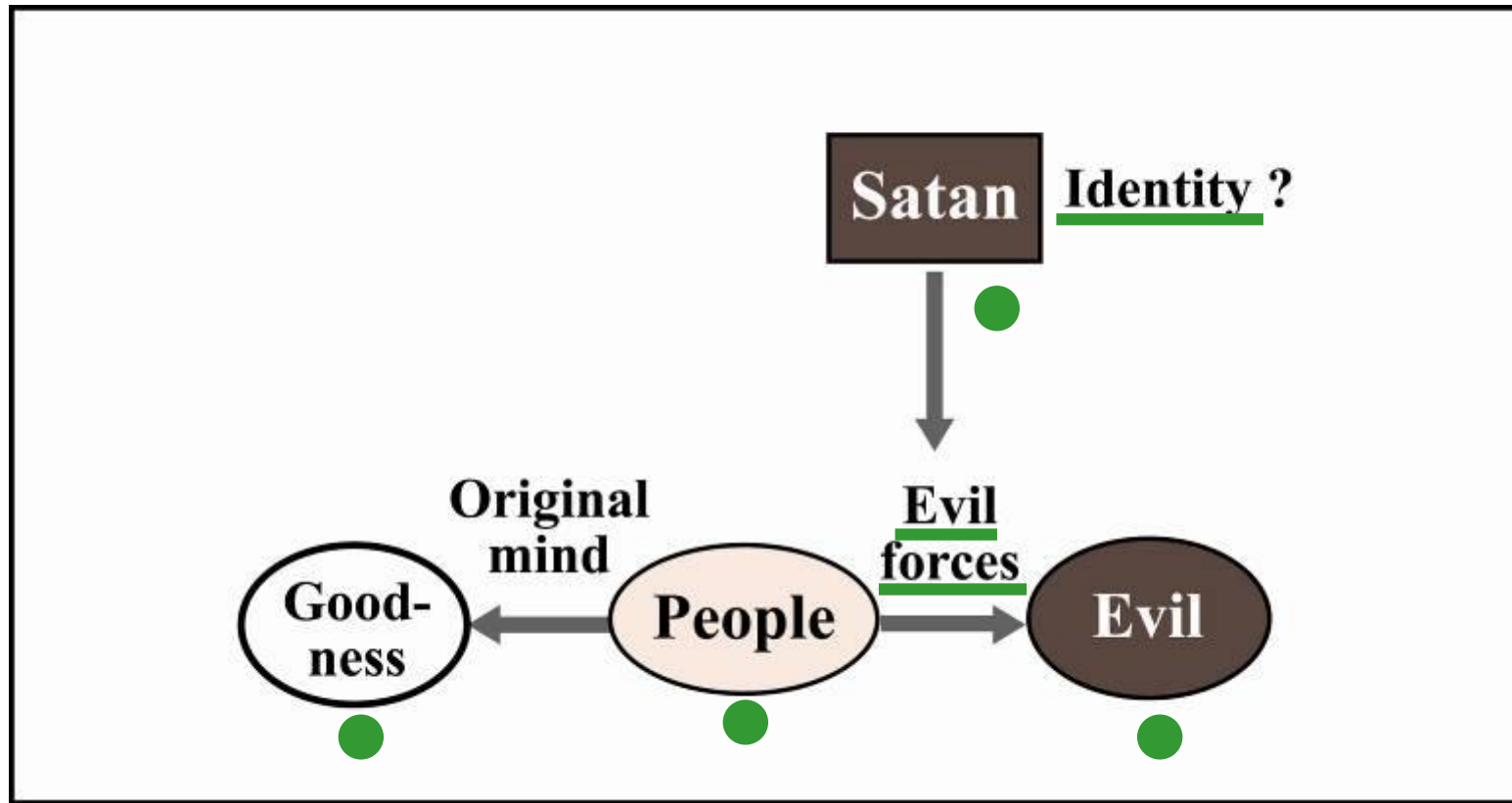


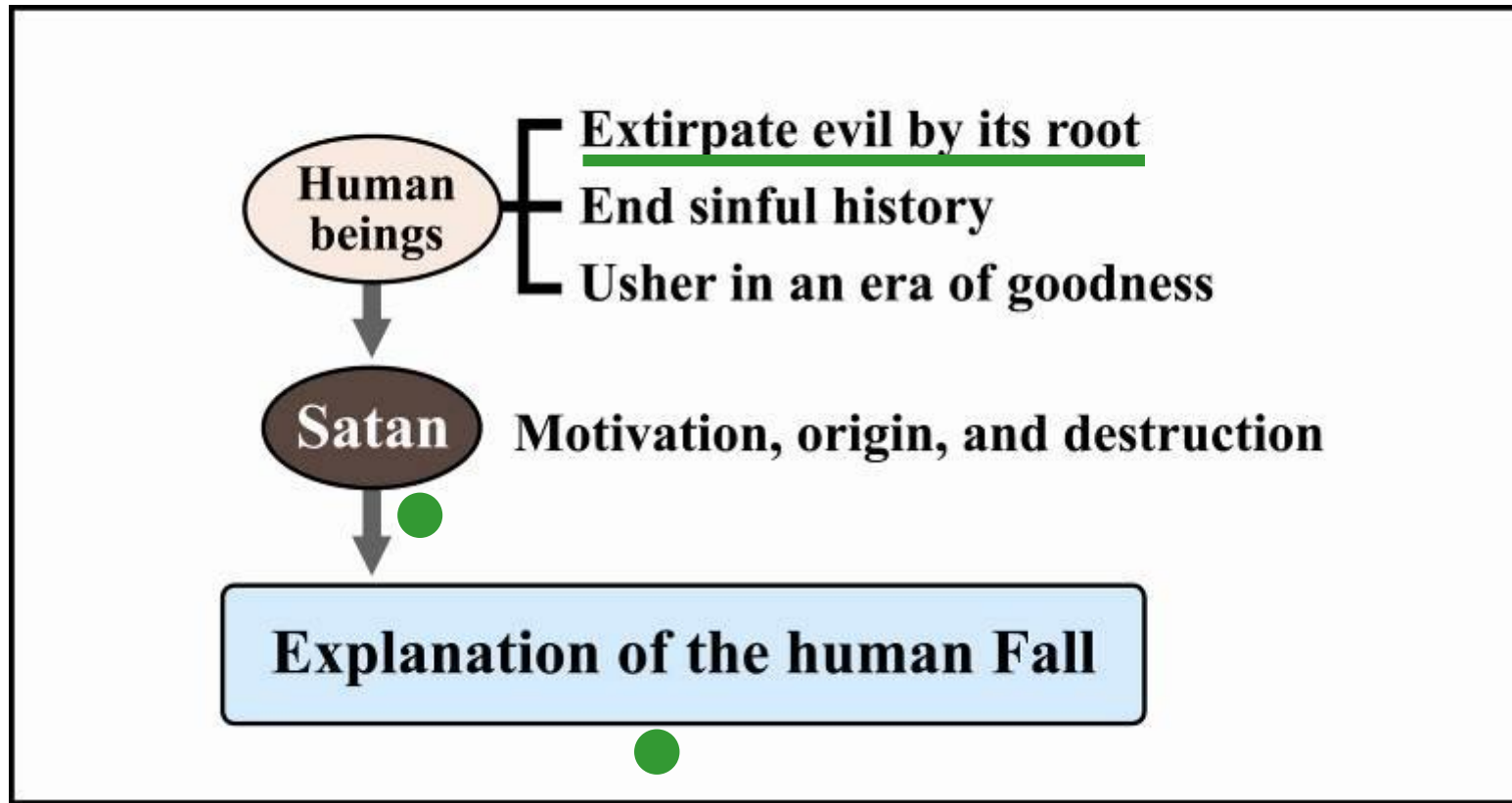
## Chapter 2

# *The Human Fall*

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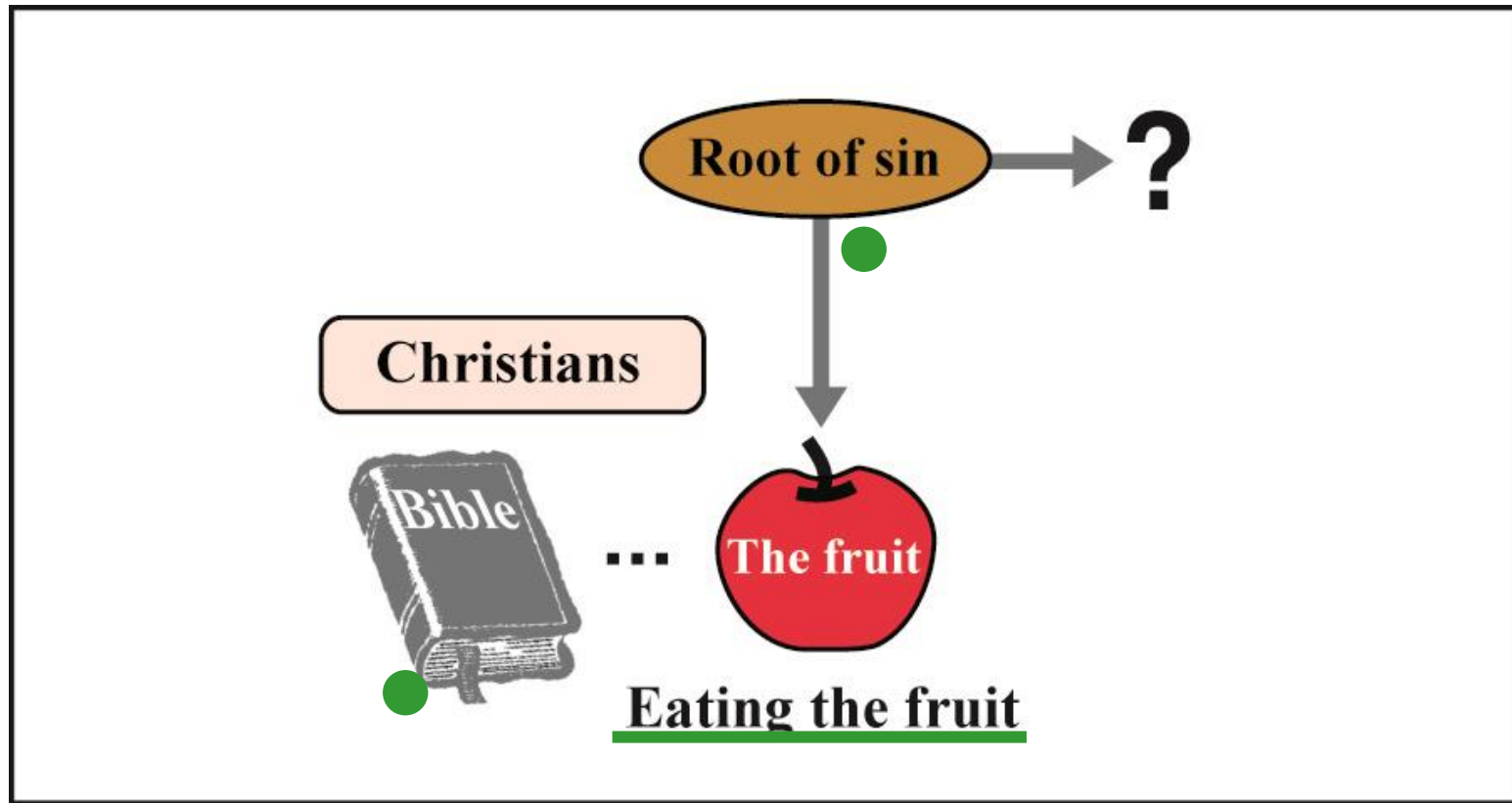
- All people have an original mind, which inclines them to pursue goodness. Yet, even without our being aware of it, we are driven by evil forces to perform evil deeds, which we do not want to do.
- In Christianity, the master of these evil forces is known as Satan.
- We have been utterly unable to liquidate the forces of Satan because we have not understood Satan's identity or how he came to exist.



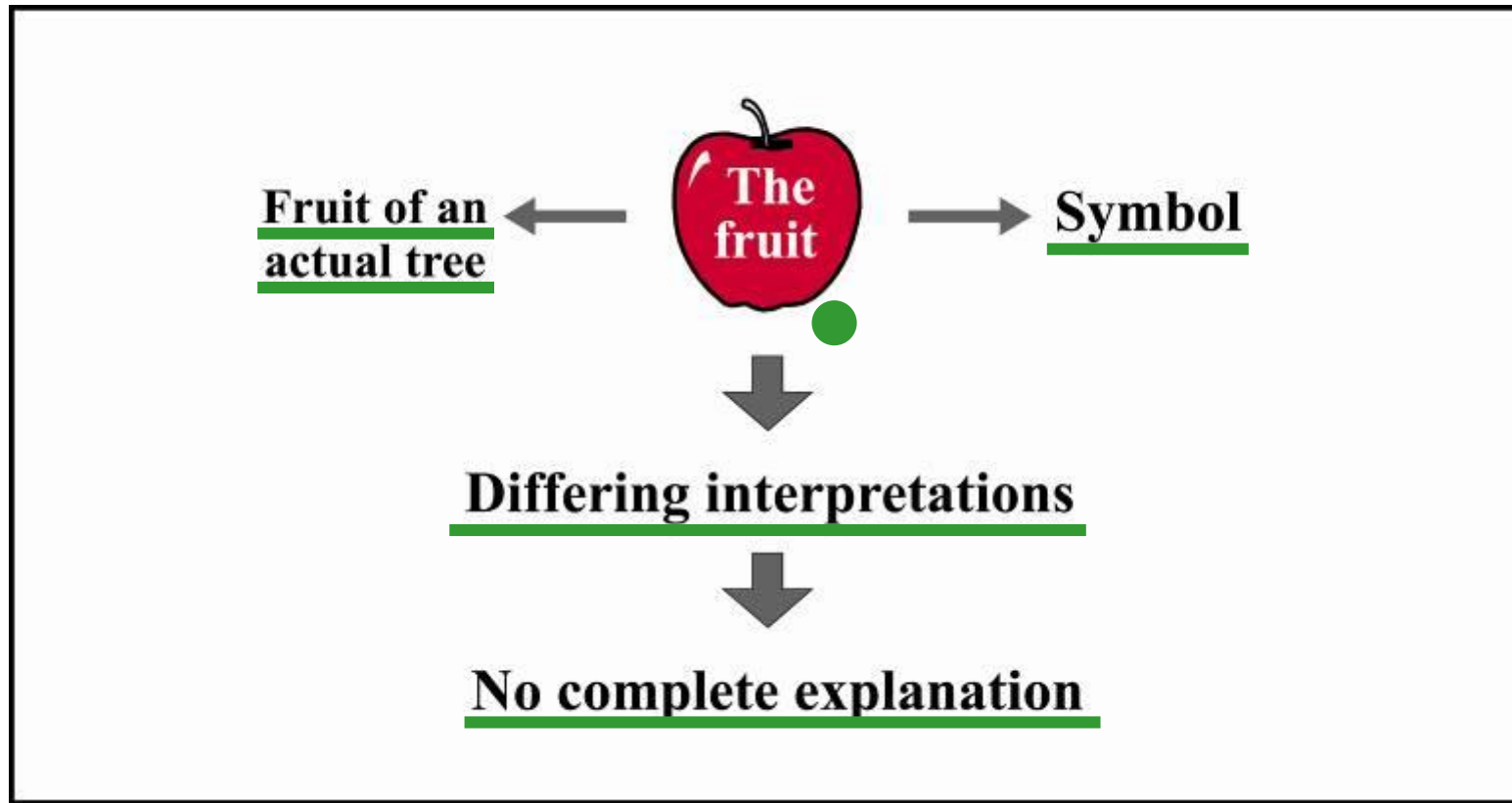
- To extirpate evil by its root, and thereby end sinful history and usher in an era of goodness,
- We must first expose the motivation and origin of Satan and recognize the destruction he has wrought in human life.
- This explanation of the human Fall will clarify these issues.

## Section 1

# **The Root of Sin**



- No one has known the root of sin.
- Christians, on the basis of the Bible, have held to a vague belief that Adam and Eve's eating the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was the root of sin.



- Some Christians believe that the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was the fruit of an actual tree, while others believe that the fruit is a symbol; there are differing interpretations without a complete explanation.

## I. The Tree of Life and The Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil



**Fruit of an actual tree ?**



① **God: make a fruit to cause the Fall to look attractive?**  
(Parent)

② **Jesus: "Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man..."**  
(Matt. 15:11)

- Many Christians to this day have thought that the fruit was that of an actual tree.
- ① But would God, the loving Parent of humanity, make a fruit which could cause the Fall to look so attractive (Gen. 3:6)? Would He place it where His children could reach it so easily?
- ② Furthermore, in Matthew 15:11, Jesus said, "Not what goes into the mouth defiles a man, but what comes out of the mouth, this defiles a man."



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- ③ Humankind is beset by the original sin, which has been inherited from our first ancestors. Yet how can something one eats cause sin to be transmitted to one's descendants? The only way something can be inherited is by being passed down through the lineage.
- ④ Also, would the God of love test humans by a means that could cause their death?



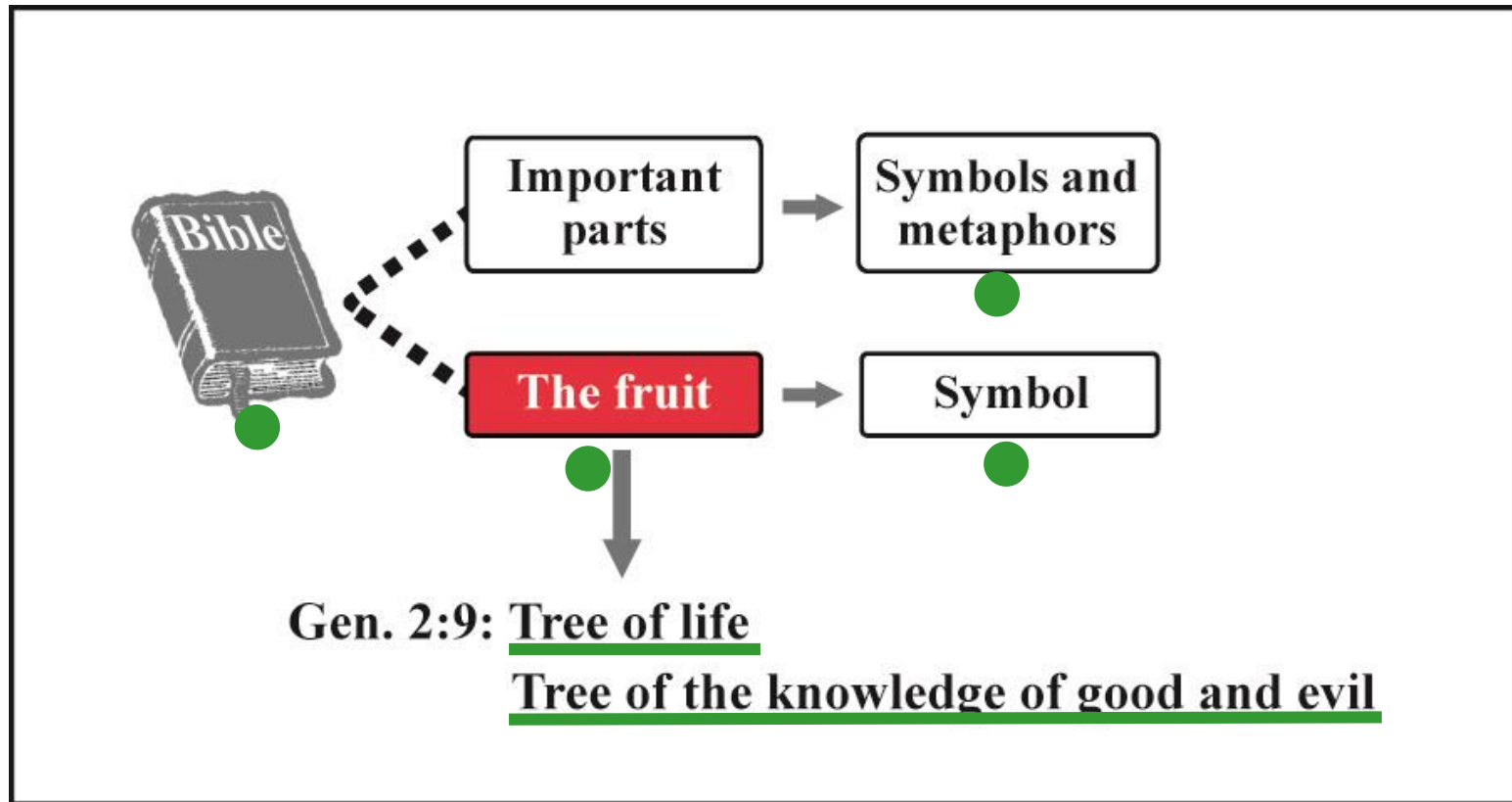


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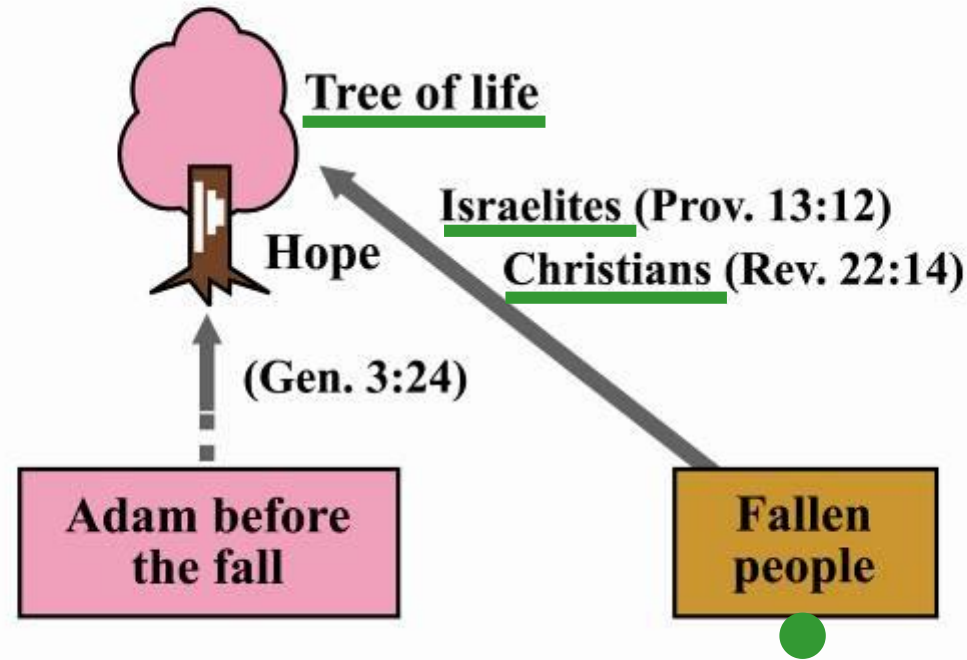
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- ⑤ Adam and Eve would not have risked their lives and disobeyed God only to obtain some delicacy.
- Therefore, we can surmise that the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil was not a fruit. Rather, it must have been something so extraordinarily stimulating that even the fear of death did not deter them from grasping it.



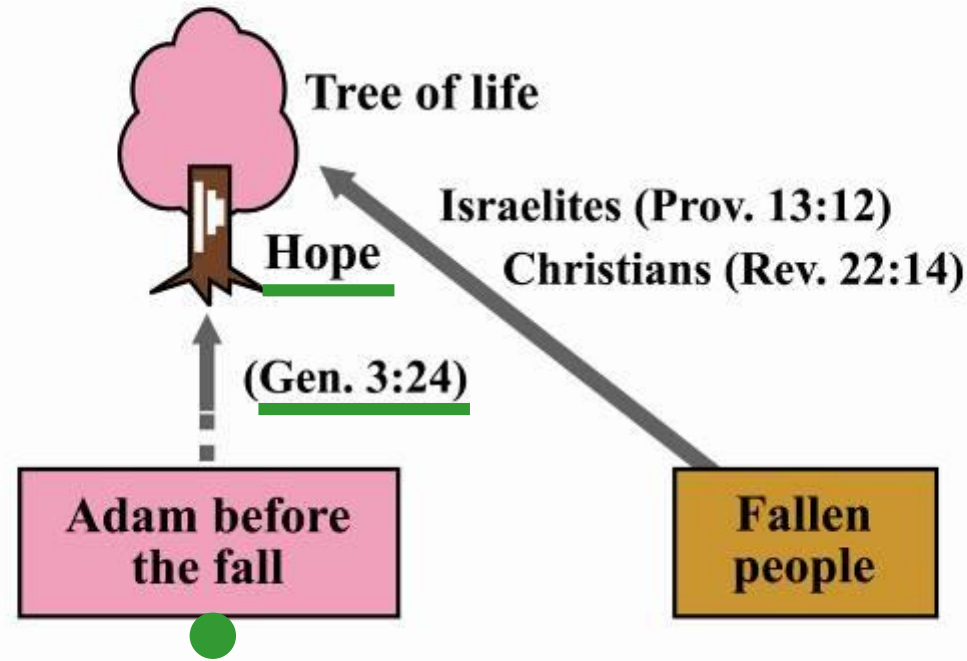
- Many important parts of the Bible are expressed in symbols and metaphors.
- If the fruit was not a material fruit, then it must be a symbol which represents something else.
- To learn what the fruit represents, let us first investigate the tree of life, which stood next to the tree of the knowledge of good and evil (Gen.2:9).

## 1. The Tree of Life

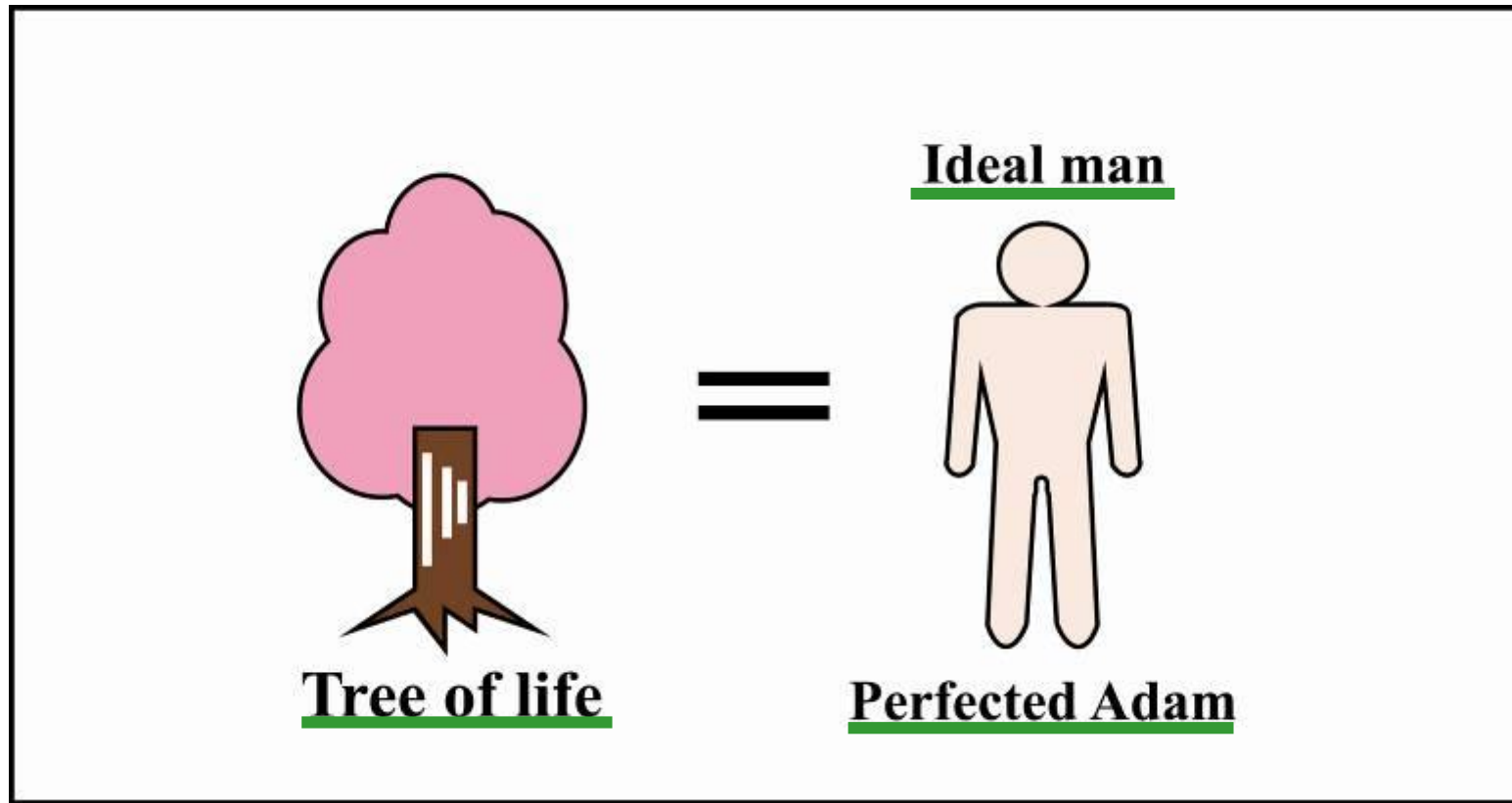


- According to the Bible, the hope of fallen people is to attain the tree of life. In Prov. 13:12, the Israelites of the Old Testament Age looked to the tree of life as their hope. Likewise, in Rev. 22:14, the hope of all Christians has been to approach and partake of the tree of life.

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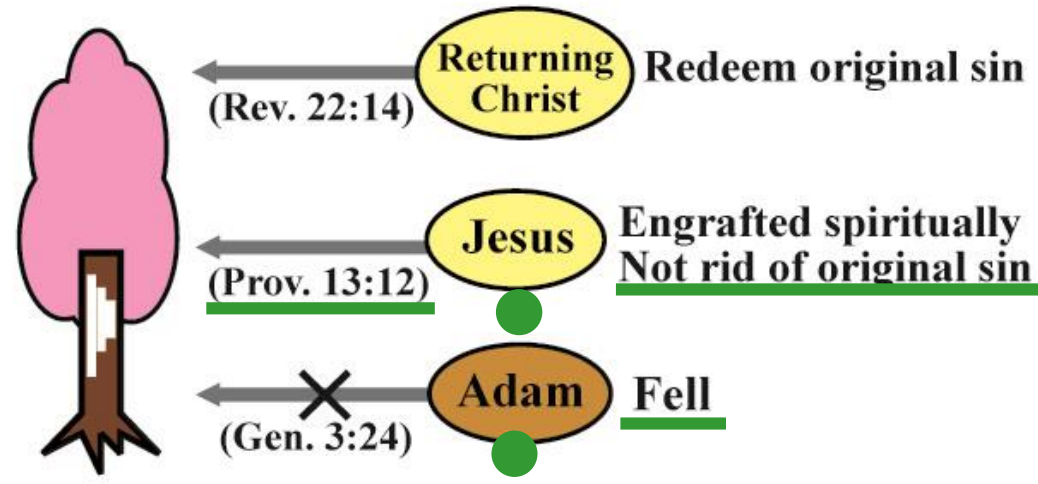


- However, in Gen. 3:24, it is written that when Adam fell, God blocked his path to the tree of life by stationing the cherubim with a flaming sword to guard it. From this, we can also deduce that the hope of Adam before the fall was the tree of life.
- Adam was cast out of the Garden of Eden without having attained his hope, the tree of life. For fallen people ever since, the tree of life has remained a hope unfulfilled.



- What was the hope of Adam during the time he was immature and growing toward perfection?
- He must have hoped to become a man who would realize God's ideal of creation by growing to perfection without falling.
- Therefore, the tree of life symbolizes an ideal man, who has fully realized the ideal of creation.
- The tree of life thus symbolizes perfected Adam.

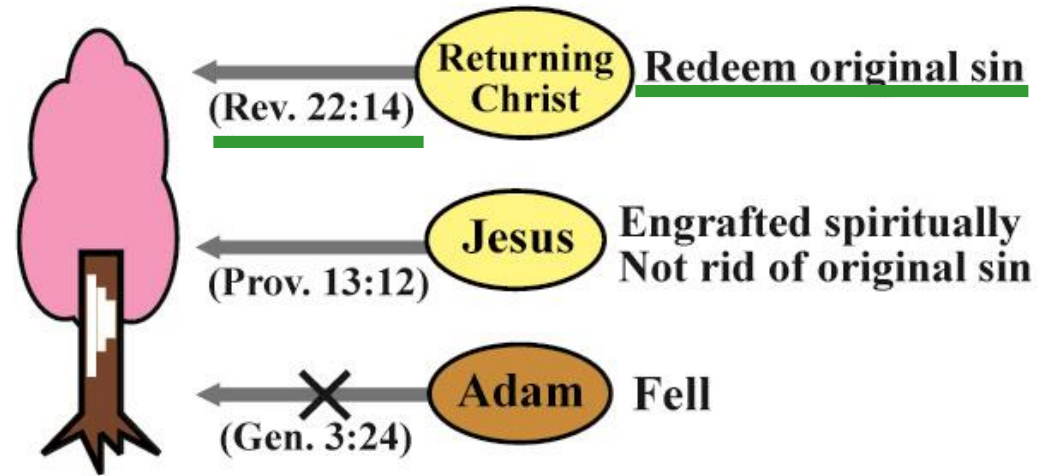
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**Christ = Last Adam ( 1 Cor. 15:45 )**

- Because Adam fell and did not attain the tree of life (Gen. 3:24), a man who has completed the ideal of creation must come to the earth as a tree of life. All of humanity must then be engrafted with him and become one with him to attain the tree of life.
- The tree of life in Prov. 13:12 for which the faithful people of the Old Testament Age longed was none other than Jesus. Nonetheless, Christians have been engrafted with Jesus only spiritually. They have not been rid of the original sin.

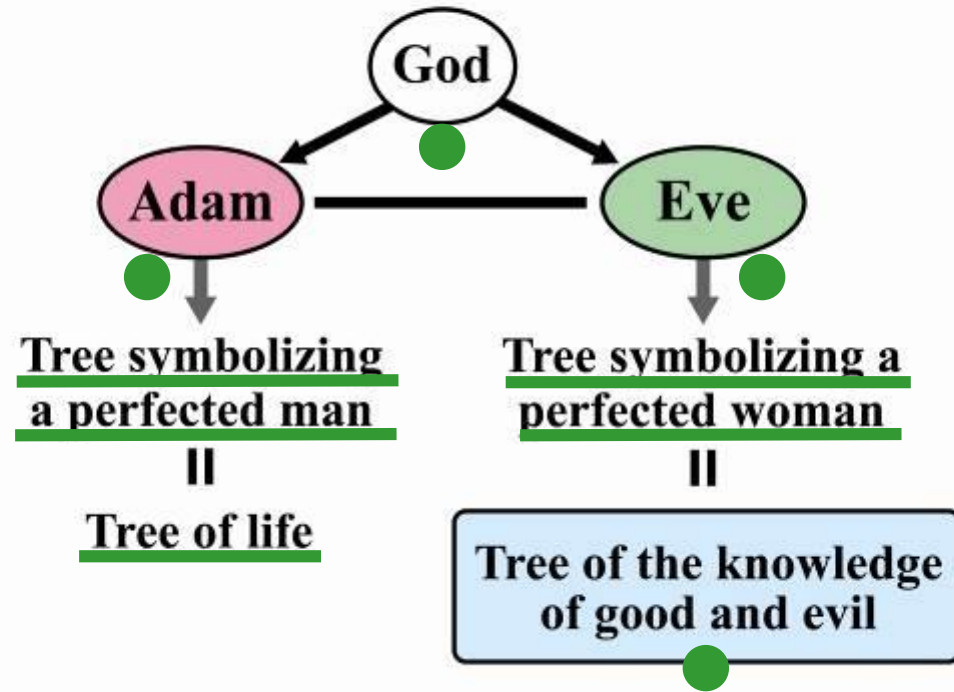
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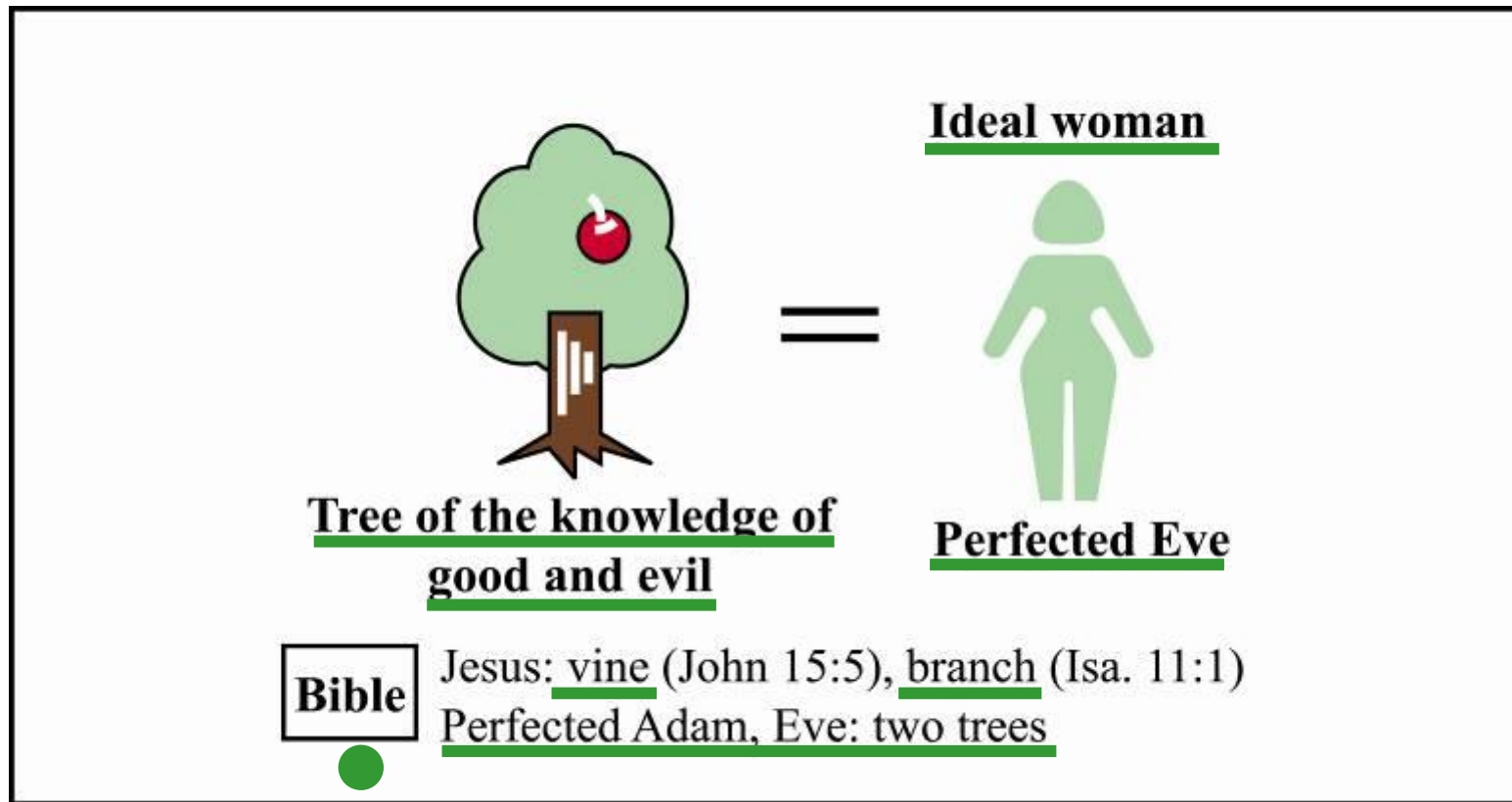
- For this reason, Christ must come again on earth as the tree of life and he is to redeem the original sin.
- The purpose of God's providence of salvation is to restore the failure to attain the tree of life in the Garden of Eden (Gen. 2:9) by realizing the tree of life mentioned in Rev. 22:14.
- This is why Christ is called the "last Adam" (I Cor. 15:45).

## 2. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil



- God did not create Adam to be alone; He also created Eve to be Adam's spouse.
- Just as there was a tree in the Garden of Eden which symbolized a perfect man, there should also have been a tree which represented a woman who has fully realized the ideal of creation.
- Standing beside the tree of life, the tree of the knowledge of good and evil mentioned in Gen. 2:9 was this tree.





- The tree of the knowledge of good and evil represents the ideal woman, perfected Eve.
- The Bible refers to Jesus using the metaphors of a vine (John 15:5) and a branch (Isa. 11:1). Likewise, to give us a hint about the secret of the human Fall, God provided the symbolism of two trees to represent perfected Adam and Eve.

## II. The Identity of the Serpent

[Gen. 3:4-5]



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- ⑤ Dominates the human soul

- In the Bible we read that a serpent tempted Eve to commit sin (Gen. 3:4-5).
  - ① This serpent was able to converse with people.
  - ② It caused the Fall of humans, who are spiritual beings.
  - ③ Furthermore, the serpent knew the Will of God, which strictly forbade human beings to eat the fruit.

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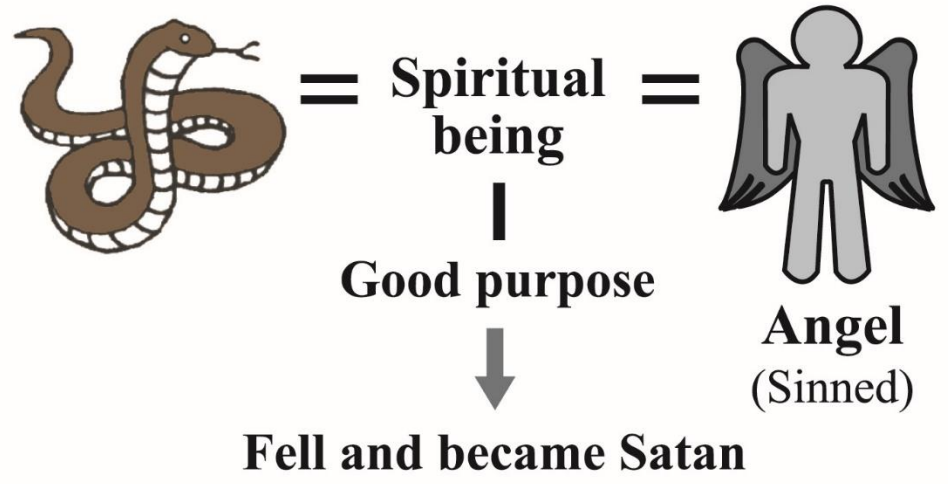
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- ④ As it is written in Revelation 12:9, “The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth,” the serpent had lived in heaven.
- ⑤ Also, it is able to transcend time and space to dominate the human soul.



**II Pet. 2:4**, "God did not spare the angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell..."

- This is compelling evidence that the being which the serpent symbolizes was a spiritual being.
- This spiritual being was originally created with a good purpose, but later fell and became Satan.
- There are no beings endowed with such characteristics other than angels. Therefore, the serpent which tempted human beings and sinned is an angel.



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- Also, in II Pet. 2:4, it is written "God did not spare the angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to pits of nether gloom."

### III. The Fall of the Angel and the Fall of Human Beings

#### 1. The Crime of the Angel

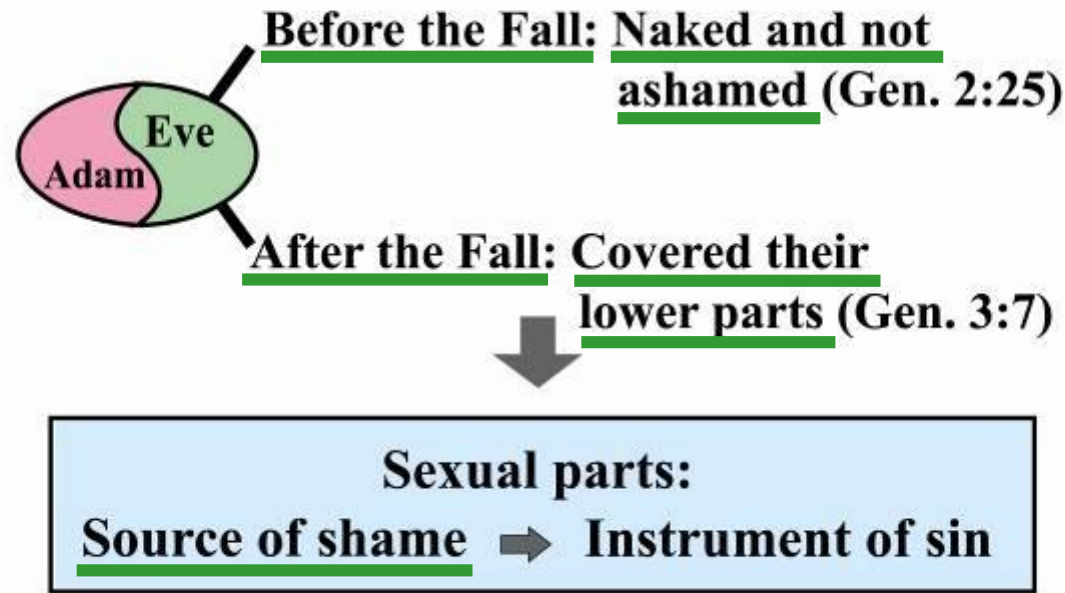
- Let us investigate what kind of sin the angel and the human beings committed.

In Jude 1: 6-7, it says:

“And the angels that did not keep their own position but left their proper dwelling have been kept by him in eternal chains in the nether gloom until the judgement of the great day; just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, **which likewise acted immorally** (fornication, King James Version) and indulged in unnatural lust, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire.” From this passage we can infer that:

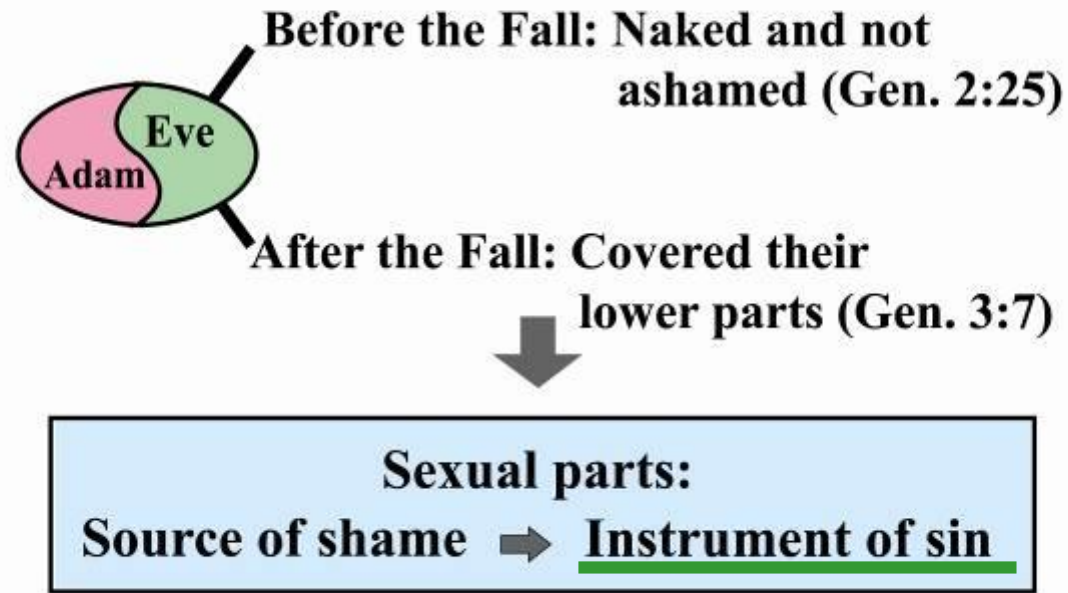
The angel fell as a result of an illicit sexual relationship.

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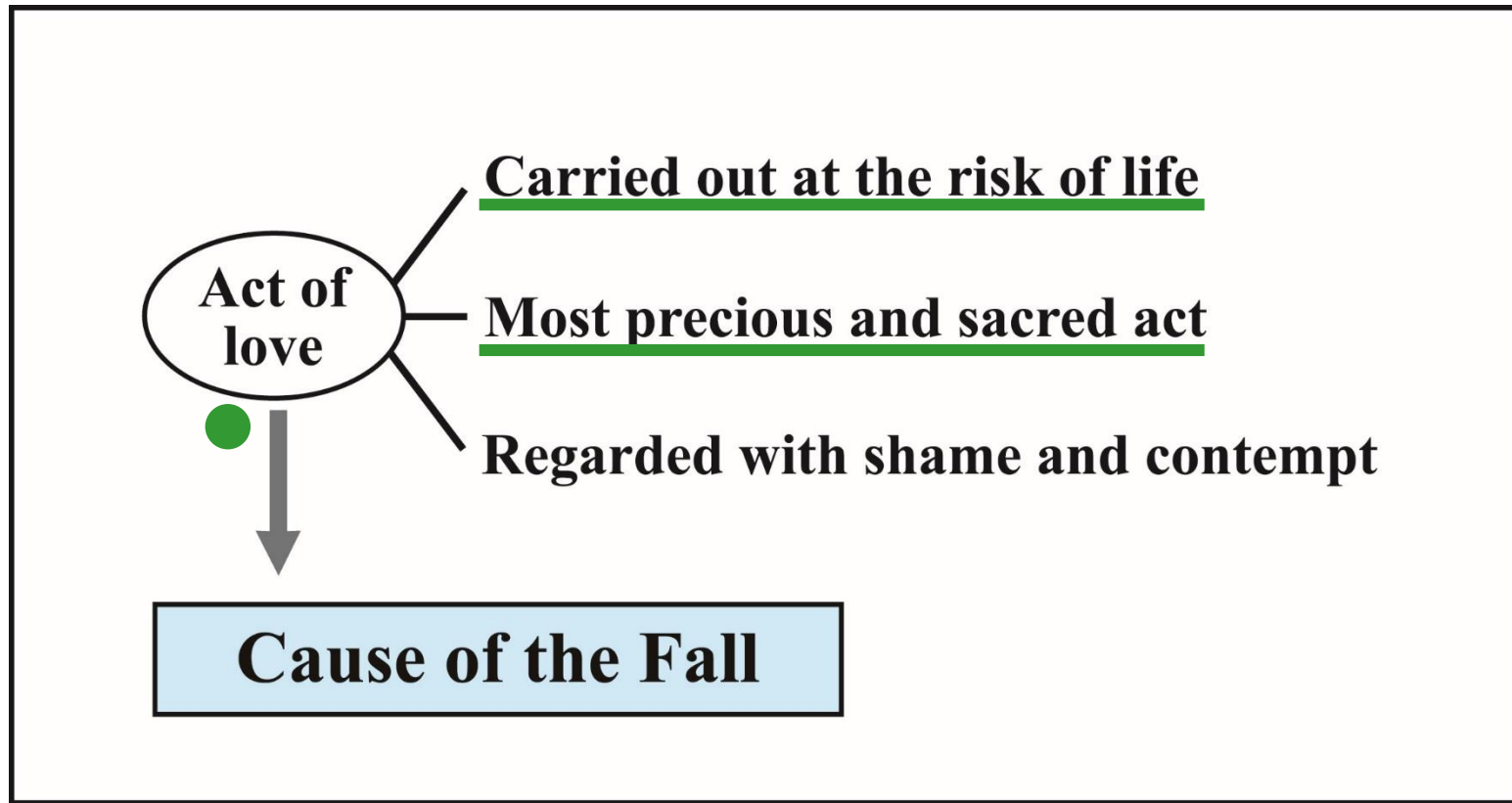
- We read in Genesis 2:25 that before they fell, Adam and Eve were both naked, and were not ashamed.
- After the Fall, however, they felt ashamed of their nakedness and sewed fig leaves into aprons to cover their lower parts.
- It is human nature to conceal one's faults. Thus, the act of covering their lower parts shows that these parts, and not their mouths, were the source of their shame.

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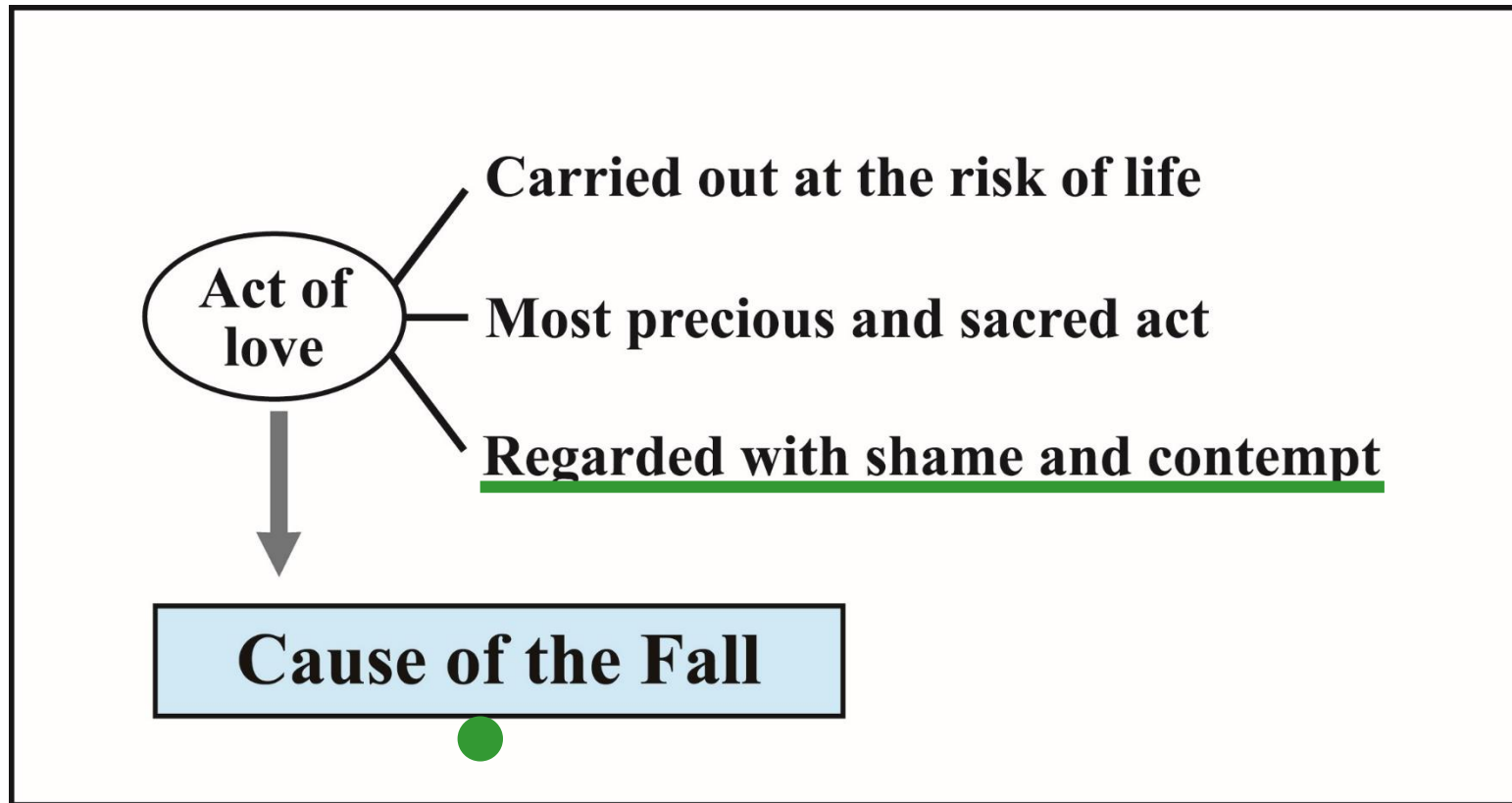


- Adam and Eve's sexual parts were the instrument of their sinful deeds.



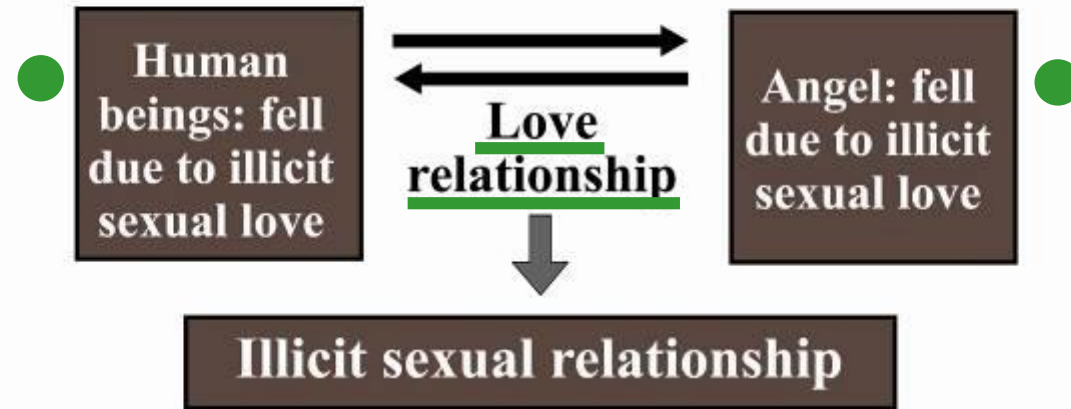


- In the world before the human Fall, the only act one would be willing to carry out even at the clear risk of one's life is the act of love.
- God's purpose of creation, described in the blessings "be fruitful and multiply," can be achieved only through love; accordingly, from the viewpoint of God's purpose of creation, love should be the most precious and sacred act.



- But it is often regarded with shame and even contempt because the sexual act was the very cause of the Fall.

### 3. The Illicit Sexual Act between the Angel and the Human Beings

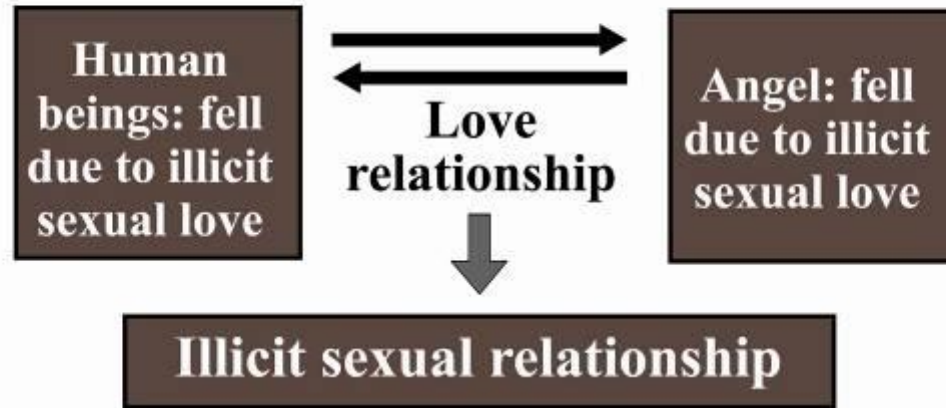


**John 8:44**

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- We have explained that both the angel and the human beings fell due to illicit sexual love.
- Human beings and angels are the only spiritual beings in the universe who are capable of having love relationships.
- We can deduce that the illicit sexual relationship must have involved the angel and human beings.

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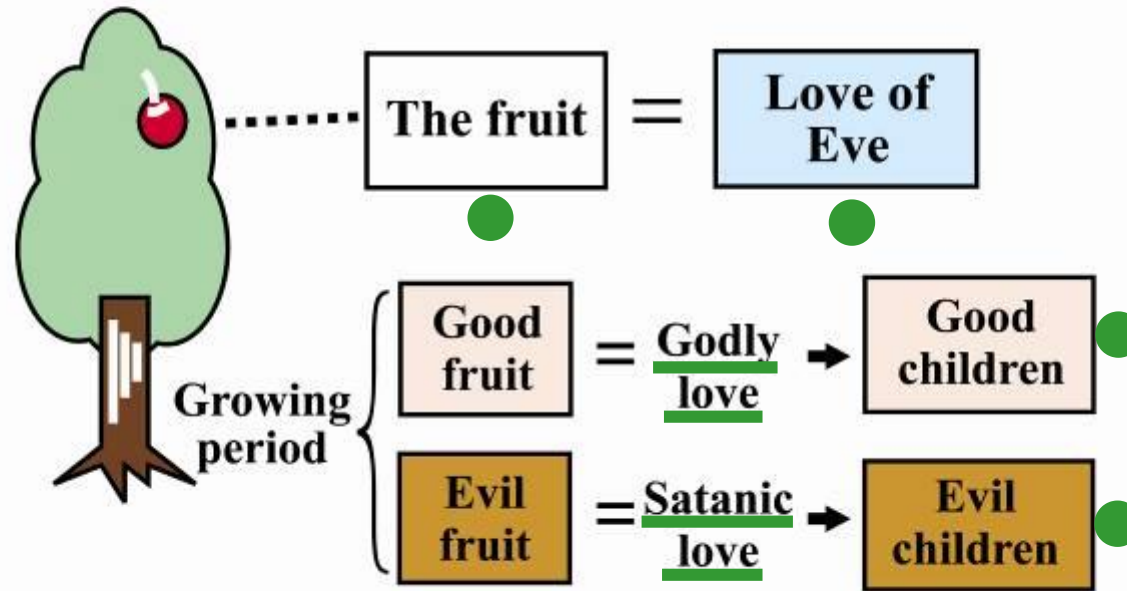


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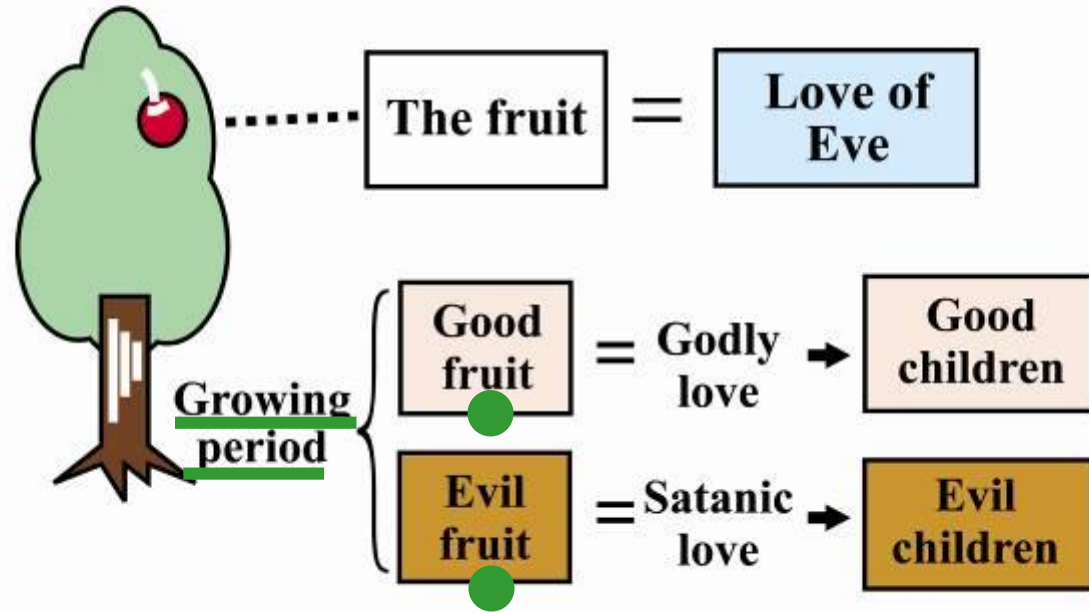
- Jesus said in John 8:44, “You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do your father's desires.” Since the Devil is identified as Satan in Rev. 12:9, we can assert that human beings are descendants of Satan, the “ancient serpent” who tempted human beings.

#### IV. The Fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil

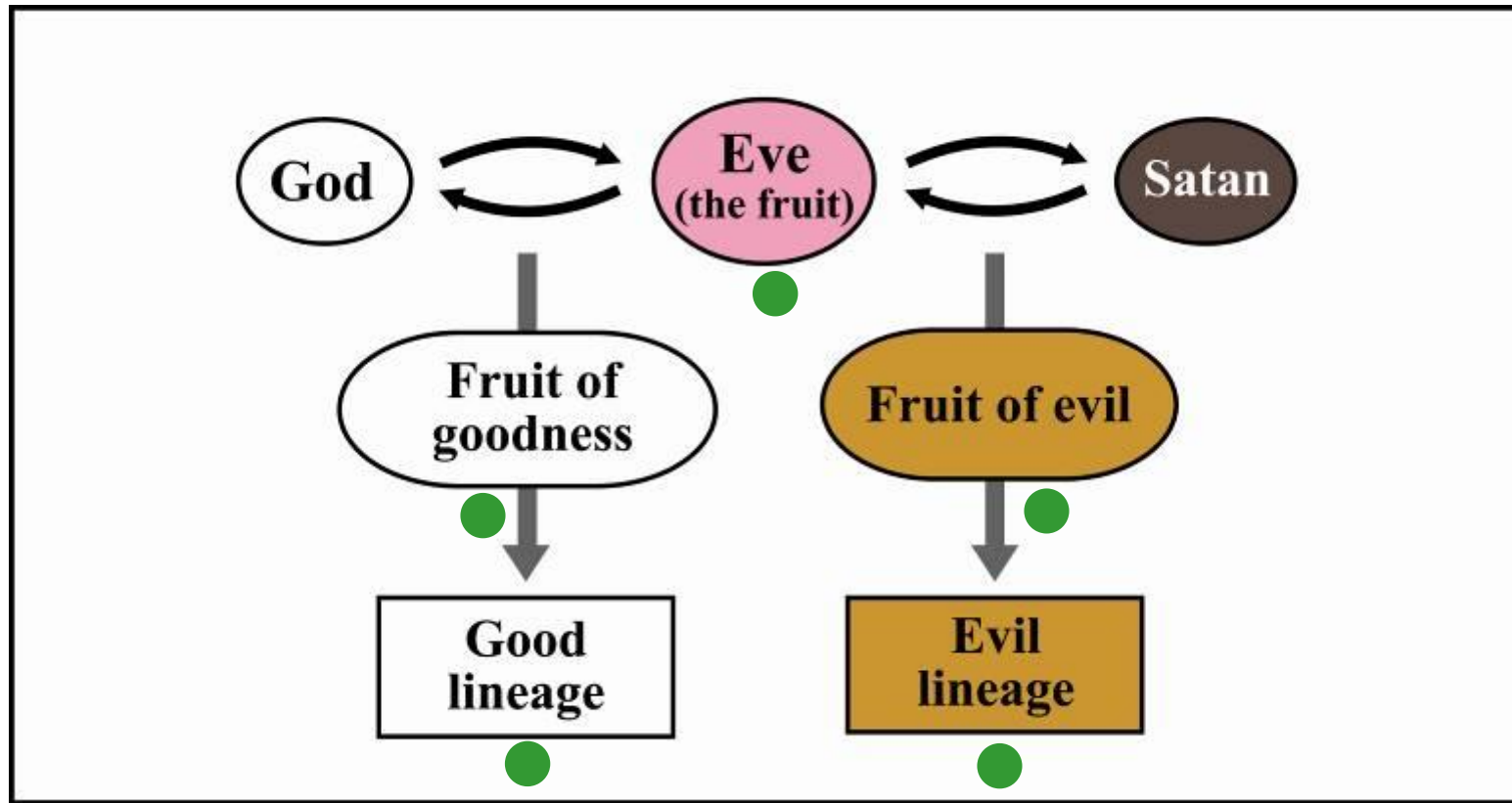


- The fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil signifies the love of Eve.
- As a tree multiplies by its fruit, Eve should have borne good children through her godly love. Instead, she bore evil children through her satanic love.

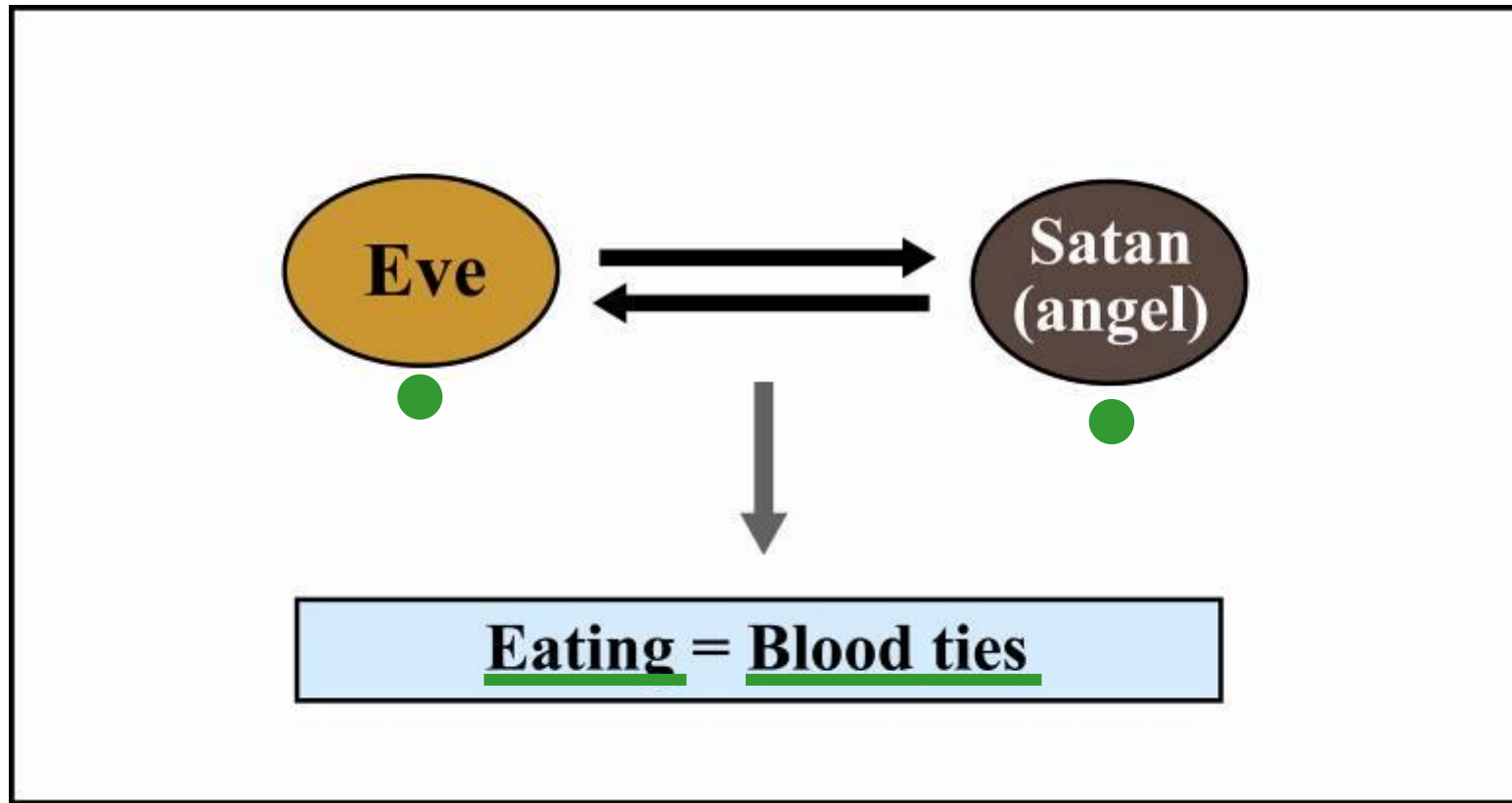
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- Eve was to reach full maturity only after going through a period of growth, in which it was possible for her to bear either good fruit or evil fruit through her love.
- This is why Eve's love is symbolized by the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, and why Eve is symbolized by the tree.



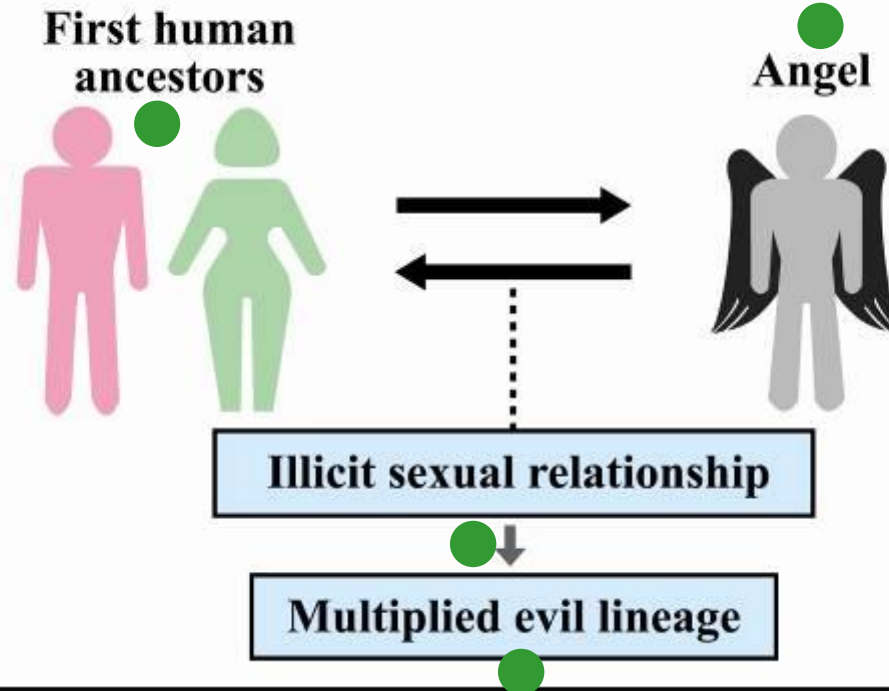
- Eve was to have eaten the fruit of goodness by consummating her God-centered love. Then she would have received the essence of God's divinity and multiplied a good lineage.
- However, she ate of the fruit of evil by consummating her evil love centered on Satan. Hence, she received the essence of his evil nature and multiplied an evil lineage from which our sinful society descended.



- Accordingly, Eve's eating the fruit denotes that she consummated a satanic love relationship with the angel which bound her in blood ties to him.

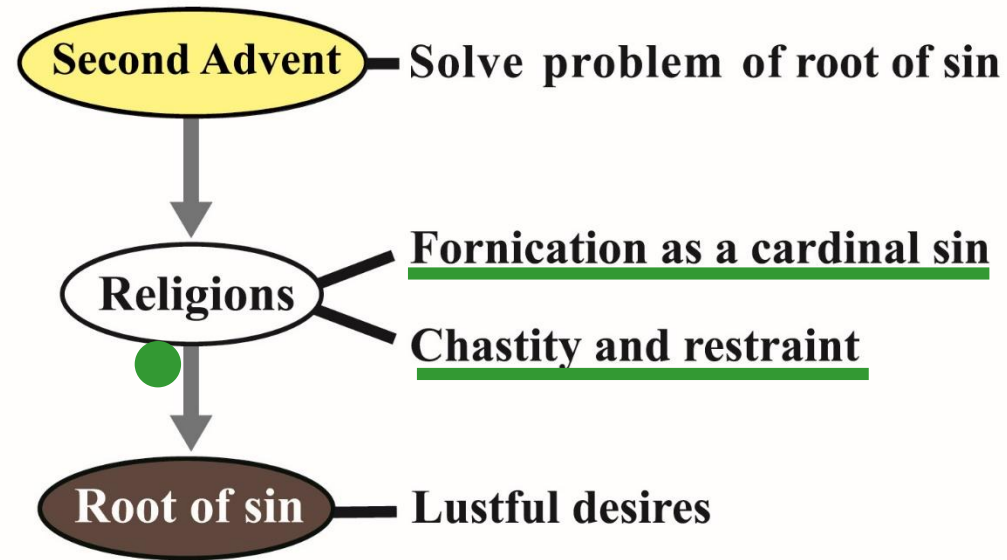


## V. The Root of Sin



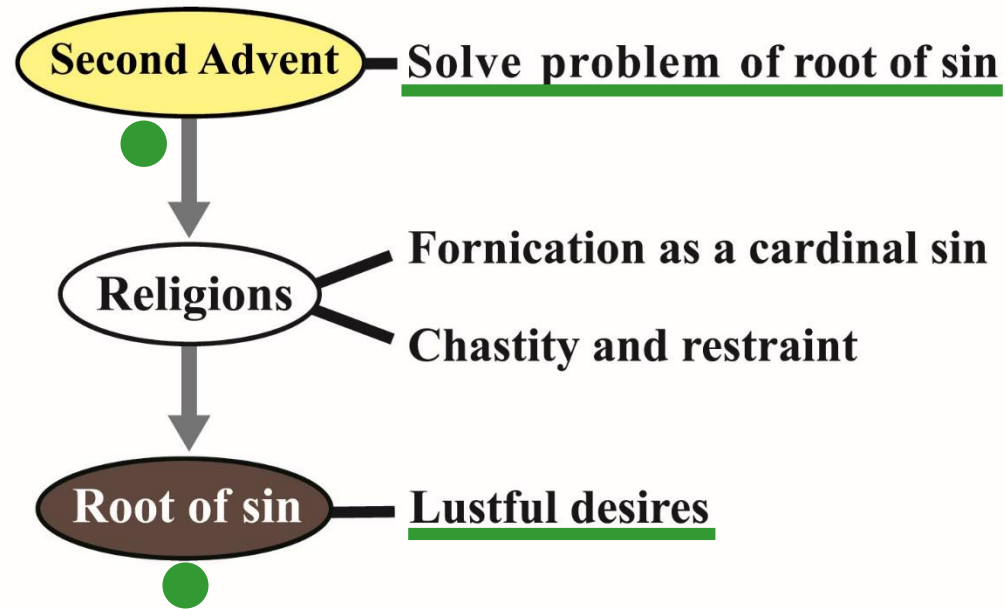
- The root of sin is that the first human ancestors had an illicit sexual relationship with an angel symbolized by a serpent.
- They could not multiply God's good lineage, but instead multiplied Satan's evil lineage.

## Original sin perpetuated through lineal descent



- We know that the original sin has been perpetuated through lineal descent from one generation to the next. This is because the root of sin was solidified by a sexual relationship that binds one in ties of blood.
- Furthermore, those religions which emphasize the need to purge sin regard fornication as a cardinal sin, and they have taught the virtues of chastity and restraint in order to curb it.

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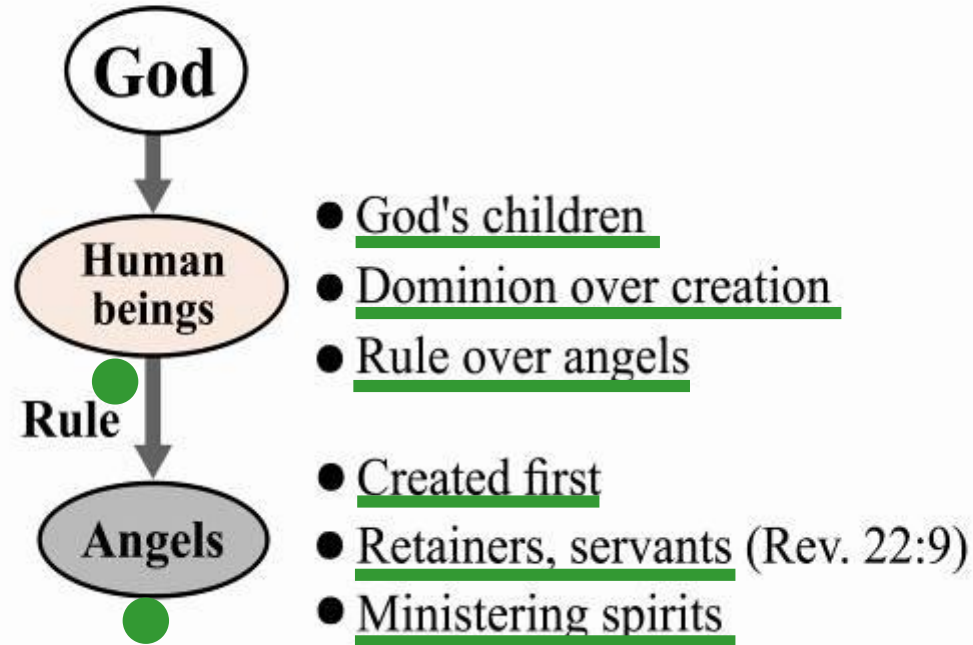
- This is an indication that the root of sin is found in lustful desires.
- Therefore, the hope of an ideal world is an empty dream as long as this root of all evils has not been eradicated at its source.
- Christ at his Second Advent must be able to solve this problem once and for all.

## Section 2

# **The Motivation and Process of the Fall**

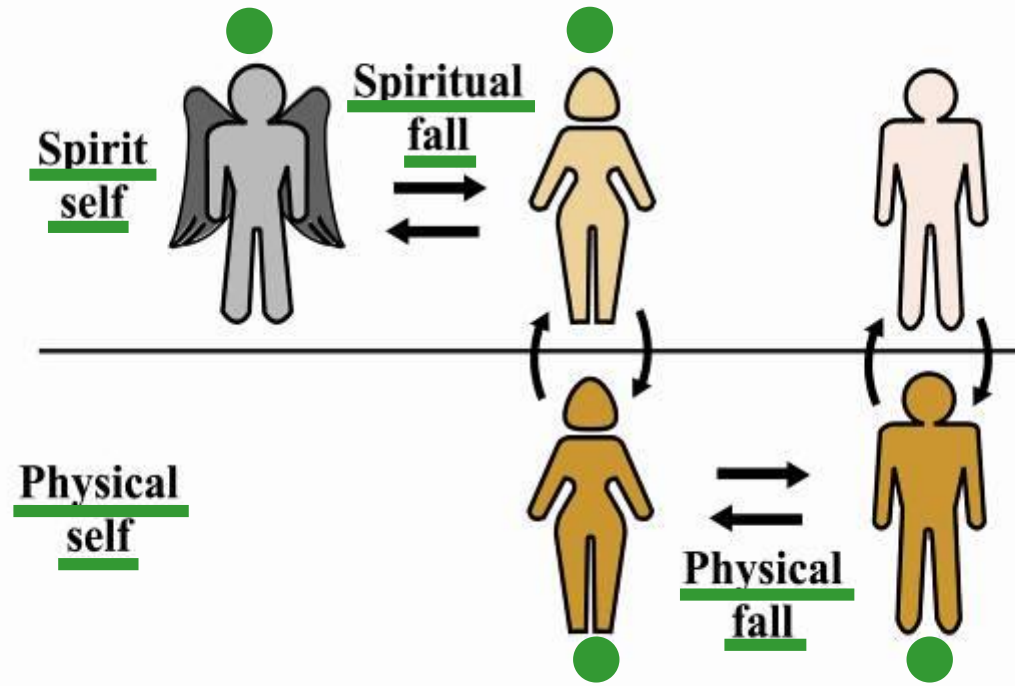
- The motivation of the human Fall lay within the angel. Therefore, before we can know the motivation and the process of the Fall, we must first learn about the angel.

## I. Angels, Their Missions and Their Relationship to Human Beings

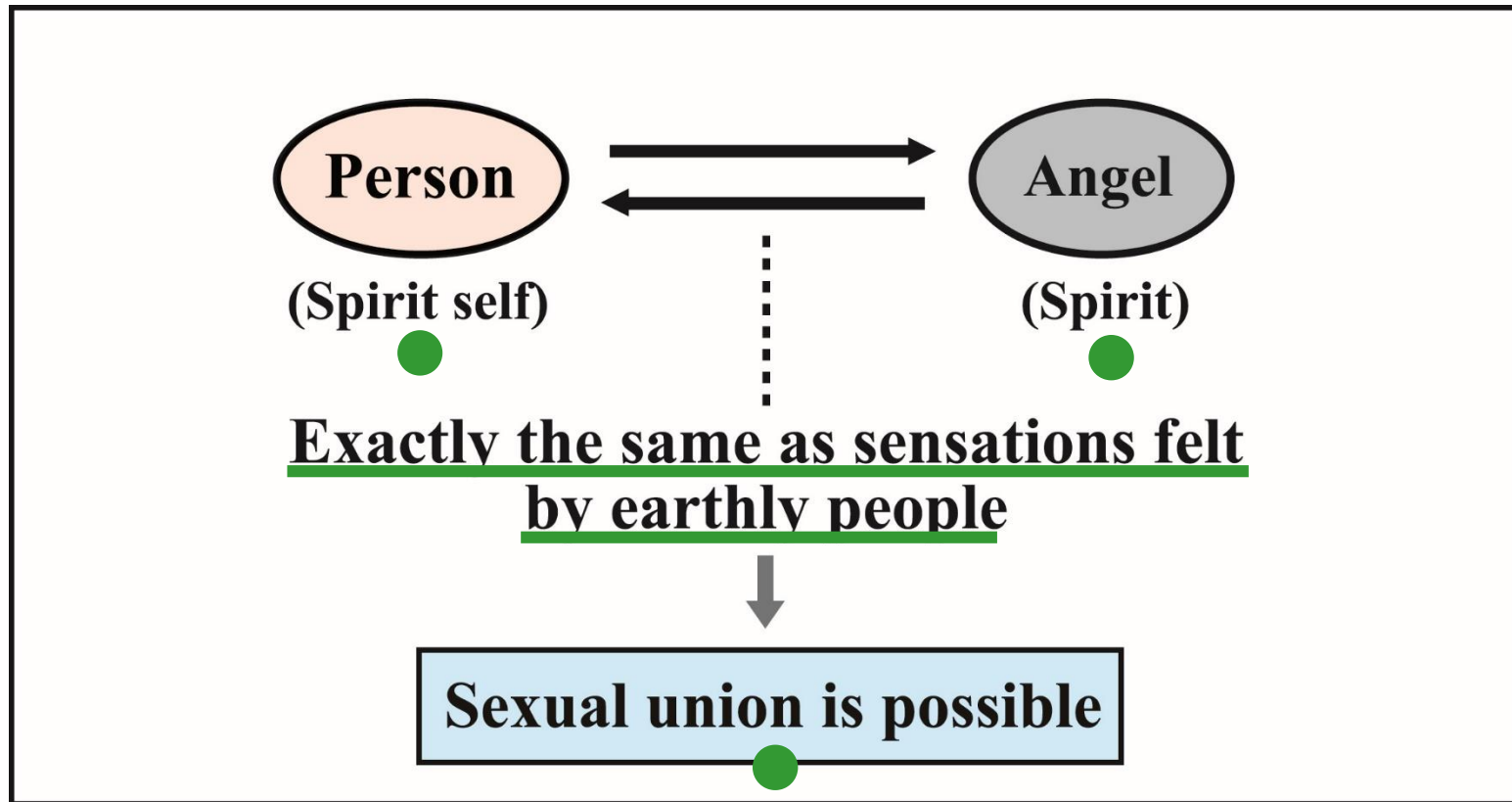


- Angels were created by God prior to any other creation.
- God created angels to be His retainers (Heb. 1:14), "servants," (Rev. 22:9) and "ministering spirits," (Heb. 1:14) who would assist Him in creating and sustaining the universe.
- Because God created us human beings as His children and gave us dominion over all creation, we are meant to rule over the angels as well.

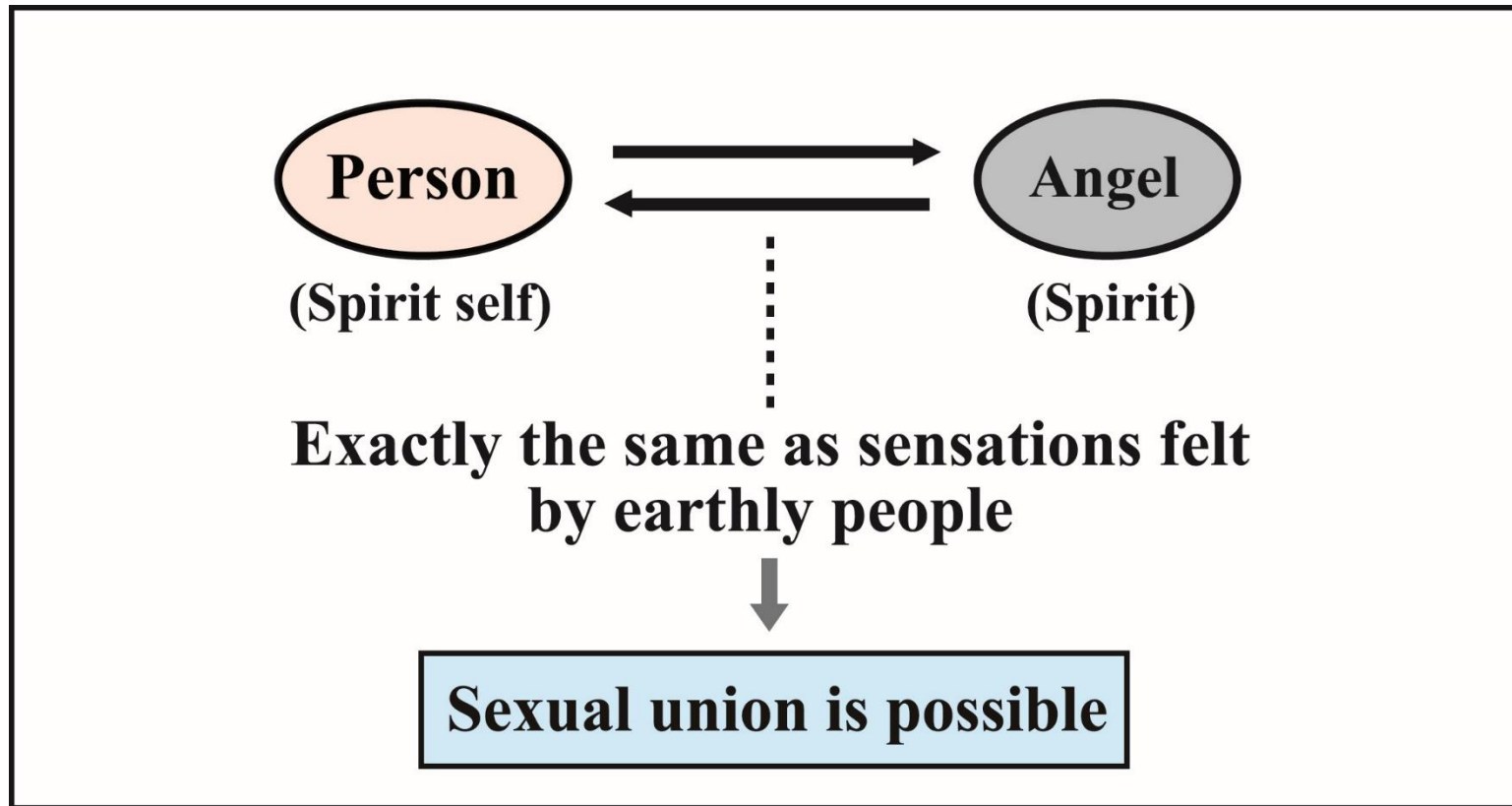
## II. The Spiritual Fall and the Physical Fall



- God created human beings with two components: the spirit self and the physical self. The human Fall likewise took place in two dimensions: the spiritual and the physical.
- The fall which took place through the sexual relationship between the angel and Eve was the spiritual fall, while the fall which occurred through the sexual relationship between Eve and Adam was the physical fall.



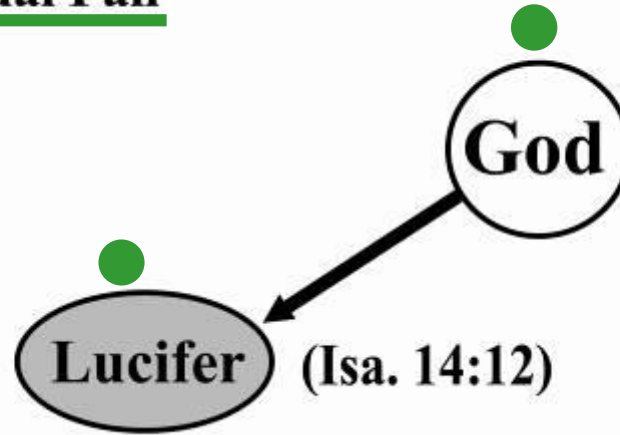
- How can an act of passionate love be consummated between an angel and a human being?
- All the emotions and sensations felt between a person and a spirit are exactly the same as those felt during contact between two earthly people.
- Undoubtedly, a sexual union between an angel and a person is possible.



- We can understand this more clearly from the fact that there are reported cases of earthly people leading a married life with spirits.



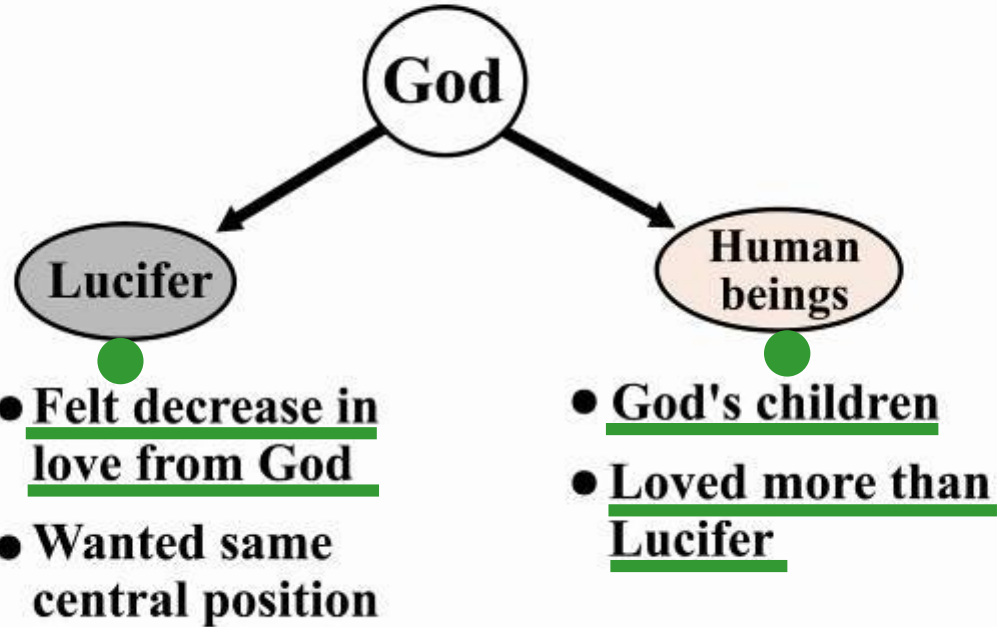
## 1. The Spiritual Fall



- Position of archangel
- Channel of God's love
- Monopolized God's love

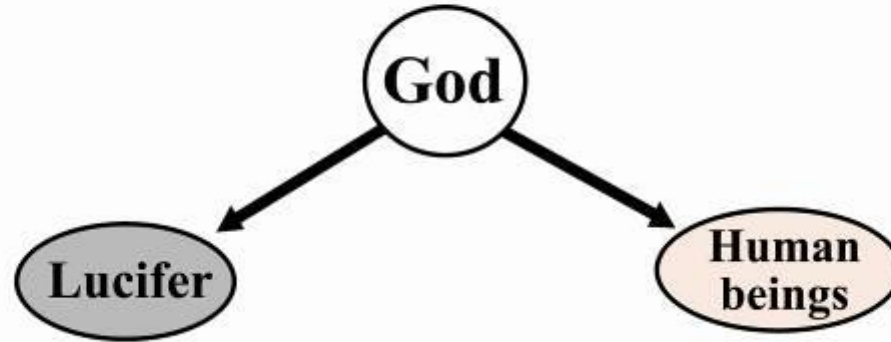
- God created the angelic world and assigned Lucifer (Isa. 14:12 King James Version) to the position of archangel.
- Lucifer was the channel of God's love to the angelic world, and in this position he virtually monopolized the love of God.

## Motivation of the spiritual fall



- However, after God created human beings as His children, He loved them many times more than He had ever loved lucifer, whom He had created as His servant.
- In truth, God's love toward Lucifer did not change; it was the same before and after the creation of human beings. Yet when Lucifer saw that God loved Adam and Eve more than him, he felt as if there had been a decrease in the love he received from God.

## Motivation of the spiritual fall

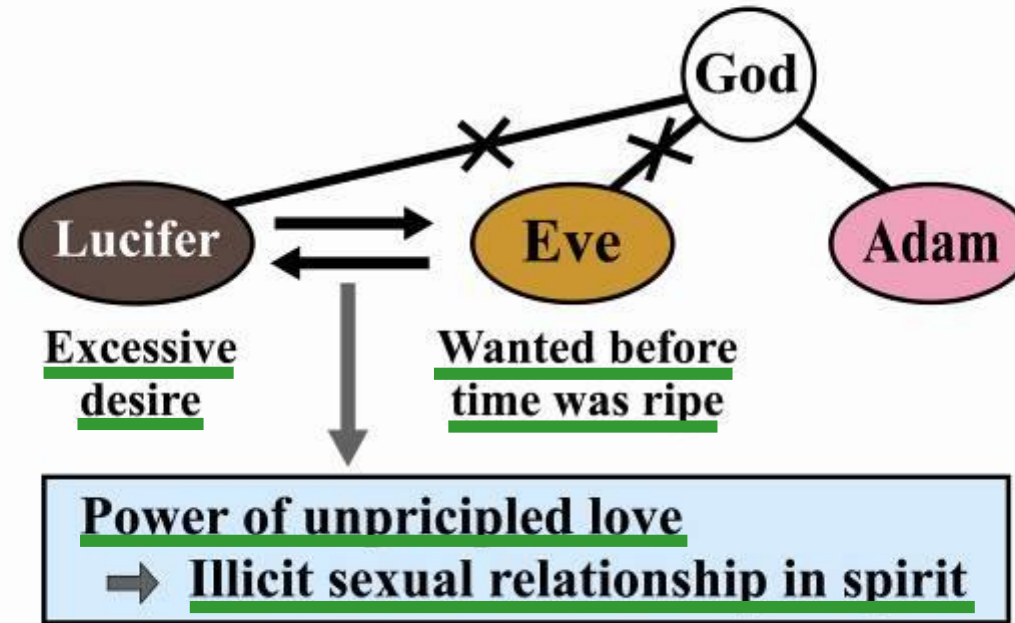


- Felt decrease in love from God
- Wanted same central position

- God's children
- Loved more than Lucifer

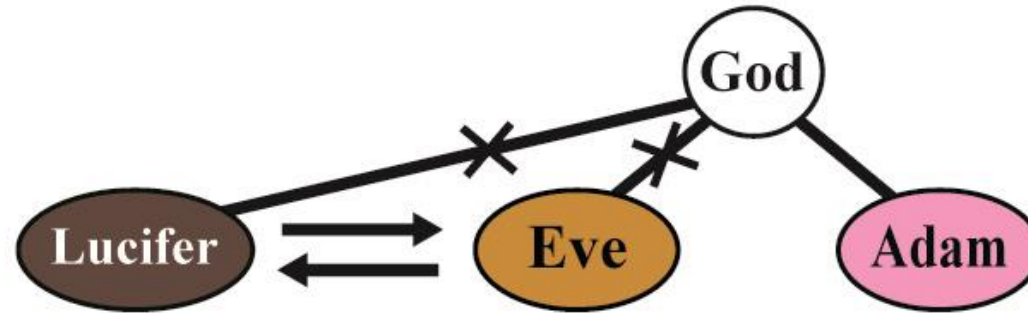
- Lucifer wanted to grasp the same central position in human society as he enjoyed in the angelic world, as the channel of God's love. This was why he seduced Eve, and this was the motivation of the spiritual fall.

## Process of the spiritual fall



- Lucifer, who left his proper position due to his excessive desire, and Eve, who wanted to open her eyes and become like God before the time was ripe, formed a common base and began give and take action. The power of the unprincipled love generated by their give and take led them to consummate an illicit sexual relationship on the spiritual plane.

## Consequence of the spiritual fall

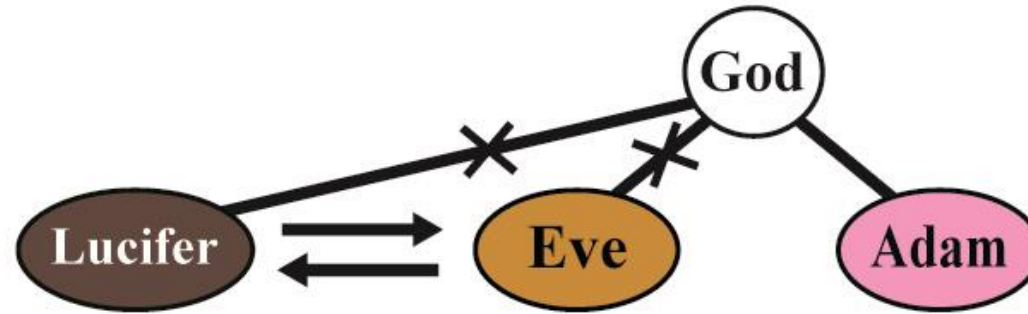


- Became one with Lucifer and received elements from him

- ① Pangs of conscience → Dread
- ② Wisdom → Intended spouse: Adam

- All beings are created based on the principle that when they become one in love, they exchange elements with each other. Accordingly, when Eve became one with Lucifer through love, she received certain elements from him.
- First, she received feelings of dread arising from the pangs of a guilty conscience, stemming from her violation of the purpose of creation.

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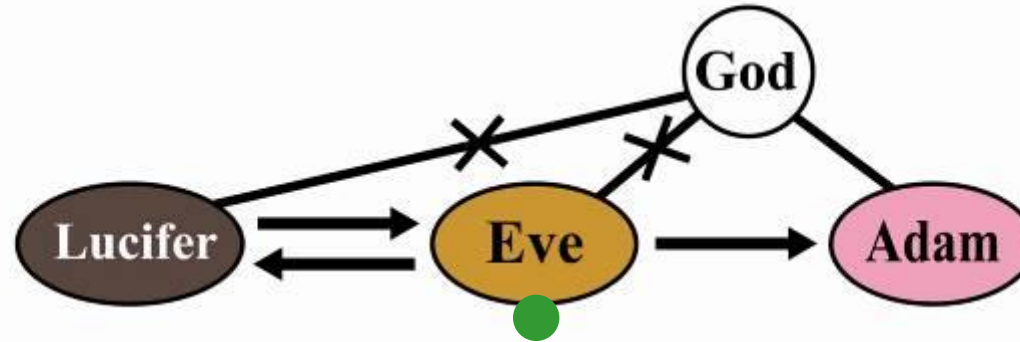
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- Second, she received from Lucifer the wisdom which enabled her to discern that her originally intended spouse was to be Adam, not the angel.

## 2. The Physical Fall

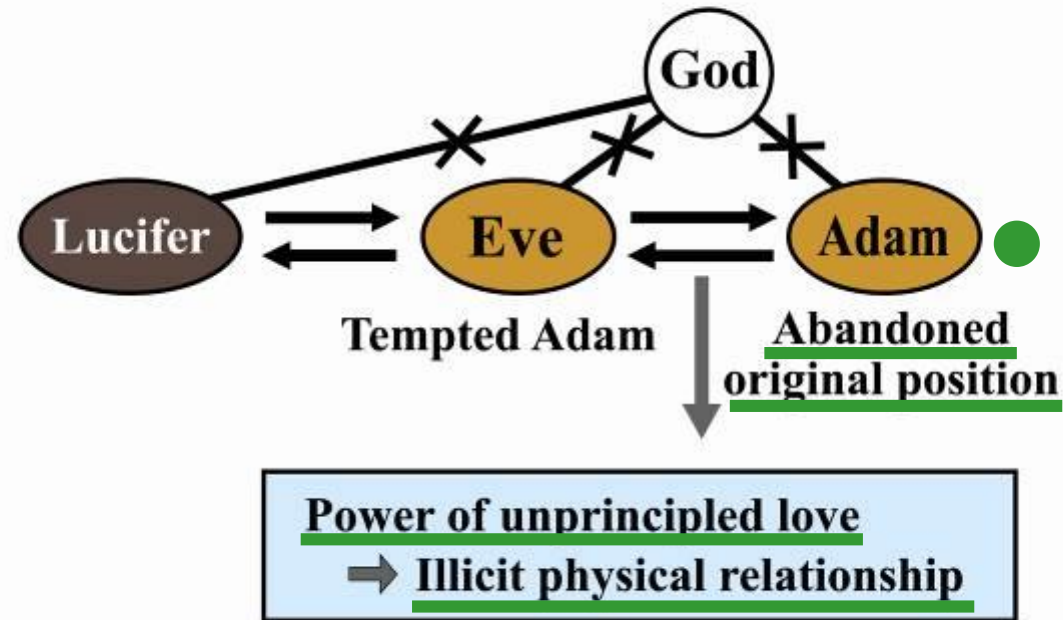
### Motivation of the physical fall



- Rid herself of the dread
- Stand before God again
- Seduced Adam

- Eve then seduced Adam with the hope that by uniting with him, she could rid herself of the dread and stand before God once again. This was Eve's motivation which led to the physical fall.

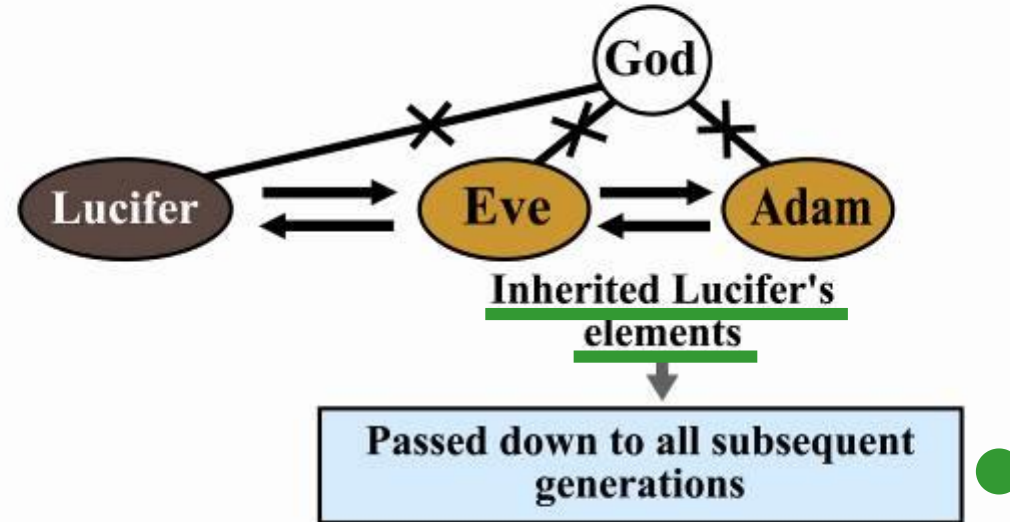
## Process of the physical fall



- Adam responded and formed a common base with Eve, and they began give and take action with each other. The power of the unprincipled love generated in their relationship induced Adam to abandon his original position and brought them together in an illicit physical relationship of sexual love.



## Consequence of the physical fall



- Had Adam not yielded to fallen Eve's temptation  
→ Providence would have been easy

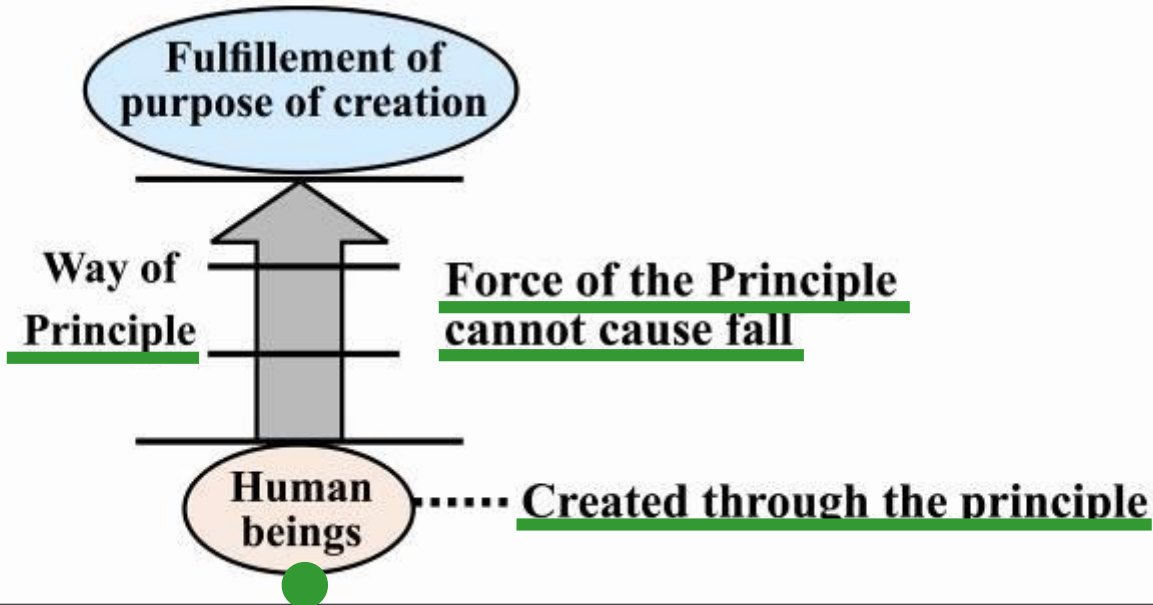
- When Adam united in oneness with Eve, he inherited all the elements Eve had received from the Archangel. These elements in turn have been passed down to all subsequent generations without interruption.
- What if Adam had reached perfection without having yielded to fallen Eve's temptation? The providence to restore Eve would have been relatively easy.

## Section 3

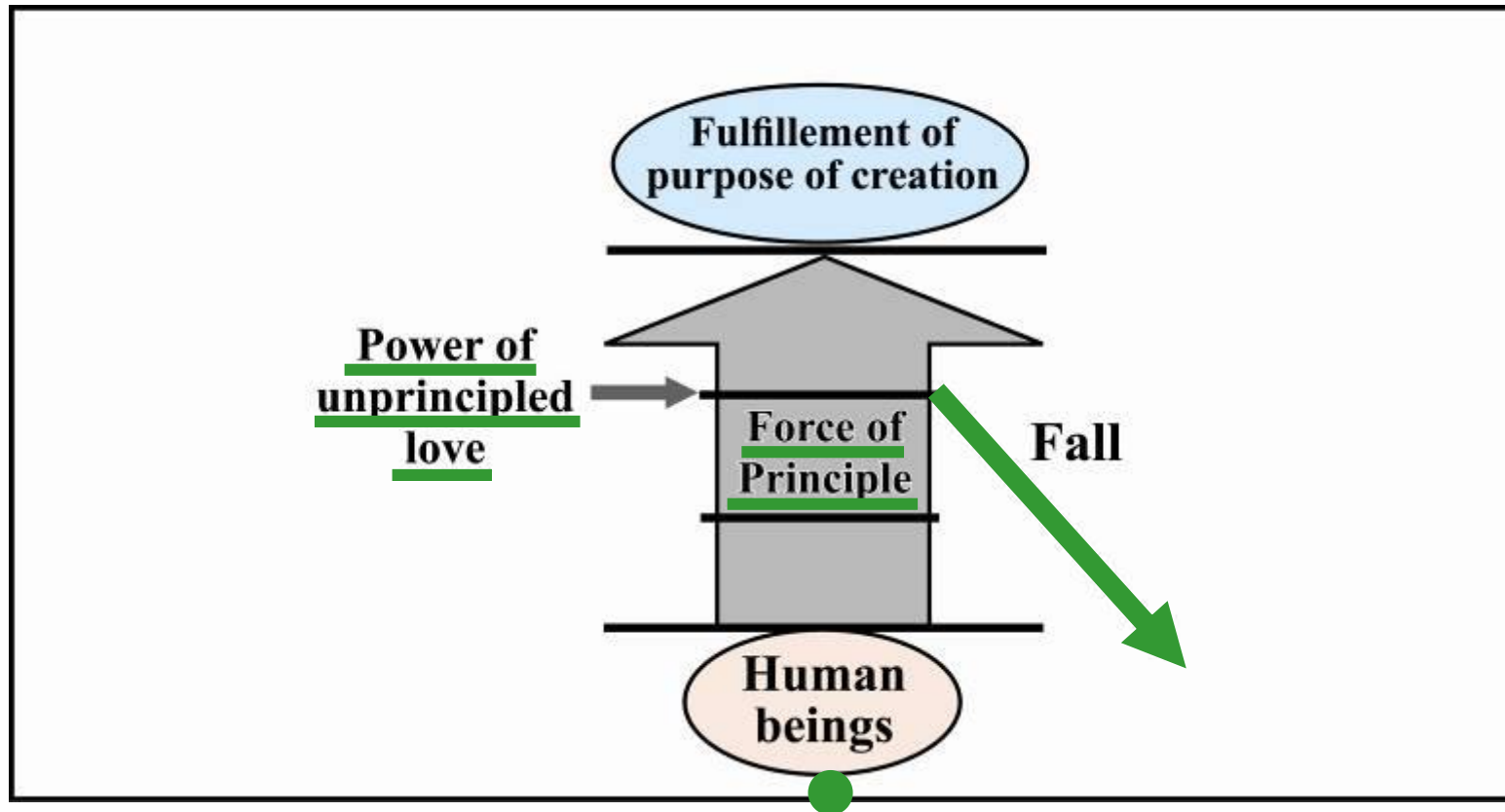
# **The Power of Love, the Power of the Principle and God's Commandment**

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# I. The Power of Love and the Power of the Principle in the Human Fall



- Human beings are created through the Principle, and they are meant to live according to the way of the Principle.
- Therefore, it cannot be that the force inherent in the Principle would induce a person to deviate from the way of the Principle and cause him to fall.



- Similarly, the force inherent in the Principle guides human beings' growth in the proper direction. But if some stronger force from a different direction and with an unprincipled purpose collides with them, they will surely fall.
- The force stronger than the force of the Principle is none other than the power of love.
- While human beings are in the state of immaturity, it is possible that the power of unprincipled love can induce them to fall.

## Why is the power of love stronger than the power of the Principle?

- God governs us through love
- For love to fulfill its proper role



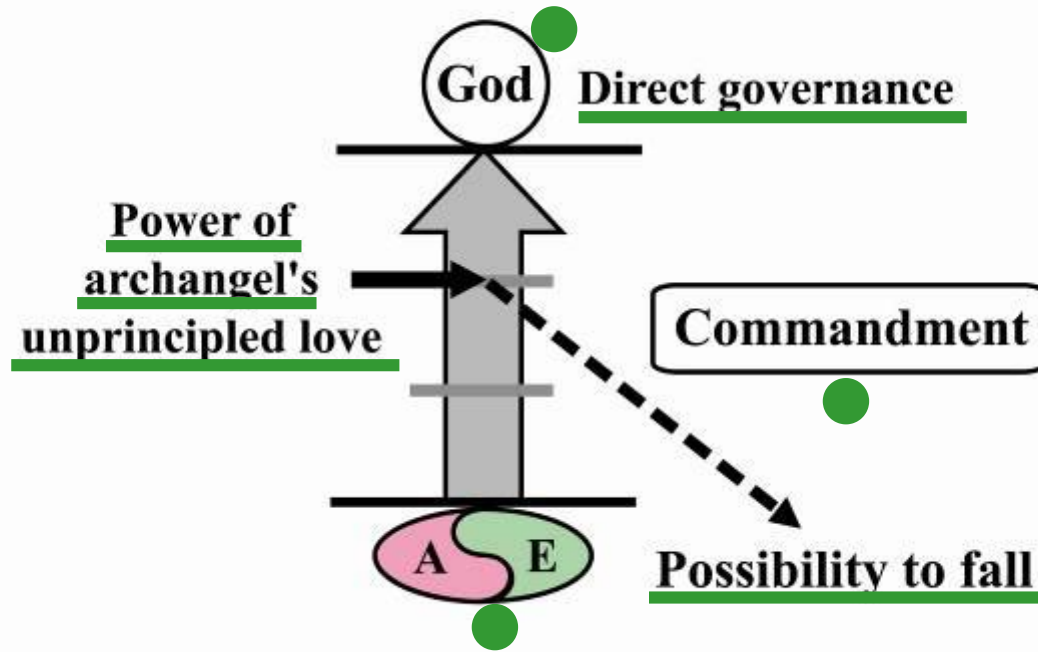
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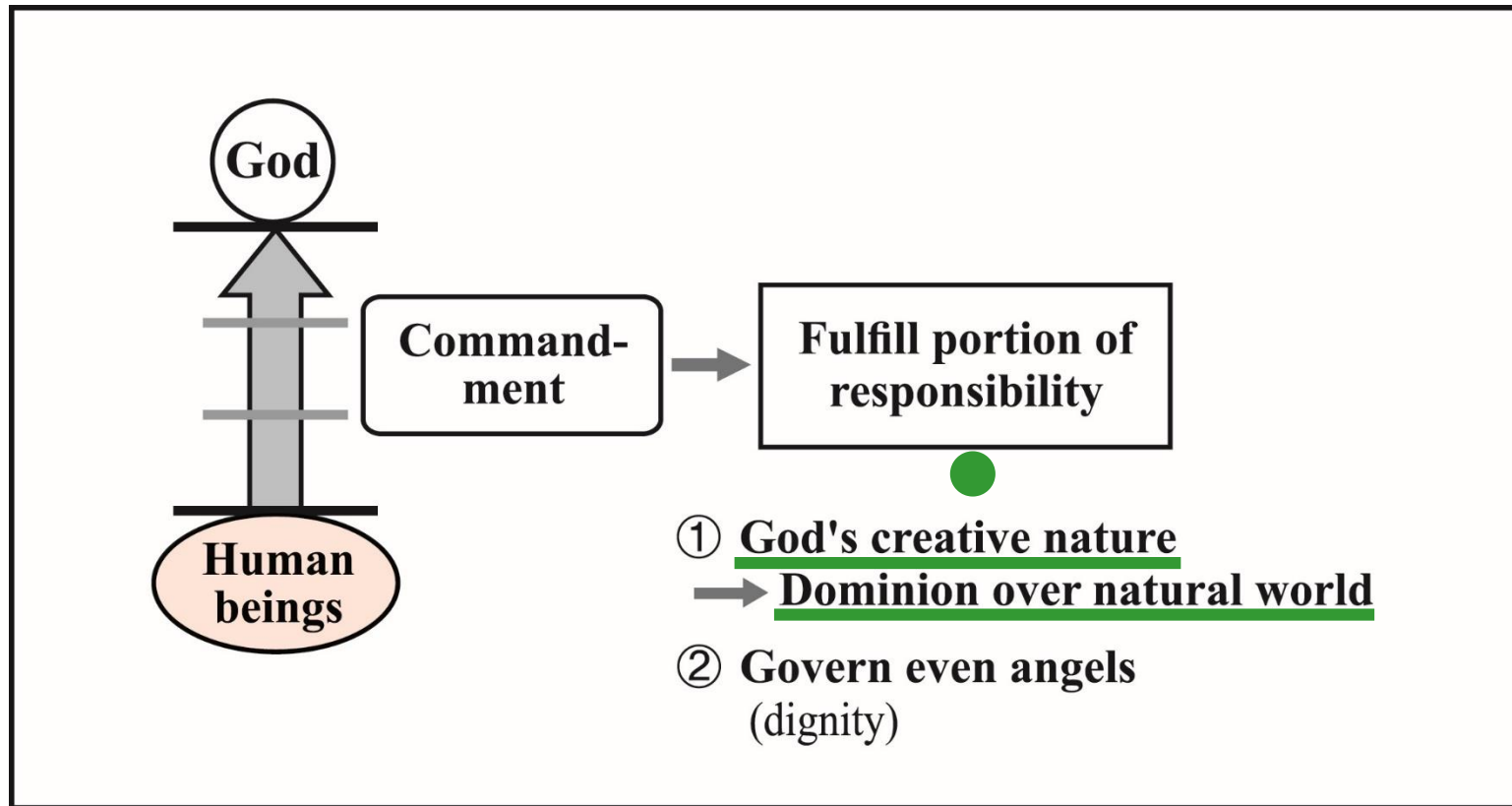
- ➔ Human beings would pursue Principle more than love of God

- Without God's love, there is no way to establish the true four position foundation, which is the purpose for which we were created; hence, love is truly the source and wellspring of our life and happiness.
- Although God created human beings based on the Principle, He governs us through love. Accordingly, in order for love to fulfill its proper role, its power must be stronger than the power of the Principle.

## II. Why God Set Up the Commandment as an Object of Faith

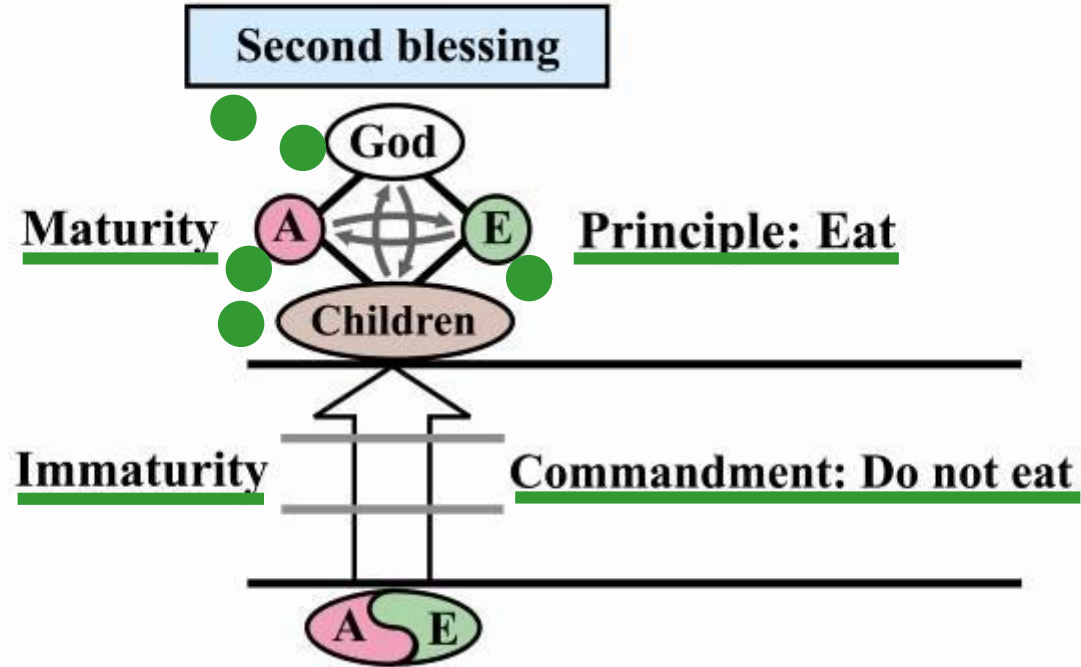


- Why did God nurture the faith of Adam and Eve by giving them the commandment, "Do not eat of the fruit"?
- In their immature state, Adam and Eve could not be directly governed by God through love. Because the power of love is stronger than the power of the Principle, God foresaw that if they ever formed a common base with the Archangel, there was a possibility that they could succumb to the power of deviant, unprincipled love and fall.



- It was not only to prevent their fall that God gave immature human beings the commandment. God also wanted them to enjoy dominion over the natural world by inheriting His creative nature. In order to inherit this creatorship, human beings should perfect themselves through their faith in the Word as their own portion of responsibility.

### III. The Period During Which the Commandment was necessary



- God's second blessing was to be fulfilled when Adam and Eve entered God's direct dominion of love, by joining as true husband and wife and bearing and raising children in God's love.
- Indeed, the Principle mandates that human beings eat of the fruit once they reach full maturity of character.
- Accordingly, God's commandment, "Do not eat of the fruit," was binding upon Adam and Eve only while they were immature.



## Section 4

# The Consequences of the Human Fall

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- What were the consequences of the spiritual and physical fall of Adam and Eve for the entire universe, including humankind and the angels?

## I. Satan and Fallen Humanity



- "Of your father the devil"  
(John 8:44)
- "Brood of vipers"  
(Matt. 12:34; Matt. 23:33)
- "Wait for adoption as sons"  
(Rom. 8:23)

- Satan is the name given to the Archangel Lucifer after he fell.
- When the first human ancestors fell, they bound themselves in blood ties with Lucifer. They formed a four position foundation yoked to Satan, and thus all humanity became the children of Satan.

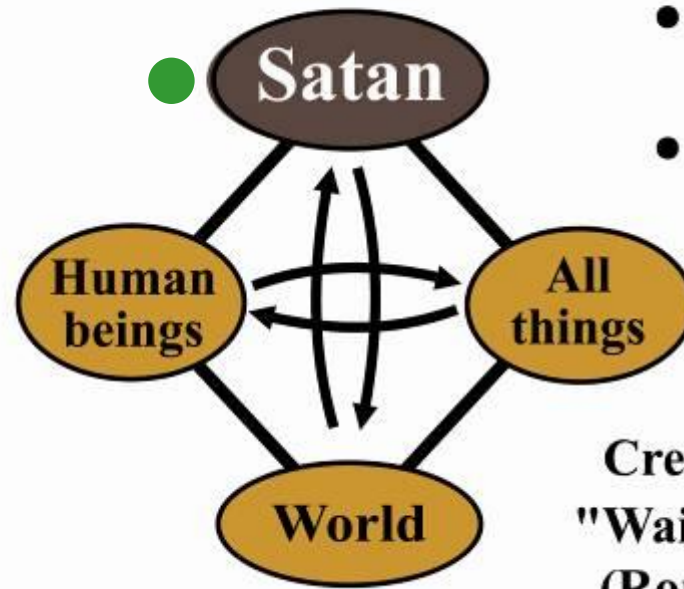
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- This is why Jesus said to the people, "you are of your father the devil," (John 8:44) and called them a "brood of vipers" (Matt. 12:34; Matt. 23:33).
- Also in Rom 8:23, St. Paul wrote, "not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait for adoption as sons." This indicates that no one belongs to the lineage of God, instead human beings are of the lineage of Satan.

## The world under Satan's sovereignty

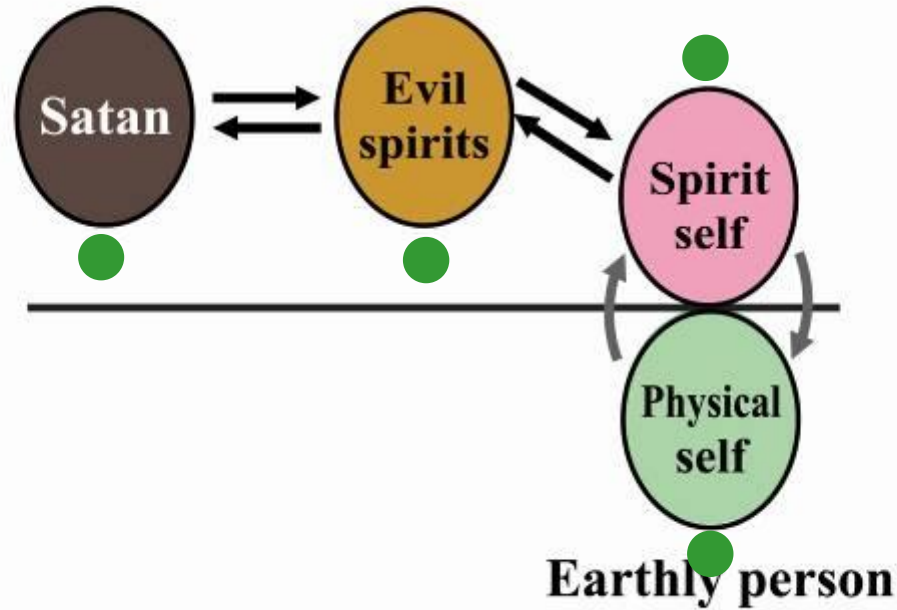


- **"Ruler of this world"**  
(John 12:31)
- **"God of this world"**  
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**Creation:**  
**"Waits for the sons of God"**  
(Rom. 8:19)

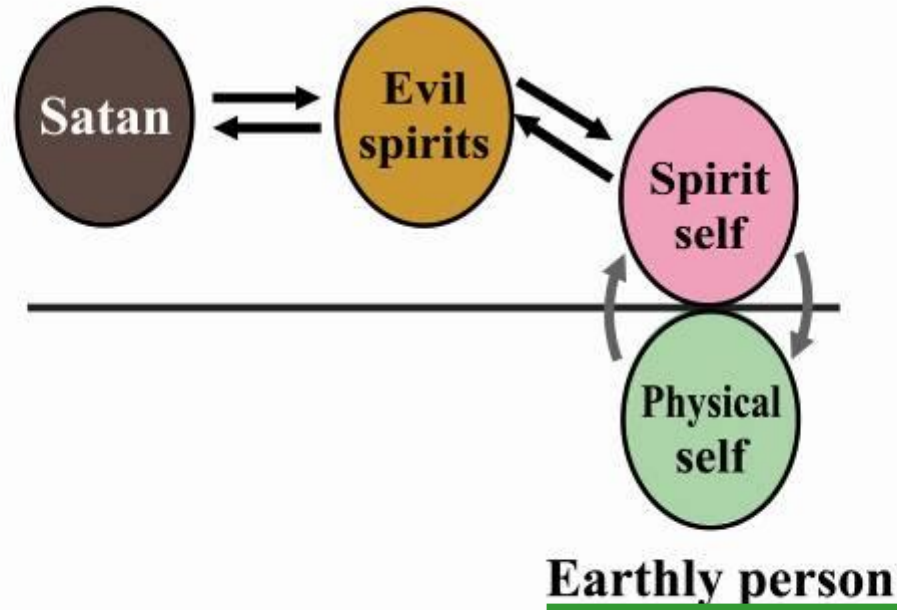
- Adam and Eve fell while they were still immature and they formed a four position foundation centering on Satan. Consequently, this world has come under Satan's sovereignty.
- Hence, the Bible calls Satan "the ruler of this world" (John 12:31) and "the god of this world" (II Cor. 4:4).

## II. Satan's Activities in Human Society

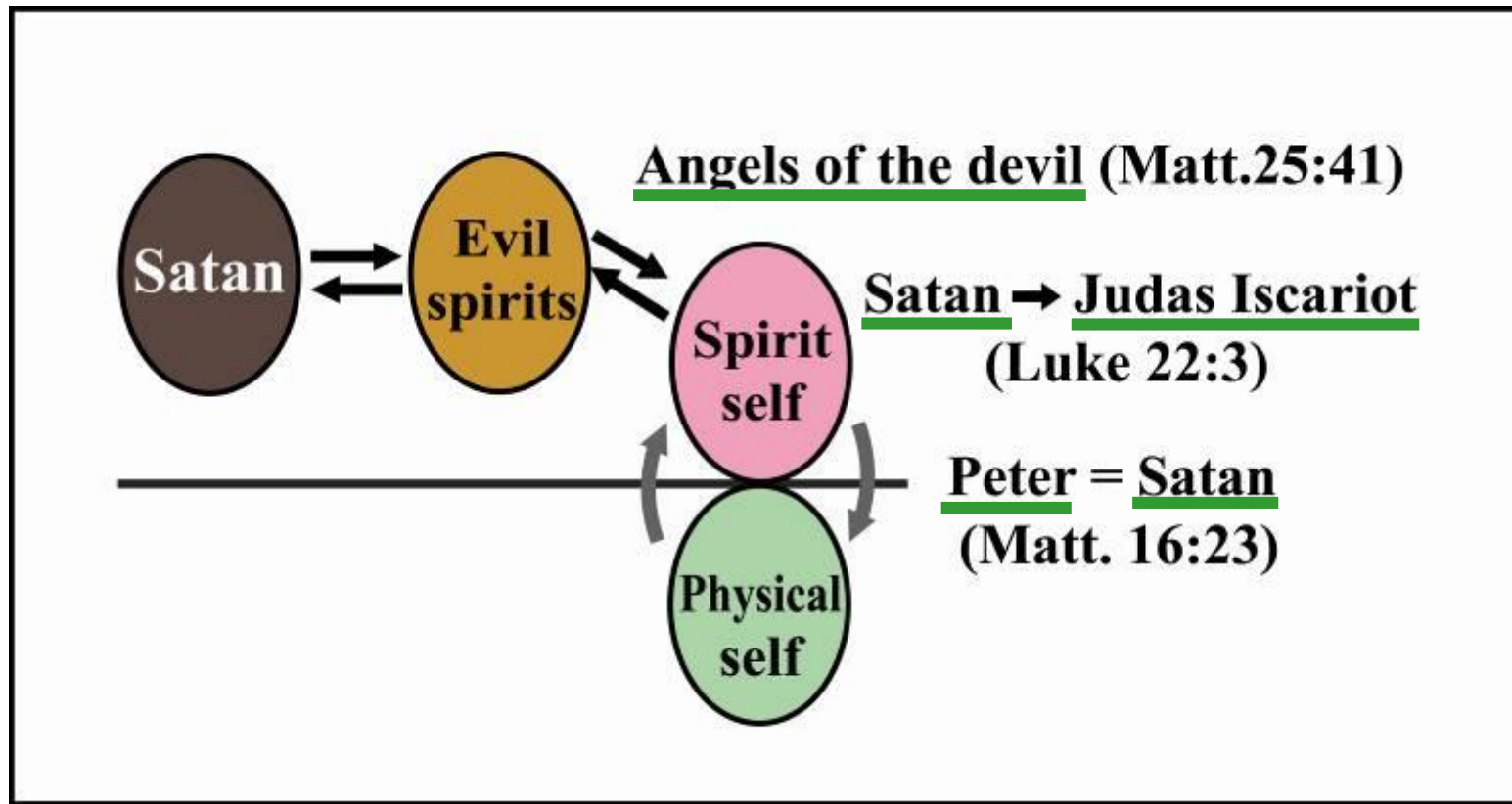


- Satan cannot perpetrate his evil activity unless he first finds an object partner with whom he can form a common base and engage in give and take action.
- Satan's object partners are evil spirits in the spirit world. The object partners to these evil spirits are the spirit selves of evil people on earth, and the vehicles through which these evil spirit selves act are their physical selves.

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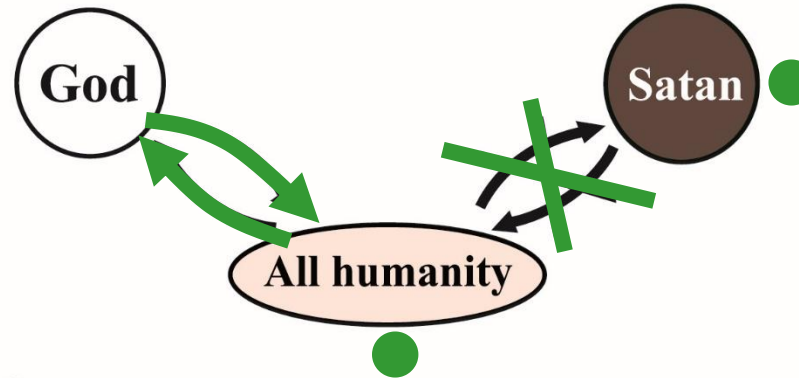


- Accordingly, the power of Satan is conveyed through evil spirits and is manifested in the activities of earthly people.



- For example, Satan entered into Judas Iscariot (Luke 22:3), and Jesus once called Peter "Satan" (Matt. 16:23).
- In the Bible, the spirits of evil earthly men are called "angels" of the devil (Matt. 25:41).

## Kingdom of Heaven on earth



- ① Free will + responsibility
- ② Uphold the Word of God (Principle)
- ③ Bring Satan to voluntary submission

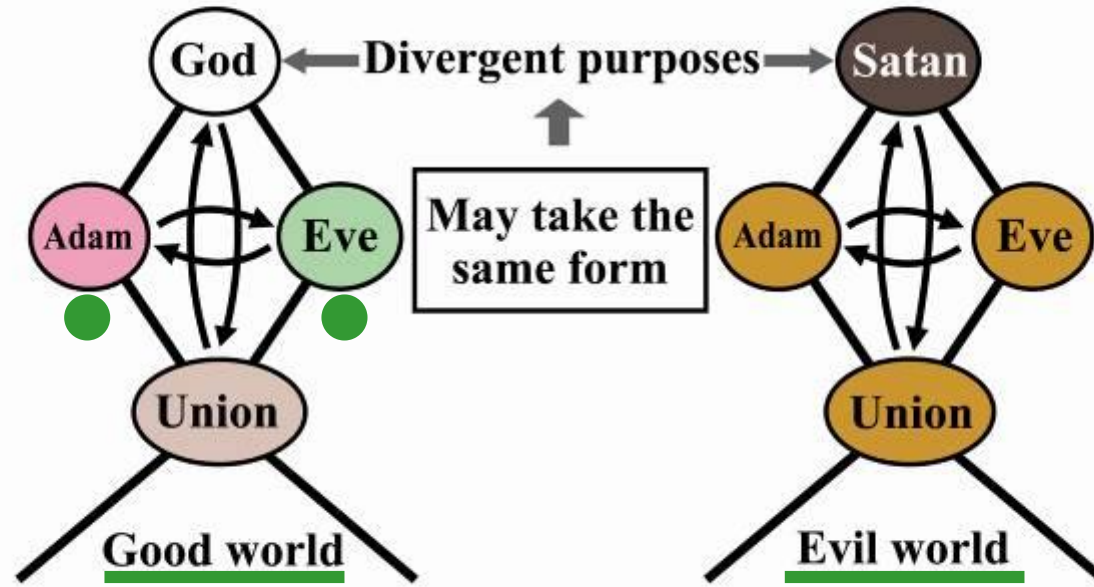
**Be restored to the original ideal**

- The Kingdom of Heaven on earth is a restored world in which Satan can no longer instigate any activity. To realize this world it is necessary for all humanity to eliminate their common base with Satan, restore their common base with God, and engage in give and take action with Him.



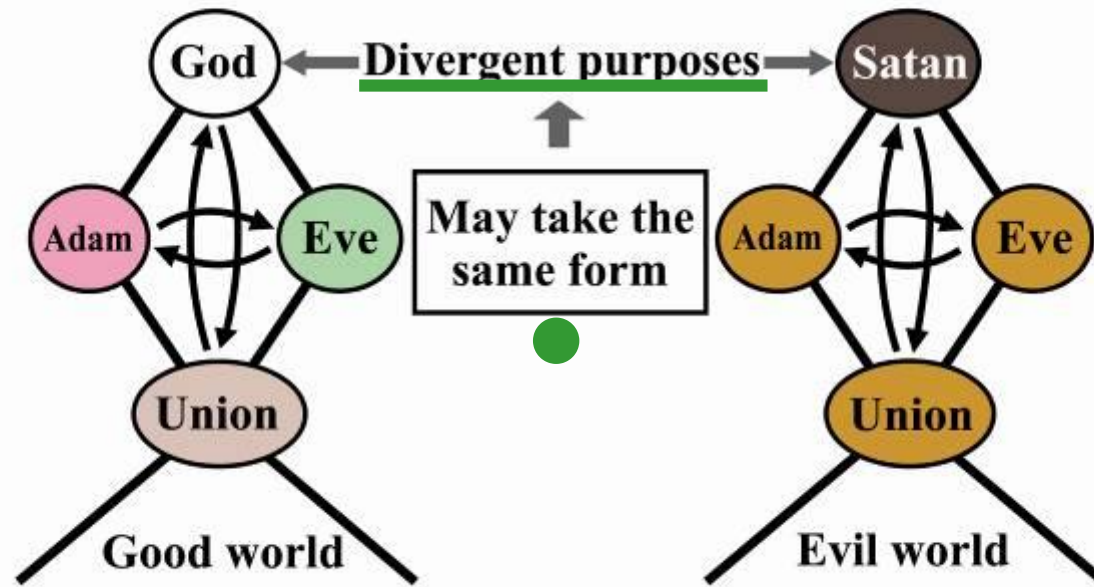


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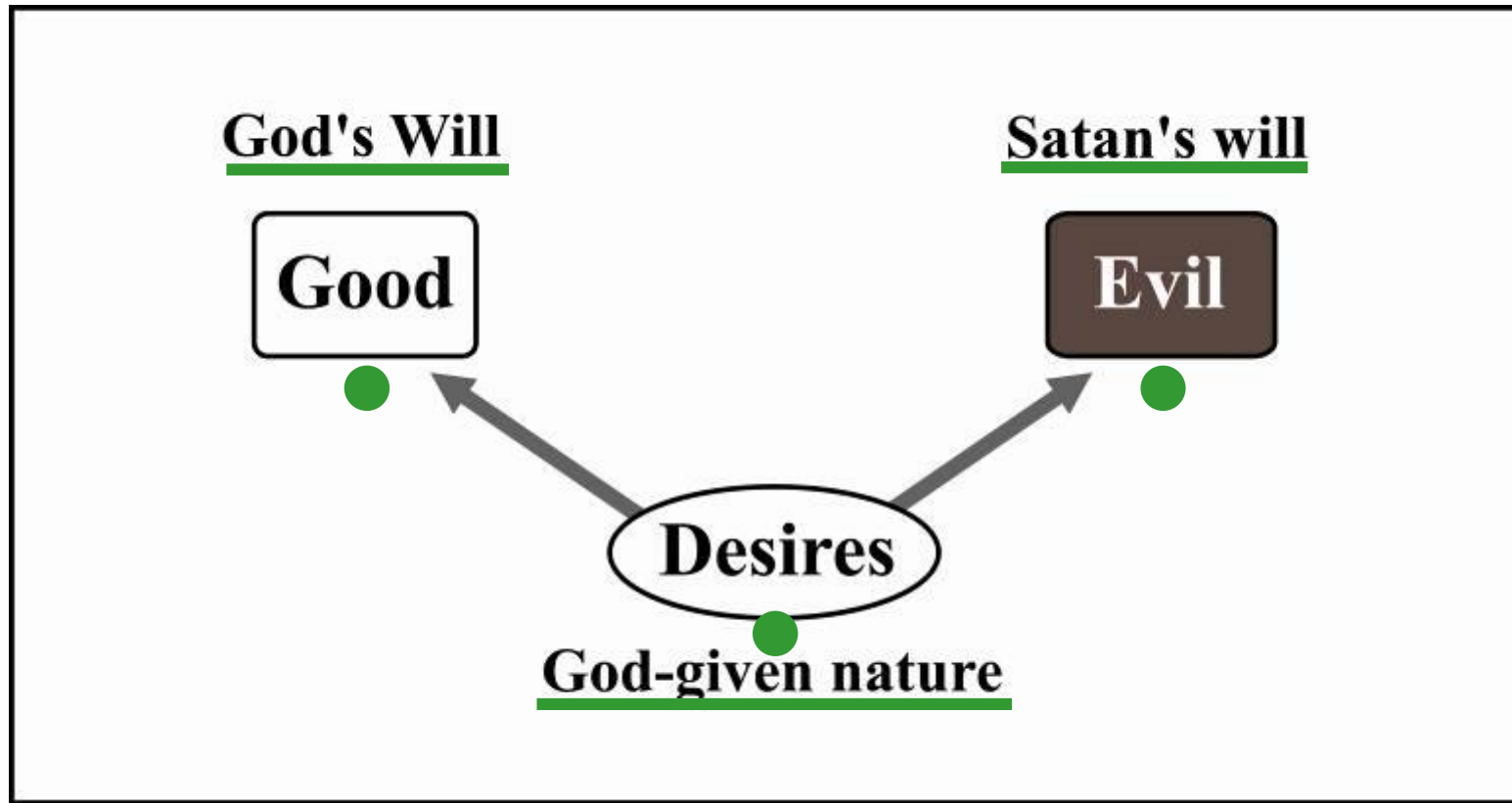


- Had Adam and Eve loved each other as God intended and formed a four position foundation centered on God, they would have established a good world.
- But when they loved each other with a purpose contrary to God's intentions and established a four position foundation centered on Satan, they ended up forming an evil world.

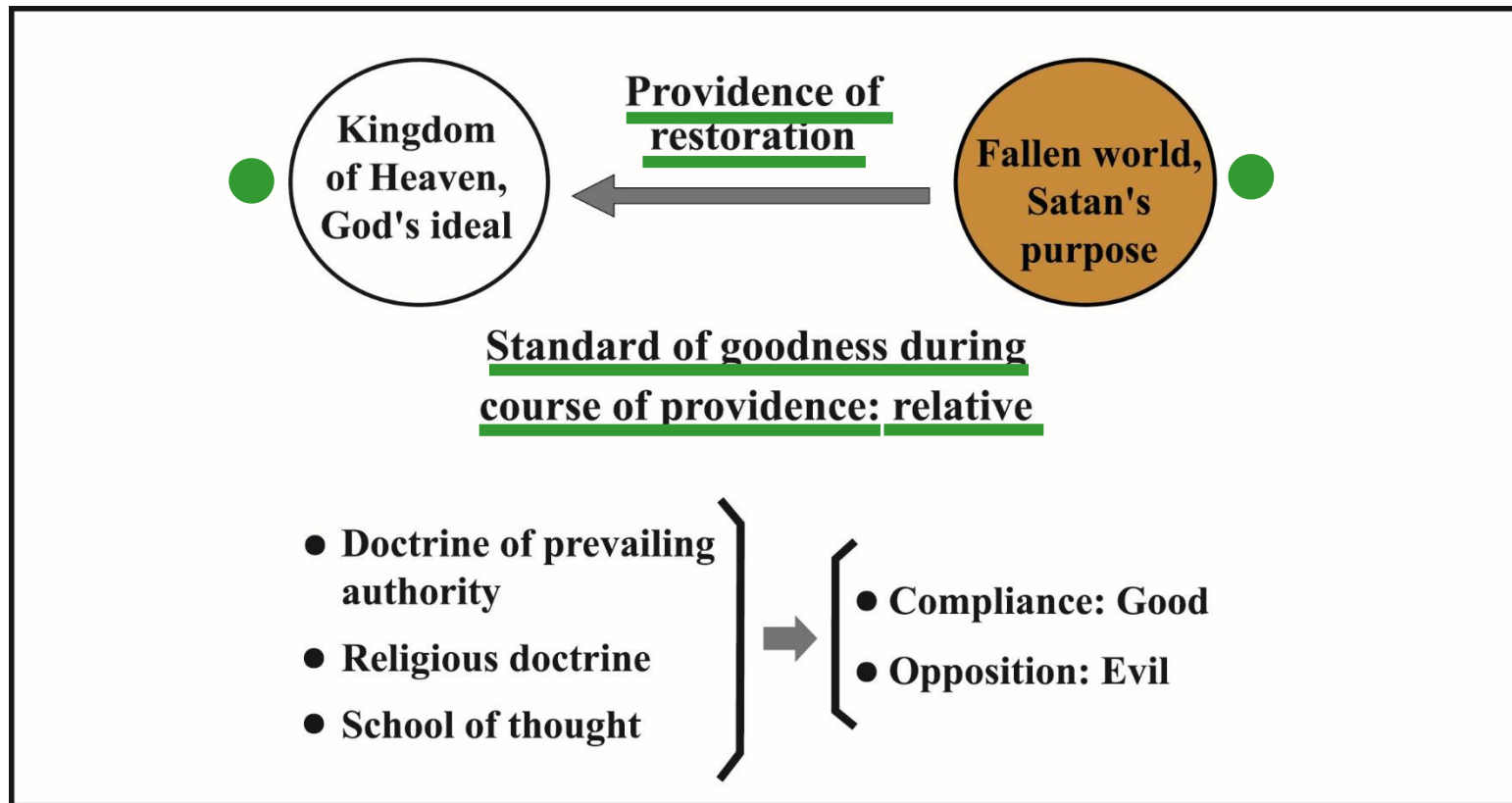
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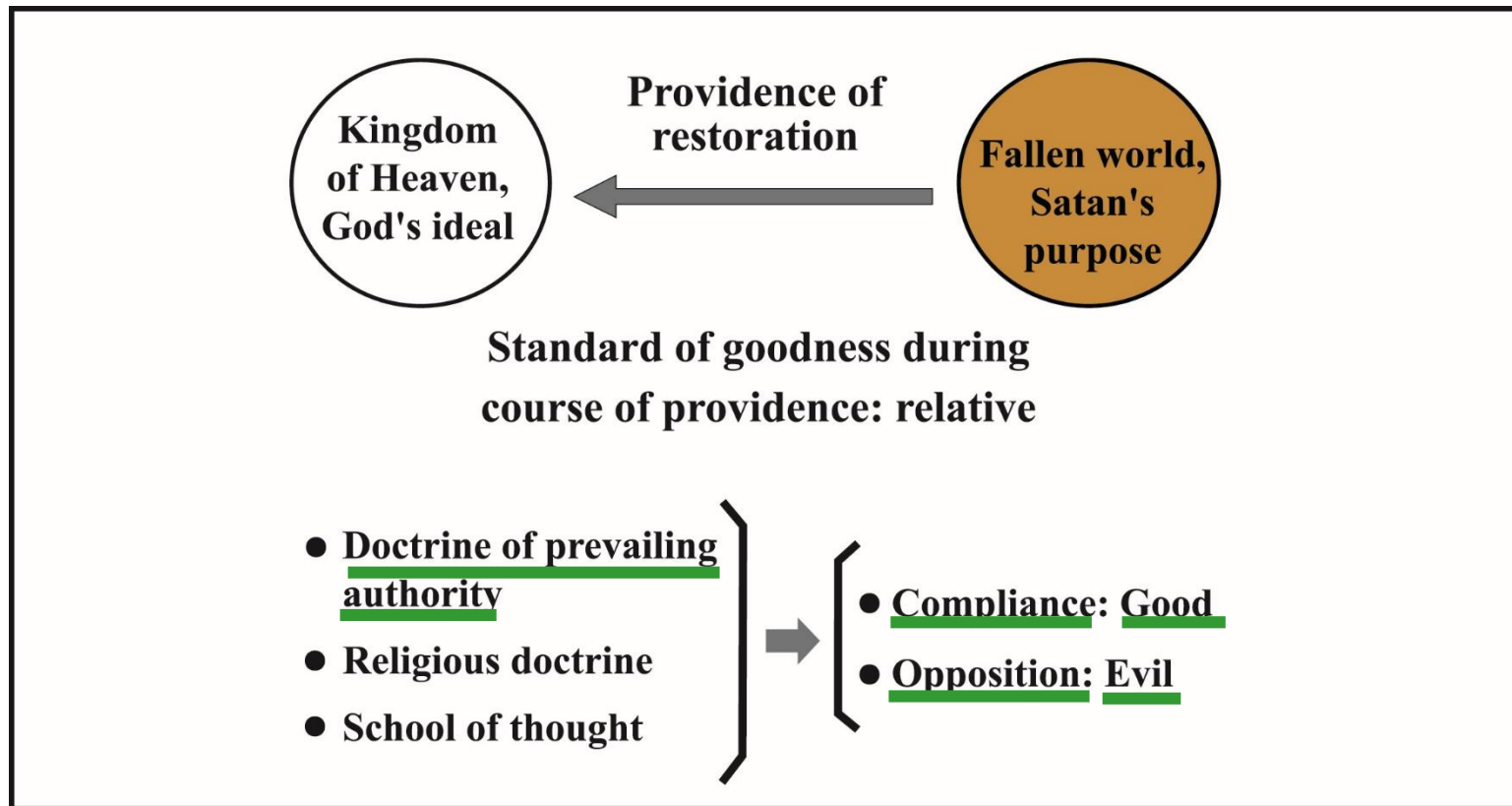
- This demonstrates that although good and evil elements or actions may take the same form, their true nature may be discerned through the fruits they yield in accordance with the divergent purposes they pursue.



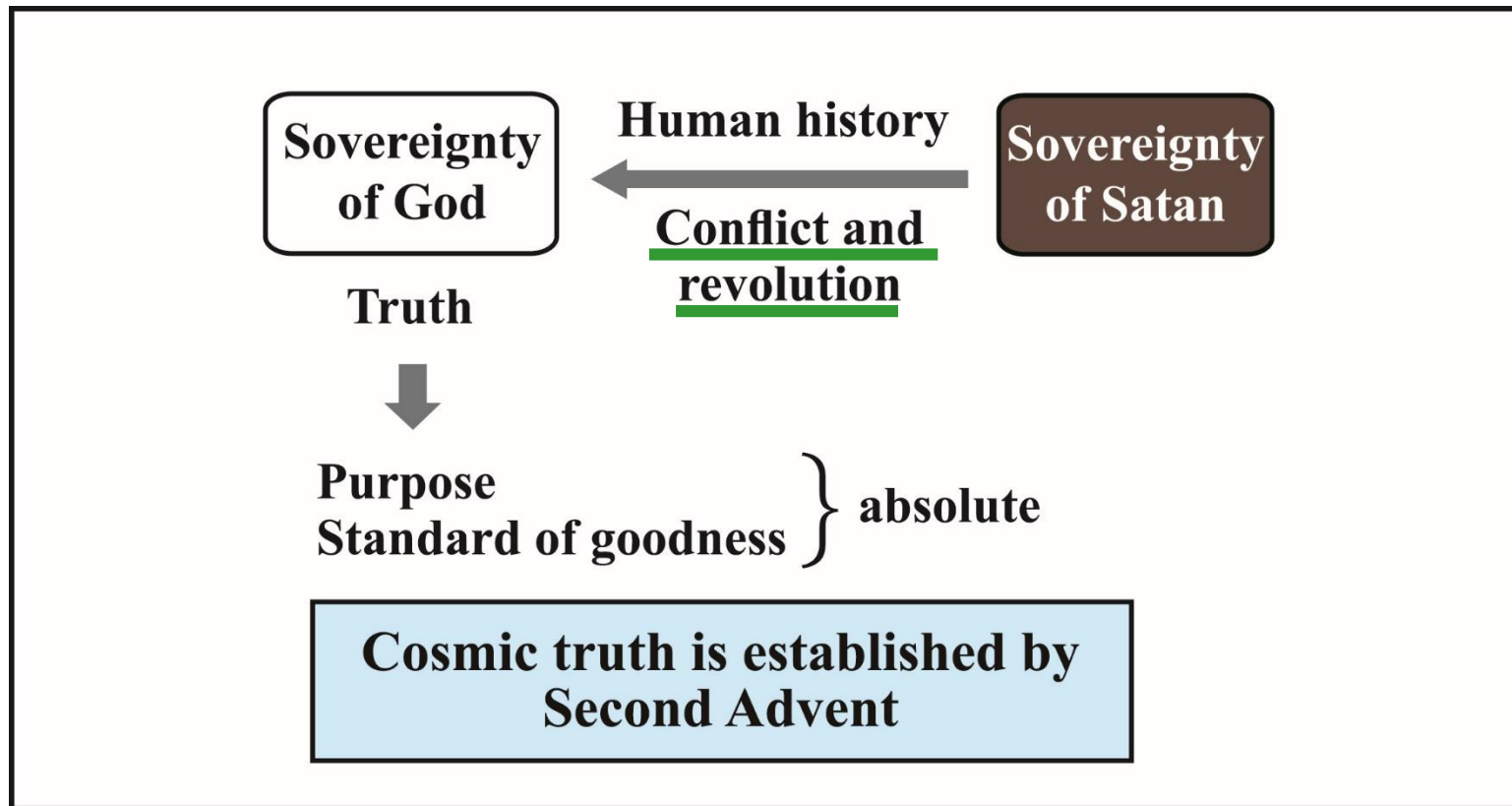
- Being part of our God-given nature, desires are good when they bear fruit for the purpose of God's Will,
- Or are evil when they bear fruit for the purpose of Satan's will.



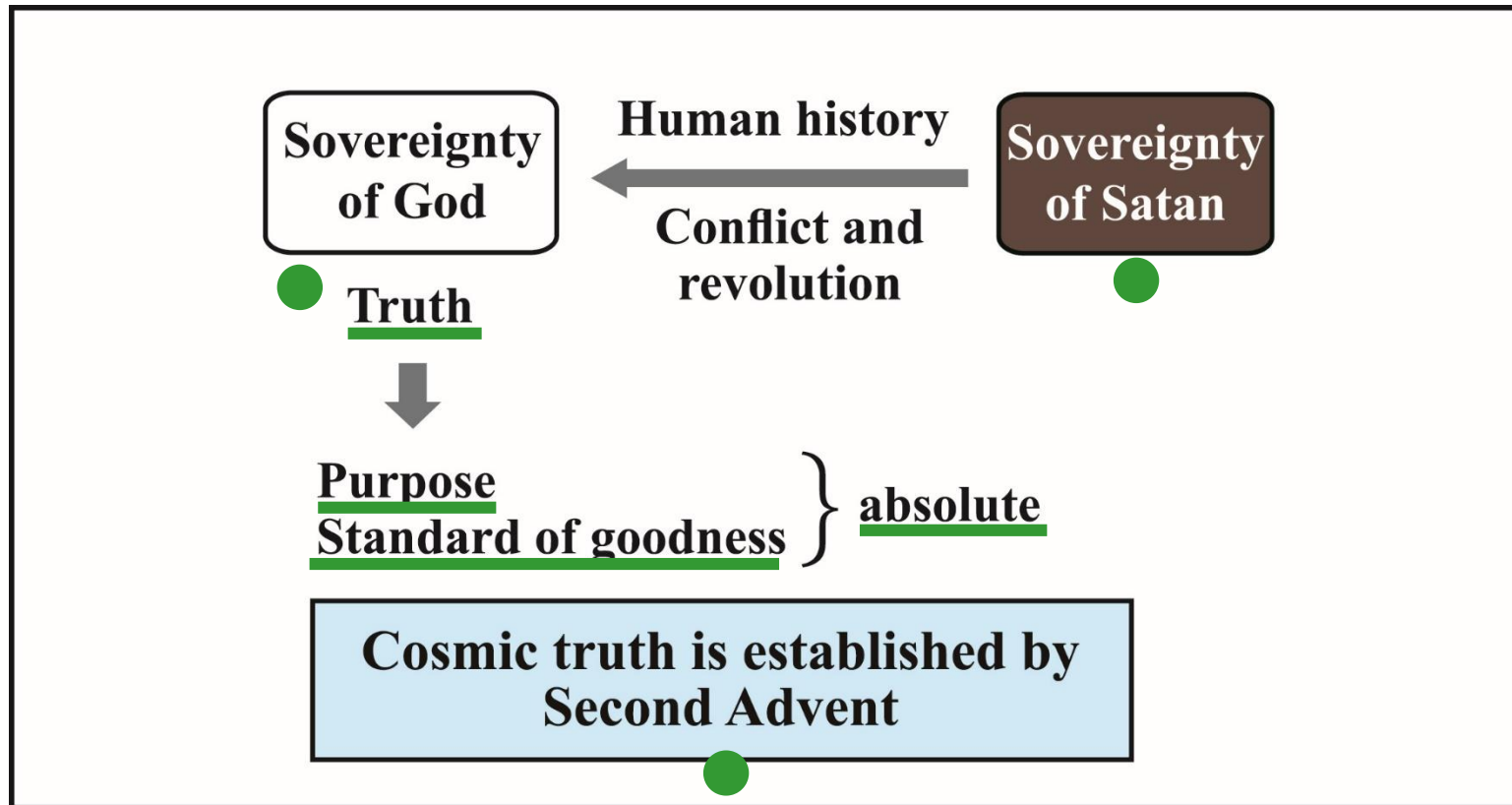
- Accordingly, the providence of restoration may be interpreted as the process of changing the direction of this fallen world from its current satanic purpose to the purpose of building the Kingdom of Heaven, God's ideal of creation.
- Any standard of goodness set during the course of the providence is relative.



- In any particular period of history, obedient compliance with the doctrines expounded by the prevailing authorities is considered good, while actions in opposition to them are considered evil. But the change of an era ushers in new authorities and new standards.



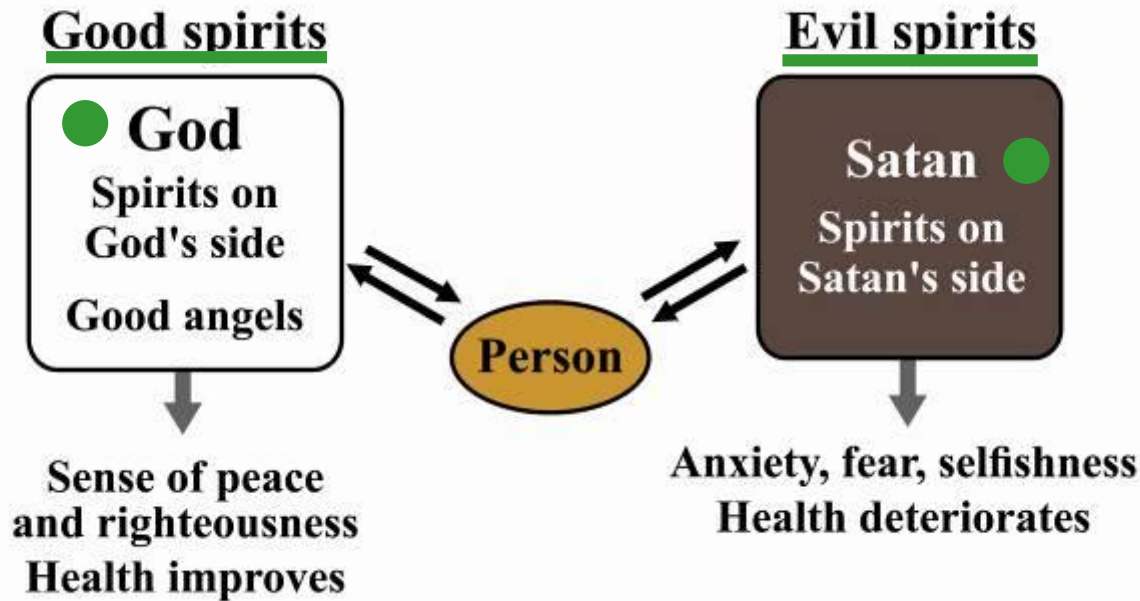
- Throughout the endless cycles of conflict and revolution in human history, people have been seeking the absolute goodness which their original mind desires.



- Once the sovereignty of Satan is expelled from the earth, then God, the eternal and absolute Being transcendant of time and space, will establish His sovereignty and His truth. In that day, God's truth will be absolute, and hence the purpose which it serves and the standard of goodness which it sets will both be absolute.
- This cosmic, all-encompassing truth will be firmly established by Christ at his Second Advent.

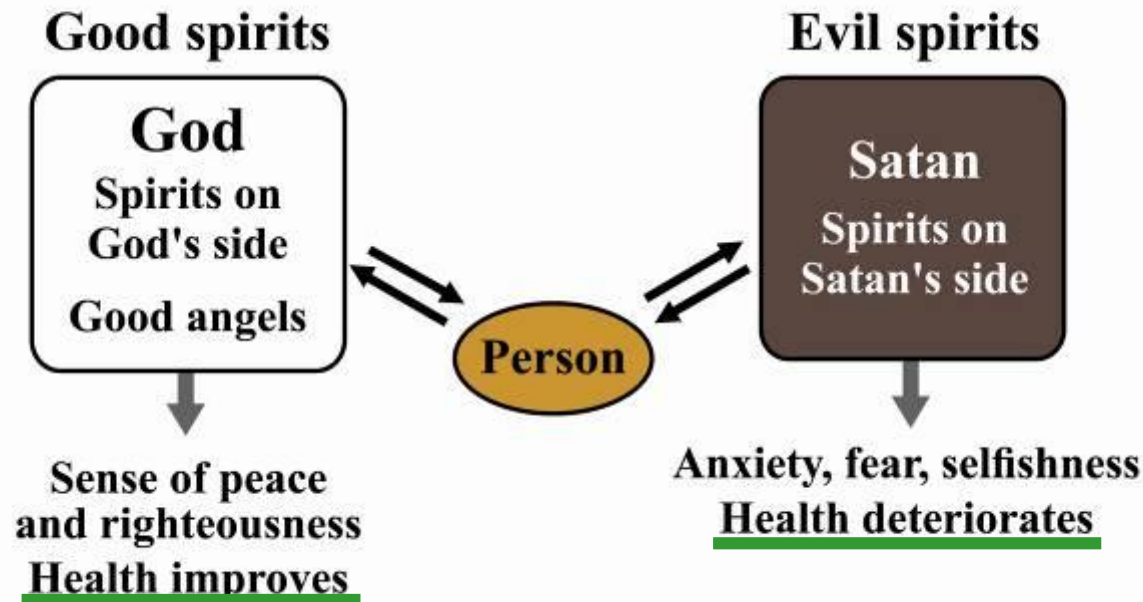


#### IV. The Works of Good Spirits and Evil Spirits



- We use “good spirits” as a general term for God, spirits on the side of God, and good angels.
- The general term for Satan and spirits on his side is “evil spirits.”
- The works of good spirits and evil spirits have a similar appearance at the outset but pursue contrary purposes.

#### IV. The Works of Good Spirits and Evil Spirits



- Over time, the works of a good spirit will increase a person's sense of peace and righteousness and even improve his health. The works of evil spirits, on the contrary, will gradually lead to an increase of anxiety, fear and selfishness and cause his health to deteriorate.

## V. Sin



- Sin is a violation of heavenly law which is committed when a person forms a common base with Satan, thus setting a condition for give and take action with him.

## Classification of sins

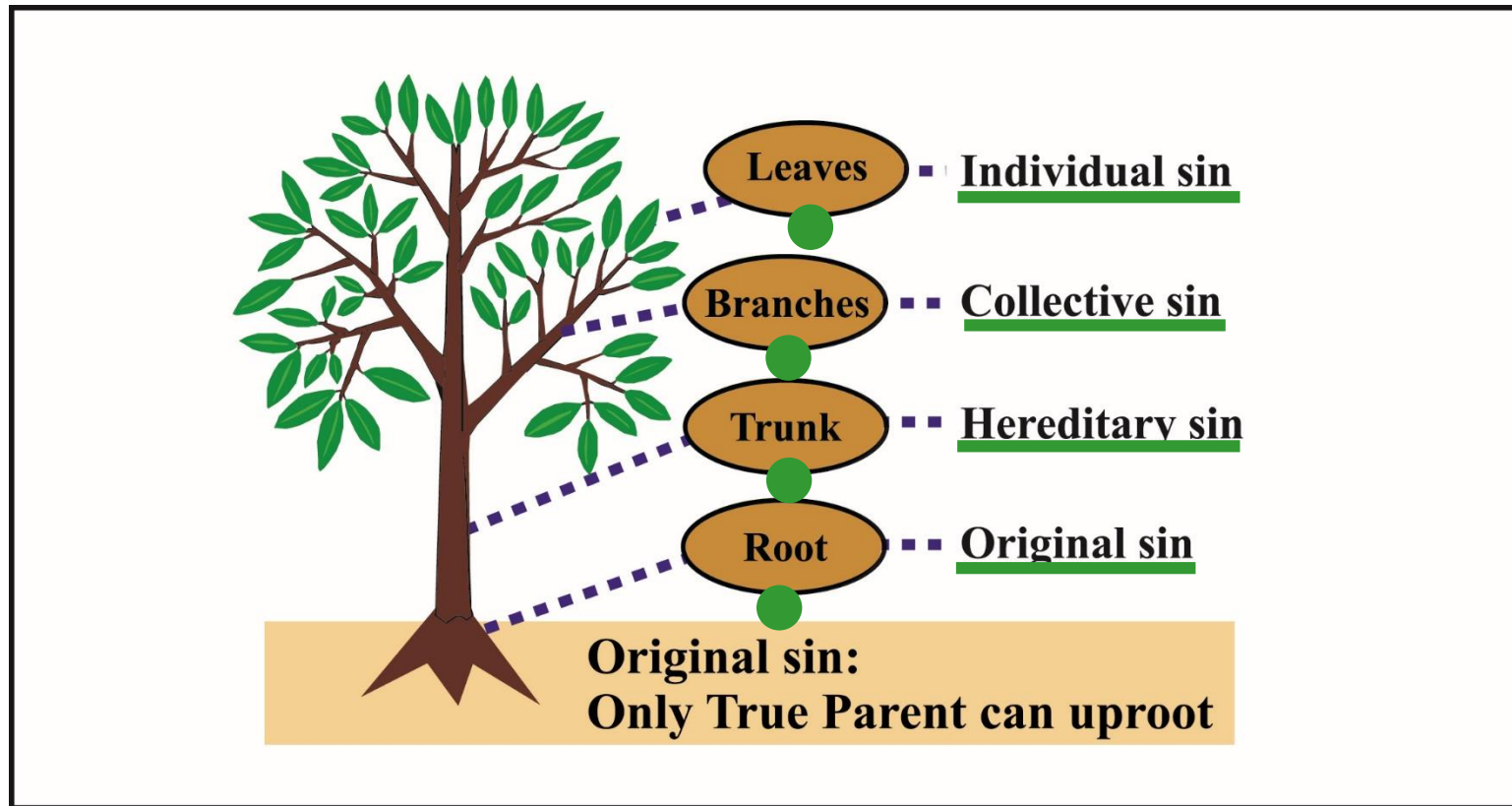
- ① **Original sin**  
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- ③ **Collective sin**  
(E.g., sending Jesus to the cross)
- ④ **Individual sin**  
(Sin individual himself commits)

- First is the original sin. This sin originated with the spiritual and physical fall of our first human ancestors. It is ingrained in our lineage and is the root of all sins.
- Second is hereditary sin. This is sin which one inherits from one's ancestors on account of their connection through lineage.

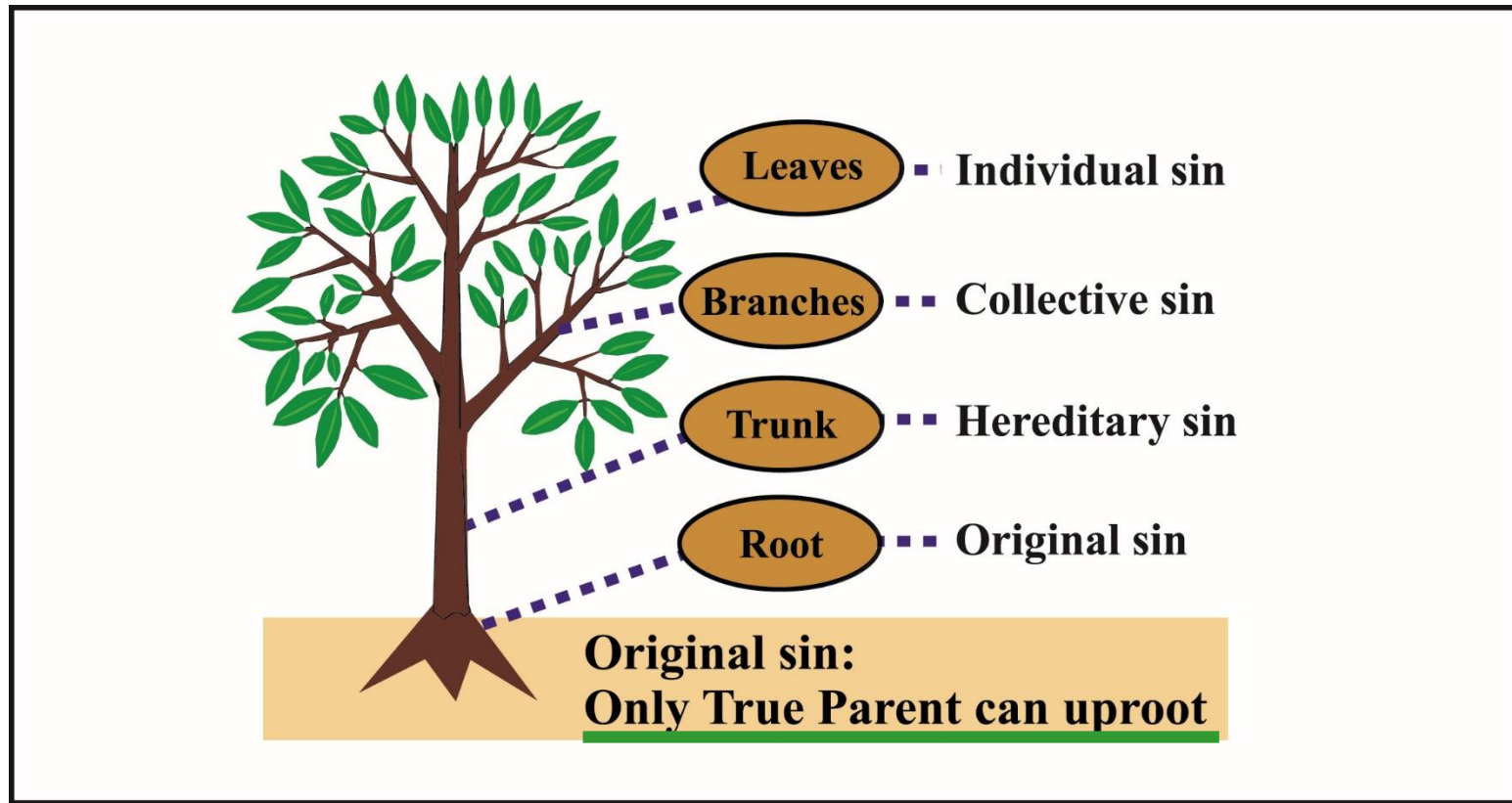
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- Third is collective sin. This is sin for which a person is responsible as a member of a group. For example, as a consequence of sending Jesus to the cross, the Jewish people were cast into the position to undergo grievous suffering.
- Fourth is individual sin, which an individual himself commits.

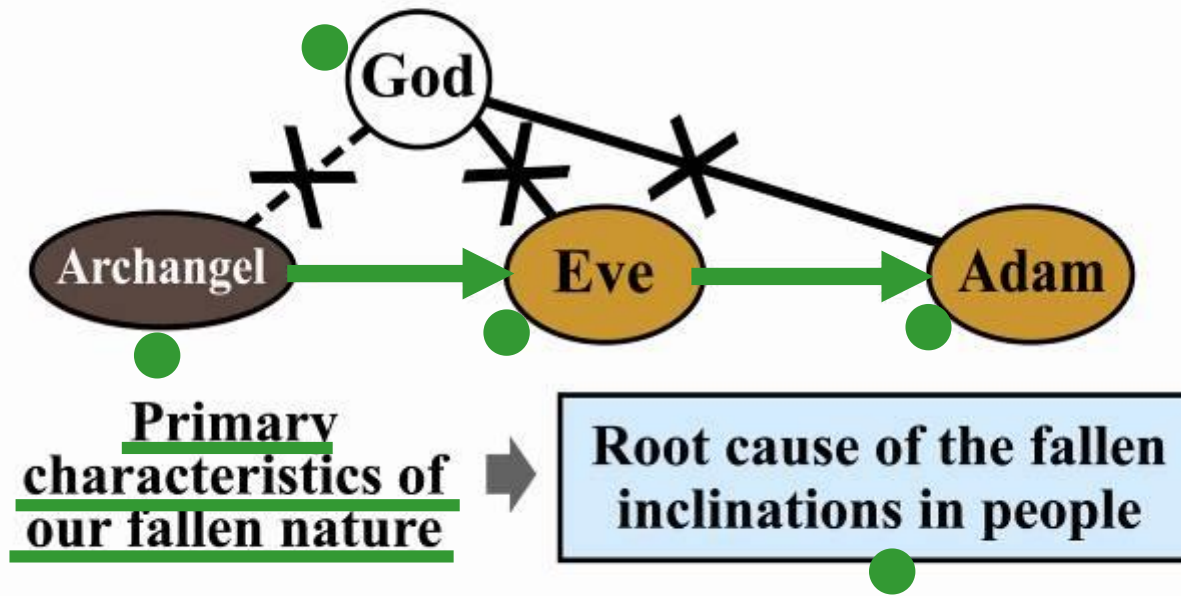


- The original sin may be thought of as the root of all sins, hereditary sin as the trunk, collective sin as the branches, and individual sin as the leaves.
- All sins sprout from the original sin, which is their root; hence, without extirpating the original sin, there is no way to completely eradicate other sins.



- However, no man is able to unearth this root of sin. Only Christ, who comes as the root and True Parent of humanity can grasp it and uproot it.

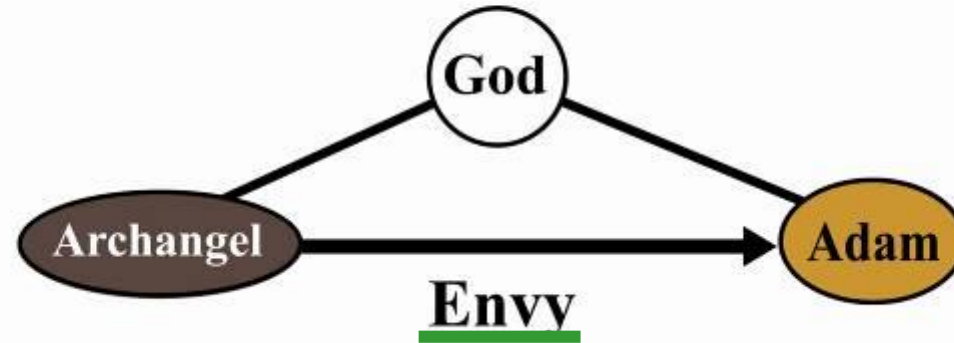
#### IV. The Primary Characteristics of the Fallen Nature



- Eve inherited from the Archangel all the proclivities incidental to his transgression against God when he bound her in blood ties through their sexual relationship, and Adam in turn acquired the same inclinations when Eve, assuming the role of the Archangel, bound him in blood ties through their sexual relationship.
- These proclivities have become the root cause of the fallen inclinations in all people.
- They are the primary characteristics of our fallen nature.



## Fundamental motivation engendering fallen nature



### Original nature

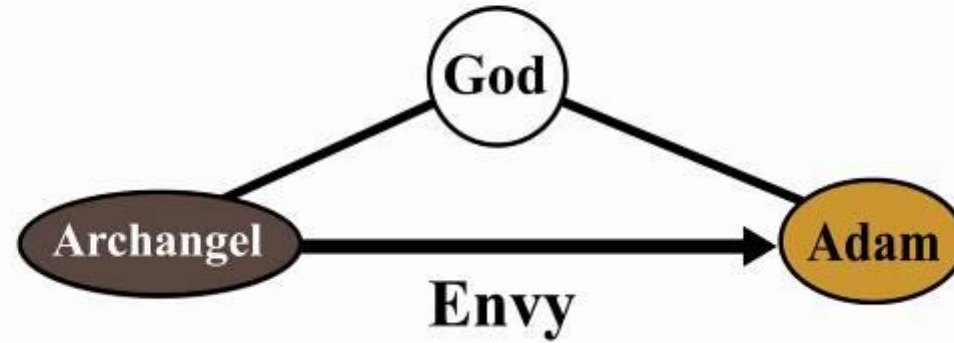
**Intellect: Compare, discern**

**Desire: Yearning for more love**

**→ Envy and jealousy**

- The fundamental motivation which engendered these primary characteristics of the fallen nature lay in the envy the Archangel felt toward Adam, the beloved of God.
- The Archangel was endowed with desire and intellect as part of his original nature.

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- Because the Archangel possessed an intellect, he could compare and discern that God's love for human beings was greater than the love God gave to him. Because he also possessed desires, he had a natural yearning for more love from God. This desire of the heart was naturally conducive to envy and jealousy.

## Envious desires of the original nature

- Envy: Byproduct of original nature
- Human beings in perfection
  - ➔ Never fall because of incidental envy
  - Agony of self-destruction
  - Society will keep individual members from self-destruction

**Envious desires of original nature:  
Never cause people to fall**

- Envy is an inevitable byproduct of the original nature.
- After human beings reach perfection, however, they will never be induced to fall because of incidental envy.
- They will know deep inside that attaining the object of their desire is not worth the agony of self-destruction that would ensue.

**Primary characteristics of the fallen nature:**

- ① **Failing to take God's standpoint**
- ② **Leaving one's proper position**
- ③ **Reversing dominion**
- ④ **Multiplying the criminal act**

- The primary characteristics of the fallen nature can be divided broadly into four types:
  - ① The first is failing to take God's standpoint. A principal cause of the Archangel's fall was his failure to love Adam with the same heart and perspective as God; instead he felt jealous of Adam. This led him to tempt Eve.

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- ③ The third is reversing dominion. The angel, who was supposed to come under the dominion of human beings, instead dominated Eve. Then Eve, who was supposed to come under the dominion of Adam, dominated him instead.
- ④ The fourth is multiplying the criminal act. The Archangel spread his sin to Eve, and Eve to Adam.

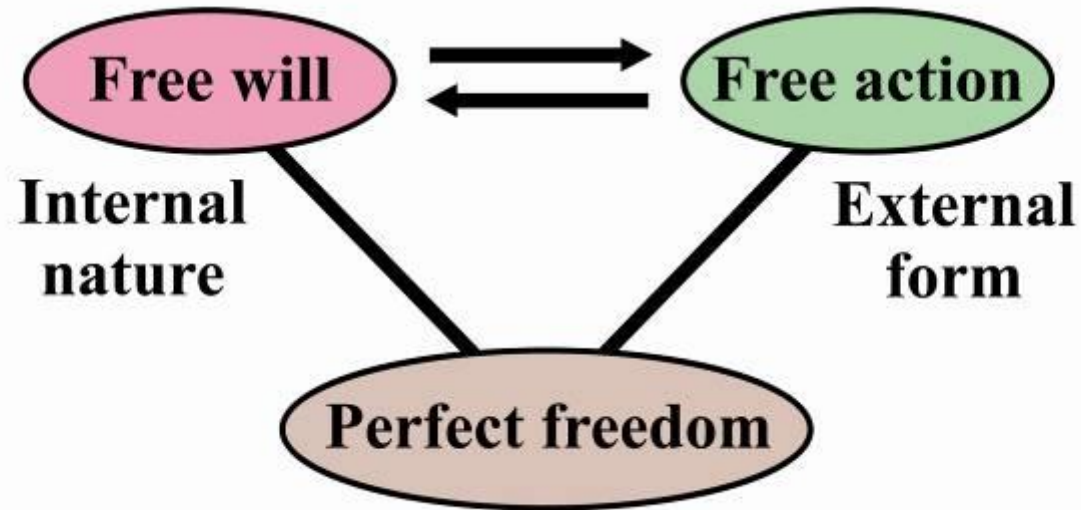
## Section 5

# **Freedom and the Human Fall**

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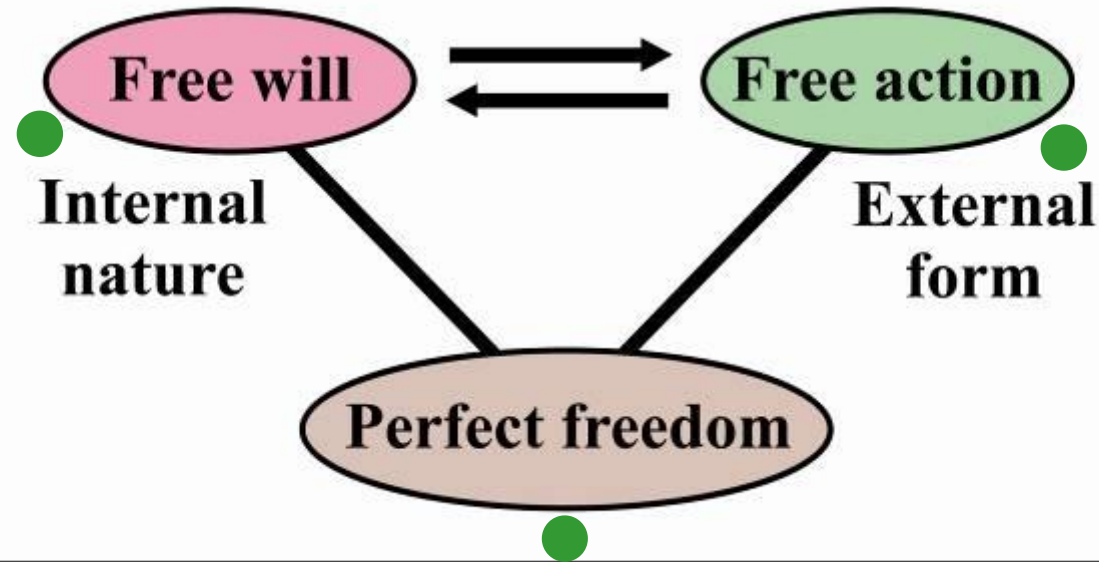


- What is the meaning of true freedom? In light of the Principle, three characteristics of freedom stand out. First, there is no freedom outside the Principle.
- Freedom requires both free will and the free actions pursuant to that will.

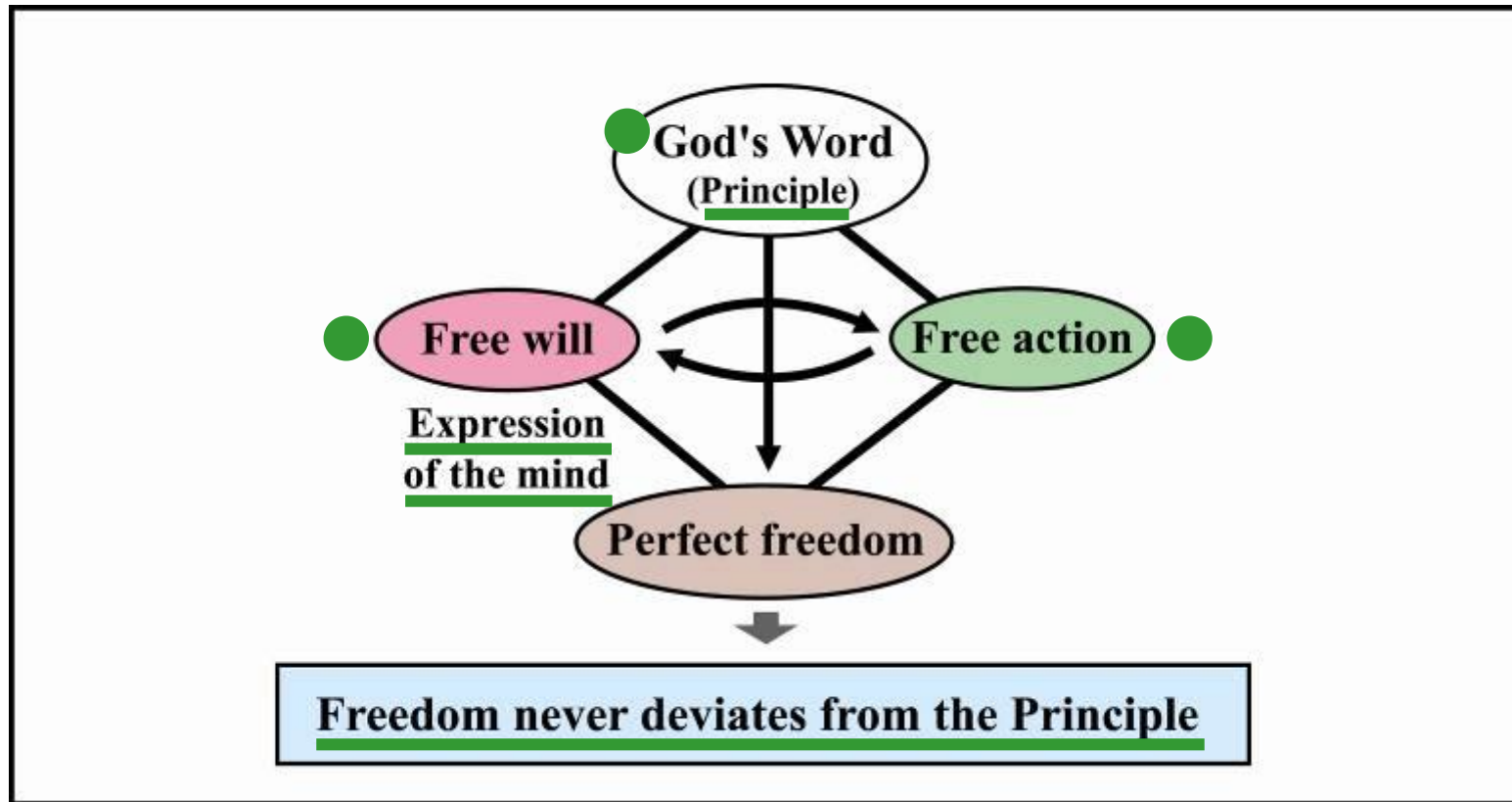


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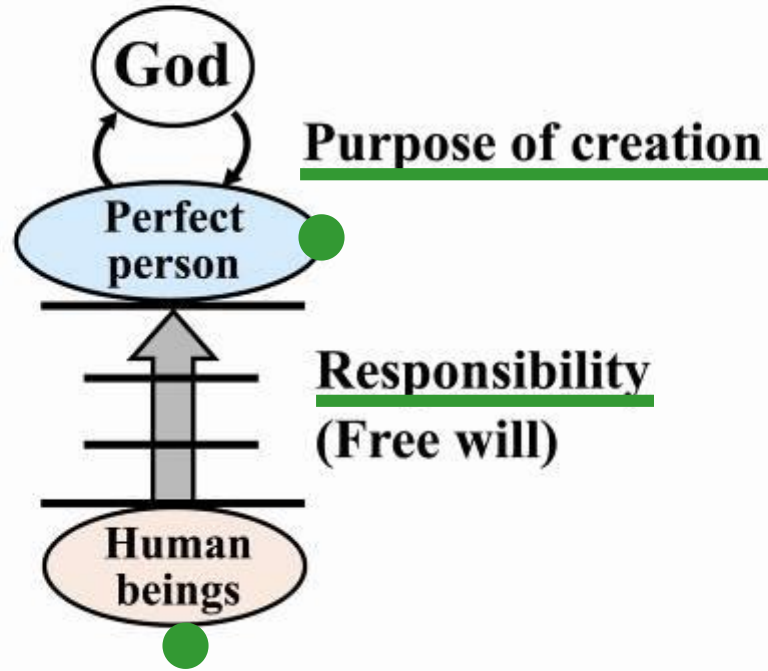


- Free will and free actions have the relationship of internal nature and external form, and perfect freedom is achieved when they are in harmony.
- Therefore, there cannot be any free action without free will, nor can free will be complete without free actions to accompany it.



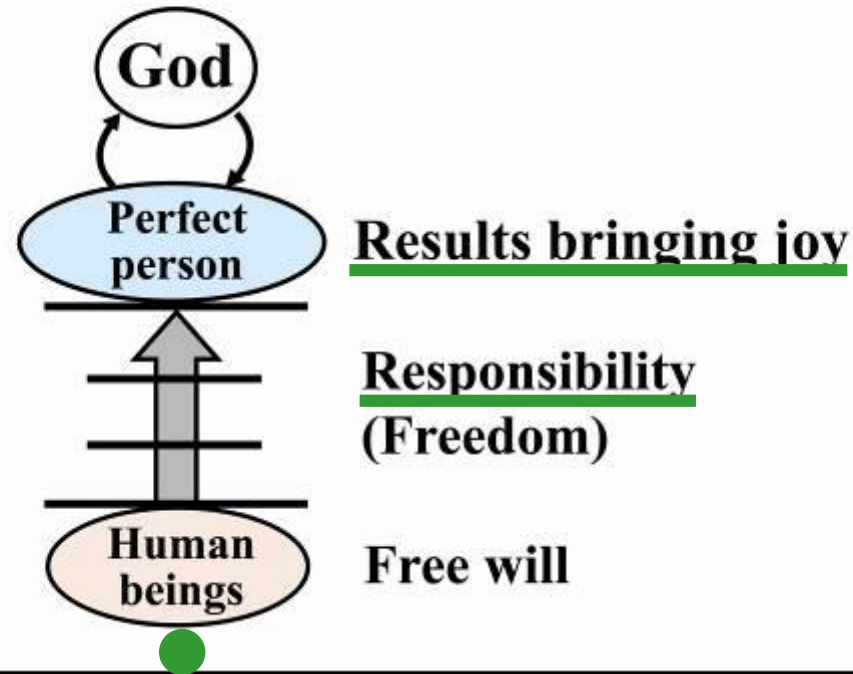
- Free actions are generated by free will, and free will is an expression of the mind.
- Since the mind of an original, sinless person cannot operate outside of God's Word, that is, the Principle, it will never express free will or generate free action apart from the Principle.
- Undoubtedly, the freedom of a true person never deviates from the Principle.

② There is no freedom without responsibility



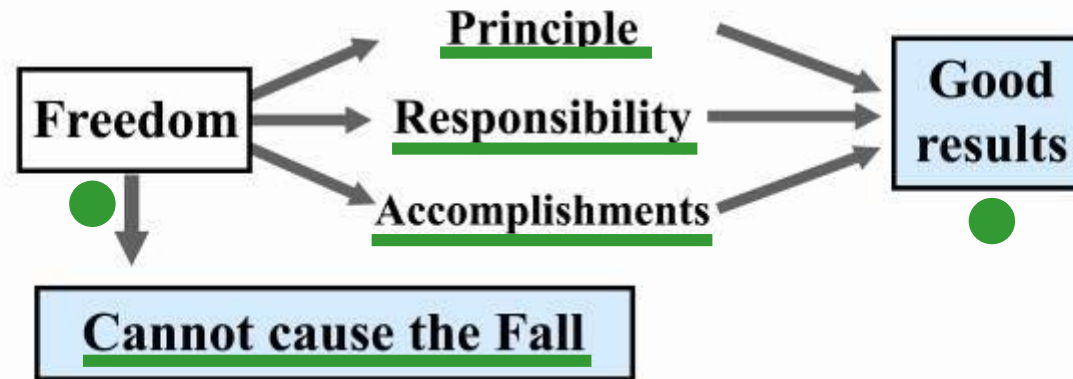
- Second, there is no freedom without responsibility.
- Human beings, created according to the Principle, can reach perfection only by fulfilling their responsibility based on their free will.
- Accordingly, a person pursuing the purpose of creation as prompted by his free will ceaselessly strives to carry out his portion of responsibility.

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- Third, there is no freedom without accomplishment.
- When human beings exercise freedom and carry out their responsibility, they strive to accomplish results which complete the purpose of creation and bring joy to God.
- Free will ceaselessly pursues concrete results through free actions.

## II. Freedom and the Human Fall



- **Power of unprincipled love overwhelmed the freedom of original mind**
- **Lost freedom through the Fall**

- To summarize, freedom cannot exist outside the Principle. Freedom is accompanied by the responsibility laid out in the Principle, and Freedom pursues accomplishments that bring joy to God.
- Free actions generated by free will bring about only good results.
- Therefore, freedom cannot have caused the human Fall.

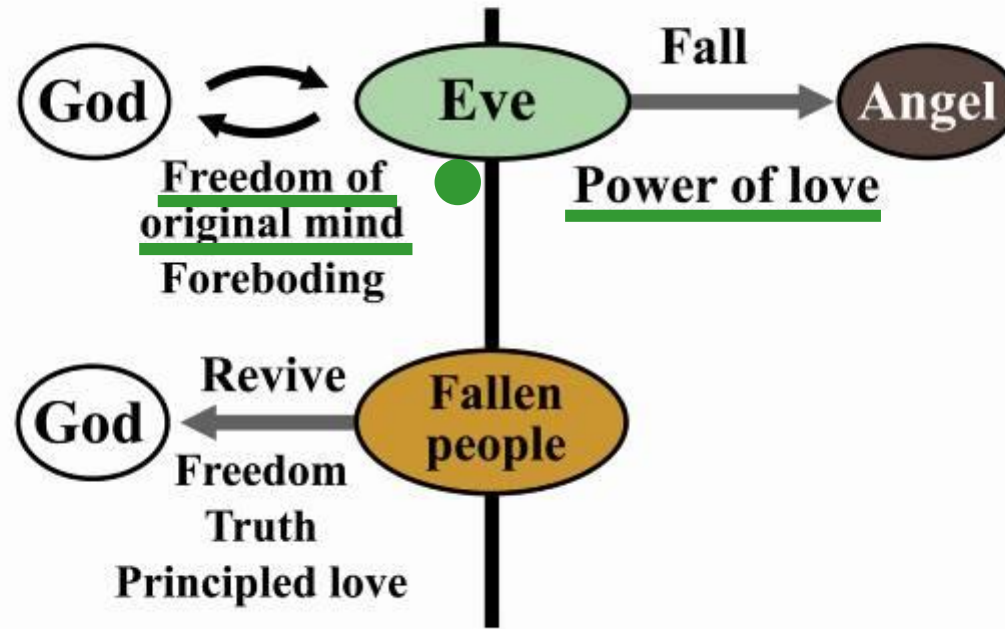
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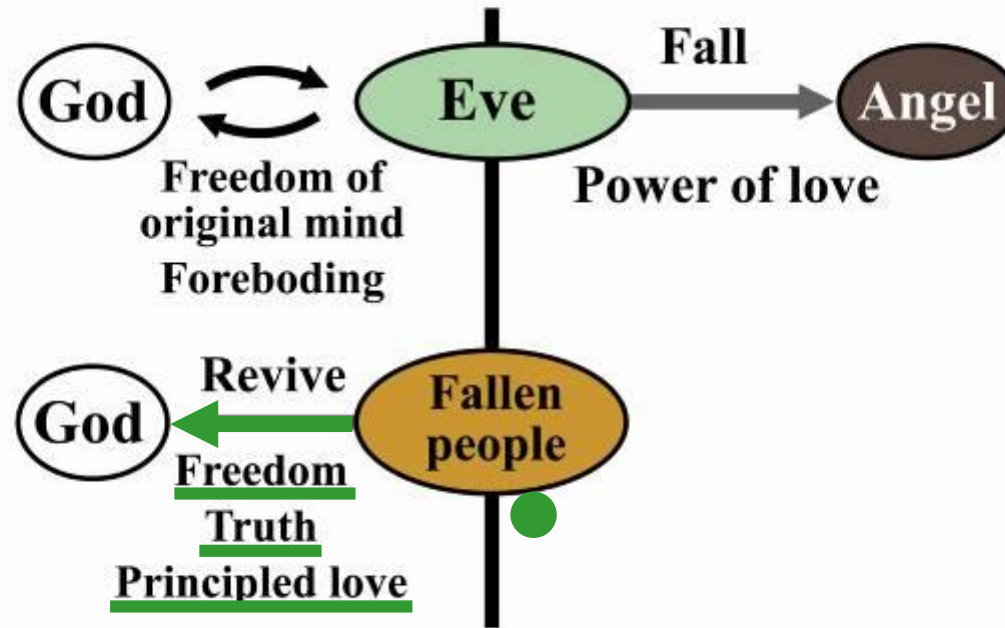
- Rather, the human Fall was caused by the stronger power of unprincipled love, which overwhelmed the freedom of the original mind.
- In truth, human beings lost their freedom as a result of the Fall.

### III. Freedom, the Fall, and Restoration



- When Eve was tempted by the angel, she became confused emotionally and intellectually. Although the freedom of her original mind induced in her a sense of foreboding, because the power of the love between her and the angel was stronger, she crossed the boundary and fell.

### III. Freedom, the Fall, and Restoration



- Conversely, since fallen people can also relate with God in freedom, if they follow the words of truth, form a common base and engage in give and take with Him, then the power of principled love can revive their original nature.



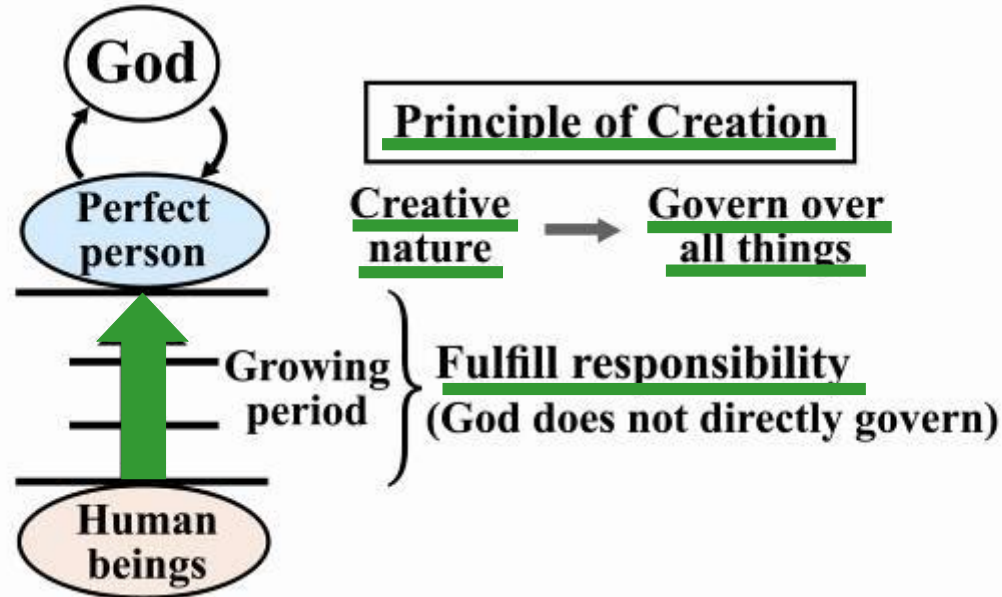
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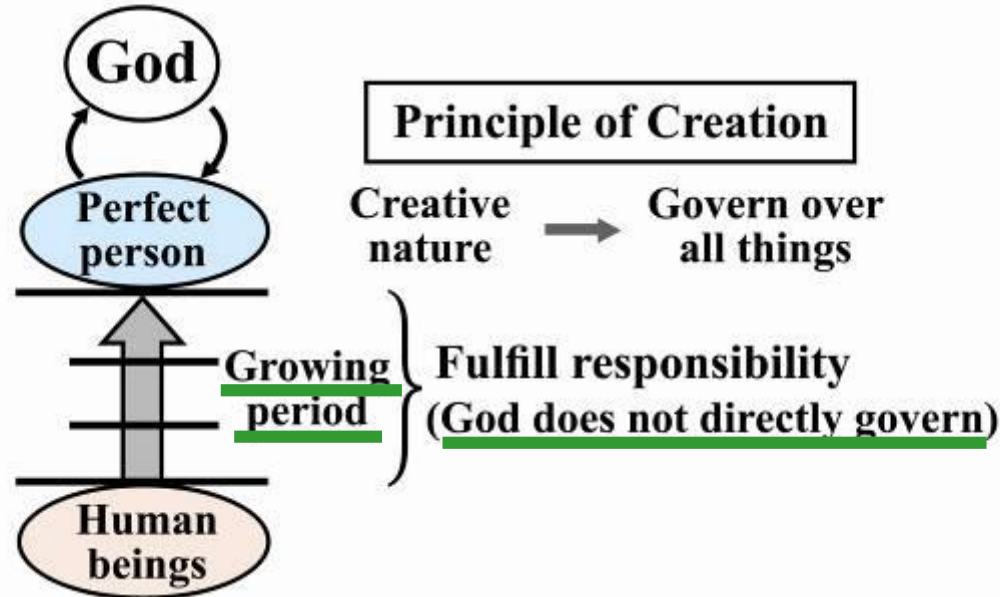
- God, being omniscient and omnipotent, must have known about the deviant acts of the first human ancestors which were leading to their Fall. Why, then, did God not intervene to prevent the Fall?

## I. To Maintain the Absoluteness and Perfection of the Principle of Creation

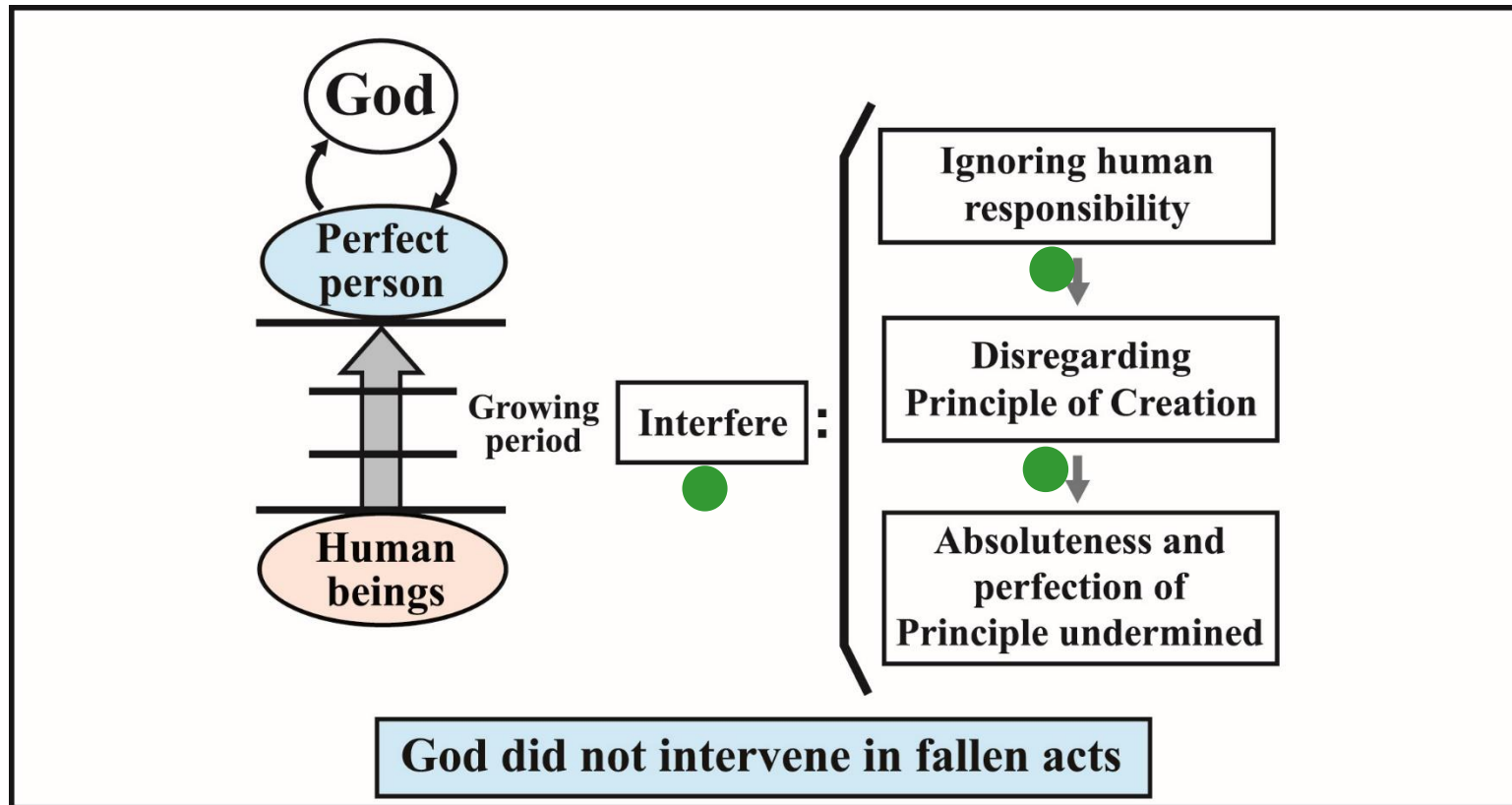


- In accordance with the Principle of Creation, God created human beings in His image, with God's creative nature, intending that they govern over all things as He governs over humankind.
- However, for human beings to inherit the creative nature of God, they must grow to perfection by fulfilling their portion of responsibility.

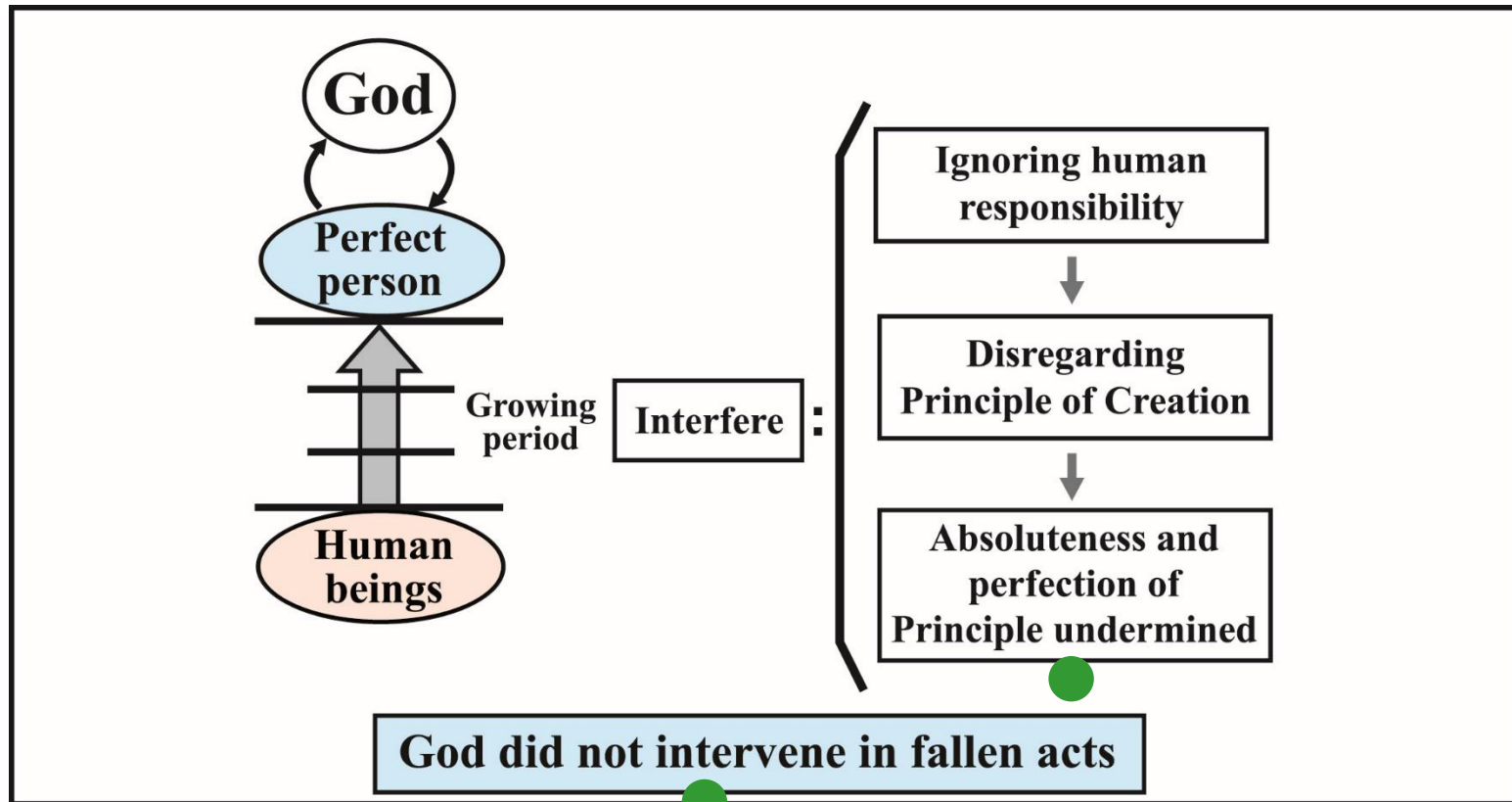
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- While people are still in the growing period, God does not directly govern them because He wishes to allow them to fulfill their own portion of responsibility.

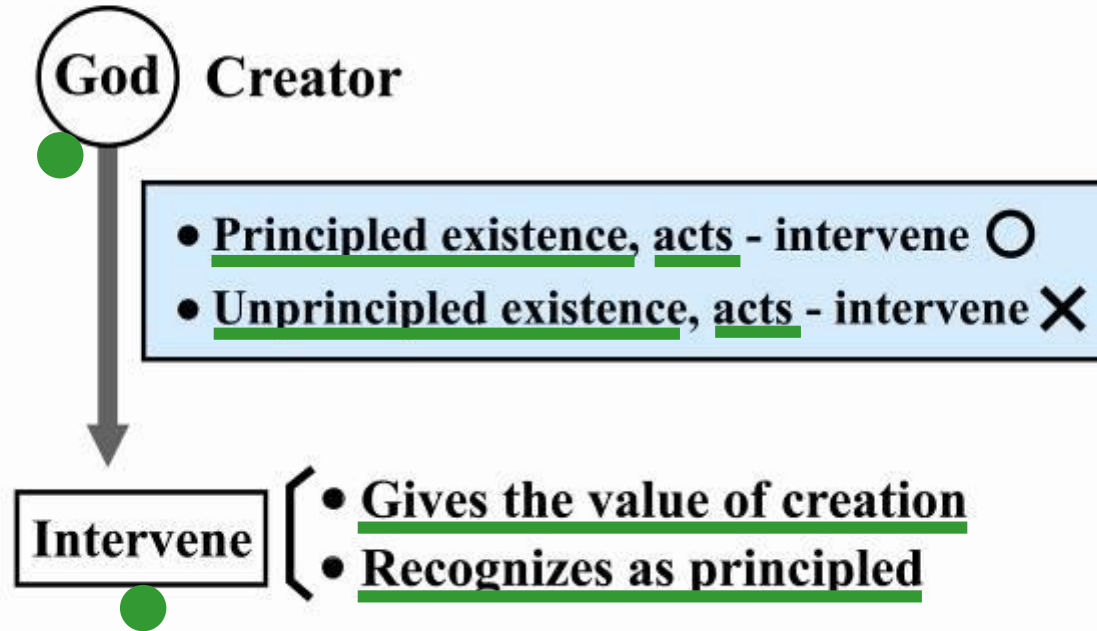


- If God were to interfere with human actions during their growing period, it would be tantamount to ignoring the human portion of responsibility.
- In that case, God would be disregarding His own Principle of Creation, according to which He intends to give human beings His creative nature and raise them to become the lords of creation.

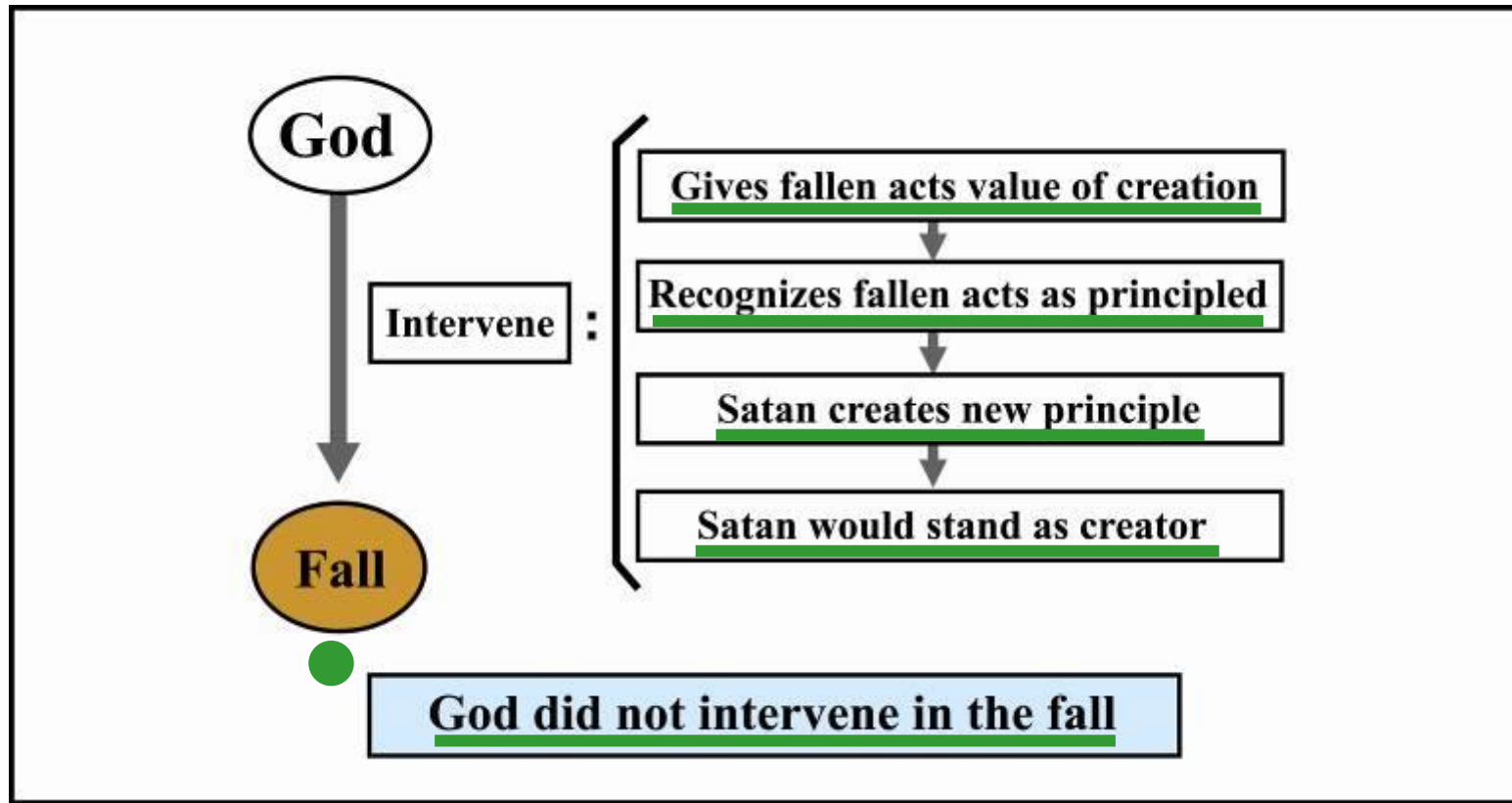


- If the Principle were ignored, then its absoluteness and perfection would be undermined.
- Therefore, in order to preserve the absoluteness and perfection of the Principle of Creation, God did not intervene in the acts that led the human beings to fall.

## II. That God Alone Be the Creator

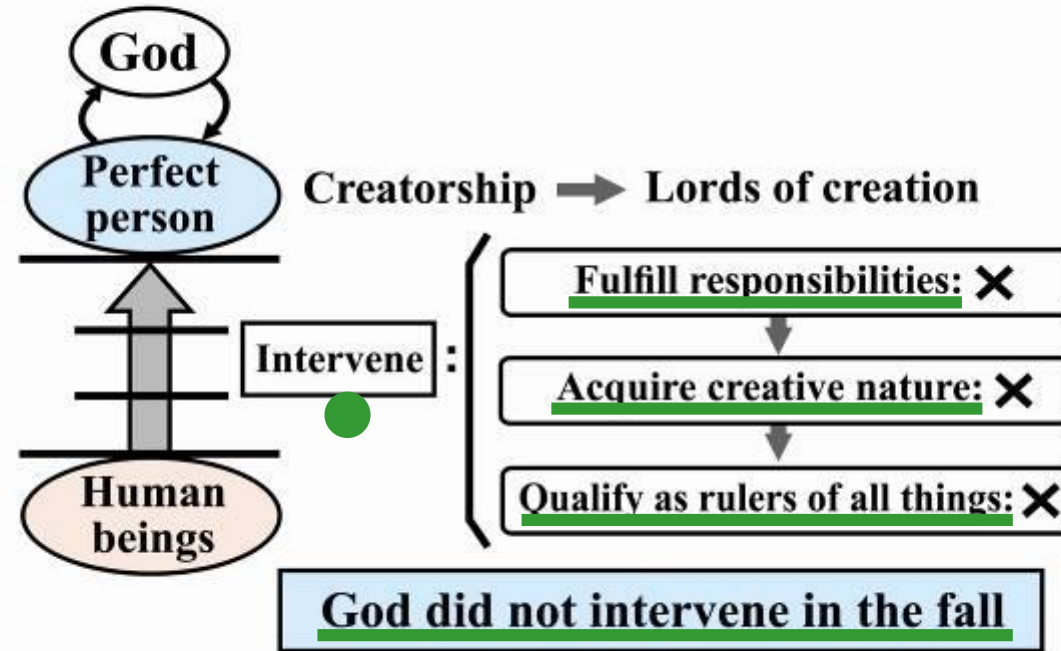


- God only governs over a principled existence which He has created and only sways the course of principled acts. God does not regulate any unprincipled existence which He did not create, such as hell; nor does He interfere with any unprincipled act, such as criminal acts.
- If God were to intervene in the course of such beings or acts, then they would necessarily be given the value of God's creations and be recognized as principled.



- Consequently, if God were to have intervened in the Fall of the first human ancestors, He would have been attributing to those acts the value of His creations and recognizing them as principled.
- Since it would actually be Satan who manipulated the situation to bring about this outcome, it would in fact be Satan who created another, new principle, and Satan would stand as the creator of all the fruits of the Fall. Therefore, in order that God remain the sole Creator, He did not intervene in the human Fall.

### III. To Make Human Beings the Lords of Creation



- If God were to intervene in the lives of human beings who are still in the state of immaturity, they would be unable to fulfill their responsibilities and acquire God's creative nature, failing to qualify as rulers of all things.
- Consequently, it was in order to bless human beings as the lords of creation that God did not interfere in the fallen acts of immature human beings.