

FFWPU Europe and the Middle East: Demian Dunkley on God's Essence - The Harmonious Union of Male / Female

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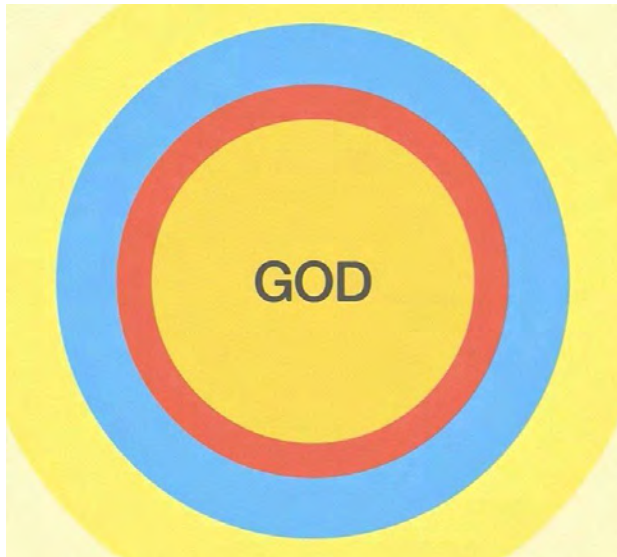
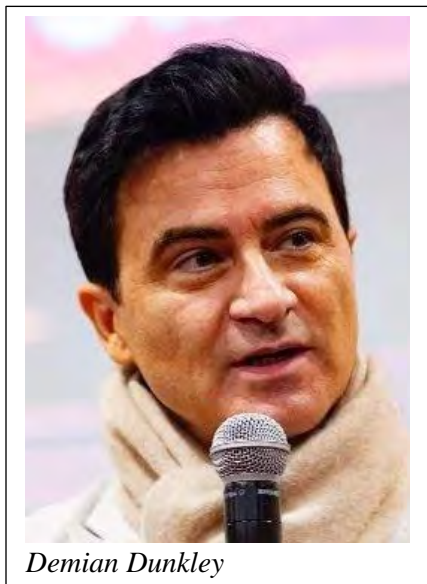


Illustration used by Rev. Demian Dunkley during his presentation

The nature of God: Understanding God's essence and the divine oneness by observing the unity in nature



Demian Dunkley

Part 1 of video message from Rev. Demian Dunkley, president of the [Family Federation](#) of North America, transcribed from video 1 (Lesson 1) in a series of lectures titled "Discourse on [True Mother's Revelations](#)", posted on the [education site of the Family Federation of the USA](#) February 2025.

See lesson 2: [part 1](#), [part 2](#), [part 3](#), [part 4](#), [part 5](#), [part 6](#)

The first presentation is "What is [God's](#) nature?" We're talking about the essential characteristics of [God](#).

Members of the movement know very well about the [Principles of Creation](#), and [Mother](#) wants us to really teach from the [Principles of Creation](#).

However, there are some differences in the way [Mother](#) emphasizes the key points in the [Principles of Creation](#). She really emphasizes the pair system above all else.

Actually, there are many beautiful presentations:

about the [four great realms of heart](#).

the relationship between the physical world and the spirit world.

the stages of growth, from immaturity to maturity of every living thing.

And these are all important. But for the purposes of this presentation, I'm just touching upon a few of the key points - as [Mother](#) wants us to focus - just so that this can be the basis of the remaining presentations.

So what is [God's](#) nature? What are the characteristics of [God](#)?

Apostle Paul. From painting by Rembrandt (1606-1669). Photo: Kunsthistorisches Museum, Vienna. [Public domain](#) image. Cropped

In Romans, Paul illustrates that the nature of [God](#) is self-evident. It's within us and within all creation.

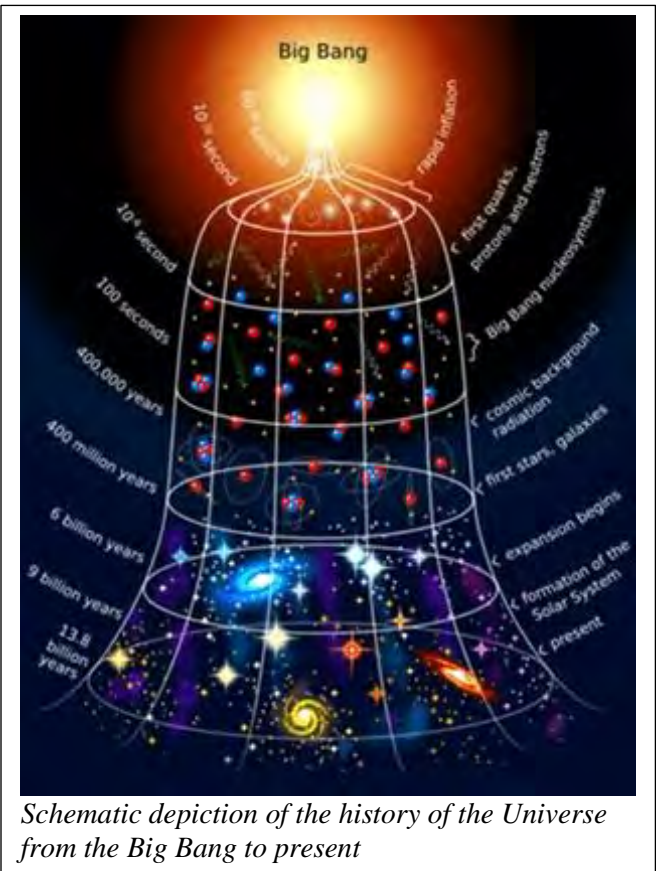
"For since the creation of the world [God's](#) invisible qualities - his eternal power and divine nature - have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse."
(Romans 1;20)

What this means is - if we want to understand [God's](#) nature, or if we assume ignorance about [God's](#) nature - there's really no excuse, because [God's](#) nature can be seen throughout all of creation.



Lemon tree at the Amalfi coast, Italy

the "seed" of everything first sprouted, you could say. From that moment, [God](#) poured all of himself into creating the energy that would form the entire universe.



Schematic depiction of the history of the Universe from the Big Bang to present

Let's look at that. If you want to know the nature of a seed, such as a lemon seed, then you look at the tree that that seed produces. A lemon seed produces a lemon tree. An apple seed will produce an apple tree, and so on. And this is true for everything.

The characteristics of creation, in all things, all of that diverse creation, beautiful creation, all comes from a beginning point. All of these characteristics of creation come from the characteristics of the original "seed". And that original "seed" we call [God](#).

Think about the beginning of the universe, often referred to as the Big Bang. That's when

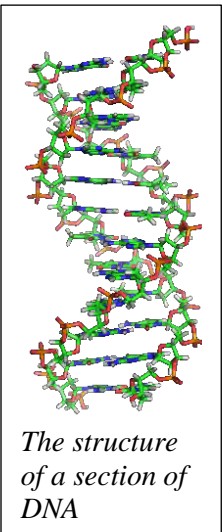
And this energy didn't just go, "Pop!", and just burst out doing nothing. This is not idle energy. The energy itself fashioned itself according to a principle that is evident in all things.

And if we understand these core principles, I'm telling you, we can solve a lot of problems. We can solve a lot of problems in our own lives and in the way we govern ourselves, the way we take care of the world, and so on.

Let's look at it. This energy has an inner nature that drives into the creation of particles. You can see right here.

These particles then form relationships and become atoms. Atoms, in turn, pair up with other atoms to form molecules.

And this continues a process that creates more and more complex interactions until finally DNA is formed. And DNA is amazing. It's an incredible and intricate molecule that holds literally hundreds of millions of pieces of information, all formed with the same core principles, right?



The structure of a section of DNA

And it's DNA that makes life possible, which leads to the emergence of plants, animals, humans, and the complex systems that connect us all.

But what's most notable - and this is what [Mother](#) emphasizes - is that everything was created in pairs. You might not be able to see at the atomic or subatomic or molecular levels, but you can see with the human eye that everything is created in pairs.

And the relationship between each of these pairs is what creates the energy and multiplies life itself.

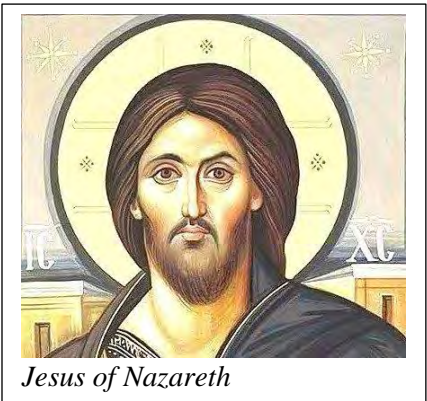
So that's why [Mother](#) really emphasizes this point about everything being created in pairs, all stemming from [God's](#) own fundamental nature - the pair, a combined harmonious pair as one of male and female.

All things come out from that place, you can see, created in pairs. And all of these pairs naturally, magnetically long to come together as one. And that creates a new energy and a new life, literally creating

a new life and a new lineage.

In Genesis, we can see that the fundamental image of [God](#) is both male and female.

"God created mankind in his own image, in the image of [God](#) he created them; male and female he created them." (Genesis 1;27)



Everything in reality in this way has been created in pairs. When Jesus was being tested by the Pharisees, he said,

"Haven't you read, that at the beginning the Creator 'made them male and female' and said, 'For this reason, a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and the two will become one flesh'? So they are no longer two, but one flesh. Therefore, what [God](#) has joined together, let no one separate." (Matthew 19;4-6)

In this statement, Jesus himself is quoting Genesis to underscore that man and woman are created in [God's](#) image and are created to become one. It is the act of becoming one that reveals the divine image of [God](#). Why? Because [God](#) is one, of both parts.

And when these two separated parts become one in love and in unity, now you have in substantial form between man and woman, the image, the substantial image and representation of [God's](#) nature, characteristics.

In other words, [God's](#) image appears when man and woman become harmoniously one.

And from all this, we can deduce that [God's](#) fundamental essence is the harmonious essence, the harmonious oneness. [God's essence](#) is the harmonious oneness of both male and female characteristics. [God](#) is not just male, not just female, but both male and female as one. This is where we come from.



And because it's evident in all of creation and even under the microscope, we can deduce that all of these created characteristics from the original "seed", all of these various "fruits" that have sprouted into the universe, come from that one beautiful, divine original "seed", which is [God](#) and [God's](#) heart and characteristics.

[True Mother](#) said this,

"What you need to know is that [God](#), our Creator, exists as [God](#) the Father and [God](#) the Mother, and that is the starting point of the creation of the heavens and the earth. ([Mother Han](#), 15th July 2019)

This is really the fundamental essence of what [God](#) wants to convey, that [Mother](#) wants to convey about [God](#).

[God](#) is both male and female.

To be continued. Part 2 coming soon

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Essence of God

It is the essence of God that longs for a deep relationship to us

According to the Abrahamic religions, [God](#) is a personal [God](#). This means that we humans may have a personal relationship with him. What is it about [God](#) that allows such a relationship? [Father Moon](#) elaborates that it is not [God](#)'s outer being, his energy and power. On the contrary, it is the inner qualities of [God](#), his heart, the very essence of [God](#), his innermost being. In his heart, [God](#) longs for a deep relationship with us.

According to [Sun Myung Moon](#), it is the creation that gives us the best understanding of [God](#). You may understand an artist's mind by studying his works of art. In the same way, we understand something about [God](#) by studying his creation.



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God	Inner nature	Outer being
Human beings	Mind	Body
Animals	Animal mind	Body
Plants	Plant mind	Body
Molecules	Inherent directive nature	Matter
Atoms	Inherent directive nature	Matter
Particles	Inherent directive nature	Matter

Everything in creation has an inner nature and an outer being. It is not only we humans who have an inner nature, a mind. Animals have it too, a mind characterized by instincts. In plants, we observe a plant mind, which regulates the external form and functions of the plant. Even in inorganic matter, the inner nature is expressed as inherent properties, that govern the material structure.

As the dual characteristics of inner nature / outer form are a universal feature of creation, the conclusion is that the being who created all things – [God](#) – must also have such an inner nature and an outer being.

The outer aspect of [God](#) is his energy and power, the inner aspect his mind. Important aspects of [God](#)'s mind are his emotion, intellect, and will. We humans are created in [God](#)'s image. Therefore, we too have emotion, intellect and will. But the deepest aspect of [God](#), the innermost, is his heart. It is from his heart that his love flows.

It is only by understanding the heart of God that we understand the essence of [God](#), his core. It is in his heart we find the reason [God](#) created. He created everything because he wanted someone to express his deepest heart to. The goal of creation was precisely us humans. Everything is created for us and to be managed by us. [God](#) therefore longs for a relationship in his heart with us humans.

This is somewhat similar to how we all love to have someone to express our heart to. Without it, life becomes superficial.

As it was we human beings who were the very goal of [God](#)'s work of creation, by understanding our own situation, we may understand [God](#)'s heart. When [God](#) created the first humans, he was full of expectation and hope. His dream of having someone he could express his love to, and who would respond to him, was going to come true.

However, it did not work out that way. The dream was shattered. The humans left [God](#) and began to behave dead against [God](#)'s expectations. He could not love them, and they could not love him. [God](#) became deeply distressed and frustrated. He became a broken-hearted [God](#), with a heart full of [sorrow](#) and pain.

However, [God](#) did not give up. He had no choice but to begin the painstaking process of restoration, determined to regain what was lost. He had to endure countless setbacks. There were so many he called who failed him. Still [God](#) never abandoned humanity.

After thousands of years, he was finally able to recreate a new Adam – Jesus. Again, [God](#)'s heart was full of hope and great expectation. But although [God](#) had painstakingly prepared a foundation for his son, he was treated most cruelly and hung on a cross.

Therefore, [God](#) had to slowly prepare a new foundation. [God](#)'s hope is that the Messiah at the second coming, the third Adam, will be the one who can finally give [God](#) what he has always longed for – a world where [God](#) can one day live in our midst and express his love to us, at the same time that we show [God](#) our love to him. Such a world is of course not



