

## Heavenly Parent the Creator

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Heaven and earth did not simply originate from matter, nor did they emerge spontaneously or by chance. God, the Creator, exists. He is the first cause of the cosmos. He is absolute, eternal, unchanging and good. He made all things in the universe according to his purpose of creation, his basic design. God is the origin of heart and emotion, and his purpose is to create joy. However, one cannot feel joy alone. In order for a subject partner to feel joy, an object partner is absolutely necessary. The greatest joy comes from the exchange of love between subject and object partners.

Heaven and earth originated from the Will of the One. Because God, our Heavenly Parent, exists, the created world came into existence. God, the Parent of heaven and earth, is the central Being. That is why God is one with all beings of this world, and why God and I are one, not two. God desires, on one hand, to come down to earth from above along a vertical line, in order to stand at the center. On the other hand, he desires to connect everything on the horizontal plane with that center.

Adam and Eve are God's body. They are God's visible body and they are in the position of the visible God. God is the originator of energy; he cannot be seen, even in the spirit world. He has no form. Hence, in order to guide and govern the physical world, he has to assume an external, physical form. If, instead of falling, Adam and Eve had reached perfection while living on earth then gone on to the heavenly world, they would have become the visible form of God. The invisible God and visible Adam and Eve would have been one. Then, since Adam and Eve's laughter would have been God's laughter, it would have been

the laughter of heaven and earth. God created this world so that he, who is incorporeal, could emerge on earth in substance. In other words, this world was created so that the incorporeal God could emerge as the substantial God.

God is the womb of human beings and the nucleus of all things in the universe. Then why did God, the nucleus of all things, have to create the heavens and the earth? It is because if a nucleus exists alone, it will perish or disintegrate. Consider electricity. No matter how perfect a positive charge is, without a negative charge it will disappear. There are no exceptions to this. If a plus wants to survive, it has to align with the principle that sustains its life. Therefore, through the plan of creation, there will emerge a perfect minus. It is because existence depends upon the interaction between the two.

God, who made all things of creation in heaven and on earth, established his perfect substantial object partners in the external world to reflect his feelings, the inner world of his mind. He did this so that he could fully interact with them. He created human beings as object partners who would take responsibility

for this, endowing them with a foundation that would allow them to engage in perfect giving and receiving. That is why, of all his creation, God loves human beings the most, and why they appreciate God the most. They respect God. Therefore, they go in search of God and God comes in search of them.

### **What is Creation?**

What comes first, existence or life? Philosophy places the question of existence first. It does not deal with life. Then from where does life come? Life does not come from itself; it comes from parents' love. God governs the world of life and the world of love. In fact, life precedes existence, but philosophy deals only with questions that come after existence. It is life that moves all existing things. Then what is the cause that moves life? Love moves life. Because life comes from love, the natural way of life is to seek relationships of love and to attain the outcomes of love. This is the heart that lies behind the creation of heaven and earth.

When God began the creation, he had his Will, he had an idea, and he had a master plan. Thus, God's original Will went along with a plan to create human beings, and based on that plan he built a world correlative to us. That is why, despite the human Fall, we who live in the realm of God's providence of salvation in this day and age have to stand at the center of his Will, that is, within the realm of his Will and plan. The time has come. That is why God is preparing the conditions by which we can enter the realm of his Will and plan. Over the course of history, numerous religions have emerged with the purpose of pioneering the environment, setting the conditions so that we can enter the realm of his plan.

In creating his partners, the true God completely invested himself to fashion them into the most valuable, ideal and perfect form. This means that once he created Adam and Eve, God lived for their sake, not his own. God moved from the time of living for his own sake to the time of living for the sake of his partners. An ideal being does not live for his or her own sake. An ideal being lives for the sake of others, for the sake of the object partner. This is the core principle of the universe.

In order to create all things, God had to pour out his very essence. That is, he invested a great deal of energy. This could have depleted his energy and resulted in God suffering a loss. Yet he created the world with love, to be his object partner, and he devoted himself to fulfilling this purpose. His investment was not to bear fruit in himself but rather in his partner. Since God created with love, even though he fully invested himself, he did not feel diminished. Rather, he felt satisfied. This became a principle, and this essence of parental love became the tradition. God's total self-investment meant that he was not conscious of himself as he worked. He was so immersed in pursuing the purpose of his partner that he completely forgot himself. In the end, God wants to live for the sake of the human beings whom he created. This is the basic principle of creation.

When God created the heavens and the earth, He first made all things and then He created human beings as his object partners. The dynamic of giving and receiving is a basic law, so until you give everything, nothing will return. This is a principle. A husband has to love his wife completely before she will say, "I completely love my husband." Only when she has received his complete love will she begin to give back completely. This is a principle of heaven and earth. Thus, only when you receive completely from your subject partner do you reciprocate completely. If you were to reciprocate before you received completely, what you returned would not be perfect and complete. This is give-and-receive action based on love; it is a law of the universe based on the Principle.