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.

Yet, we must have the original sin removed before we can sever Satan's bonds. This is possible only when we are born anew through the Messiah, the True Parent.
Hence, we, fallen people, 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. On this foundation, we are to receive the Messiah, be reborn, have the original sin removed, and thereby be fully restored to the original state of human beings before the Fall. Finally, by following the Messiah, we should continue our growth to maturity 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.
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 reached perfection, they would have lived relating only with God.
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.
How does God separate Satan from fallen people? A fallen person will go to God’s side if he makes good conditions and to Satan’s side if he makes evil conditions.
What, then, is the meaning of restoration through indemnity? When someone has lost his original position or state, he must make some condition to be restored to it.
The making of such conditions of restitution is called indemnity.

We call this process of restoring the original position and state through making conditions restoration through indemnity,

And we call the 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.
The conditions of indemnity

- **Method**: Reversing the course of one's mistake
- **Who**: We ourselves

How does a condition of indemnity compare with the value of what was lost?

There are, first, a condition of **equal indemnity**, second, a condition of **lesser indemnity**, and third, a condition of **greater indemnity**.
Concerning the method of fulfilling indemnity conditions, one must make an indemnity condition by reversing the course of his mistake.

Who should make indemnity conditions? We ourselves must fulfill the necessary indemnity conditions as our portion of responsibility.
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 and have our original sin removed. Before we can receive the Messiah, however, we must first establish 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.
For Adam to realize the purpose of creation, he was supposed to fulfill two conditions:

First, Adam should have established the foundation of faith by keeping strictly God's commandment and passing through a set growing period.
Second, Adam was supposed to establish the foundation of substance. After he established an unshakable foundation of faith, he was then to become one with God, thereby becoming the perfect incarnation of the Word with perfect character.

But through the Fall, he failed to establish the foundation of faith and failed to become the perfect incarnation, thereby frustrating the purpose of creation.
Therefore, to restore the basis upon which they can complete the purpose of creation, fallen people must first restore through indemnity the foundation of faith, which the first human ancestors failed to establish.

On this foundation, we need to establish the foundation of substance and thereby the foundation for the Messiah, through which we can receive the Messiah and be cleansed of the original sin. This is required in order for us to become perfect incarnations of the Word.
In order to restore the foundation of faith, first there must be a central figure. Second, an object for the condition must be offered. Third, a numerical period of indemnity must be completed.

In order to lay the foundation of substance, a fallen person must make the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.
For the providence of restoration to be accomplished in Adam's family, the members of his family had to make certain conditions of indemnity to restore the foundation of faith and the foundation of substance. On these two foundations, the foundation for the Messiah was to have been established, and the Messiah could have come to Adam's family.
To restore through indemnity the foundation of faith, fallen people must set up an object for the condition substituting for God's Word. For Adam's family, this object was a sacrificial offering.

To restore the foundation of faith, there must also be a central figure. Yet nowhere in the biblical record do we find Adam offering a sacrifice. Instead, his sons Cain and Abel offered them.
• What was the reason for this? God symbolically divided Adam, who embodied both good and evil, by giving him two sons, Abel representing good and Cain representing evil. God set them in positions where each dealt with only one master, God or Satan, and had them offer sacrifices separately.

• Abel made the offering in a manner acceptable to God. In this way, he successfully laid the foundation of faith.
Had Cain fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature, God would have gladly accepted his sacrifice. The foundation of substance would then have been laid in Adam's family.

To remove the fallen nature, a person must make an indemnity condition by taking a course which reverses the process through which human beings initially acquired the fallen nature.
The primary characteristics of the fallen nature

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

① The Archangel fell because he did not love Adam; rather, he envied Adam, who was receiving more love from God than he. This was the first primary characteristic of the fallen nature: failing to take God's standpoint.

② The Archangel fell because he did not respect Adam as God's mediator and receive God's love through him; rather, he attempted to seize Adam's position. This was the second primary characteristic of the fallen nature: leaving one's proper position.
The primary characteristics of the fallen nature

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The Archangel claimed dominion over Eve and Adam, who were his rightful lords. This was the third primary characteristic of the fallen nature: reversing dominion.

The Archangel conveyed to Adam and Eve his evil will. This was the fourth primary characteristic of the fallen nature: multiplying evil.
Indemnity conditions to remove the fallen nature

To remove these characteristics of the fallen nature,

1. First, Cain, who stood in the Archangel's position, should have taken God's standpoint by loving Abel, who stood in Adam's position.

2. Second, Cain should have received God's love through Abel, respecting him as God's mediator.
Indemnity conditions to remove the fallen nature

God

Restoration

Abel
(Adam's position)

Cain
(Archangel's position)

Indemnity conditions

1. Love Abel
2. Respect Abel as mediator
3. Submit to Abel
4. Learn God's Will from Abel

Third, Cain should have obediently submitted to Abel, accepting Abel's dominion.

Last, Cain should have learned God's Will from Abel, multiplying goodness.
However, Cain killed Abel. In murdering Abel, Cain repeated the sin of the Archangel. That is, he re-enacted the very process which had given rise to the primary characteristics of the fallen nature. Adam's family thus failed to lay the foundation of substance.
When Abel made his sacrifice in a manner acceptable to God, he fulfilled the indemnity condition to restore the foundation of faith and firmly secured his position as the central figure of the substantial offering.

However, when Cain murdered Abel, they failed to make the substantial offering. Hence, neither the foundation of substance nor the foundation for the Messiah could be established.

God's providence of restoration in Adam's family came to naught.
God has predestined absolutely the fulfillment of the purpose of creation, and His Will remains unchangeable.

God, upon the foundation of the loyal heart which Abel demonstrated toward Heaven, chose Seth in his place. From among Seth's descendants, God chose Noah's family and commenced a new chapter in His providence.

Noah's family was responsible to fulfill the indemnity condition to restore the foundation of faith, and then the indemnity condition to restore the foundation of substance. They were to restore through indemnity the foundation for the Messiah, which Adam's family had failed to lay.
Noah was the central figure to restore the foundation of faith.

The object for the condition by which Noah was to restore the foundation of faith was the ark. It was the indemnity condition for the restoration of the cosmos, which had been lost to Satan due to Adam's fall, and signified the new cosmos.

After the ark was completed, God judged the world with the flood for forty days. Its purpose was to eliminate sinful humanity in order to raise up a family who would relate only with Him.
Through the forty-day judgment, Noah's family offered the ark in the manner acceptable to God and restored through indemnity the foundation of faith.
• Noah's sons, Shem and Ham, were to have stood in the position of Cain and Abel, respectively. Had they then succeeded in the substantial offering by fulfilling the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature, they would have laid the foundation of substance.

• For Noah's family to make an acceptable substantial offering, Ham, Noah's second son and the central figure of the substantial offering, was to restore the position of Abel.
In the case of Noah's family, it was Noah, not Ham, who made the symbolic offering. Therefore, for Ham to stand in the position of Abel, as one who has succeeded in making the symbolic offering, he had to become inseparably one in heart with his father, Noah.
Providence to achieve Ham's heartistic oneness with Noah

(Gen. 9:20-25)

Let us examine how God worked to help Ham become one in heart with Noah.

Genesis 9:20-25 reports that when Ham saw his father lying naked in his tent, he felt ashamed of Noah and stirred up the same feelings in his brothers, Shem and Japheth.
When Ham felt ashamed of his father's nakedness, an act that resembled Adam and Eve's covering their lower parts and hiding, he made a condition for Satan to enter; hence his feeling and act constituted a sin.

Consequently, Ham could not restore through indemnity the position of Abel from which to make the substantial offering.

Since Ham thus failed to establish the foundation of substance, the providence of restoration in Noah's family ended in failure.
God had absolutely predestined that the purpose of creation would one day be realized. Therefore, God called Abraham in place of Noah.

Abraham's family was to restore the foundation for the Messiah and receive the Messiah upon that foundation. Thus, Abraham had to restore through indemnity the foundation of faith, and his sons had to restore through indemnity the foundation of substance.

Abraham was to inherit the mission of Noah and thus the mission of Adam. In this capacity, he represented restored Adam.
God commanded Abraham to offer a dove, a ram, and a heifer.

These three sacrifices symbolized the cosmos, which is completed through the three stages of the growing period.

The dove represented the formation stage, the ram the growth stage, and the heifer the completion stage.
Why did Abraham place the three sacrifices on one altar? It is because Abraham, now in the position of Adam, was supposed to restore, all at once, the long providence which God had conducted through the three providential generations of Adam (formation), Noah (growth) and Abraham (completion).
Abraham's symbolic offering and its consequences

- Symbolic offering: X
- Abraham's descendents: slavery (400 years)
- Providence: prolonged through 3 generations — Isaac offered

- Abraham did not cut the dove in two as he should have, and birds of prey came down and defiled the sacrifices.
- Not dividing it meant that he offered what had not been wrested from Satan's possession. His mistake had the effect of acknowledging Satan's claim of possession over the sacrifices.
Abraham's symbolic offering and its consequences

Through this failure in the symbolic offering, all the conditions God intended to restore through it were lost.

As a consequence, Abraham's descendants had to suffer oppression and slavery for four hundred years in the land of Egypt, and the providence centered on him was prolonged through the three generations of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

After Abraham failed in the symbolic offering, God gave him another chance to work with Him and commanded him to sacrifice his only son Isaac as a burnt offering.
Why did God work with Abraham again?

1. Abraham's family: third dispensation
   → God's principle required

2. Satan: attacked over two generations
   → God could take back over two generations

3. Merit of faithful hearts

Why did God work with Abraham again?

First, the number three represents completion. Since the providence to lay the foundation for the Messiah in Abraham's family was the third dispensation, God's Principle required that it conclude this time.
Why God worked with Abraham again

Providence over the two generations of Abraham and Isaac

1. Abraham's family: third dispensation
   → God's principle required

2. Satan: attacked over two generations
   → God could take back over two generations

3. Merit of faithful hearts

Second, Satan had attacked both Adam and his son Cain, defiling the family over the course of two generations. Hence, according to the principle of restoration through indemnity, God could work to take back Abraham and his son Isaac over the course of two generations.
Why God worked with Abraham again

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   - God's principle required

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   - God could take back over two generations

3. Merit of faithful hearts

Third, even though Abraham failed, God could raise him up and give him another chance to make an offering based on the accumulated merit of Abel's and Noah's faithful hearts.
Abraham put forth his hand, and took the knife to slay Isaac.

But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Do not lay your hand on the lad or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God." (Gen. 22:9-12)
Consequence of offering of Isaac

- **Abraham's zeal and actions**
- **Position of having killed Isaac (separated Satan)**
  - **Offering of Isaac:**
  - **Providence of restoration in Abraham's family:** by Isaac
  - **Foundation of faith:**

Abraham's zeal to do God's Will and his resolute actions, carried out with absolute faith, obedience and loyalty, lifted him up to the position of already having killed Isaac. Therefore, he completely separated Satan from Isaac.
Because Abraham succeeded in his offering of Isaac, the providence of restoration in Abraham's family could be carried on by Isaac.

In this way, Isaac, having inherited Abraham's mission, made the symbolic offering and restored through indemnity the foundation of faith.
Before Esau and Jacob, Isaac's two sons, could make the substantial offering, Jacob first had to fulfill the indemnity condition to restore the position of Abel.

First, in the fight to restore the birthright of the eldest son on the individual level, Jacob cleverly obtained it from Esau in exchange for some bread and a pottage of lentils.
Second, Jacob went to Haran, which represented the satanic world. After suffering through twenty-one years of drudgery, he restored the birthright by gaining family and wealth as his due inheritance.

Third, Jacob triumphed in wrestling with an angel at the ford of Jabbok, thereby restoring dominion over the angel in a substantial struggle. This way, Jacob restored through indemnity the position of Abel.
Isaac's sons, Esau and Jacob, had to be placed in the divided positions of Cain and Abel respectively. They were responsible to fulfill the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature and lay the foundation of substance.

By restoring dominion over the angel through his victorious fight with the angel, he received the name "Israel," laying the groundwork upon which the chosen people would be established.
Establishment of the foundation of substance

When Esau opened his arms and affectionately welcomed Jacob as he returned to Canaan, they fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.

Their victory restored through indemnity, horizontally in one family, the long vertical course of history in which God had been working to restore the foundation of substance.
At last, the foundation for the Messiah (family foundation) was established in Isaac's family.

However, by Abraham's time, fallen people had already built up satanic nations which could easily overpower Abraham's family. Hence, the Messiah could not have safely come on that foundation.

Hence, Jacob's family entered Egypt centering on Joseph and went through the four hundred years of indemnity course, trying to build the national foundation for the Messiah.
• God regarded Abraham, Isaac and Jacob as the same person with respect to His Will, even though they were three different individuals (Exod. 3:6).

• Accordingly, Jacob's success in the course to subjugate Satan meant Isaac's success, and Isaac's success meant Abraham's success. Therefore, the providence of restoration centering on Abraham, though it was extended to Isaac and Jacob, came to be regarded in the sight of God as having been accomplished in Abraham's own generation without any prolongation.
By receiving the name "Israel," Jacob laid the groundwork upon which the chosen people would be established. And by fulfilling the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature, he victoriously completed the **model course to subjugate Satan**.

Moses, Jesus, and even the people of Israel would walk this course after the pattern set by Jacob.
The Bible contains many secrets concerning God's work of salvation. It is written, "Surely the Lord God does nothing, without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets." (Amos 3:7)

However, without knowing the principle behind God's providence, people have been unable to discern the mysteries concealed in the Bible.

God set up the providential courses of Jacob and Moses as models for Jesus' course to save humankind.
Section 1  The Model Courses for Bringing Satan to Submission

Model course for subjugating Satan

Jacob: symbolic course
Moses: image course
Jesus: substantial course

Model course for Israelites and humanity

Jacob's entire course to bring Satan to submission became the model course for Moses and Jesus. Jesus came to bring Satan to submission in substantial terms. Moses walked a course that was the image of Jesus' course. Still earlier, God had Jacob walk a course that was a symbolic representation of Jesus' course.

These model courses showed the way the Israelites and all humanity must walk to bring Satan to submission.
Why Jacob's course and Moses' course were set up as the models for Jesus' course

Goal of providence of restoration  →  Bring Satan to voluntary submission, become his master

Jesus = Messiah  →  Course to bring Satan to submission

The goal of the providence of restoration is attained when human beings bring Satan to voluntary submission and become his master. They must do this by fulfilling their given portion of responsibility.

Jesus, as the Messiah and the true human ancestor, pioneered the course to bring Satan to complete submission and has since guided people of faith to follow his example.
Satan, who does not meekly surrender even before God, would by no means readily surrender to Jesus. Therefore, God called upon Jacob and Moses and worked through them to show the course for bringing Satan to submission.
The providence of restoration led by Moses was built upon the foundation for the Messiah laid in Abraham's family. Nevertheless, the Principle still required Moses himself to lay the foundation for the Messiah by restoring through indemnity the foundation of faith and the foundation of substance.
Whenever the central figure for the providence changes, the new central figure cannot inherit the providential Will without first completing a similar responsibility of his own. Furthermore, in this case, the foundation had to be laid anew because the scope of the providence had expanded from a family to a nation.
After the conclusion of the four hundred years of Israelites' slavery in Egypt, Moses was the central figure to restore the foundation of faith.

Moses was different from all the previous central figures in that first, he was put in the position representing God, acting in His stead, (Exod. 4:16) and second, God set up Moses to prefigure Jesus. (John 1:23)
Moses stood on the foundation of the three successful symbolic Offerings by Abel, Noah and Isaac.

The Age of the Providence to Lay the Foundation for Restoration, when sacrifices had been offered for laying the foundation of faith, had come to a close. Humanity had entered a new era, the Age of the Providence of Restoration, when they could receive God’s Word directly. Thus, there was no longer any need of a symbolic offering.
Hence, Moses could restore the foundation of faith merely by obedience to God's Word while fulfilling a dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan.
Upon entering the Age of the Providence of Restoration, God worked to lay the national foundation of substance.

Since Moses stood as God to the people and represented Jesus, he stood in the position of parent to the Israelites when laying the national foundation of faith.

Concurrently, Moses was the prophet with the mission to prepare the way for Jesus. Hence, he stood in the position of a child to Jesus, who was to come as the True Parent. Therefore, with respect to the Israelites, Moses stood in the position of Abel as the central figure for the national foundation of substance.
Once Moses had secured the position of Abel, the Israelites, standing in the position of Cain, were supposed to fulfill the national indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature through their obedience to Moses. By doing so, they would establish the national foundation of substance.
Moses brought the Israelites out of Egypt, the satanic world, with miracles and signs, led them across the Red Sea, and had them wander through the wilderness before entering the promised land of Canaan.

This foreshadowed the course on which Jesus would one day lead Christians, the Second Israel. With miracles and signs, Jesus would bring Christians out of lives of sin and lead them safely across the troubled sea of evil. He would take them through a desert devoid of life-giving water before guiding them into the Garden of Eden of God's promise.
Both courses were prolonged three times because of the Israelites' faithlessness.
In order for Moses to become the central figure to restore the foundation of faith and be qualified to lead the Israelites out of Egypt, he had to complete a dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan.

To achieve this purpose, Moses was brought into the Pharaoh's palace, the center of the satanic world, and spent forty years there, completing the dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan under God's Word. Through this, he restored the foundation of faith.
However, because of the faithlessness of the Israelites, the foundation of substance was shattered,
and the first national course to restore Canaan failed.
When the first national course to restore Canaan ended in failure, Satan claimed the forty years of Moses' life in Pharaoh's palace. Hence, for Moses to begin the second national course to restore Canaan, he had to lay anew the foundation of faith by completing another period of forty years to restore through indemnity his lost forty years in the palace.

Moses went through a second dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan during the forty years he spent in the wilderness of Midian. There he restored the foundation of faith needed to embark upon the second national course to restore Canaan.
Once Moses restored the foundation of faith in the wilderness of Midian, he also secured the position of Abel in fulfilling the national indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature.

God worked the dispensation to start the first national course to restore Canaan when Moses struck and killed an Egyptian. Similarly, to work the dispensation to start the second national course to restore Canaan, God granted Moses three signs and ten plagues with which to prevail over the Egyptians.
The Israelites believed and followed Moses. Hence, they could embark upon the second national course to restore Canaan.

The Israelites had to remain faithful and obedient to Moses throughout their journey. Until they had traversed the wilderness with unwavering faith in Moses and entered the land of Canaan, the national foundation of substance would not be established.
The Israelites arrived in the wilderness of Sinai at the beginning of the third month. During his fast on Mt. Sinai, Moses received God's instructions concerning the Ark of the Covenant and Tabernacle and two tablets of stone. The two tablets inscribed with the Word symbolized restored Adam and Eve, and also symbolized Jesus and his would-be Bride (Holy Spirit). The Tabernacle was a representation of Jesus in symbol. The Ark of the Covenant represented the cosmos and, at the same time, was a smaller representation of the Tabernacle.
For what *purpose* did God give the tablets of stone, the Tabernacle, and the Ark of the Covenant?

The Israelites repeatedly turned faithless during their journey. In the end, there was danger that even Moses might act faithlessly.

To cope with this situation, God set up an *object of faith*, one which would remain unchanged although the people might change.
When the forty-day fast was over, Moses received two tablets of stone, inscribed with the Ten Commandments.

However, when Moses saw the faithlessness of the people, his anger burned hot, and he broke the tablets of stone. As a result, the first foundation for the Tabernacle failed.
Then, after he fasted for forty days a second time, God dictated the Ten Commandments to Moses, and he wrote them on the tablets.

Moses took these tablets and went before the Israelites again. This time they honored him. In obedience, they built the Ark of the Covenant and the Tabernacle and started their course.

But the Israelites lost faith again and failed to maintain the second foundation for the Tabernacle, and it was invaded by Satan. The providence to restore this foundation was prolonged to a third attempt.
The forty-day mission to spy out the land of Canaan was given as the condition to restore through indemnity the foundation for the Tabernacle in their third attempt.

When the twelve spies returned from the mission, all of them except Joshua and Caleb presented faithless reports.

Upon hearing this report, the Israelites again murmured against Moses. As a result of their lack of faith, the third foundation for the Tabernacle ended in failure.
Failure of the second national course to restore Canaan

- The foundation for the Tabernacle was invaded by Satan three times. Therefore, the foundation of substance for the second national course to restore Canaan was not laid. Consequently, the entire second national course to restore Canaan ended in failure.

- The twenty-one-month second wilderness course was prolonged to the forty-year third wilderness course.
As a result of the failure of the mission to spy out the land, the people had to wander in the wilderness for forty years, one year for each day of the forty-day spy mission, until they returned to Kadesh-barnea.

For Moses, this forty-year period was to separate Satan, who had invaded the previous foundation of faith, and to restore through indemnity the foundation of faith for the third course.
Moses honored the Tabernacle with faith and loyalty throughout the entire forty years of wandering in the wilderness. By the time he returned to Kadesh-barnea, he had completed the foundation of faith for the third national course to restore Canaan. Accordingly, he also secured the position of Abel for the foundation of substance.
In order to conduct the dispensation to start based on the rock, God instructed Moses to strike the rock with his staff that it might yield water and give drink to the people.

However, when Moses heard the people murmuring and complaining against him, he raged in uncontrolled anger and struck the rock twice. When he struck the rock the second time, it represented the possibility that Jesus, symbolized by the rock, might be struck.
This act set up the condition that when Jesus came, if the Jewish people were to turn faithless, Satan would have grounds to confront Jesus, the fulfillment of the rock. This is why Moses' act constituted a sin.

Moses undermined the dispensation to start based on the rock.

As a consequence, he was not permitted to enter the promised land.
God elevated Joshua to Moses' place.

Joshua sent two men to spy out the fortified city of Jericho. When they returned from Jericho, the two spies made a faithful report, saying, "...all the inhabitants of the land are faint-hearted because of us."
The younger generation of Israelites raised in the wilderness all believed the spies' words, and this faith enabled them to start the third course.

After observing the feast of Passover, they set out for Jericho. After marching around the fortified city for seven days, they raised a great shout under Joshua's command, and the city walls tumbled down.

They then entered Canaan and defeated thirty-one kings altogether.
Based on this victory, they laid the foundation of substance in the third national course and established the national foundation for the Messiah.
However, fallen people had already founded powerful nations such as Egypt, led by satanic rulers opposing God's providence of restoration. Therefore, it would be necessary to build a Heavenly sovereign kingdom before the Messiah could come.

However, once the younger generation of Israelites entered Canaan, they also became faithless. Hence, God's providence was prolonged again, and would suffer repeated setbacks until the time of Jesus.
Section 3 The Providence of Restoration under the Leadership of Jesus

Course to subjugate Satan

Symbolic

Family

Image

National

Actual

Worldwide

God

Jesus

Moses

Satan

Jacob

Jesus came as the second Adam to personally bring Satan to submission and establish the Kingdom of Heaven.

Jacob walked the symbolic course to bring Satan to submission, while Moses walked the image course. Their courses pioneered the way for Jesus to walk the actual course.

In walking the worldwide course to subjugate Satan and restore Canaan, Jesus followed the model demonstrated in the national course to restore Canaan when Moses was working to subjugate Satan.
In the first worldwide course to restore Canaan, the central figure entrusted with the mission to restore the foundation of faith was John the Baptist.

Moses had learned to love his brethren and the traditions of his fathers while living in the Pharaoh's palace. Likewise, John the Baptist learned the way of faith and obedience to Heaven while living in the wilderness.

In this way, John the Baptist successfully established the dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan and was able to lay the foundation of faith for the first worldwide course to restore Canaan.
• Through this, John the Baptist secured the position of Abel for the fulfillment of the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature on the world level.
• God conducted the dispensation to start by encouraging the Jewish people to believe in John through the miracles surrounding his life.
• Since the Jewish people believed and followed John the Baptist, they could start the worldwide course to restore Canaan.
John the Baptist harbored doubts toward Jesus, even though he had testified to him, and he denied that he was Elijah even though he in fact came to fulfill Elijah's mission. This not only blocked the Jewish people's path to Jesus, it even led them to oppose him.
Through this, John left the Abel's position and failed to complete the foundation of substance or the foundation for the Messiah. Consequently, the first worldwide course to restore Canaan was aborted. As was the case in Moses' days, it was prolonged to a second and then a third course.
The foundation of faith which John had laid for the first course was invaded by Satan. Jesus himself now had to take on John's mission and restore through indemnity the foundation of faith in order to set out on the second worldwide course to restore Canaan.
When Jesus fasted for forty days and had three temptations in the wilderness, it was to separate Satan for the very purpose of restoring the foundation of faith. Because he was in such a situation, Jesus enjoined Peter not to reveal to the Jewish people that he was the Messiah.
Jesus was the fulfillment of the three manifestations of grace and the Ten Commandments. Therefore, God conducted the dispensation to start the second worldwide course to restore Canaan based on Jesus' own words and miraculous deeds.

If the Jewish people (Cain) had been moved to believe in and follow Jesus, they would have restored the foundation of substance.
Due to the faithlessness of such people that sent Jesus to the cross, he could lay neither the foundation of substance nor the foundation for the Messiah. The second worldwide course thus ended in tragic Failure.
After Jesus gave up his body on the cross, he resumed John the Baptist's mission spiritually. During the forty-day period from his resurrection to his ascension, Jesus fulfilled the spiritual dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan.

By doing so, Jesus restored the foundation of faith for the spiritual course in the third worldwide course to restore Canaan.
• The resurrected Jesus was the spiritual fulfillment of the tablets, Ark, and Tabernacle. He gathered his scattered disciples and worked the dispensation to start by giving them the power to perform signs and miracles.

• The faithful believers stood in the position of Cain. By believing in Jesus and following him devotedly, they fulfilled the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature and restored the spiritual foundation of substance.
The disciples laid the spiritual foundation of substance and the spiritual foundation for the Messiah.

Upon this foundation, Jesus ascended from the position of the spiritual mission-bearer for John the Baptist to the position of the spiritual Messiah and sent the Holy Spirit. Thereupon, Jesus and the Holy Spirit became the spiritual True Parents and began the work of giving rebirth.
Ever since the descent of the Holy Spirit at the Pentecost, (Acts 2:1-4) the resurrected Jesus as the spiritual True Father and the Holy Spirit as the spiritual True Mother have worked in oneness to grant spiritual rebirth by spiritually engrafting believers with themselves. This is the work of spiritual salvation.
By believing and serving the resurrected Jesus, who stands upon the spiritual foundation for the Messiah, Christians can accomplish the restoration of spiritual Canaan and enter its realm of grace.

On the other hand, the physical bodies of Christians stand in the same position as Jesus' body, which was assaulted by Satan through the crucifixion. Hence, Christians are still stained with the original sin, and thus they still must walk the course for the separation of Satan to prepare for the Second Coming of Christ.
The course to restore substantial Canaan under the leadership of Christ at the Second Advent

Returning Christ

- Born on earth
- Third attempt
- Democratic society

Realize the Heavenly Kingdom on earth

While Jesus has been restoring Canaan as a worldwide spiritual realm, Christ at the Second Advent is to complete this third worldwide course as a substantial course and build the actual Kingdom of Heaven on earth.
The course to restore substantial Canaan under the leadership of Christ at the Second Advent

- **Returning Christ**
  - **Born on earth**
  - **Third attempt**
  - **Democratic society**

Realize the Heavenly Kingdom on earth

- He must be **born on earth** in the flesh.
- He will not die without fulfilling the providence of restoration. This is because God's providence, which began with Adam and was prolonged through Jesus, will be successful on the **third attempt**, at the time of Second Advent.
- Moreover, God's spiritual providence of restoration during the two thousand years since Jesus has prepared a **democratic society** and legal environment which will protect Christ at the Second Advent.
The ultimate purpose of God's providence of restoration is to transform fallen people into children born of God's direct lineage.

At Noah's time, because Noah had demonstrated utmost devotion, his family could stand in an indirect relationship with God, as a servant of servants.

Abraham's family and their descendants, as God's chosen people, were elevated to the position of God's servants.
In the days of Jesus, the disciples were elevated to the position of adopted children.
The Christ will return and restore all humanity to be God's children of direct lineage.
The returning Christ will conduct the dispensation to start based on the Word and then complete the foundation for the Messiah both spiritually and physically. Upon that foundation, he will engraft all humanity with himself, cleansing them of the original sin and restoring them to be God's children, born of His lineage.
The returning Christ will begin by laying, both spiritually and physically, the **family** foundation for the Messiah. He will then expand its scope to the clan, society, nation, world and **cosmos**. When this foundation is secure, he will finally be able to build the **Kingdom of Heaven**.
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  2. Foundation of substance

When a period of history repeats the events of a previous period, albeit with differences in scope and degree, the two periods are called parallel providential periods. The principal cause behind these parallels lies in God's providence of restoration through indemnity.

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Accordingly, the factors which determine the formation of parallel providential periods are:

- First, the three conditions necessary for the foundation of faith (central figure, object for the condition, and the numerical period of indemnity)
- Second, the indemnity condition to remove the fallen nature, which is necessary to restore the foundation of substance.
According to the principle of predestination, since God absolutely predestines His Will, He surely will realize it one day.

However, whether God's Will is fulfilled through any particular individual is conditional upon the fulfillment of his portion of responsibility, which is in addition to God's portion of responsibility.
Accordingly, when the Will is not fulfilled because the responsible person fails, God will choose another person in a different era to take his place. God will continue His work until its complete fulfillment, prolonging the providence in the process.
According to the Principle of Creation, God is a being of the number three. All things created in His likeness manifest themselves through a three-stage process with respect to their mode of existence, movement, and growth.

Therefore, whenever the providence of restoration is prolonged, it may extend to as many as three stages.
A central figure responsible for the providence of restoration must fulfill, in a short time, all the indemnity conditions (○○○) which his predecessors (A, B, C) tried to fulfill (X X X).
The conditions which accumulate in the course of providential history are called **vertical indemnity conditions**. The task of the central figure to fulfill all these conditions in a short time is called **horizontal restoration through indemnity**.
In this sense, we can understand that each central figure (A', B', C') in the providence of restoration stands not only for himself as an individual, but represents all the forefathers, prophets and sages who had the same mission in the past. He bears within him the fruits of their labors in history.
• Since the work of restoration in Abraham's family was the third attempt in the providence to restore the family foundation for the Messiah, the Principle required that his family accomplish God's Will without fail.
Hence, when Abraham failed in his symbolic offering, he completed it vertically through the generations of Isaac and Jacob, and God could still credit him with having fulfilled it in his own generation. This type of restoration is called horizontal restoration through indemnity carried out vertically.
A central figure has to fulfill one or more numerical indemnity periods in order to restore the foundation of faith.

The first human ancestors were to lay the foundation of faith based on significant numbers, including 12, 4, 21, and 40, which represent the numerical growing period. When they then accomplished the purpose of creation, they would have become the perfect embodiments of the quality of these numbers.
Yet due to their fall, all these numbers were claimed by Satan. Therefore, the central figures in providential history must fulfill numerical periods of indemnity to restore the numbers 12, 4, 21, and 40.
Since the ultimate purpose of the providence of restoration is to lay the foundation for the Messiah, if it is prolonged, the dispensations to restore this foundation must be repeated. This has meant, in effect, the repetition of dispensations to restore through indemnity the symbolic offering and the substantial offering.
The nation centrally responsible for God's providence in the Age of the Providence of Restoration, starting with Abraham, was Israel. The Old Testament, which records the history of Israel, provides the source material for studying providential history in that age.
The central people who became centrally responsible for the providence in the Age of the Prolongation of the Providence of Restoration, starting with Jesus, were the Christians. Accordingly, the history of Christianity provides the source material for understanding providential history in this age.

In this sense, the descendants of Abraham in the Old Testament Age may be referred to as the First Israel, and the Christians in the New Testament Age may be called the Second Israel.
The Age of the Prolongation of the Providence of Restoration has been to restore through substantial parallels the Age of the Providence of Restoration, the age of image parallels. As the periods of this age were to restore through indemnity the corresponding periods of the previous age, these periods proceeded in a parallel fashion, both in order and in length.

The 400-year period of persecution in the Roman Empire in the Age of the Prolongation was the substantial parallel to the Israelites' 400-year period of slavery in Egypt. Its purpose was to restore that earlier period through parallel indemnity conditions.
Likewise, the 400-year period of **regional church leadership** was to restore the 400-year period of the **judges** through parallel indemnity conditions.

And the 120 years of the **Christian empire** was to restore the 120 years of the **united kingdom** through parallel indemnity conditions.
• The 400-year period of the divided kingdoms of east and west was to restore the 400-year period of the divided kingdoms of north and south through parallel indemnity conditions.

• The 210-year period of Papal exile and return was to restore the 210-year period of Israel's exile to Babylon and return through parallel indemnity conditions.
Following the period of Israel's exile and return, another four hundred years elapsed before Jesus came. This was the period of preparation for the advent of the Messiah. Likewise, Christianity is to meet Christ at his Second Advent only after passing through four hundred years of the period of preparation for the Second Advent of the Messiah, which had followed the period of papal exile and return.
Progress in history originates with individuals who, even amidst the vortex of good and evil, make determined efforts to reject evil and promote goodness. Therefore, the world toward which history is progressing is the Kingdom of Heaven, where the goal of goodness will be realized.
Meanwhile, on the basis of his relationship of blood ties with the first human beings, Satan has worked through fallen people to realize, in advance of God, a perverted form of the ideal society which God intends to realize. As a result, in human history we witness the rise of unprincipled societies which are built upon twisted versions of the Principle.

At the end of human history, before God can restore the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, Satan will have built an unprincipled world in a distorted image of the Kingdom: this is none other than the communist world.
When we examine the course of social development guided by Satan, we find that clan societies arose out of the divisions between individuals in primitive societies. These societies have tended to expand in scope, with clan societies developing into feudalistic societies and then into monarchic societies by increasing their territory and power.

Satan preempted this pattern ahead of God, because he understood God's plan to call good individuals and have them build such societies.
God called Abraham to be the standard-bearer of goodness and blessed him with descendants who would uphold God’s Will. God raised them up into the first Israelite clan society. They entered Egypt as a clan society, but by the time they left Egypt for Canaan, they had grown into a tribal society. Israelite society in the period of the judges was a feudalistic society. Then, they entered a monarchic society with the establishment of the United kingdom of Israel.
Had the Jewish people believed in Jesus as the Messiah and united with him, the Roman Empire, which had unified the ancient world around the Mediterranean Sea, would have been won over by Jesus during his lifetime. Jesus would have been honored throughout the empire as the King of Kings and established a worldwide dominion with Jerusalem as its capital.
However, since Jesus was crucified, the Western Roman Empire came to an end in 476 A.D., and the center of God's providence of restoration shifted from Judea, the land of God's bitter grief, to Western Europe, formerly the territory of the Western Roman Empire. Accordingly, the spiritual providence of restoration based on Christianity has been conducted primarily in Western Europe. Only in Western Europe has the history of this era progressed strictly according to the pattern set by providence of restoration.

The history of Christianity in Western Europe provides us with information about the events which shaped the Age of the Prolongation of the Providence of Restoration.
Although religion and economy seem to develop at variance with each other, they are related in the life of society. Thus, there has been some mutual influence between the history of Christianity and economic history. Religion and economy are integrated with our life in society through politics. Therefore, to accurately grasp the progress of history as it moves toward the goal of the providence of restoration, we must investigate separately the Christian, economic, and political histories.
With the crucifixion of Jesus, the Jewish nation had fallen to Satan's side. Consequently, God broke up that society, calling devout believers out of it to establish a Christian clan society.

Despite severe persecution, Christian clan society gradually prospered in the Roman Empire and developed into a Christian tribal society.

Christian society expanded greatly as Christianity was brought to the Germanic peoples who migrated into this territory in the latter half of the fourth century.
A feudalistic society was born in Europe when, around the fall of the Roman Empire, imperial authority waned and the empire sank into chaos.

God raised a feudalistic society among the newly-Christianized Germanic peoples whom He had chosen to lead the providence. By strengthening small units under godly sovereignty in the spheres of religious, political, and economic life, God laid the groundwork to establish a godly kingdom.
• In the sphere of religion, monarchic Christianity was a spiritual kingdom which transcended national borders. It was established under the rule of the papacy and upon the spiritual foundation for the Messiah.

• In the political sphere, absolute monarchies flourished from the seventeenth century until the French Revolution in 1789.

• In the progress of economic history, feudalism was followed by capitalism, which was accompanied by the age of colonial expansion.
God began a process that would eventually tear down monar­chic societies and raise up democracies in their place in order to rebuild a sovereign nation fit to receive the Messiah.

In the political sphere, the democratic movements which rose in the late eighteenth century gave rise to revolutions in England, America and France, giving birth to today's democratic societies.
The progress of history in the religious sphere moved to the stage of democratic Christianity after monarchic Christianity was shattered by the Protestant Reformation of 1517.

With the progress of economic history, socialist ideals arose which undermined imperialism and fostered a democratic form of economy.
God desires to provide pleasant environments and living conditions equally to all His children.

At the consummation of providential history, when this ideal can actually be realized, human beings will inevitably pursue a socialistic ideal.
In seeking for a socialistic society on God's side, people's original mind has drawn them to the ideals of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values. The world in which these ideals will finally be realized is none other than the Kingdom of Heaven on earth, under the leadership of the returning Christ.

Since Satan mimics God's providence in advance, the satanic side has advocated "scientific socialism" based on the theories of dialectical and historical materialism and has built the communist world.
For the paths of religion, politics and economy to converge and realize God's ideal, a new expression of truth must emerge which can completely integrate religion and science.

The religion founded upon this truth will lead all of humanity to become one with God in heart. Such people will build an economy in accordance with the divine ideal, providing the foundations for a new political order to realize the ideal of creation. This will be the messianic kingdom built on the principles of interdependence, mutual prosperity and universally shared values.
The period of preparation for the Second Advent of the Messiah was the four-hundred-year period from the Protestant Reformation in 1517 to the end of World War I in 1918.

With respect to the providence of restoration, this period is divided into three periods: the period of the Reformation, the period of religious and ideological conflicts, and the period of the maturation of politics, economy, and ideology.
The 130-year period of the Reformation began in 1517, when Martin Luther raised the banner of the Protestant Reformation, and lasted until the wars of religion were settled by the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648.

In the late Middle Ages, man's original mind was repressed, its free development blocked by the social environment of feudalism and the secularization and corruption of the Roman church. Medieval Europeans were prompted by the impulses of their innermost hearts to break down their social environment to open the way for the restoration of their original nature.
The **Cain-type** movement began as a revival of Hellenism. It gave rise to the **Renaissance**, whose core value was humanism. The **Abel-type** movement began as a revival of the Hebraic heritage of Israel and the early Christian Church. It gave rise to the Protestant **Reformation**, whose core value was faith in God.
Medieval Europeans' external pursuits of the original nature led to a movement to revive the ancient heritage of Hellenism. This brought about Renaissance.

We are created to attain perfection by fulfilling our given responsibility of our own free will. We are then to attain oneness with God and acquire true autonomy. Therefore, it is the calling of our original nature to pursue freedom and autonomy.
A person of perfect character understands the Will of God and puts it into practice through his own insight and reason. Hence, it is only natural that we pursue reason and understanding.

We also are endowed with the God-given right to master the natural world. Hence, we value the natural world, pursue science, and esteem the practical life.
As the people advocated humanism, they also rebelled against the ritualism and rules of the Church which were constraining their free devotion.

They fought against the stratified feudal system and papal authority which deprived them of autonomy. They protested the medieval view that faith required unquestioning obedience to the dictates of the Church in all areas of life, which denied them the right to worship God according to the dictates of conscience based on their own reading of the Bible. They also questioned the other-worldly and ascetic monastic ideal which devalued the natural world, science and the practical affairs of life.

Many medieval Christians revolted against the rule of the papacy.
The period of religious and ideological conflicts refers to the 140 years beginning with the secure establishment of Protestantism at the Treaty of Westphalia in 1648 and ending with the French Revolution in 1789.

As modern people continued to pursue the internal and external desires of their original nature, they could not avoid divisions in theology and disputes among philosophies arising from freedom of faith and thought.

The Cain-type and Abel-type views of life developed in this period.
Renaissance humanism elevated human beings and the natural world over God.
The Renaissance established a new perspective on life which sought to understand the universe through reason and experience, logic and experiment.
The Renaissance gave birth to a view of life which encouraged people to follow only external pursuits, blocking their path to God and leading them toward Satan's realm. For this reason, it is called the Cain-type view of life.
The Cain-type view of life grew through the Enlightenment and matured into Marxism, which became the cornerstone of the communist world of today.
The Reformation spawned philosophies and religious teachings which developed a multi-dimensional view of life seeking to realize the God-given, original nature of human beings.

This view of life guided modern people to seek God in a deeper and more thoughtful way. We call this the Abel-type view of life.

In diverse ways, the Abel-type view of life matured to form the democratic world of today.
This period refers to the 130 years between the French Revolution in 1789 and the end of World War I in 1918.

Cain-type and Abel-type views of life matured, taking their separate paths.

As they matured, they founded two different forms of society with distinct social structures: a Cain-type society and an Abel-type society.
In this way, those espousing the Cain-type view of life championed the Enlightenment and gave rise to the French Revolution, thus establishing Cain-type democracy.

It would later be systematized into Marxism in Germany and Leninism in Russia, eventually forming the communist world.
Sincere Christians, the fruits of the Abel-type view of life, founded Abel-type democracies through their victorious fight with absolutism to win religious freedom.

Many Puritans emigrated to the American continent to obtain religious freedom. They founded an independent nation in 1776 and established American democracy.

Abel-type democracy has developed from these beginnings into the democratic world of today.
The concept of the separation of powers into three branches of government was advocated by Montesquieu. It sought to prevent the concentration of political power in the hands of a single individual or institution. The idea was proclaimed in the Declaration of the Rights of Man during the French Revolution.

From the beginning, the separation of powers was to be characteristic of the political structure of God's ideal society. Yet here again, Satan was mimicking an aspect of the Principle ahead of its realization by God. Hence, the three branches of government—the legislative, judicial and executive branches—should interact in harmonious and principled relationships by following God's guidance as conveyed through Christ.
Today's democracies, characterized by the three separate branches of government and a proliferation of political parties, resemble the structure of a healthy human body to some extent.

Since the political parties are ignorant of the Will of God, however, they may be compared to a nervous system which is unable to transmit directions from the brain.
Since constitutions are not written in accordance with the Word of God, the three branches of government currently function like internal organs which cannot sense or respond to the commands of the brain because the peripheral nerves have been severed. They lack order and harmony, and suffer continual conflicts among themselves.
Therefore, Christ at the Second Advent will remedy the illness of the present political system that it may reflect God's design by restoring people's vertical relationship with God. This will unleash society's true potential.
The significance of the industrial revolution

Economic Structure of ideal society

Production (digestive): adequate
Distribution (circulatory): fair
Consumption (metabolic): reasonable
Organic, interdependent relationship

Industrial Revolution
- Claimed vast colonies
- Opened up vast territory for propagation of Gospel

- The economic structure of the ideal society also resembles the structure of a healthy human body. **Production, distribution and consumption** should have an **organic, interdependent relationship** such as that which exists between the digestive, circulatory and metabolic systems.

- There should be **adequate production** of necessary and useful goods, **fair distribution** to supply what is sufficient for people's needs, and **reasonable consumption** in harmony with the purpose of the whole.
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The mass production born of the Industrial Revolution led England to claim vast colonies as sources of raw materials and markets for goods. In so doing, the Industrial Revolution opened up a vast territory for the propagation of the Gospel. Accordingly, it contributed to both the internal and external aspects of the providence of restoration.
Following the Industrial Revolution, spurred by the rapid progress of science, industrialization created economies characterized by over-production.

The great powers of Europe grew strong as they competed with each other in the scramble for colonies.

The Cain and Abel trends in ideology and economic development caused the later political division of the world into democracy and communism.
Section 4 The World Wars

The providential causes of the world wars

- External causes: Conflicts in politics, economics, ideology
- Internal causes: God's providence of restoration

- Wars break out due to such factors as conflicts of political and economic interests and clashes of ideology. Yet these are merely external causes, and there are also internal causes of wars.

- Accordingly, we cannot grasp the providential significance of the world wars by focusing only on external causes.
What are the internal, providential causes of the world wars?

The world wars have occurred:

First, as a result of Satan's last desperate struggle to preserve his sovereignty;

Second, in order to fulfill the worldwide indemnity conditions to restore the three great blessings defectively realized by Satan in advance;

Third, in order that all humanity may overcome on the world level the three temptations by which Satan tempted Jesus;

Fourth, in order to fulfill the worldwide indemnity condition to restore God's sovereignty.
In the political sphere, the First World War was a conflict between Abel-type democracies and Cain-type authoritarian states.

In the economic sphere, it was fought between the imperialist nations on God's side and the imperialist nations on Satan's side.

In the sphere of religion and ideology, the Abel-type nations of Great Britain, the United States, and France, which generally upheld Christianity, fought the Cain-type nations of Turkey, persecuting Christianity, and its allies, Germany and Austria-Hungary.
The providential results of the First World War

Victory of God's side

1. Fulfilled formation-stage indemnity condition to restore three blessings
2. Fulfilled indemnity condition to restore first blessing
3. Established formation-stage foundation to restore God's sovereignty

Foundation for birth of returning Christ
Formation stage of the dispensation of Second Advent

- The victory of God's side in the First World War
  1. Fulfilled the formation-stage indemnity condition to restore God's three great blessings worldwide.
  2. Fulfilled the indemnity condition to restore God's first blessing worldwide by overcoming Jesus' first temptation on the worldwide level.
  3. Established, through the victory of democracy, the formation-stage foundation for the restoration of God's sovereignty.
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This laid the foundation for the birth of the returning Christ, and the formation stage of the dispensation of the Second Advent commenced.
In the Second World War, democracy (US, Britain, France), while standing upon the formation stage victory attained in the First World War, defeated fascism (Germany, Japan, Italy) and secured victory at the growth stage.
The victory of God's side in the Second World War

1. Fulfilled the growth-stage indemnity condition to restore God's three great blessings worldwide.

2. Having the significance of overcoming Jesus' second temptation on the world level, it fulfilled the indemnity condition to restore God's second blessing worldwide.

3. Established the growth-stage foundation to restore God's sovereignty by laying the growth-stage foundation for the democratic world.
The Second World War (1939~1945)

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1. Fulfilled growth-stage indemnity condition to restore three blessings
2. Fulfilled indemnity condition to restore second blessing
3. Established growth-stage foundation to restore God's sovereignty

**New heaven and new earth under Second Advent**

**Growth stage of the dispensation of Second Advent**

- The age for building a new heaven and new earth under the leadership of Christ at the Second Advent had begun, and the growth stage of the dispensation of the Second Advent commenced.
The Third World War

Is the Third World War inevitable?

At the consummation of human history, Satan's side and God's side will strive until they each attain sovereignty over a world. This is why the democratic world and the communist world stand confronting each other.
The First and Second World Wars had the providential purpose of dividing the globe into the communist world and democratic world. Afterward, yet another war must take place to bring about their unification. This conflict is the Third World War.

One way to bring Satan's side to surrender is through armed conflict. The other way this war may be fought is as a wholly internal, ideological conflict. By which of these two ways will the Third World War actually be fought? It depends upon success or failure in carrying out the human portion of responsibility.
The providential results of the Third World War

By winning victory in the three world wars

① Restore entire providence, prolonged to the third stage

② Providence of restoration completed (God's Word saved spiritually and physically → God's lineage)

Realization of God's ideal world

By winning victory in the three world wars, which belong to the final chapter of providential history,

① God intends to restore through indemnity the entire providence, which was prolonged to the third stage.

② The providence of restoration can be completed only after fallen people restore their heart toward God through God's life-giving Word, are saved both spiritually and physically, and inherit God's lineage.
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- The victories of God's side will fully restore through indemnity all the aspects of the providence of restoration. They will make possible the realization of God's ideal world, for which God has labored with unremitting tears over the centuries of human misery since the Fall.
Jesus clearly foretold of his return (Matt. 16:27). Yet he added that no one knew of the day and hour of his return (Matt. 24:36).

Nevertheless, we can deduce from the Scriptural verse “Surely the Lord God does nothing, without revealing his secret to his servants the prophets” (Amos 3:7) that God will surely reveal all secrets about the Second Advent to His prophets before He carries out His work.

Accordingly, God will certainly give prophecies to those faithful believers who are in the light.
We call the time of Christ's Second Advent the Last Days. As it was already explained in Eschatology, we are living in the Last Days today. We can thus understand that today is truly the time of Christ's return.
As can be seen in the above chart, Jesus came at the conclusion of the two-thousand-year-long Old Testament Age, the Age of the Providence of Restoration. The Principle of Restoration through Indemnity leads us to infer that Christ is to return at the end of the two-thousand-year-long New Testament Age, the Age of the Prolongation of the Providence of Restoration, which has been restoring the previous age through substantial parallel conditions of indemnity.

We can thus conclude that the period of the Second Advent began soon after the end of the First World War.
In interpreting the Bible, the most important matter is to find the right perspective.

At the First Coming of Jesus, there were undoubtedly many Jews who, on biblical grounds, expected the Messiah to come on the clouds. (Dan. 7:13, Joel 2:30-31)

In actuality, however, Jesus was born on the earth as a child in a lowly family.
Section 2  In What Manner Will Christ Return?

Perspectives on the Bible

First Coming of Jesus

- Jews' expectation: come on the clouds
- Actuality: born on earth

Re-examine Bible

Second Advent of Christ

- Same manner as First Advent

Hence, we should re-examine the Bible from the perspective that the Second Advent of Christ may not take place in a miraculous way. It may, in fact, take place in the same manner as the First Advent.
In Luke 17:25, Jesus made a prediction about the Lord at his return: “But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation.”

If Jesus were to return literally on the clouds of heaven, would he not readily be accepted and honored, even by this sin-ridden world?
• Jesus foresaw that at the Second Advent, the Christians would be likely to persecute the Christ and condemn him as a heretic when he is born in the flesh. That is why he foretold that the Lord would suffer and be rejected by his generation.

• This prophecy in Luke can never be fulfilled unless the returning Christ is born on the earth.
In Matt. 7:22-23, Jesus said: “On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.’”
At the Second Advent of Christ, those Christians who expect his miraculous and glorious appearance will almost certainly reject him if he comes in the flesh of humble birth. No matter how faithful they may be, the Lord will be left with no choice but to abandon them because they will have transgressed against God.

Hence, this prophecy also cannot be fulfilled if Jesus comes on the clouds.
Why did Jesus say that the Lord will come on the clouds?

① To prevent the delusions of antichrists

② To encourage Christians on difficult path of faith

- Hope of Jesus' imminent return
  (John 21:22 Matt. 16:28)

→ Overcame persecution and established early Christian church

There are two reasons:

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② Second, it was to encourage Christians who were walking a difficult path of faith.
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The hope of Jesus' imminent return (John 21:22 Matt. 16:28) inflamed the zeal of his disciples and gave them the strength to overcome persecution by Judaism and the Roman Empire. Encouraged by the ardent hope of the Second Advent, they were filled with the Holy Spirit and established the early Christian Church, even amidst great adversity.
Some Christians expect that Christ will come again among the Jewish people, based on such passages as Rev. 7:4, Matt. 10:23, and Matt. 16:28.

But Jesus clearly conveyed that he would not come again to the people who persecuted him. God will take away the mission previously entrusted to them and give it to another people who can produce its fruits upon Christ's return. (Matt. 21:33-43)

Therefore, the chosen people after Jesus' crucifixion are not the descendants of Abraham, but rather the Christians who have inherited the faith of Abraham.
Christ will return to a nation in the East

- Rev. 7:2-4 indicates that the seal of the living God will be placed on the foreheads of the 144,000 in the East, where the sun rises.
- Rev. 14:1 says that these chosen ones will accompany the Christ at his return.
- We can thus infer that the nation which will inherit the work of God and bear its fruit for the sake of the Second Advent is in the East.
Since ancient times, the nations in the East have traditionally been considered to be the three nations of Korea, Japan, and China.

Japan entered the period of the Second Advent as a fascist nation and severely persecuted Korean Christianity. China at this time was a hotbed of communism and would become a communist nation. Thus, both nations belonged to Satan's side.

Korea, then, is the nation in the East where Christ will return.

As the nation to which the Messiah returns, Korea had to meet the following qualifications:
For Korea to become a nation fit to receive the Messiah, it had to fulfill a national dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan for the cosmic-level restoration of Canaan. If Christ returns to Korea on this foundation, the Korean people are destined to become the Third Israel.
As the Third Israel, the Korean people had to suffer under a nation on Satan's side for a period which fulfills the number forty. Thereby, they could fulfill a dispensation of forty for the separation of Satan as required to commence the cosmic-level course to restore Canaan.

The Korean people suffered under Japan for forty years, from the Ulsa Treaty of 1905 to their liberation in 1945. Their suffering paralleled the hardships of the First Israel in Egypt and the Second Israel in the Roman Empire.
At the point of confrontation between God and Satan, a sacrifice must be offered as the condition to determine the outcome of their struggle. The Korean people were this sacrifice, placed on this front line of battle to be offered for the sake of the restoration of the universe. Therefore, God divided the Korean nation, just as Abraham's sacrifices were supposed to be divided. This is the reason behind the division of Korea by the thirty-eighth parallel, which split it into two nations: one Cain-type and the other Abel-type. The thirty-eighth parallel is the front line of battle between democracy and communism.
When these two worlds came into global conflict, it was centered on the Korean peninsula. Religions, ideologies, political forces and economic systems all came into conflict and caused great confusion in Korean society, which then had worldwide impact.
To become the object partners of God's Heart, we must first walk a path of blood, sweat and tears. How can we, as loyal and faithful children, be comfortable and complacent and still expect to remain the object partners of our Heavenly Father, who is suffering in deep agony? The miserable history the Korean people was the path required of the chosen people of God.
The nation qualified to stand as the object partner of God's Heart must be a people of goodness. The homogeneous Korean people rarely invaded other nations.

The Korean people are by nature endowed with a religious character. They have evinced a strong desire to worship God, and always revered the virtues of loyalty, filial piety and chastity.
Messianic prophecies

1. Messianic idea among the Korean people (Chonggammok)

2. Revelations that religious founders will return to Korea

3. Revelations and signs (Acts 2:17)

- Clear revelations that the Lord will come to Korea

The Korean people have believed in the prophecy that the Righteous King will appear and found a glorious and everlasting kingdom in their land. This messianic idea was revealed through the Chonggammok, a book of prophecy written in the fourteenth-century Korea.

Among the faithful of every religion in Korea are those who have received revelations that the founders of their religions will return to Korea.

Revelations and signs are being given to spiritually attuned Christians testifying to the Second Coming of Christ in Korea; they are sprouting in profusion like mushrooms after a rain.

Hence, many are receiving clear revelations that the Lord will come to Korea.
The culmination of all civilizations

- Religion
- Spiritual civilization
- Material civilization
- Science

New truth

1. Civilization of land ➔ Korea
2. Civilizations of rivers and seas ➔ Pacific civilization
3. Civilizations of climate zones ➔ Temperate-zone civilization of Eden

The spiritual and material aspects of civilization developing from religion and science, which have flourished all over the world, will be embraced and harmonized in Korea as guided by the new truth. Then they will bear fruit in the ideal world of God's deepest desire.
The culmination of all civilizations

Civilization of land • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • → Korea
Civilizations of rivers and seas • • • • → Pacific civilization
Civilizations of climate zones • • • • → Temperate-zone civilization of Eden

1. The essences of all civilizations which developed on the land should bear fruit in Korea.
2. The essences of civilizations born on the shores of rivers and seas should bear fruit in the Pacific civilization to which Korea belongs.
3. Civilizations born out of different climate zones should bear fruit in the temperate-zone civilization of Eden, which is Korea.
If human beings had not fallen, we would have formed one global family like one body with God as the head. Then there never would have risen a profusion of tongues unintelligible to one another.
One day, the descendants of Noah’s second son Ham, who had sinned against God, built the Tower of Babel to exalt themselves even above God, thus furthering the will of Satan.

When the descendants of Shem and Japheth, who stood on God’s side, helped with the construction, God brought such confusion to their languages that they could no longer communicate with each other to further the will of Satan.
As offspring of the same parents, all of us have the same feelings of joy, anger, sorrow and pleasure. Yet we cannot share our deepest feelings with one another because we speak different languages. Is not this one of humanity's greatest misfortunes?

If we are to realize the ideal world of one global family which can honor Christ at the Second Advent as our True Parent, surely our languages must be unified.
If Christ does indeed return to Korea, the Korean language will become the mother tongue for all humanity, and all people should learn to speak it.

All of humanity will become one people and use one language, thus establishing one global nation under God.
This ends the Principle lecture, and I will conclude the program by reading an excerpt from the President Hak Ja Han's speech to world leaders.

**From the President Han's speech**

**“Women are Leaders of the Ideal World”**

The mission of the Messiah the Savior is to teach how to liquidate the sinful history, which has been tangled up after the human beings had fallen away from the paths of true parents, true husband and wife, and true children.

Today, I declare to the heaven and earth that my husband, the President Sun Myung Moon, is the one who has been pioneering the path of true parents and the Messiah for all his life. As you know very well, despite the severe persecution by the evil world, my husband, the President Moon, has been pioneering the future of the humanity by revealing the purpose of God's creation and the original sin committed by the human ancestors.
His teaching, the Divine Principle, affirms that the ideal of the Second Advent aspired to by the founders of all religions, be it the return of Maitreya, the Awakened One, New Confucius, or Jesus, is realized in the advent of one Messiah as the True Parent of the mankind, through which the religions will be unified. However, this advent will not occur as a return on the clouds of Jesus, who died two thousand years ago, as Christians believe, but rather in the form of the birth of the one who inherits the mission of Jesus.

So far, no one has been able to fight against sexual promiscuity and adultery, which have been corrupting the mankind, and yet the truth of hope that can thoroughly resolve this problem has emerged in our age in Korea. This truth, brought to light by the True Parents, will be the light of the mankind to unify the South and North Koreas and build the world of peace. Let us all embrace this truth and put an end to the sinful world, which has been tormenting us all along history, as fighters to build the world of unification overflowing with freedom, peace, and happiness.

Thank you.