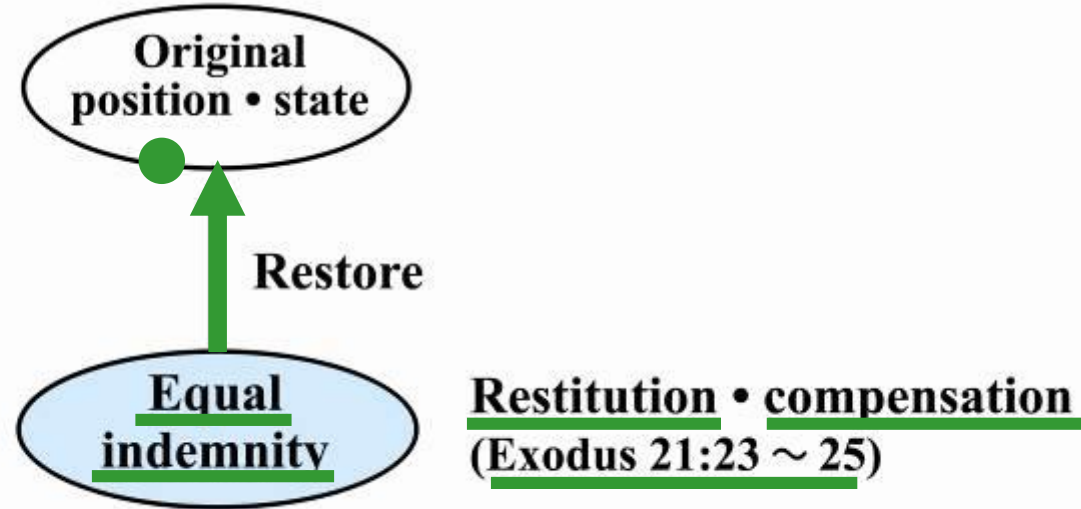
① Condition of Equal Indemnity



- How does a condition of indemnity compare with the value of what was lost? We can answer by listing the following three types of indemnity conditions.

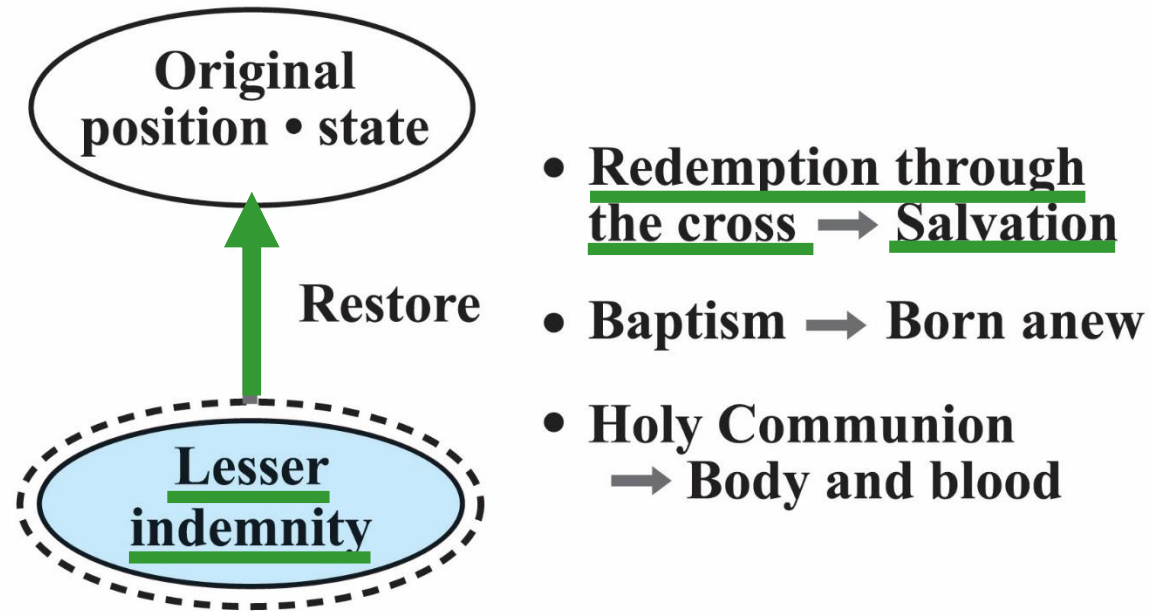
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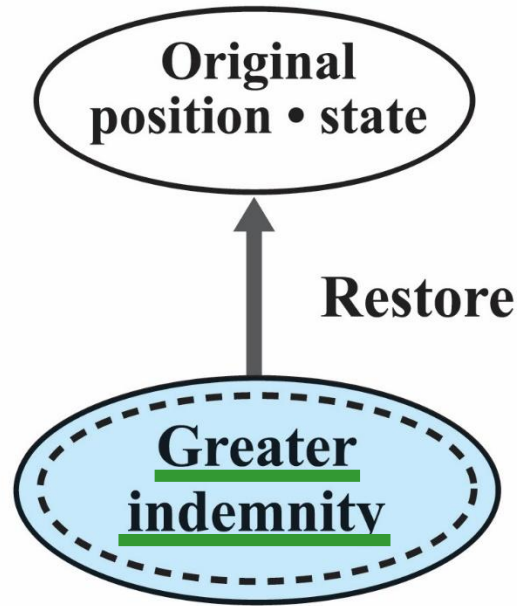
- The first is to fulfill a condition of equal indemnity. In this case, restoration is achieved by making a condition of indemnity at a price equal to the value of what was lost when one departed from the original position or state. Acts of restitution or compensation are indemnity conditions of this type.
- “Life for life, eye for eye, tooth for tooth,” in Exodus 21:23-24 refers to this type of indemnity condition.

② Condition of Lesser Indemnity



- The second is to make a condition of 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.
- The outstanding example of this is redemption through the cross. Merely by fulfilling a small indemnity condition of faith in Jesus, we receive the much greater grace of salvation, which entitles us to participate with Jesus in the same resurrection.

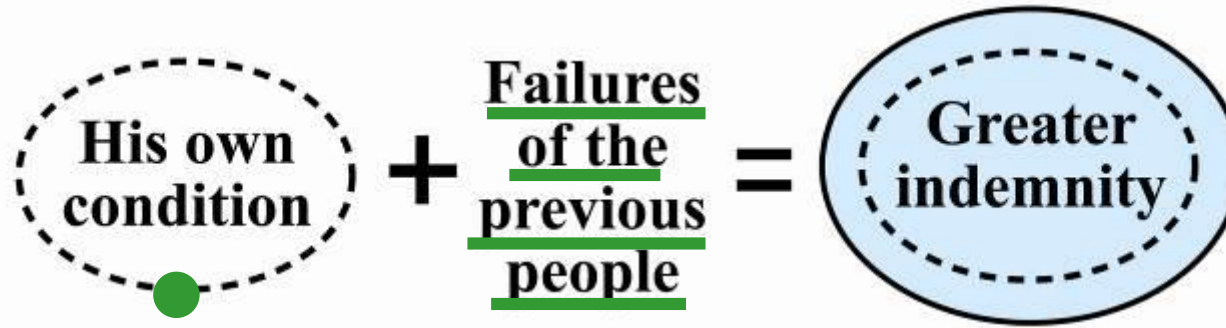
③ Condition of Greater Indemnity



- Abraham made a mistake in the sacrifice
→ Offer Isaac as sacrifice
- Israelites failed during forty days of spying
→ Wander in the wilderness for forty years

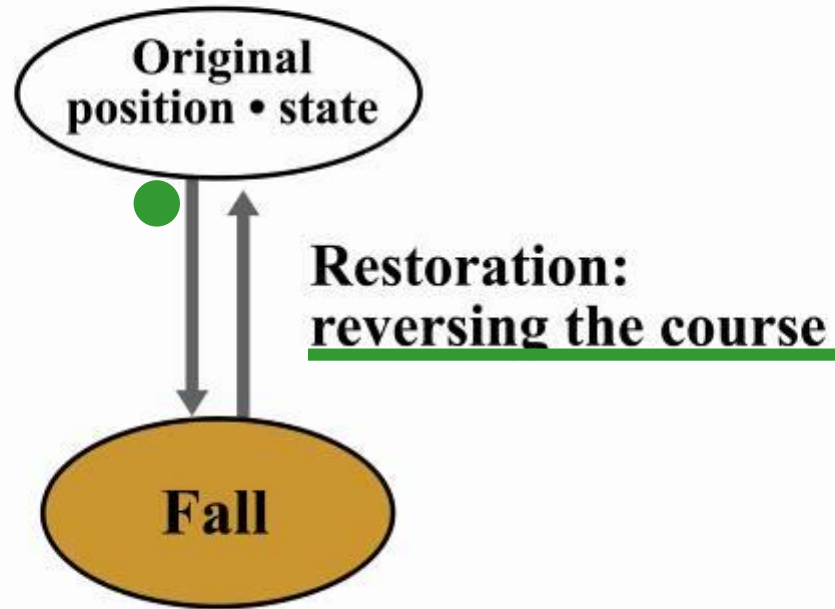
- The third is to make a condition of greater indemnity. When a person has failed to meet a condition of lesser indemnity, he must make another indemnity condition to return to the original state, this time at a price greater than the first.
- For example, because Abraham made a mistake when offering the sacrifice of a dove, ram and heifer, he had to meet a condition of greater indemnity to rectify his failure. God thus asked him to offer his only son Isaac as the sacrifice.

When an indemnity condition is set up for the second time

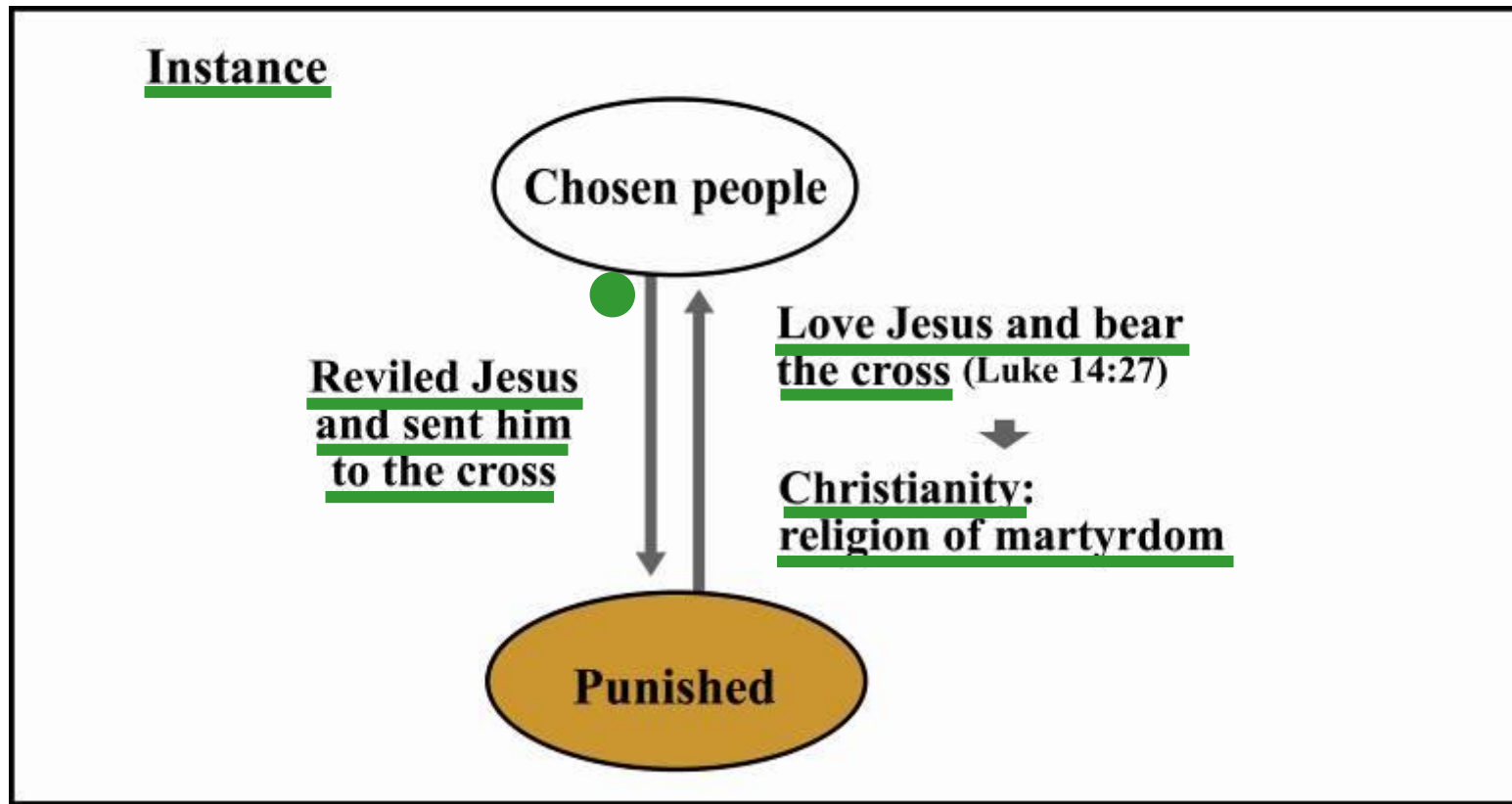


- Why is a condition of greater indemnity necessary when an indemnity condition is set up for the second time?
- It is because whenever a central figure in God's providence makes a second attempt to fulfill an indemnity condition, he must fulfill not only his own unfulfilled condition; in addition, he must make restitution for the failures of the people who came before him.

Method to fulfill indemnity conditions

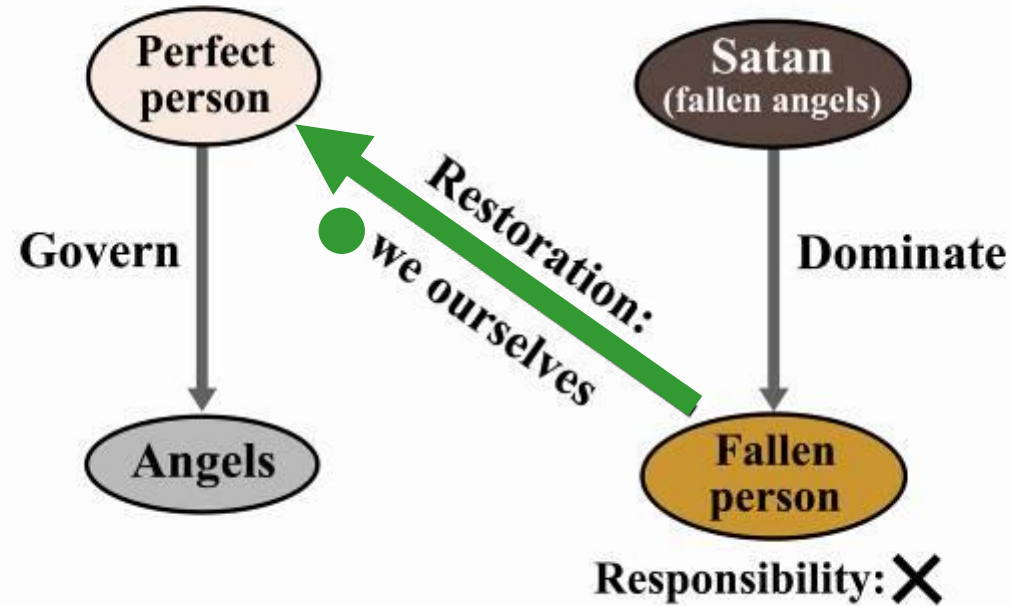


- For anyone to be restored to the original position or state from which he fell, he must make an indemnity condition by reversing the course of his mistake.



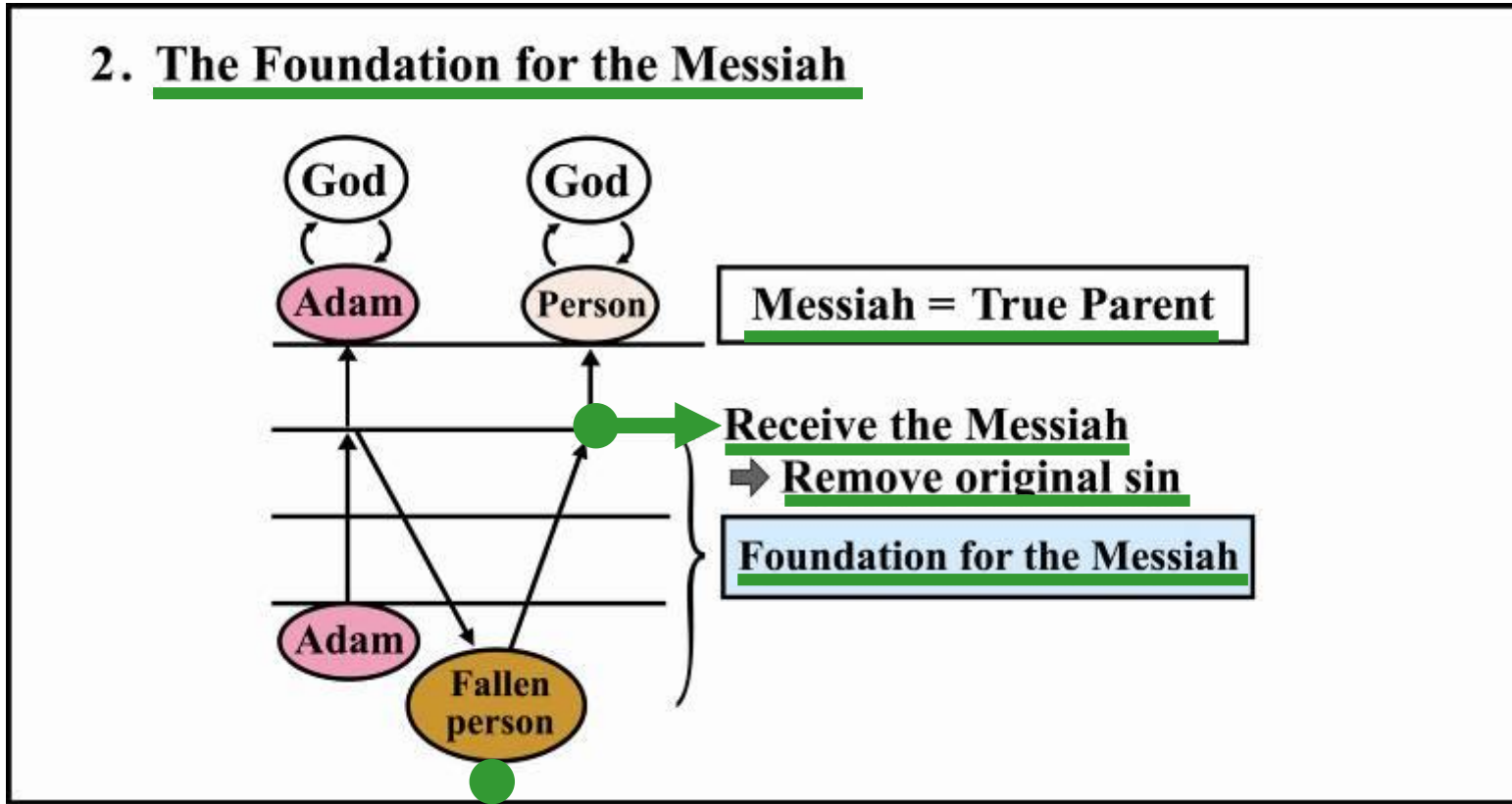
- For instance, because the chosen people reviled Jesus and sent him to the cross, to be saved and restored to the original position of God's elect,
- The chosen people must go the opposite way: love Jesus and willingly bear the cross for his sake (Luke 14:27). This is the reason Christianity became a religion of martyrdom.

Who should make indemnity conditions?



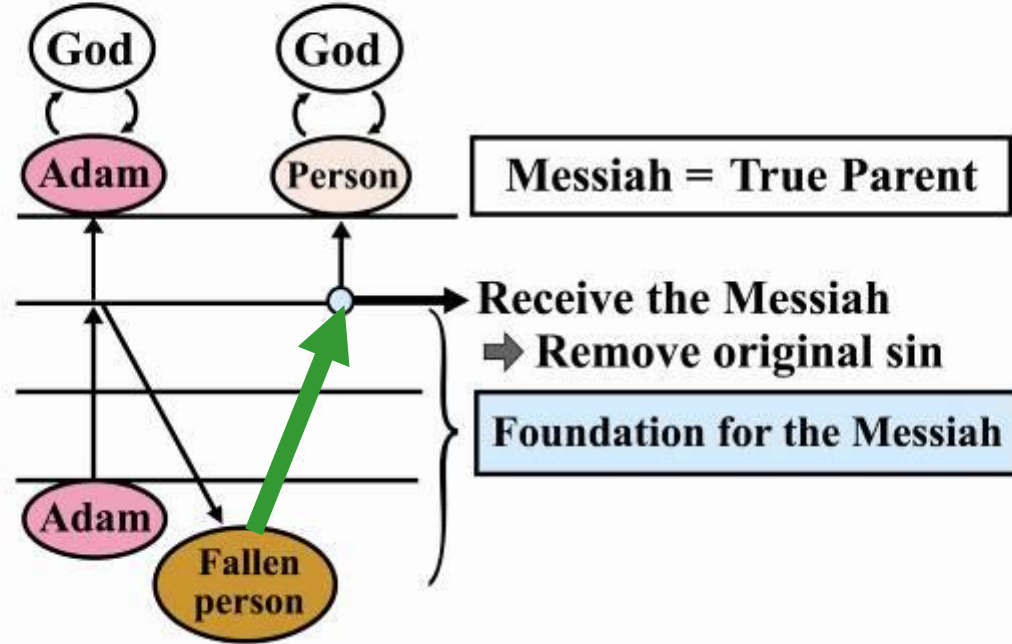
- Hence, to escape from Satan's domination and be restored to the state where we rule over him, we ourselves must fulfill the necessary indemnity conditions as our portion of responsibility.

2. The Foundation for the Messiah



- The Messiah comes as the True Parent of humanity because only he can remove the original sin by giving rebirth to humanity, born of fallen parents.
- For fallen people to be restored to their original state, we must receive the Messiah, who can remove our original sin. Before we can receive the Messiah, however, we must first establish the "foundation for the Messiah".

2. The Foundation for the Messiah



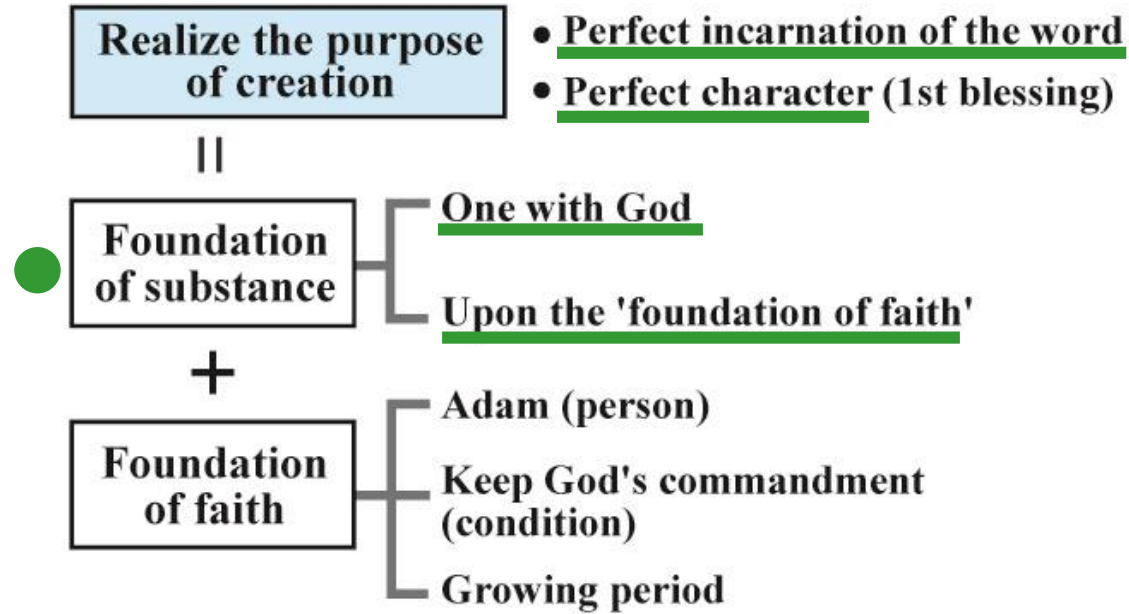
- What indemnity conditions are required for establishing the “foundation for the Messiah”?
- To answer this question, we must first understand how Adam was to have realized the purpose of creation and how he failed to do it, because the condition of indemnity is made by reversing the course of the deviation from the original path.

The two conditions to realize the purpose of creation



- For Adam to realize the purpose of creation, he was supposed to fulfill two conditions:
- First, Adam should have established the "foundation of faith." The person to lay this foundation was Adam himself. The condition to establish this foundation was to keep strictly to God's commandment not to eat of the fruit and pass through a set growing period, which was the time allotted for him to fulfill his responsibility.

The two conditions to realize the purpose of creation



- Second, Adam was to establish the “foundation of substance.” Upon the “foundation of faith,” he was then to become one with God, thereby establishing the “foundation of substance.” This means he would have become the perfect incarnation of the Word with perfect character, fulfilling God’s first blessing.
- Because Adam fell, he could not establish the “foundation of faith.” Hence, he could neither become the perfect incarnation of the Word nor complete the purpose of creation.

(1) The foundation of Faith

Three aspects of indemnity conditions

① Central figure

Abel (Adam's family)

Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob,

Moses, kings, John the Baptist

- Therefore, in order to establish the “foundation for the Messiah,” fallen people must first restore through indemnity the “foundation of faith,” which the first human ancestors failed to establish.
- There are three aspects to the indemnity condition required for restoring the foundation of faith.

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- First, there must be a central figure. God had Cain and Abel offer sacrifices, and called men such as Noah, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Moses, the kings and John the Baptist for the purpose of raising up central figures.

② Object for the condition:

Objects for the condition as substitutes for the Word

- **Pior to Old Testament: Creation
(Sacrifice, Noah's Ark)**
- **Old Testament Age: Law of Moses, Ark
of the Covenant, Temple, central figures**
- **New Testament Age: Gospels,
Jesus (Incarnation of the Word)**

③ Numerical period of indemnity

- Second, an object for the condition must be offered.
- When Adam lost faith in God, he lost the Word of God, given to him as the condition to establish the “foundation of faith.” As a result, fallen people could no longer directly receive the Word and instead had to offer objects for the condition as substitutes for the Word.

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- Prior to the giving of the Old Testament, people could establish the foundation of faith by offering a sacrifice or its equivalent, such as Noah's ark, procured from the natural world. In the Old Testament Age, either the Word as revealed in the Law of Moses or representatives of the Word-such as the Ark of the Covenant, the Temple and various central figures-served as objects for the condition. In the New Testament Age, the Word as revealed in the Gospels, and Jesus, the incarnation of the Word, were the objects for the condition.

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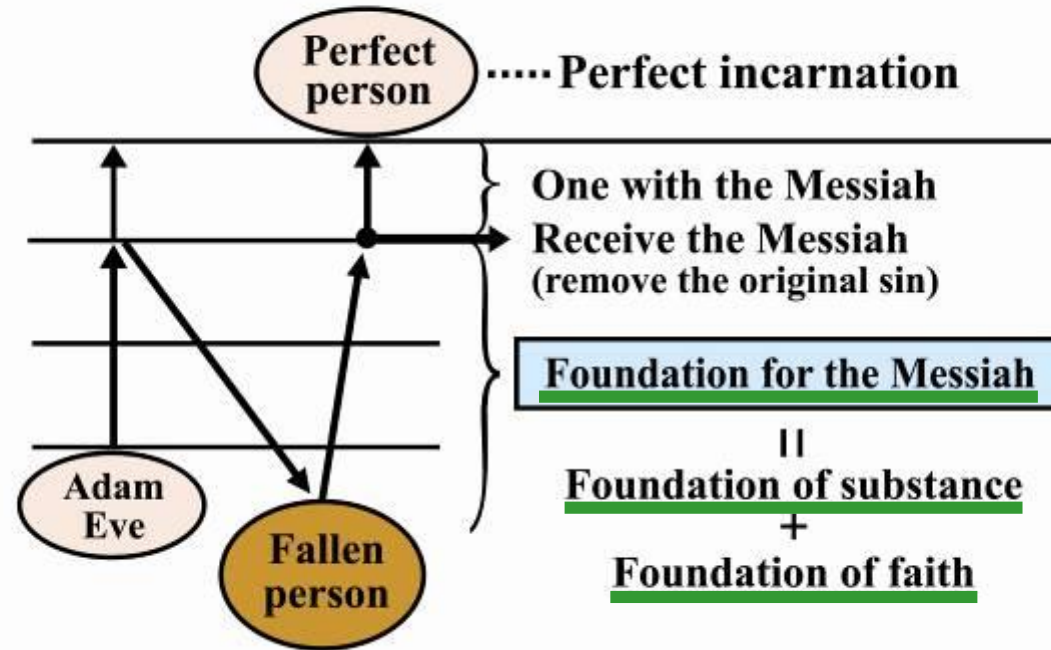
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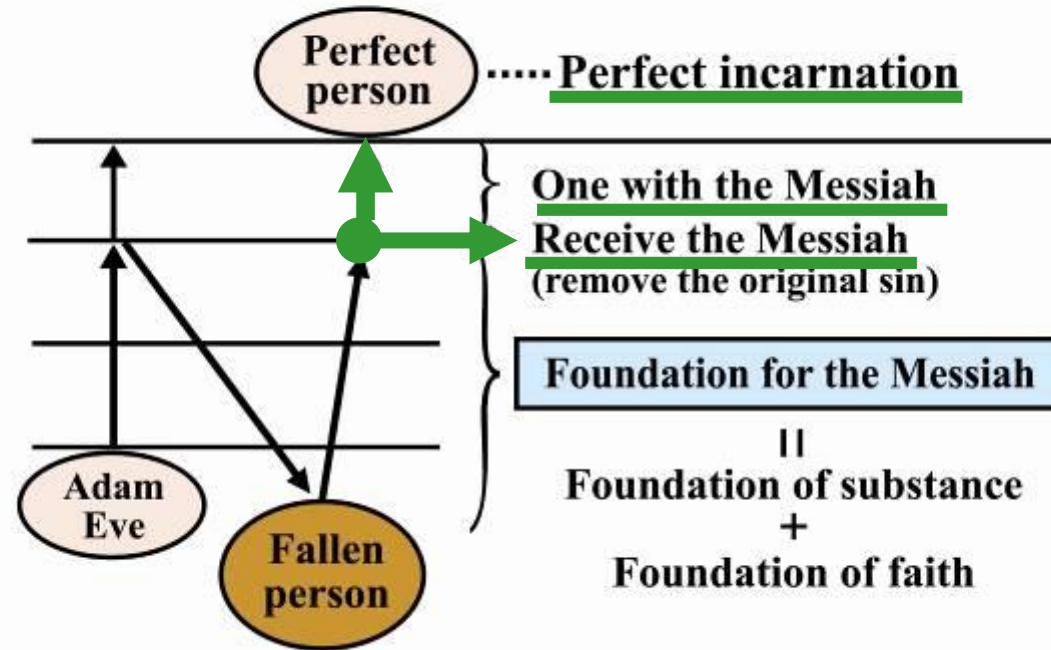
- Third, a "numerical period of indemnity" must be completed.

(2) The Foundation of substance

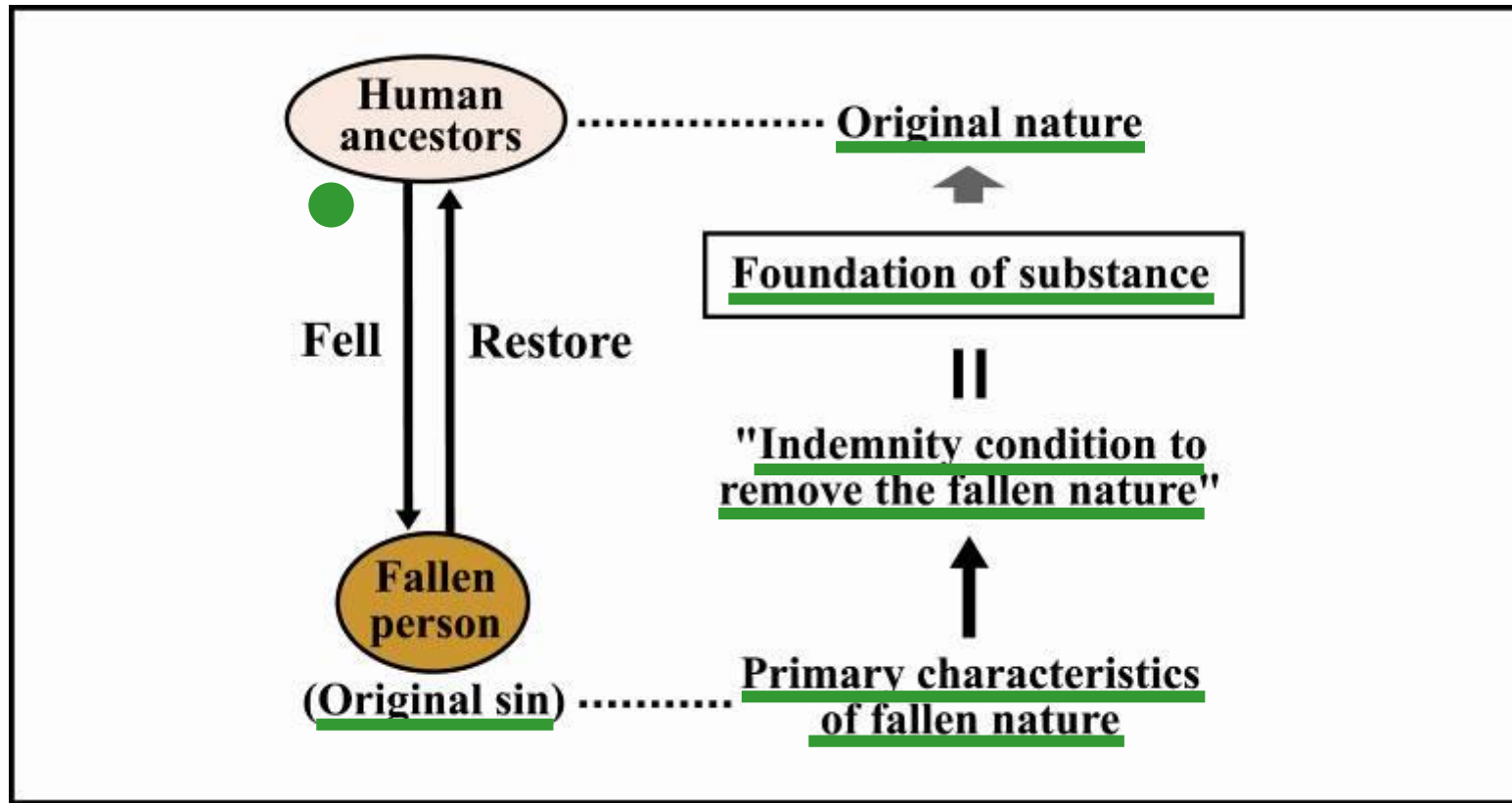


- In order to lay the "foundation for the Messiah," we need to establish the "foundation of substance" on the basis of the "foundation of faith."

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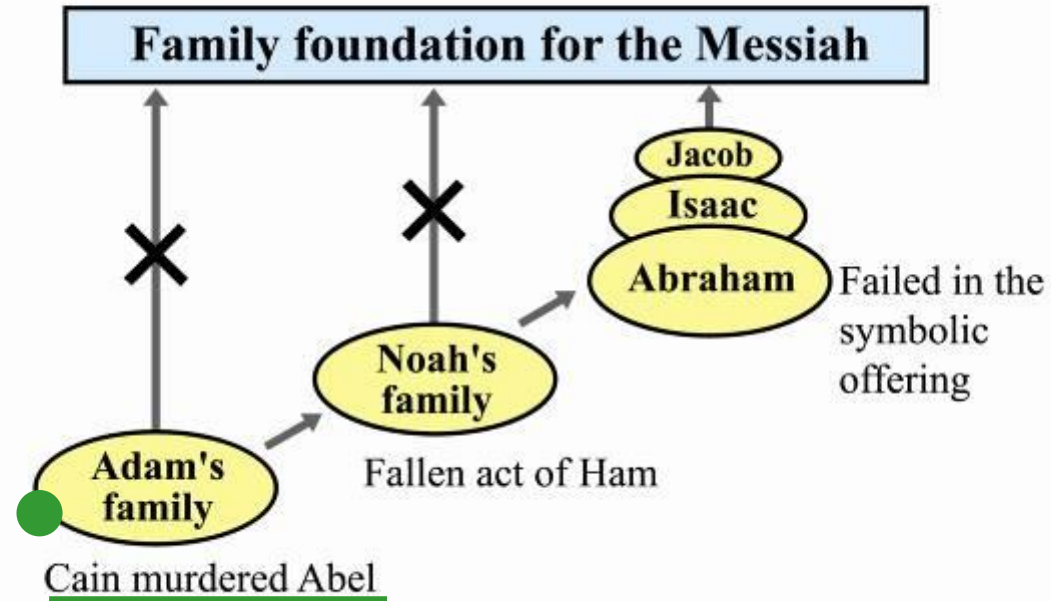
- When we receive the Messiah, we can be cleansed of the original sin through him and be restored to the position of the first human ancestors before their Fall. After this, a path still remains to be trod: we must become one with the Messiah centered on the Heart of God, then follow him along the uncharted path to the summit of the growing period, and thus finally become perfect incarnations of the Word.



- When the first human ancestors fell and acquired the original sin, they could not realize their God-given original nature. Instead, they harbored the primary characteristics of the fallen nature.
- By making the "indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature," a fallen person can lay the "foundation of substance," by which he can receive the Messiah, be cleansed of the original sin through him, and ultimately restore his original nature.

II. The Course of the Providence of Restoration

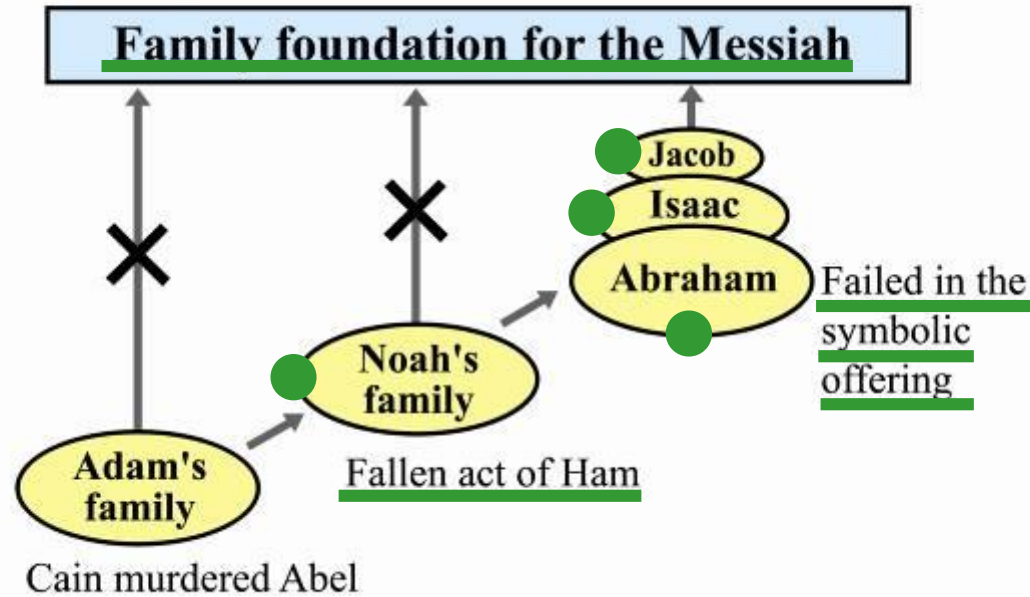
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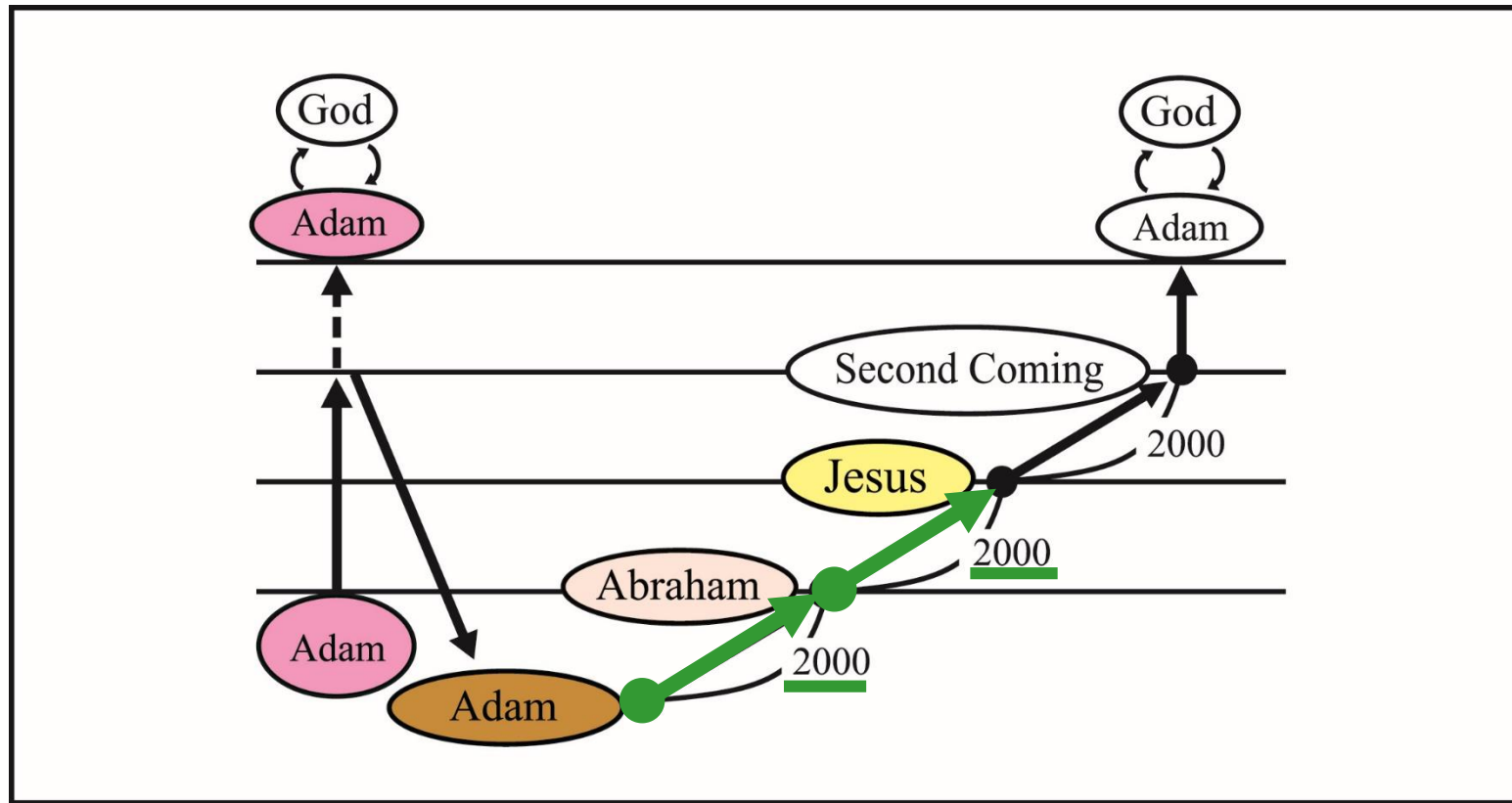
- Let us now present an overview of the entire course of history since the time of Adam and survey the providential ages which comprise it.
- God's providence of restoration began with Adam's family; however, God's Will was frustrated when Cain murdered Abel.

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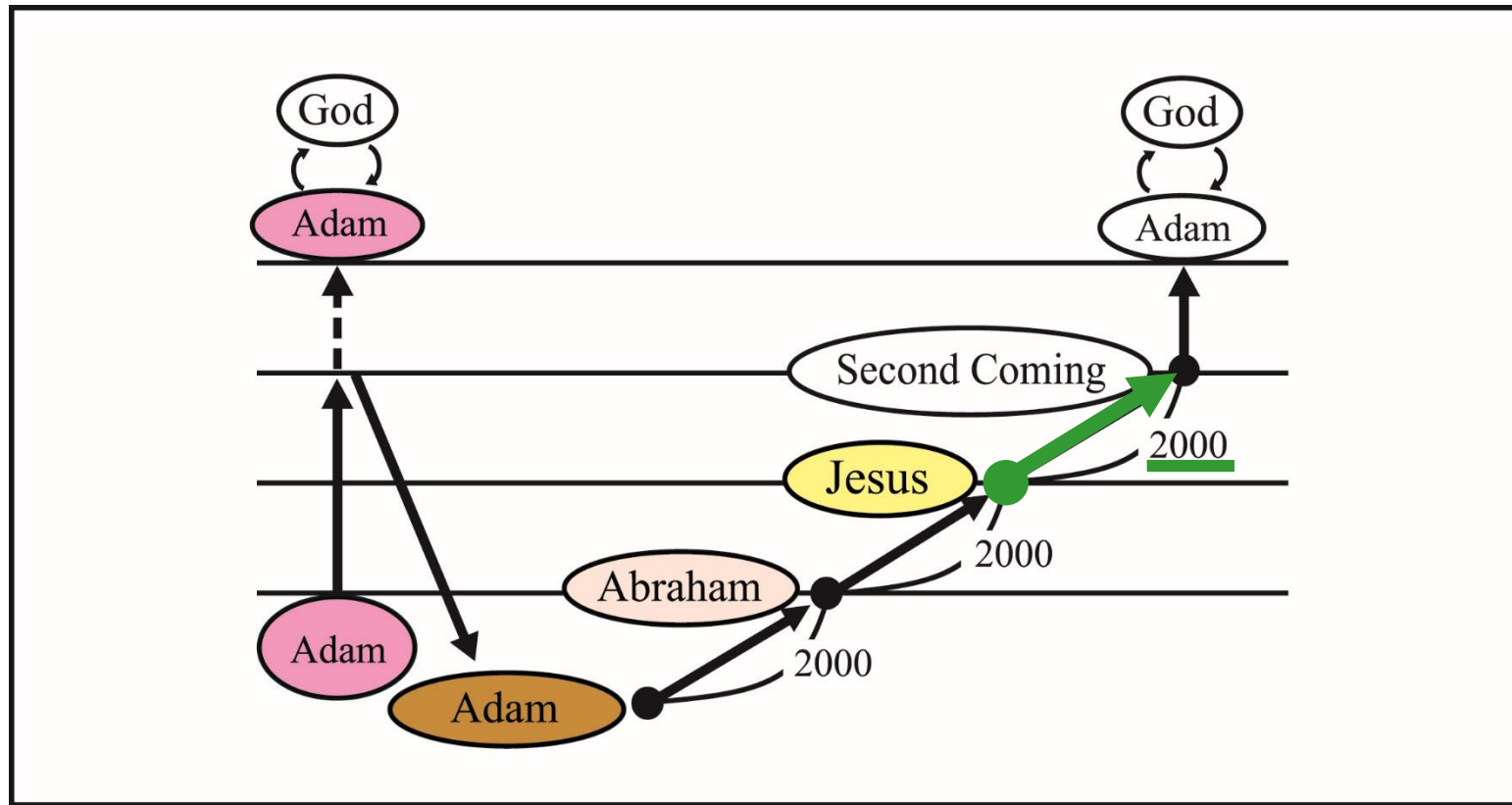
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- 10 generations later, the unfulfilled Will was passed down to Noah's family. Yet due to the fallen act of Ham, Noah's second son, after the flood judgment, the 10 generations and the 40 days of the flood were lost to Satan.
- After 400 years had passed, God's Will was entrusted to Abraham. Although Abraham failed in the symbolic offering, the "family foundation for the Messiah" was eventually fulfilled through the three generations of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.



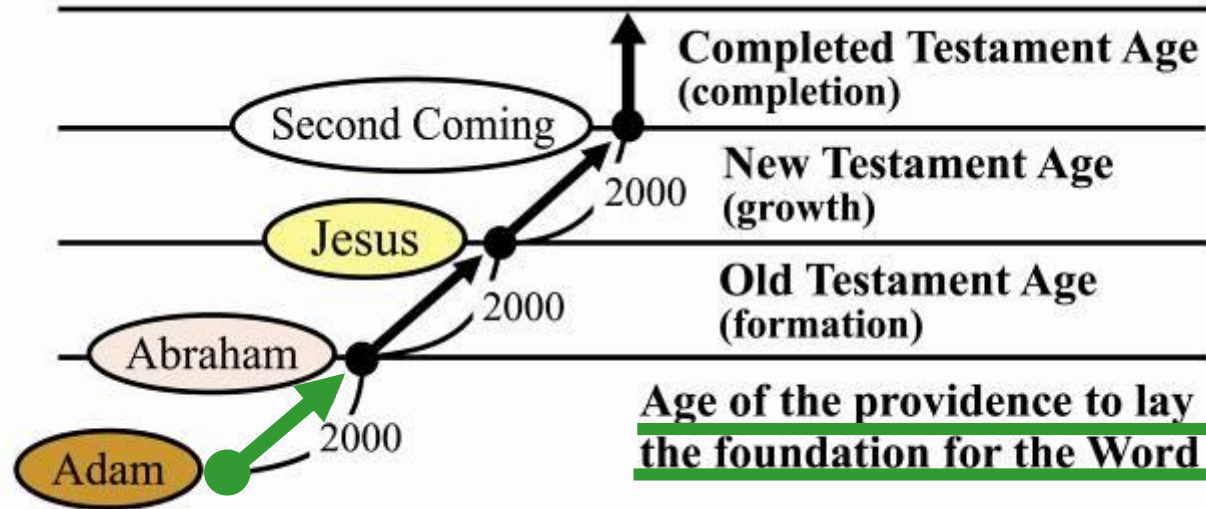
- The 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham was for the purpose of finding one father of faith to lay the foundation to begin the providence of restoration. Thus, God's work of restoration began with Abraham.
- However, due to Abraham's mistake in making the symbolic offering, the 2000 years from Adam to Abraham were lost to Satan, and the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus was set up to restore through indemnity those lost years.



- When the Jewish people sent Jesus to the cross, the 2000 years from Abraham to Jesus were lost yet again to Satan. Hence, the 2000-year period from Jesus' time until today (Second Coming of Christ) is set up to restore the earlier 2000-year period.

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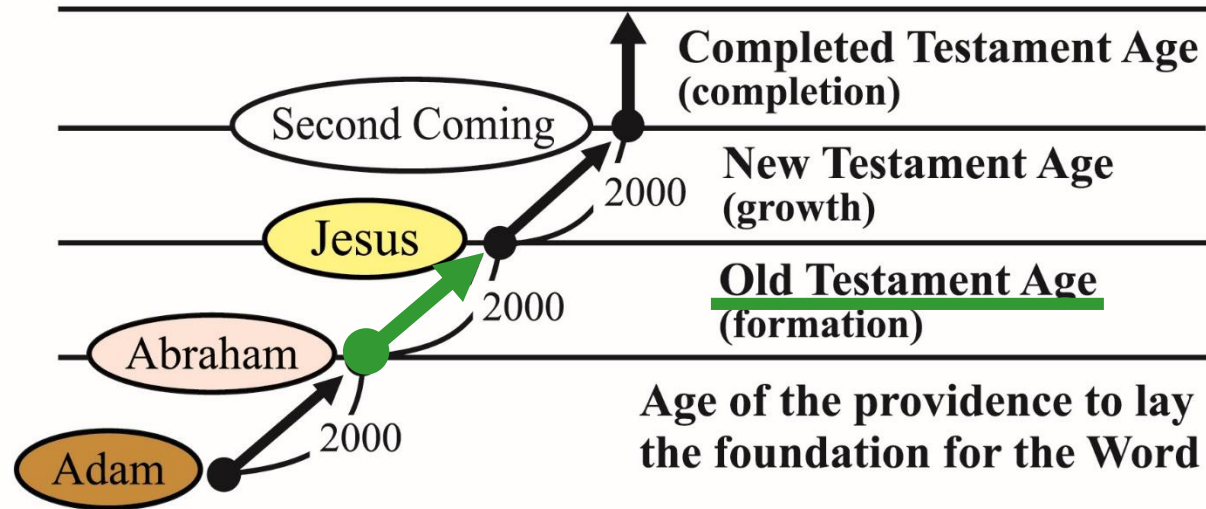
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- ① During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, fallen people made indemnity conditions through offering sacrifices, thereby laying the foundation for the next period, when God could begin to work His providence based on the Word. Hence, this period is called the "age of the providence to lay the foundation for the Word."

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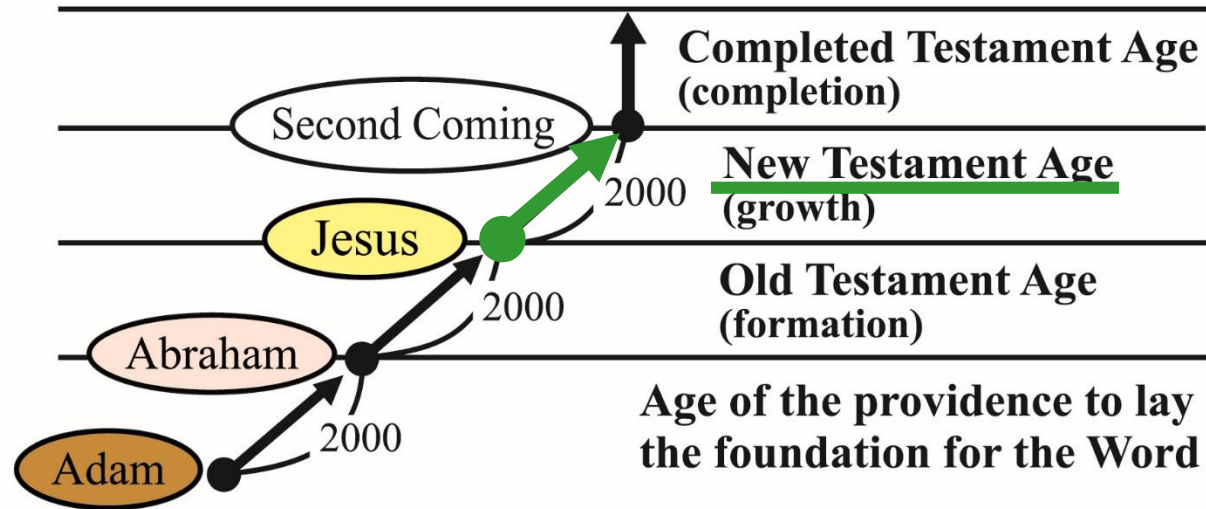
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- ⑥ During the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus, humanity's spirituality and intellect developed to the formation stage based on the Word revealed in the Old Testament. Hence, this period is called the formation stage of the providence, or the "Old Testament Age."

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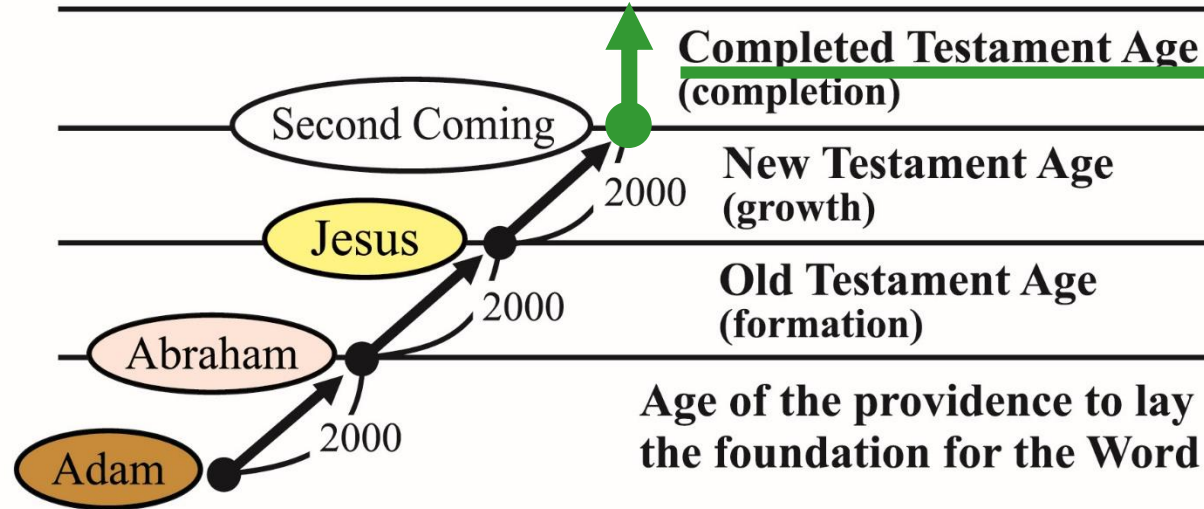
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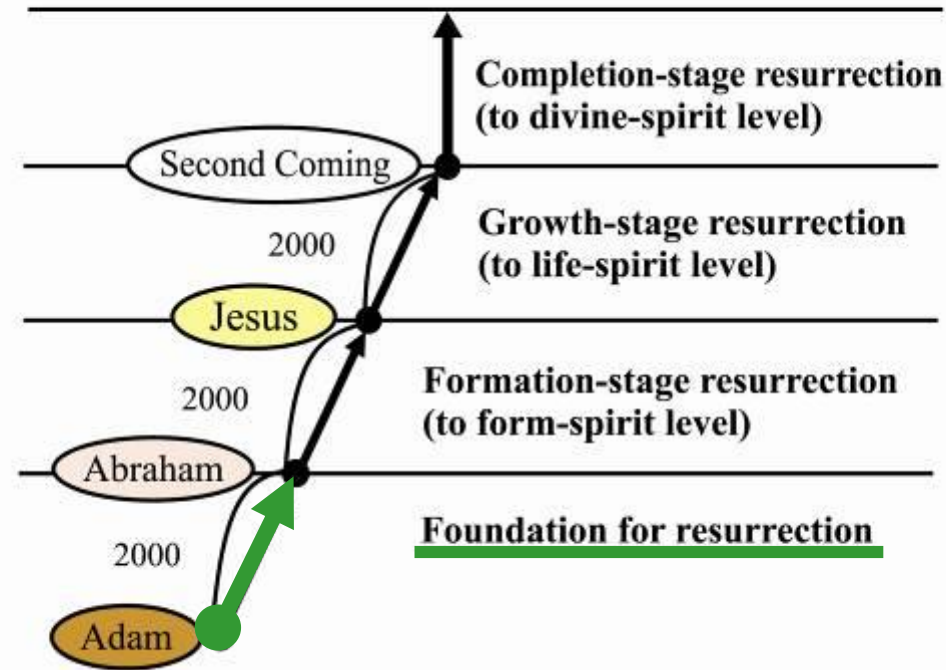
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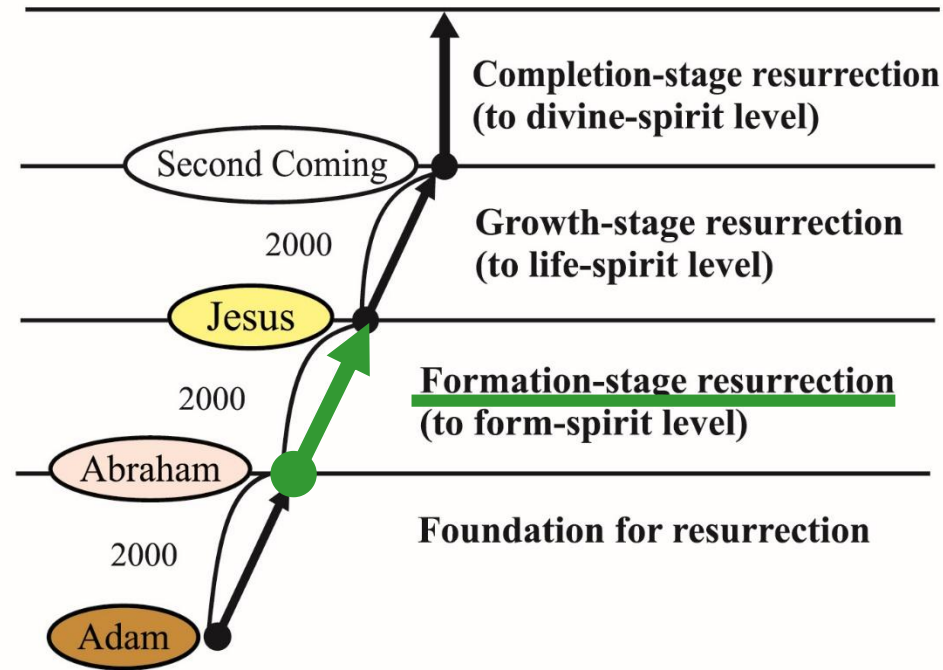
- ④ During the period when the providence of restoration is to be completed after the Second Coming of Christ, humanity's spirituality and intellect are to develop through the completion stage based on the Completed Testament Word. Hence, this period is called the completion stage of the providence, or the "Completed Testament Age."

(2) The Ages Categorized with Reference to God's Work of Resurrection



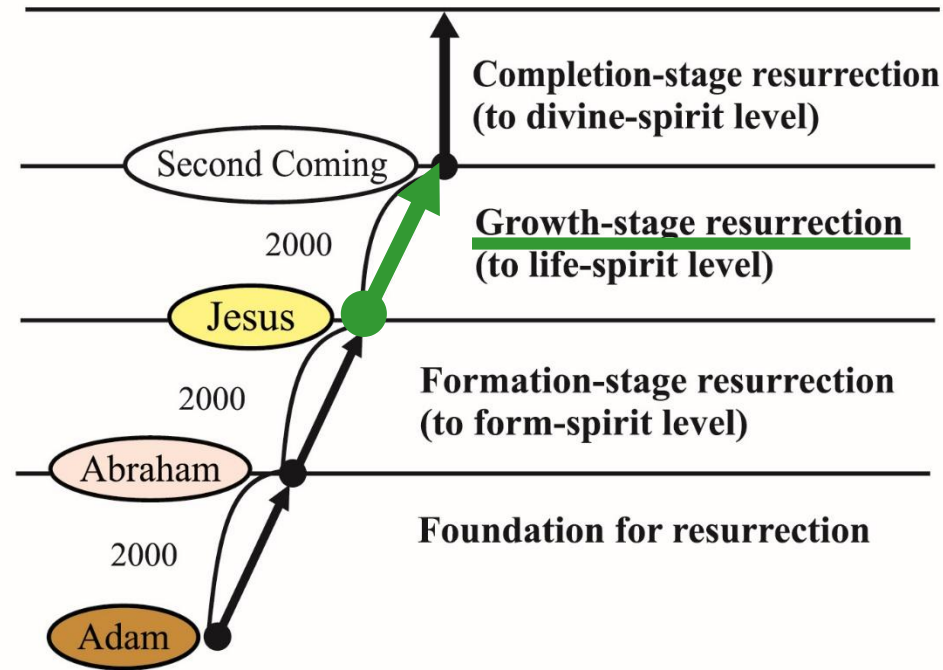
- ① During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, people offered sacrifices to lay the foundation to commence the Old Testament Age, when God would begin His work of resurrection. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to lay the foundation for resurrection.”

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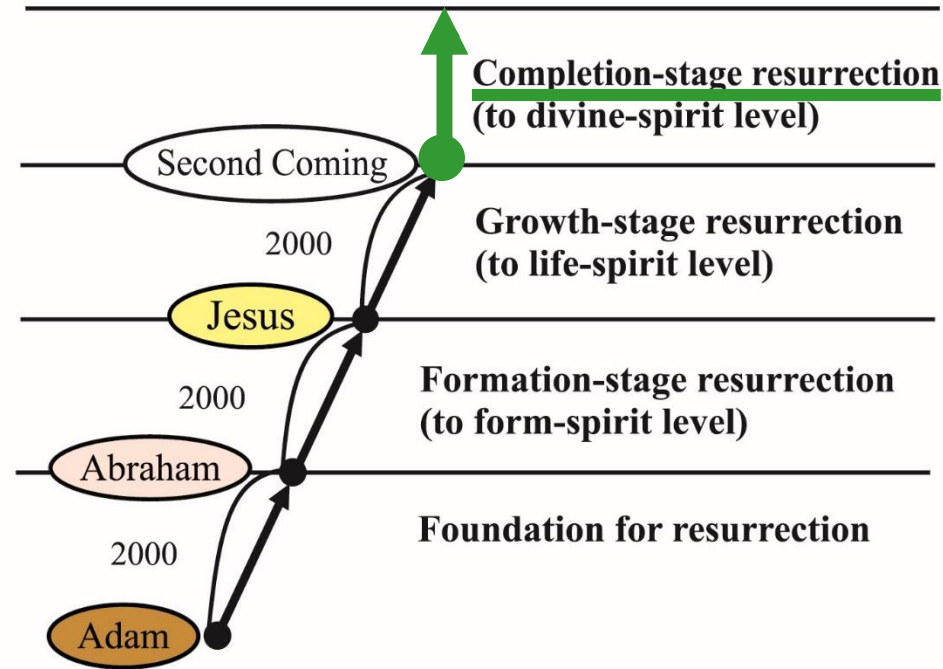
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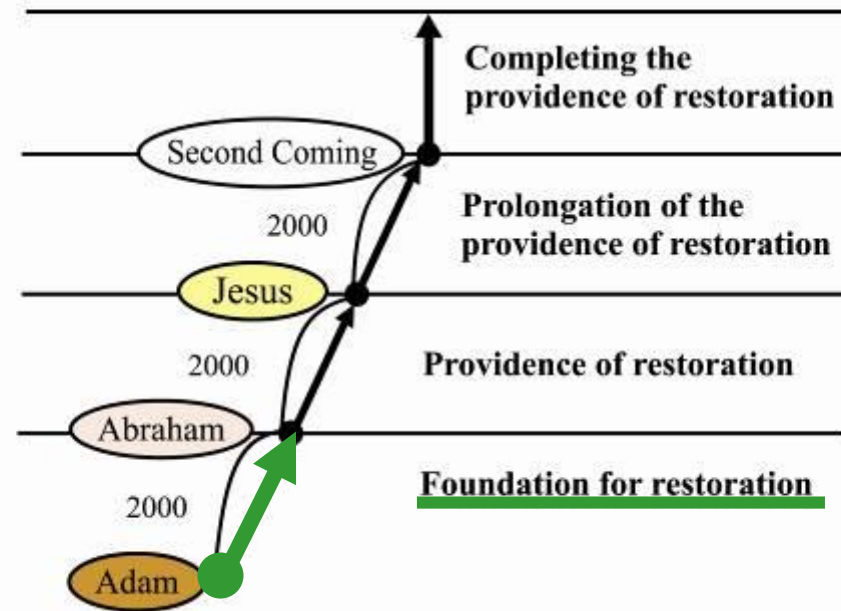
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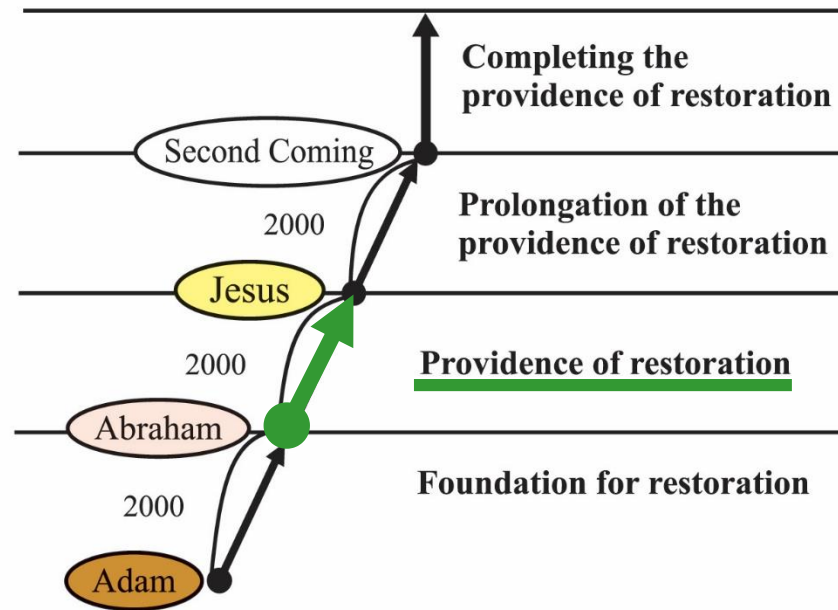
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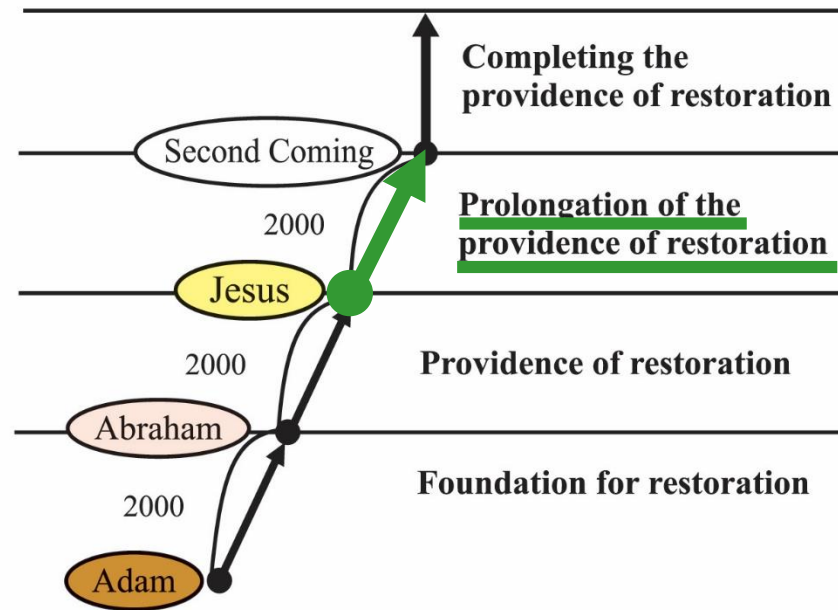
- ① During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, God laid the foundation for the Old Testament Age. Although this period was lost to Satan, God, by raising up Abraham, could commence the Old Testament Age, in which He could restore this first period through indemnity. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to lay the foundation for restoration” (through indemnity).

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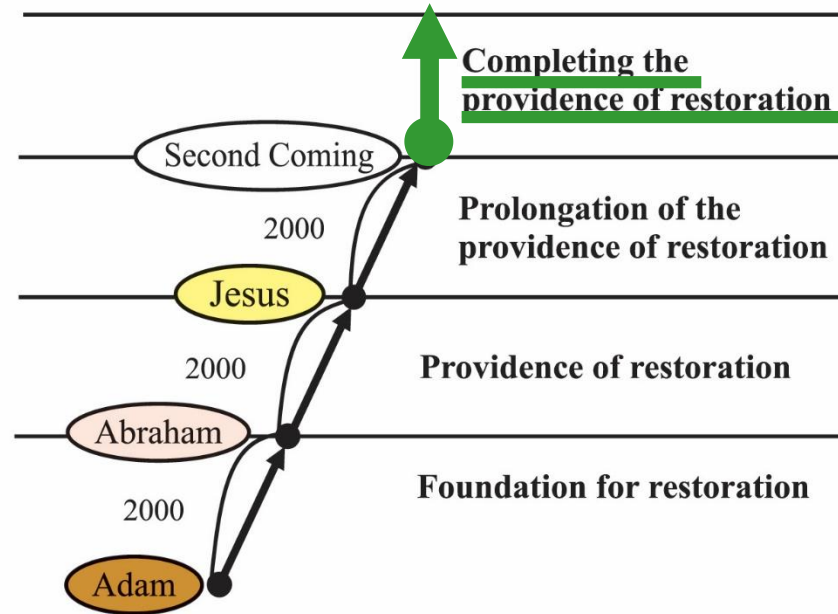
- ⑥ During the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus, God restored through indemnity the previous period of 2000 years-lost to Satan due to Abraham's mistake in the symbolic offering-by working predominantly through the people of Israel. Hence, this period is called the "age of the providence of restoration" (through indemnity).

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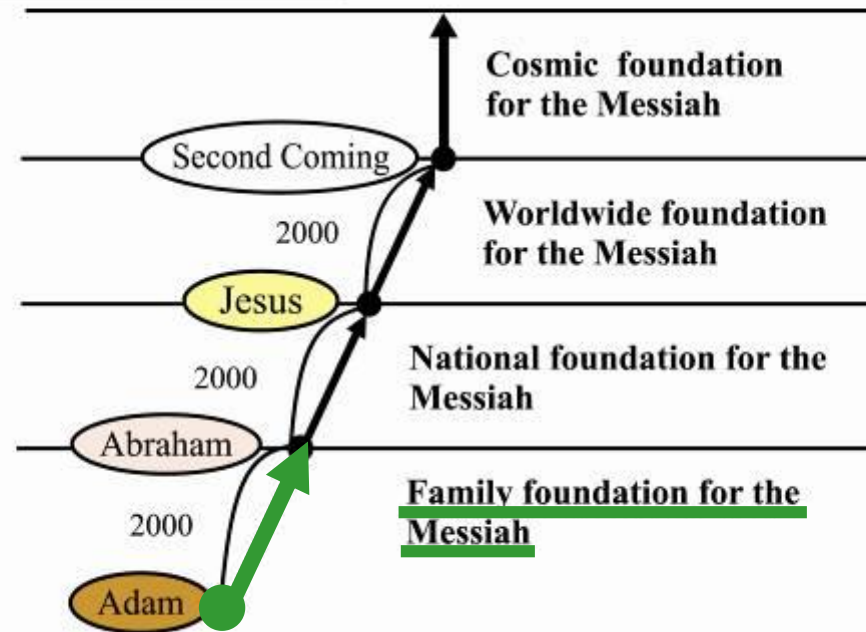
© During the 2000-year period from Jesus to the Second Coming, God has been restoring the Old Testament Age-lost to Satan due to Jesus' crucifixion-by working predominantly through Christianity. Hence, this period is called the "age of the prolongation of the providence of restoration" (through indemnity).

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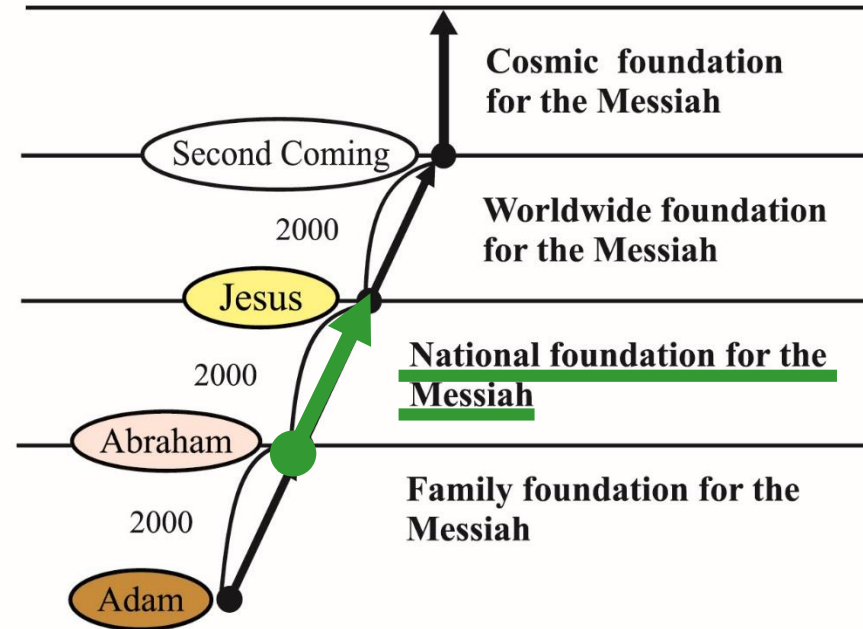
④ During the period when the providence of restoration is to be completed after the Second Coming of Christ, God will work to restore the entire course of the providence of restoration, which had been lost to Satan. Hence, this period is called the “age for completing the providence of restoration” (through indemnity).

(4) The Ages Categorized with Reference to the Expanding Scope of the Foundation for the Messiah



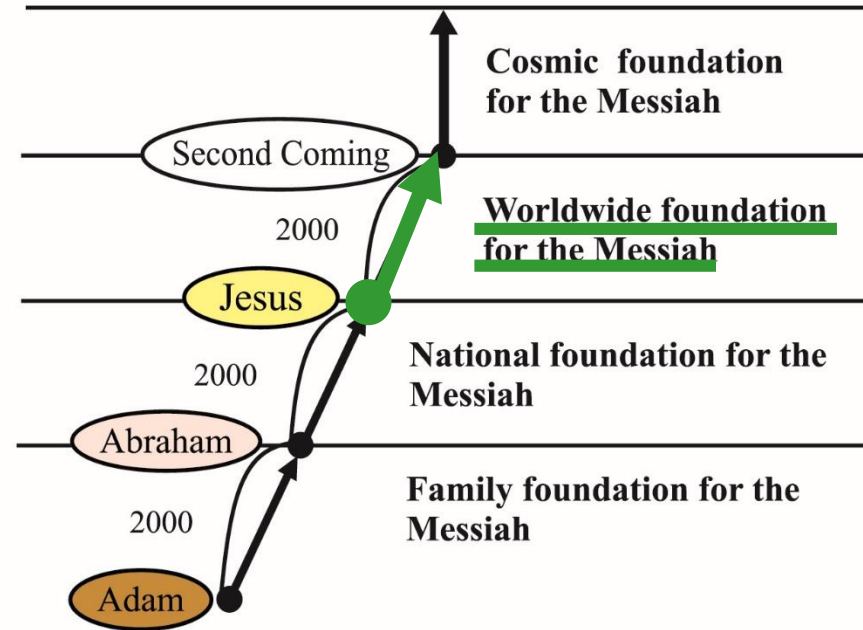
- ① During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, God laid the family foundation for the Messiah by raising up Abraham's family on the condition of the sacrifices they offered. Hence, this period is called the "age of the providence to lay the family foundation for the Messiah."

(4) The Ages Categorized with Reference to the Expanding Scope of the Foundation for the Messiah



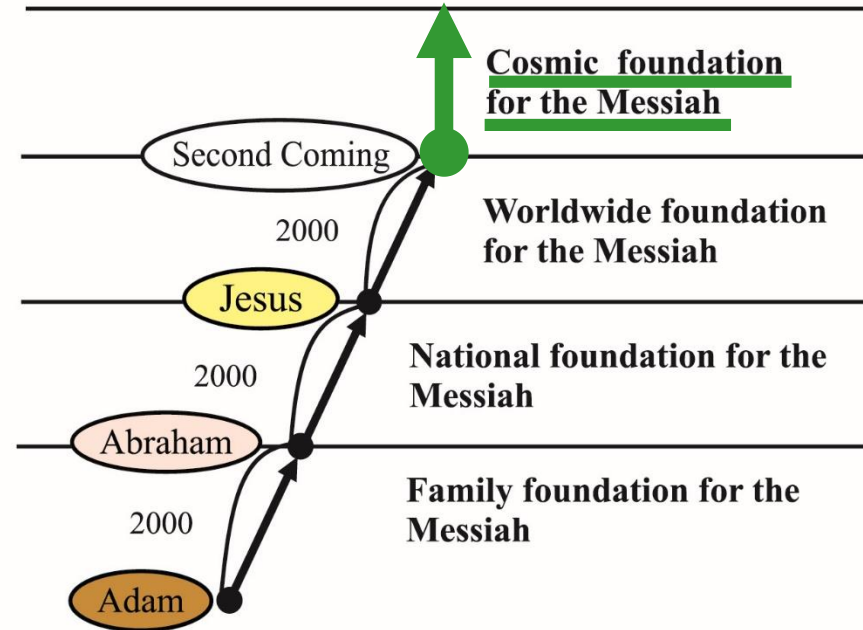
- ⑥ During the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus, God worked to lay the national foundation for the Messiah by raising up Israel based on the Old Testament Word. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to lay the national foundation for the Messiah.”

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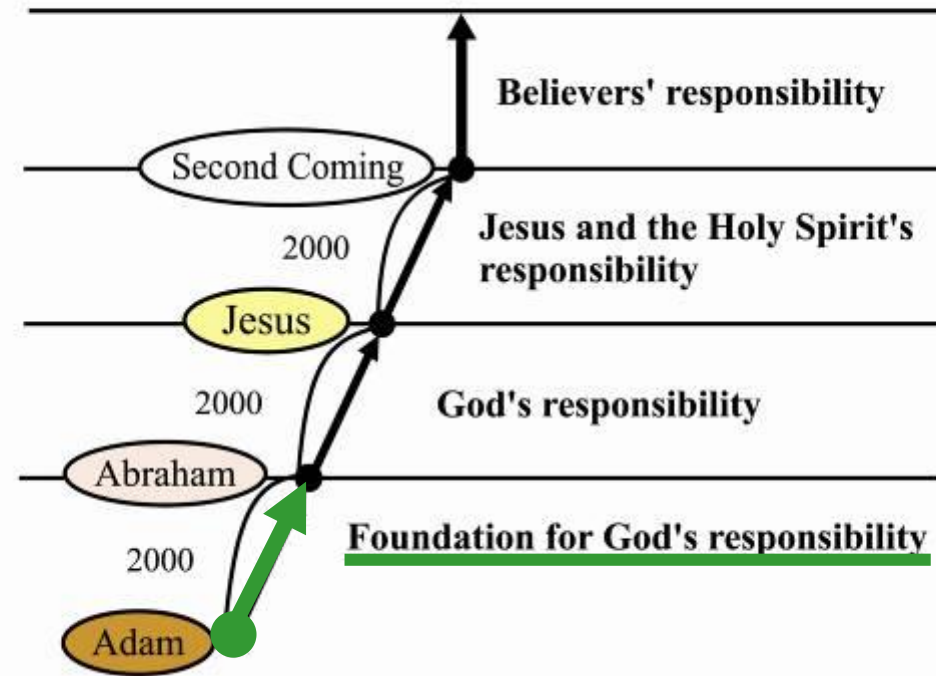
© During the 2000-year period from Jesus to the Second Coming, God has been laying the worldwide foundation for the Messiah by raising up worldwide Christianity based on the New Testament Word. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to lay the worldwide foundation for the Messiah.”

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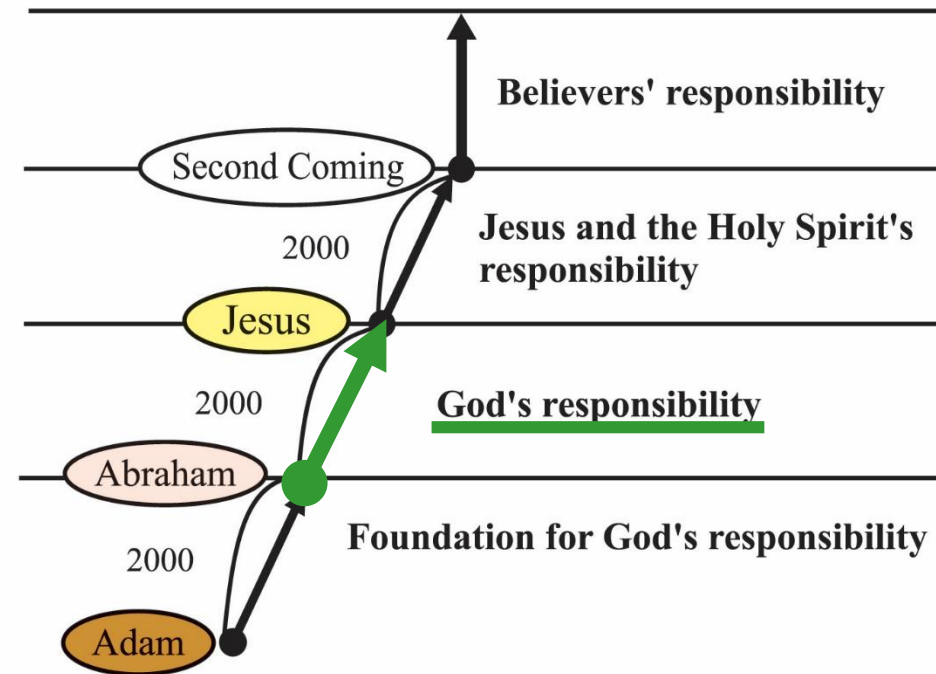
④ During the period when the providence of restoration is to be completed after the Second Coming of Christ, God will complete the cosmic foundation for the Messiah by working throughout heaven and earth based on the Completed Testament Word. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to complete the cosmic foundation for the Messiah.”

(5) The Ages Categorized with Reference to Responsibility



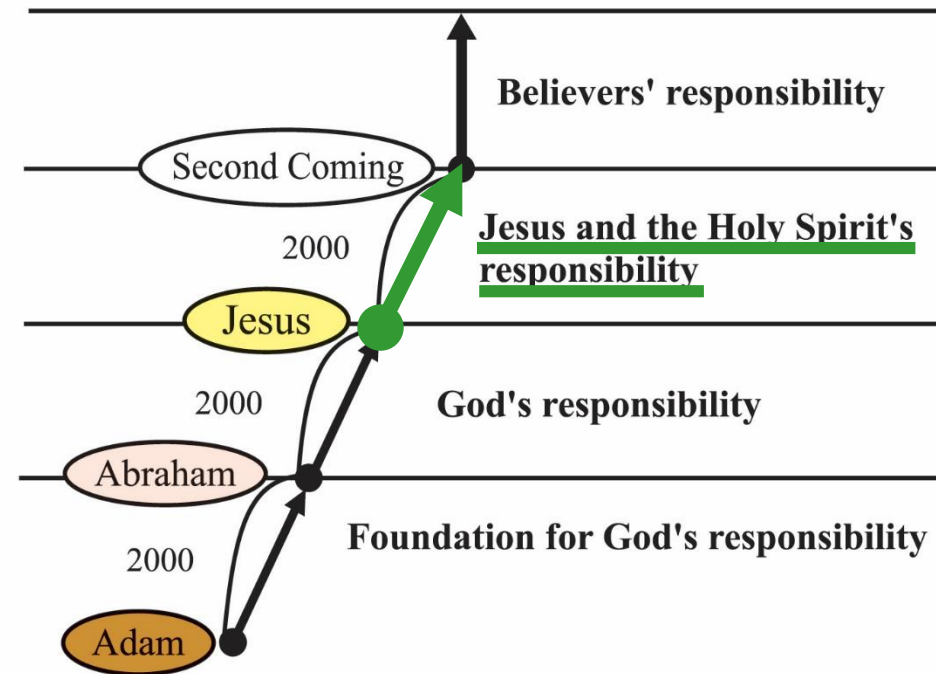
- ① During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, God laid the foundation upon which to conduct His providence in the subsequent Old Testament Age, a providence which was to be fulfilled by God shouldering the responsibility. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence to lay the foundation for God’s responsibility.”

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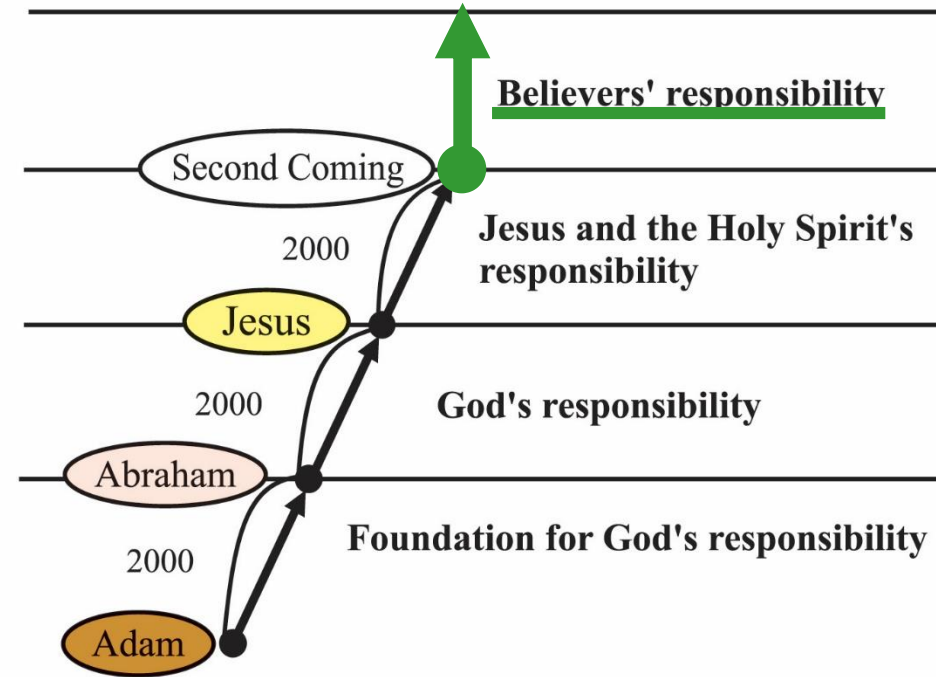
- ⑥ During the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus, God took responsibility as the Creator of human beings and carried out the providence of restoration at the formation stage. God worked with the prophets and personally shouldered the first responsibility to defeat Satan. Hence, this period is called the "age of the providence based on God's responsibility."

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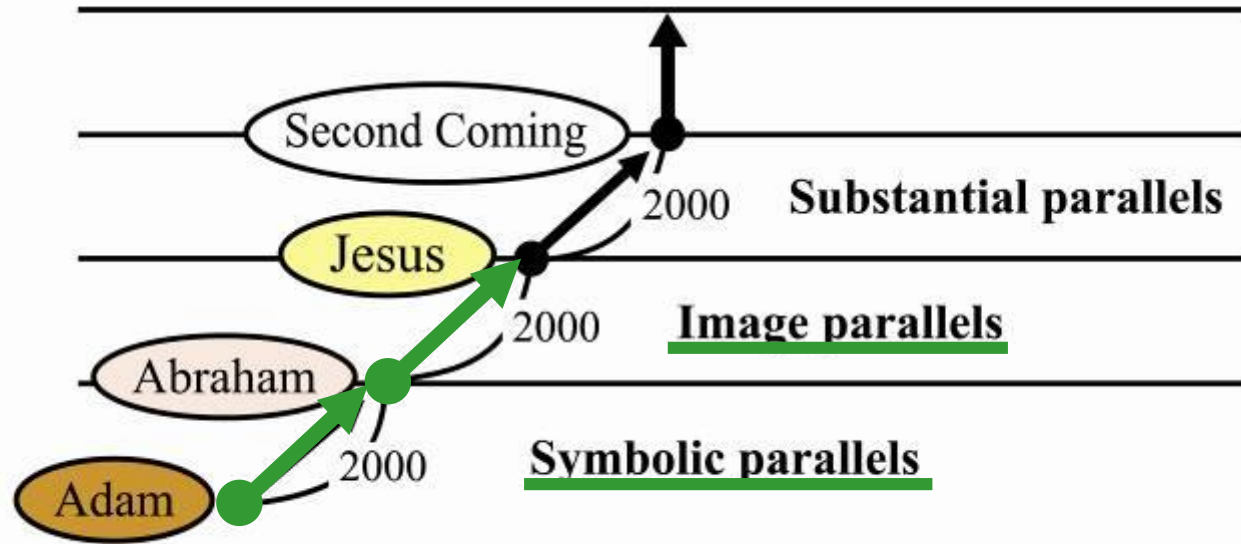
© During the 2000-year period from Jesus to the Second Coming, Jesus and the Holy Spirit, who assumed the missions of Adam and Eve, have conducted the providence of restoration at the growth stage, shouldering the second responsibility to defeat Satan. Hence, this period is called the “age of the providence based on Jesus and the Holy Spirit’s responsibility.”

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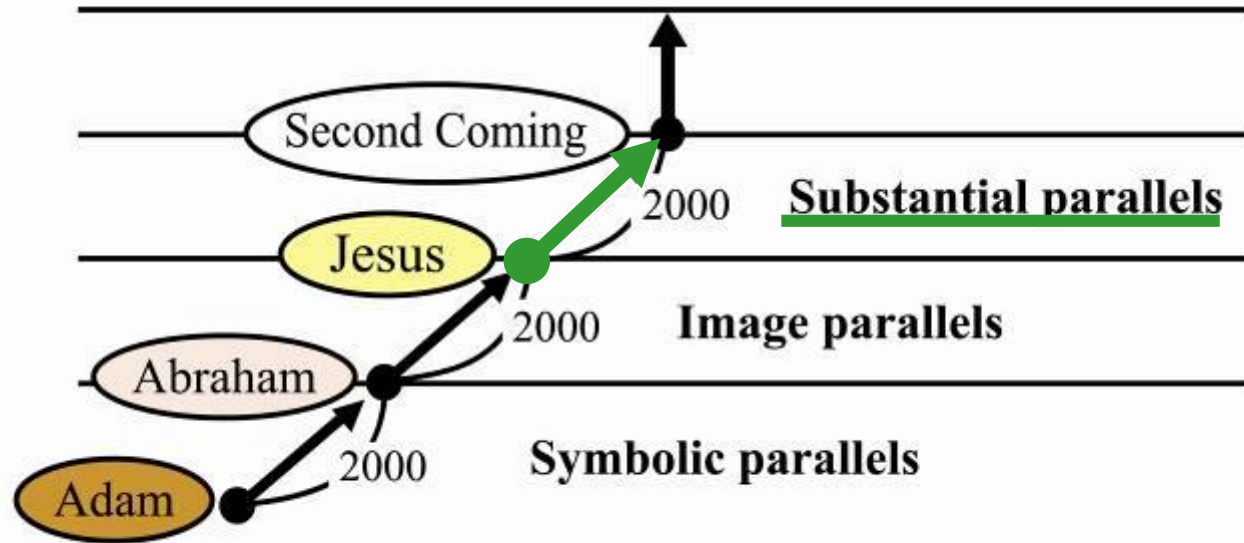
- ④ During the period when the providence of restoration is to be completed after the Second Coming of Christ, the people of faith are to bear the third responsibility to defeat Satan and complete the providence of restoration. Hence, this period is called the "age of the providence based on the believers' responsibility."

(6) The Ages Categorized with Reference to the Parallels in the Providence



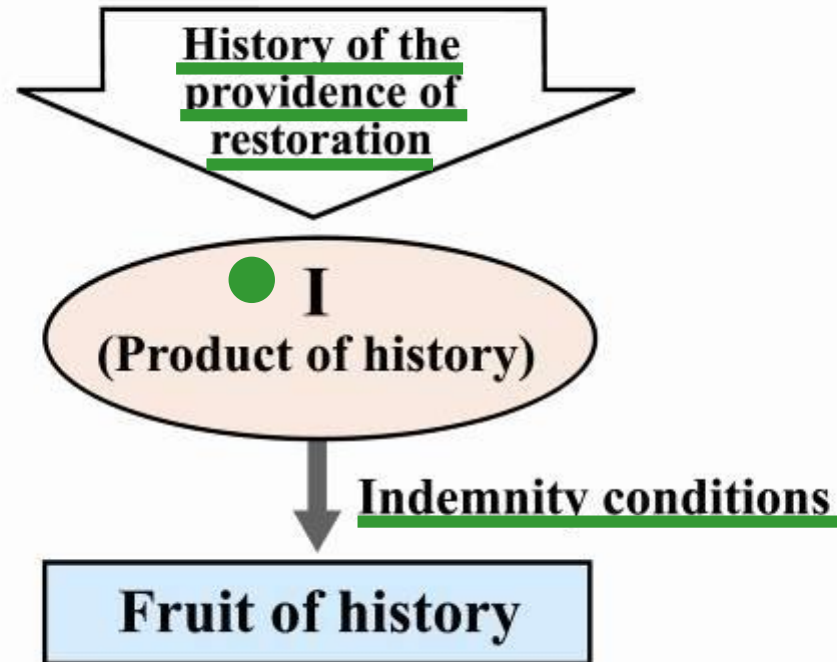
- Ⓐ During the 2000-year period from Adam to Abraham, the foundation for the Messiah was restored by fulfilling parallel indemnity conditions of a symbolic type. Hence, this period is called the "age of symbolic parallels."
- Ⓑ During the 2000-year period from Abraham to Jesus, the foundation for the Messiah was restored by fulfilling parallel indemnity conditions of an image type. Hence, this period is called the "age of image parallels."

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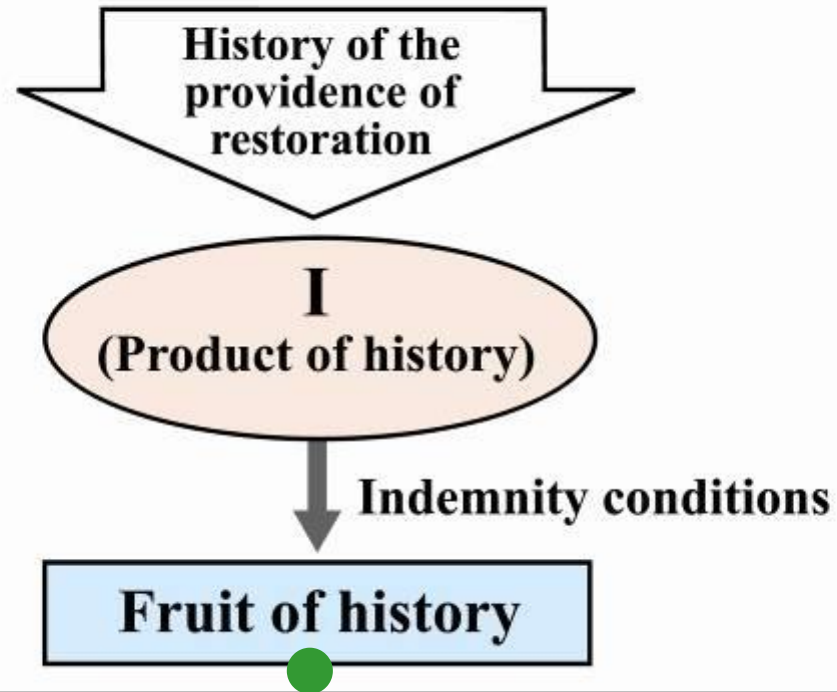
© During the 2000-year period from Jesus to the Second Coming, the foundation for the Messiah has been restored by fulfilling parallel indemnity conditions of a substantial type. Hence, this period is called the "age of substantial parallels."

III. The History of the Providence of Restoration and I



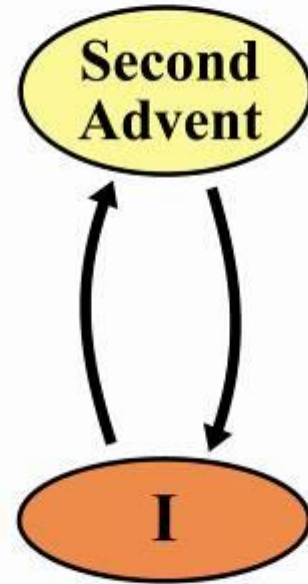
- As an individual, "I" am a product of the history of the providence of restoration.
- Hence, I must take up the cross of history and accept responsibility to fulfill its calling. To this end, I must fulfill in my lifetime (horizontally), through my efforts, the indemnity conditions which have accumulated through the long history of the providence of restoration (vertically).

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- Only by doing this can "I" stand proudly as the fruit of history, the one whom God has eagerly sought throughout His providence.

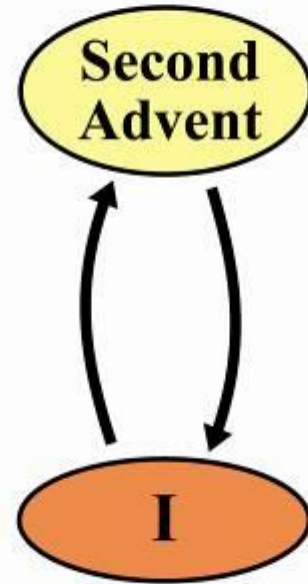
To become a historical victor



- ① Understand God's Heart, purpose, and mission
- ② Understand all things through Christ at the Second Advent; believe, become one with, and attend him
- ③ Fulfill with Second Advent vertical indemnity conditions

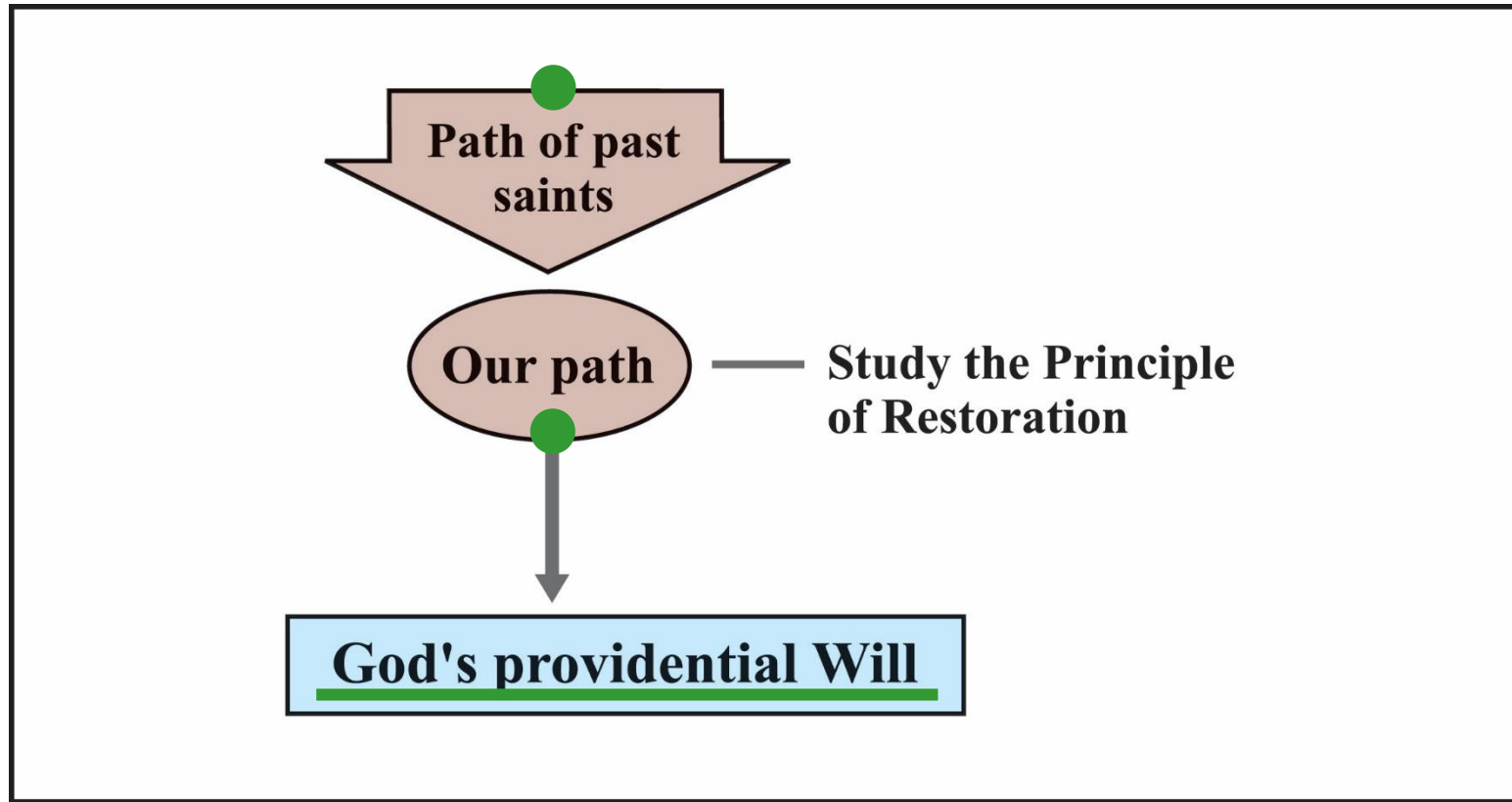
- To become such a historical victor, I must understand clearly God's Heart when He worked with past prophets and saints, the original purpose for which God called them, and the details of the providential missions which He entrusted to them.
- We must understand all these things through Christ at the Second Advent, who comes to fulfill the providence of restoration.

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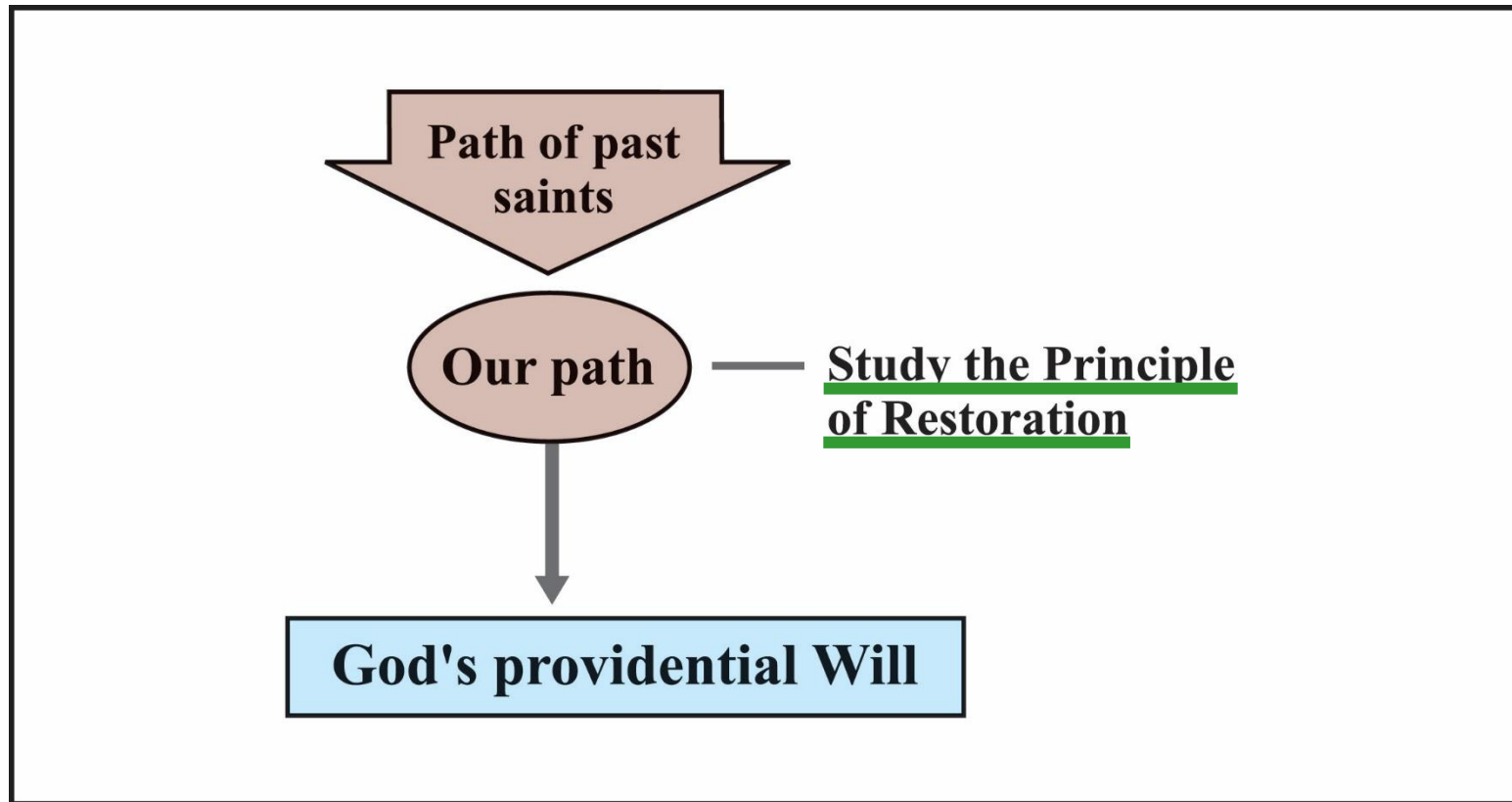


- ① Understand God's Heart, purpose, and mission
- ② Understand all things through Christ at the Second Advent; believe, become one with, and attend him
- ③ Fulfill with Second Advent vertical indemnity conditions

- Moreover, when we believe in him, become one with him, and attend him in his work, we can stand in the position of having fulfilled horizontally with him the vertical indemnity conditions in the history of the providence of restoration.



- The path which all past saints walked as they strove to fulfill God's providential Will is the very path we must walk again today.
- Beyond that, we must continue on to the end of the path, even walking trails they left untrodden.
- Therefore, fallen people can never find the path that leads to life without understanding the particulars of the providence of restoration.



- Herein lies the reason why we must study the Principle of Restoration in detail.