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INTRODUCTION

In this volume, based on the fundamental knowledge of the last volume, I would like to center more concretely upon the concept of the ideal man who is the center of creation and thereby the microcosm of the universe. The discussion will be focused upon the universal view of values and good and evil, and the according way of education of individuals and society, to clarify the meaning and value of human existence.

Furthermore, I will discuss the theory of restoration – that is how to re-educate the deviated man (discussed in *The Theory of Crimes*) and realize the image of ideal man, along with the analysis on the purpose of mankind.

The history of mankind is the record of incessant conflicts and wars. The wars stemmed from man's deviated natures of criminality, but also arose because of the conflicts among religionists who were passionate in the desire to live for God's love and truth, among conscientious people who sought goodness and peace, among righteous and patriotic people who were loyal and dedicated for their national pride and justice. Wars between religionists were caused by

conflict over the view of salvation, and wars between conscientious people and righteous people were inflicted by the clash of their views on good and evil, and on justice. Therefore, we must work to resolve the religious, philosophical, academic, ethnic, and nationalistic conflicts which develop into wars fought under the guise of salvation or justice. If we really desire to end all conflicts and bring peace and happiness, we must first seek the universal truth on salvation and good and evil.

To bear the universal understanding, I have traveled all over the world, met reknowned leaders of various interests and studies and sometimes talked with self-claimed Saviors or Second-Advents. I asked them what is the universal and eternal definition of salvation and good and evil, and they either told me it is beyond man's comprehension or they gave me very extravagant and vague words. The universal definition of salvation is not revealed. However, if the universal definition of salvation is not revealed, how does man save himself and how can he know that he is saved? If the universal definition of good and evil is not known, how can man eliminate evil and work for the realization of the man of good character, of the society and of the world? Without having the universal knowledge on these matters, who can be a real world leader and savior?

In this world where we now live blind men lead the blind in darkness. Sooner or later, they fall into holes. Not only in this age, but also throughout the long human history, mankind has been walking in darkness, in despair, ceaselessly fighting. Until the universal definition on salvation and good and evil is derived from the cosmic principle and known to man, there would be no peace and freedom for man.

Thus, you come to realize the necessity of theories of value, good and evil, and salvation. In addition to them, I will develop the theory of happiness to lift the world in hope and ideal, concluding this volume.

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