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1. The Quest

In the late seventeenth century Isaac Newton was pondering the realm of celestial mechanics. What was the relationship between the heavenly bodies as they moved through the heavens? Could there be a simple universal law that explained and governed these relationships? Or was it a complex, mysterious system beyond the realms of our understanding? What prompted this quest in the heart of Newton? Was he truly hit on the head with an apple causing him to consider the effects of gravity? A recent discovery found in the archives of London's Royal Society revealed the answer in a manuscript which would become the biography of Sir Isaac Newton's life.

After dinner, the weather being warm, we went into the garden and drank tea, under the shade of some apple trees...he told me, he was just in the same situation, as when formerly, the notion of gravitation came into his mind. It was occasion'd by the fall of an apple, as he sat in contemplative mood. Why should that apple always descend perpendicularly to the ground, thought he to himself...¹

This encounter with the fallen apple set in motion a series of events that led to the production of the *Principia* in which Newton lays down the foundations for classical mechanics and the three universal laws of motion.

¹ <http://www.newscientist.com/blogs/culturelab/2010/01/newtons-apple-the-real-story.html>

These laws describe the relationship between any object, the forces acting upon them, and the resulting motion. Newton used the Latin word *gravitas* (weight) for the effect that would become known as gravity and defined the law of universal gravitation.²

Newton's *Principia* would dominate the scientific view of the physical universe for the next 300 years. He was able to use these principles to account for the trajectories of comets, movement of tides and the precession of the equinoxes that removed the last vestiges of thought that the earth was the centre of the solar system.³ The study of the relationship between physical celestial objects redefined our understanding of the universe and expanded human ability to work within, and harness the power of, our world according to the laws of gravity.

Newton's quest in respect to celestial bodies was triggered by an event occurring among earthly bodies. The observation of an apple falling from a tree brought into question the relationship between the apple and the earth and what drew them together.

Standing on the edge of the 21st century my mind has been turned to a new quest - the principle underlying the relationship between spiritual bodies. If a correct understanding of the relationship of physical bodies could yield such wonderful advances in scientific human endeavour, what would be the impact of a correct understanding of the relationship of celestial and earthly spiritual bodies? By earthly spiritual bodies I am referring to the relationships between the minds of men, women, and children, relationships between man and the divine realm and even relationships within the divine realm. We might mention here that Newton's endeavours were prompted within the earthly realm, but found their answer within the celestial sphere.

Let us begin our quest for the universal law that governs spiritual bodies.

² https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Isaac_Newton#Mechanics_and_gravitation

³ Ibid

2. The Fallen Apple

While working in a Christian organisation I was in a position to witness the effects of sexual abuse. Observing some of the trauma these persons went through was part of my growing awareness of how much pain existed in the community. In my quiet moments I began to question how a Christian could have taken part in such a massive betrayal of trust, as some of these victims were abused by trusted leaders in the church. It was a thought that would remain embedded in my heart. How could someone who believes in Christ and is respected as a leader allow these things to occur, not on a minor scale, but with sickening regularity?



There was a later occasion when I received a desperate phone call. I knew I needed to go and assist. Two members of the Christian fellowship I was serving were in a heated argument. When I arrived I could hear the commotion and prayed for wisdom and grace. There was fear in the children's eyes as the parents poured forth their bitterness towards each other. At church you would not have much of a clue that such conflict existed. The situation that night simmered, but it began to ignite something deep inside me.

I recalled the statistic I had studied earlier in my training concerning divorce and sexual abuse. Those statistics now had several faces and names. The seriousness of the situation was punctuated by the brutal facts. It was then I remembered the time the apple fell in my mind with the thought:

Something is missing. We don't have the answers, I thought. An isolated case here and there I could comprehend, but not the figures that were in front of me: One in ten children is a victim of sexual abuse currently.⁴ In the organisation I was working for the divorce rates were as high as 28% and marital conflict as high as 58% in certain regions.⁵

I simply couldn't ignore the figures. I had to find a meaningful answer to this break down in family and community relationships. This issue was all the more perplexing because of the high value that most people place on their families both in the world and in the church. Consider statements like the following:

Family is the most important thing in the world. – *Princess Diana*

The strength of a nation derives from the integrity of the home.
– *Confucius*

The happiest moments of my life have been the few which I have passed at home in the bosom of my family. -- *Thomas Jefferson*

Cherish your human connections – your relationships with friends and family. – *Barbara Bush*

These sentiments I hear regularly, and yet there is so much discord, conflict and abuse in families and communities that it begs the question: What are the core principles that will foster strong, healthy relationships? Is there a universal law concerning the motions of the heart that rightly understood and practiced would harmonise our relationships and minimize discord and abuse?

Like Newton my mind was drawn to the relationship of celestial bodies in the heavens, looking for a blueprint or pattern that would answer the questions in my mind. My quest took me much further than I anticipated and hence,

⁴ Darkness to Light. End Sexual Abuse. www.d2l.org – figure released Aug 2013.

⁵ <http://family.adventist.org/home---divorce-and-remarriage-in-the-seventh-day-adventist-church.html>

the reason for the title of this booklet, *The Divine Pattern of Life*. In seeking answers to find the secret to successful relationships, I was exposed to a simple reality that speaks wisdom into many aspects of the human experience. As I have considered how far this principle reaches, I am astonished and excited by the implications. I have conducted a number of experiments with amazing results based on these principles.



As an introduction let us consider the process by which we receive life. The father passes his seed to the mother, who then nurtures and grows the child in her womb, from which she then gives birth. The **active generative source** principle of our father and the **passive nurturing channel** principle of our mother provide insight to us concerning the wonderful pattern of creation, for this is how we all have come into this world. The

harmonious alignment of source and channel gives life. The *expansion* of this simple principle and its implications in every aspect of our lives is the theme of this booklet. As part of our journey we will also discover another principle at war with this pattern of life, a negative principle that has confused and distorted the harmony of this pattern, bringing sorrow, confusion, and death.

Let's turn to the celestial bodies that were part of what Newton was considering from a physical perspective. Consider the relationship of the sun, moon, and the earth as we focus on aspects of light, gravity and the pulse of the tides relating to these bodies.

3. Standing on the Moon Clothed with the Sun



Stand on the edge of Minas Basin in Nova Scotia when the tide is coming in and you will hear what is termed “the voice of the moon”, in the form of 14 billion tons of water flowing into the basin where the highest tides in the world occur. It wasn’t until Newton published the *Principia* that the world became aware of the gravitational connection between the sun, moon and the tides.⁶ An awareness of the movement of the tides is essential for seamen to successfully navigate the seas. The benefits of knowing the gravitational effects of the moon did not only assist sailors in the past. I learned recently from an avid surfing friend that the best waves come at the new moon and the full moon. This phenomenon is referred to as the spring tide.

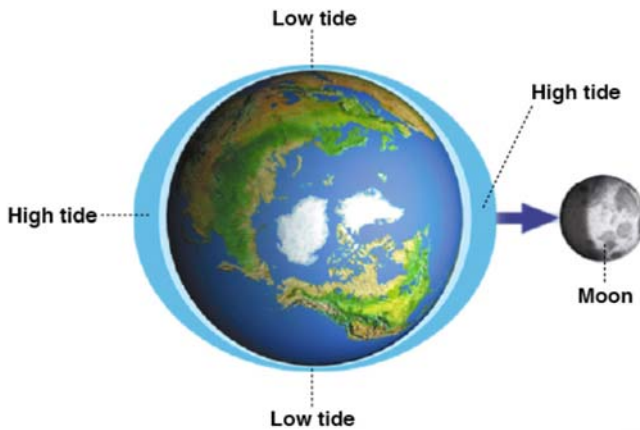
When the moon is full or new, the gravitational pull of the moon and sun are combined. At these times, the high tides are very high and the low tides are very low. This is known as a spring high tide. Spring tides are especially strong tides (they do not have anything to do with the season Spring). **They occur when the Earth, the Sun, and the Moon are in a line. The gravitational forces of the Moon and the Sun both contribute to the tides.** Spring tides occur during the full moon and the new moon.⁷

When the sun, moon, and earth are aligned it creates a greater gravitational force on the earth which produces greater tides and, of course, higher waves. Although the sun’s gravitation is much greater than that of the moon, the moon’s closer proximity to earth makes its gravitational effect on the earth

⁶ <http://www.thehighesttides.com/what-causes-the-highest-tides.shtml>

⁷ <http://home.hiwaay.net/~krcool/Astro/moon/moontides/>

just over twice as much as that of the sun. The key to the spring tides is the alignment of sun, moon, and earth.



The approximate fortnightly rhythm of the tides has a massive effect on intertidal and marine organisms. If you were to be swimming on the Great Barrier Reef off the coast of northern Queensland in Australia four to six days after one particular full moon in the year, you would witness the greatest mass spawning event on the planet. The coral spawn when the tides are slack (no tidal movement either direction), as opposed to many fish species that take advantage of large outgoing tides to sweep their eggs into the relative safety of open water.⁸

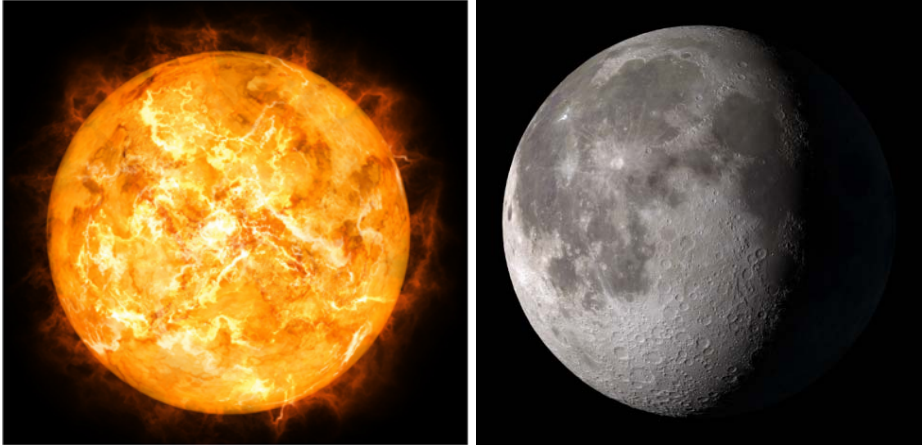
But the cycles of the moon also affect gestation periods of animals such as vertebrates, and the menstrual cycle of women is approximately the same as the lunar cycle.⁹ So there is evidence to show that there is some relationship between fertility and reproduction and the cycles of the moon.

Can we learn something from the tidal rhythms of nature? Can the relationship of the sun and moon to the earth provide us a key ingredient to discerning the secret to our spiritual relationships? If the success and fertility of physical life can be traced to knowledge of the rhythmic cycles of the sun and moon in relationship to the earth could there be lessons to be learned in the spiritual realm?

⁸ <http://www.greatbarrierreefs.com.au/coral-spawning/>

⁹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tide#Biological_rhythms

Before we step in that direction, let us consider another interesting relationship regarding the sun, moon, and the earth. The moon has no light of its own. It is a passive object. All the light of the moon is a reflection of light from the sun. The sun generates its own light; it has an active principle. The moon carries the light of the sun; it operates on a passive principle. The active sun and the passive moon operate together to create a rhythmic influence on the earth. Again, are there lessons here of the relation of the



sun and the moon that speak to us about the rhythm of life in the spiritual world?

Consider what happens when you attempt to look directly into the sun. The brightness of the sun makes it impossible to look at it for more than a few seconds. Looking at the sun will damage your vision. Is there any way to look at sunlight? Yes, we can behold the light of the sun by looking directly at the moon, thereby eliminating the danger of damage to our eyes. The light sourced from the sun is channelled through the moon, which acts mediatorially to conduct light to us safely and without harm. The question that begs to be asked is, “Is there a meaning to this?” The commanding presence of the sun is such an important component for all life. Its rays bring us warmth and light, and it plays a central role in the fertility of the planet, but if we disrespect the sun it can cause us harm. Again, are there things here for us to learn?

As the ancient seer John sat on the isle of Patmos in the Mediterranean Sea, he saw a great wonder in vision:



And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: Rev 12:1

John describes a relationship between the sun, moon, stars, and a woman. She is standing on the moon. This is her foundation. She is clothed in the light of the sun and has the light of twelve stars upon her head. She seems to be completely in harmony with the cycles and timing of the sun, moon, and stars and is aware of her relationship to them. Considering that the book of Revelation was a book of spiritual themes, would it not hold spiritual significance?

Before we answer this we need to ask, "Can we trust the writings of the Bible as a reliable guide into spiritual things?"

4. Spiritual Map and Compass



The Roman governor Pilate had studied the faces of many people standing before him on trial in his judgment hall in Judea. There was something very different about this man's face. Outside, a mob was screaming for the man's death, and yet there was absolutely no fear in his eyes. Pilate was familiar with the face of a hardened criminal, and the man standing before him certainly was not one of them. His noble bearing and calm gentle gaze intrigued the magistrate. He spoke of a kingdom beyond this world—a kingdom that was beyond politics, conquest and war. He had been accused of plotting against the Roman government under the title of the long expected Messiah of the Jews.

Pilate therefore said to Him, "Are You a king then?" Jesus answered, "You say rightly that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice." John 18:37

A king who witnesses to the truth? What king ever witnessed to the truth? Kings typically won and maintained power by war, deception, manipulation, and force. Then Pilate asked a critical question. "What is truth?" Phrasing this in another way, one might ask, "How can we know the truth?"

Every thinking person has a source of authority, an oracle of truth, a place or a person where they are confident they are getting the right

information about the realities of life and death. For many people this source is their own mind. What they see, hear, experience, and study is enough for them to determine the truth. They are confident that the lens through which they see the world is not distorted in any way.

A brief reminder of how children respond to probing questions by their parents when they have stepped outside the boundaries of family rules should convince us that we have a natural inclination to bend and twist the truth to suit our circumstances. Another example we might consider is how many politicians respond to questions from the media in a manner that avoids the thrust of the question. Can we rely on ourselves to discover truth if we are so prone to bending and avoiding it when it does not suit us?

There are those in another group who simply trust in the traditions passed on to them from their forefathers. How can we trust in ourselves or in our forefathers for absolute truth? If we know that we ourselves are prone to distorting information, could the same have been done by those who have gone before us?

With the human tendency to lie, deceive, exaggerate or underestimate, how can we find truth? This brings us back to Pilate's question, "What is truth?" Before him stood a man who made himself fully testable on this point. He said that he came to bear witness to the truth, and it was his claim to be the Messiah that made him easy to test.

He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" (16) Simon Peter answered and said, "You are the Christ, [The Messiah], the Son of the living God." (17) Jesus answered and said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah, for flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but My Father who is in heaven. Matthew 16:15-17

By making the claim that he was the Messiah, Jesus was making himself the subject of the prophecies of the Old Testament concerning the Messiah. All of these prophecies were written hundreds of years before the time of Jesus.

Just consider a few prophecies concerning his birth.

The scepter shall not depart from Judah, Nor a lawgiver from between his feet, Until Shiloh comes; And to Him shall be the obedience of the people. Gen 49:10

This prophesied that the Messiah would come from the tribe of Judah.

But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah, Though you are little among the thousands of Judah, Yet out of you shall come forth to Me The One to

Another example would be like trying to find one grain of sand from all the available sand on the earth and much more besides. Consider what just 10^{17} would entail. This much, much smaller number would be like covering the country of France with 1 Euro coins 60cm deep. Mark one with an x, stir the coins around and then send someone out blindfolded to find that one coin—on the first try. The probability is staggering, and this is only the prophecies relating to the Messiah.

There are other prophecies relating to the rise and fall of world kingdoms found in the book of Daniel that have been accurately fulfilled. Some have determined these prophecies to be impossible to be true and have concluded that they must have been written after the events.

The Dead Sea Scrolls, discovered after 1946 contained most of the Old Testament and are dated to at least the third century before Christ. They prove that the prophecies were made at least two hundred years before Jesus came. No



other man in history has been backed by this level of probability, and no other book can claim the level of detail in predicting the future as the Bible. This kind of accuracy is hard to discount unless, of course, we resort to the politician's practice of distorting the facts because they do not suit us. I invite you to test the accuracy of the Bible through its prophecies, especially those concerning the person of Jesus. If you have access to YouTube take a look at the presentation, "Bible Prophecy of Jesus. Just Another Man?" by Dr Walter Veith.¹¹

Taking into account the accuracies of the prophecies concerning the Messiah suggests that the things He tells us, and the things told about Him in the Bible, are worthy of close attention. With the principles of source and channel that we have discovered thus far, let us now look into the Bible to see how it explains to us this Pattern of Life.

¹¹ <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gdXbT5cII7U>

5. The Divine Pattern

Pilate had asked a critical question of Jesus. “What is truth?” If he had waited for an answer he might have received these words. “I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.” John 14:6. Jesus states the truth in terms of a relationship to His Father. He is the way to the Father. In another place when speaking to his followers Jesus asked the disciples,

...But whom say ye that I am? (16) And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. (17) And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. Matthew 16:15-17

The answer to Pilate’s question was that Jesus is the truth, and the central point of this truth was that Jesus is the channel or way to the Father. This is the truth of the Divine Pattern, and Paul in the first letter to the Corinthians defines this pattern for us.

Yet for us there is one God, the Father, **of whom** are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, **through** (or by) whom are all things, and through whom we live. 1 Corinthians 8:6

The pattern is discovered in the two words that immediately follow the names of the Father and of Jesus Christ.

Being	Pattern	Definition (From Strong’s Concordance)
Father	ἐκ Of Whom	ek, ex - A primary preposition denoting <i>origin, source</i> (the point whence motion or action proceeds)
Jesus Christ	δια By Whom	dia <i>dee-ah'</i> - A primary preposition denoting the <i>channel</i> of an act; <i>through</i> .

The cornerstone relationship of the universe is ἐκ → δια or in English, Of Whom and By Whom. The Father is the *origin* of what? “All things.” Jesus Christ is the *channel* of what? “All things.” Here we find the universal relational principle of all things including life itself. We might state it this way, where ζῶη zoe is the Greek word for life:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ἐκ} &\rightarrow \text{δια} = \text{ζῶη} \\ \text{Source} &\rightarrow \text{Channel} = \text{Life} \end{aligned}$$



Remember again our example of how human beings receive life. The father (ἐκ, source) passes his seed to the mother (διὰ, channel), and life is given. This is the secret of the origin of the species mentioned in Genesis.

And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. Gen 2:21, 22

What is the relationship between Adam and Eve?

ἐκ → διὰ. The source of the species was in Adam (of whom). Out of him came living material to form the channel of the species, the woman (by whom). And so every child born into this world requires an ἐκ → διὰ (source-channel) process to receive life. Adam understood this when he said,

This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was **taken out of Man**. Genesis 2:23

Through the aid of the inspired words of Scripture we are able to behold the spiritual relationship of the celestial persons of Father and Son. In the observation of that relationship we discover the universal law of all creation which is ἐκ → διὰ, source-channel. Consider again a few more passages of Scripture.

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness;"... So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Genesis 1:26, 27

And to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things **through** Jesus Christ; Ephesians 3:9

All things were made **through** Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. (4) In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. John 1:3-4

God created all things through Jesus Christ. It was His Son who was the one to whom God said "Let us make man in our image." The relational image in which the human species was made was the relationship of the Father and the Son, and that relationship is ἐκ → διὰ, Source-Channel.

For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse... Romans 1:20

The book of Romans tells us that the invisible attributes of Divinity are clearly seen in the things that are made. What particular thing was specifically made in the image of God? The man and the woman and the relationship they sustain to each other. The human relationship of man and wife is made in the pattern of the Father and the Son who form the primary relationship of the universe.

With these thoughts in mind let us consider a few more passages from the Bible.

...that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, (3) in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:2-3

The Father and Son relationship is the divine signature that was placed upon this creation. If you look into the heavens you will see this signature upon the sun and moon. When you look to the origin of the species you will find this divine signature. With this divine key we can unlock all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.

But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord. 2 Corinthians 3:18

By beholding this divine signature of ἐκ → διὰ, Source-Channel, in the Father and Son, our thinking, our feelings, our relationships, and our study will be transformed by this pattern. I find it absolutely ingenious that the secret to all wisdom and knowledge is actually firmly linked to knowledge of the relationship of the Father and the Son. An incorrect understanding of their relationship automatically destroys the key and obscures true knowledge and wisdom. However, with this true knowledge and a continual meditation upon the Father and Son, this pattern begins to be revealed to our consciousness and bring harmony to our minds and hearts and to the minds and hearts of those to whom we relate.

Table 1 – Source Principles

Passage		Origin (Father) - ἐκ →	Channel (Son) - δια
He [Christ] is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. Colossians 1:15	1	Invisible	Visible
[Christ] who being the brightness of His [Father's] glory and the express image of His person... has by inheritance obtained a more excellent name... Hebrews 1:3, 4 Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name...to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:9-11	2	Glory	Brightness (Magnifier)
The Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, John 5:19. But I want you to realize that... the head of Christ is God. 1 Corinthians 11:3	3	Headship	Submission
But to which of the angels has He ever said: "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool" ? Hebrews 1:13 Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. Psalms 91:1	4	Protector	Protected
And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." Matthew 3:17 Jesus answered, "It is written: 'Man shall not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Matthew 4:4	5	Blessing Giver/ Provider	Blessing Receiver
For thus says the high and lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy. Isa 57:15 And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us... John 1:14	6	Transcendent (Further Proximity)	Imminent/ Intimate (Closer Proximity)
I have come in my Father's name , and you do not accept me; but if someone else comes in his own name, you will accept him. John 5:43	7	Represented (Thought)	Presenter (Word)

There are several principles revealed above just by observing the

characteristics of the Father and Son relationship. We will expand these principles in the coming chapters.

Table 2 – Channel examples

Source – ἐκ →	Channel – διὰ	
Husband	Wife	the head of the woman is man . 1 Cor 11:3
Parent	Child	honor your father and mother . Matt 19:19
Christ	Church	For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church ; Eph 5:23
Elder	Flock	Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers. 1 Pet 5:2
Governor	Citizens	Let every soul be subject to the governing authorities . For there is no authority except from God, and the authorities that exist are appointed by God. Romans 13:1
Reason	Emotion	Test all things; hold fast what is good. 1 Thess 5:21
Faith	Works	... faith which works by love. Gal 5:6
Christ	Bible	And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets , He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself . Luke 24:27 You search the Scriptures, for in them you think you have eternal life; and these are they which testify of Me. John 5:39
Old Testament	New Testament	Think not that I came to destroy the law or the prophets : I came not to destroy, but to fulfill . Matt 5:17
First 4 laws	Last 6 laws	And he said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. (38) This is the great and first commandment. (39) And a second like unto it is this, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. Matt 22:37-39 (RV)
Seed	Crop/Tree	Luk 8:5-8 "A sower went out to sow his seed ... (8) But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold."
Sun	Moon	Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. Gen 1:16

Table two shown above is an image of table one. Both are in an $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \delta\iota\alpha$, source-channel, relationship.

Many elements of the divine signature can be seen operating in our world. The positions of origin and channel change depending on the relationship. For instance, in the husband and wife relationship the husband is the origin, and the wife is the channel. In the mother and child relationship the mother is the origin, and the child is the channel.

When we take the principles of the divine pattern described in the first table and apply them to the relationships described in the second table, we discover the secret to harmonious movement of earthly bodies in concert with the primary celestial divine bodies of the universe—the Father and the Son.

It is important to remember that in the examples of source provided in the second table, their authority is subject ultimately to God who gave it. There is no authority on earth that is completely independent, and whatever requests are made of the respective channels must be in harmony with the ultimate authority of God. If they are not in harmony it is not only the right but also the duty of the one occupying the channel to respectfully appeal to the higher authority.

To summarise these principles we have mentioned:

1. Invisible and Visible:
The channel reveals or is the way to the source.
2. Glory and Brightness: the channel magnifies the source.
3. Headship and Submission: the channel submits to the source.
4. The source protects the channel.
5. The source blesses the channel.
6. The source provides for the channel.
7. The source is represented by the channel.

Our list begins with the actions of channel because it leads us to the source, even as Christ leads us to the Father. Once we have connected to the source, we are then able to reveal its actions.

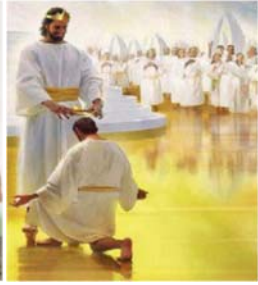
The principles we have just described provide the kernel of the divine pattern. To truly appreciate the beauty and symmetry of this pattern, we must naturally provide a magnification of this in the image examples provided in table two.



Husband and Wife



Parent and Child



Christ and the Church

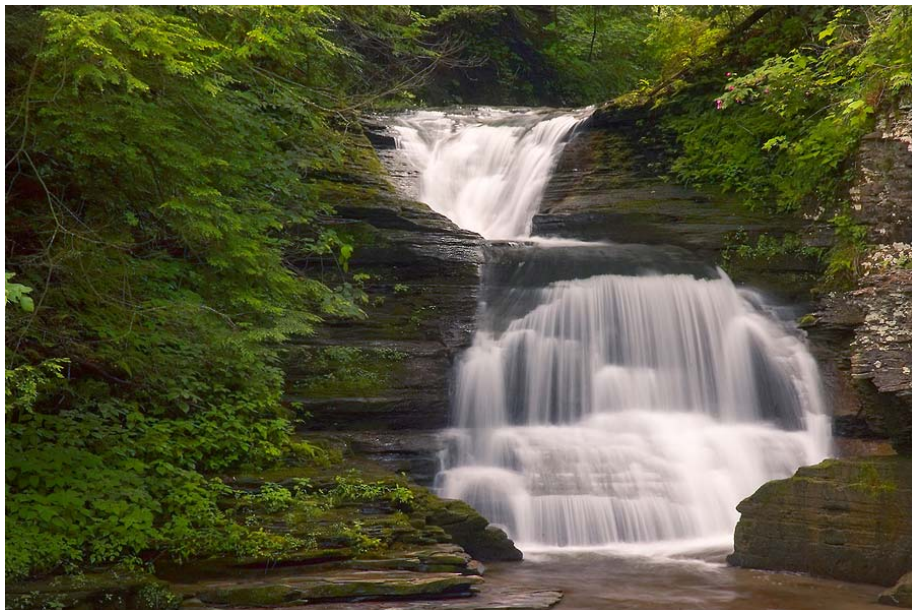


Seed and Tree



Sun and Moon

6. The Stream of Life



In order to complete our introduction to the divine pattern we simply need to ask the question, “Source and channel of *what?*” Let’s come back to the key Bible verse:

Yet for us there is one God, the Father, **of whom are all things**, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, **through whom are all things**, and through whom we live. 1 Corinthians 8:6

The answer simply is *all things*. So what is included in *all things*?

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb.
Revelation 22:1

The lamb in this verse is a reference to the Son of God (John 1:29). All life comes from the Father and passes through the Son. The Father is the source of life and the Son is the channel of life. This life streams to us through the Spirit of God. The Spirit is often referred to as light, water, wind, and also fire in the Bible. It is by the Spirit of God that we experience all the fullness of the

Father's blessings. The only place we can receive this Spirit is through the channel – the Son of God.

So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." (22) And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:21-22

At the present time the whole world receives life on earth because of the gift of Jesus on the cross. Those who refuse to accept where this life comes from will ultimately disconnect themselves from the source. In order to receive this life eternally we need to recognise the source and channel alignment of Father and Son.

And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. (12) He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. 1 John 5:11-12

Life is the first of many blessings that are poured upon us. Here is another:

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. John 3:16

In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. 1 John 4:9

Love finds its source in the heart of the Father and is expressed to us through the channel of His Son. So love is the stream that flows forth from the source and onto and through the channel. The stream of love can be expressed in various ways in the pattern.

Source – ἐκ → (Invisible)	Channel – διὰ (Visible)	Stream/Life - ζῶη
Thought	Word	Love
Thought	Hug	Love
Thought	Gift	Love

Thoughts of love that are never expressed or demonstrated are never known to exist, and if they are never known they cannot be received and experienced. How vital is the channel of the Son of God in the Divine Pattern in order to know the heart of the Father!

Returning to the example of the sun and the moon we discover another important principle. If we consider the concept of the light of knowledge coming into a darkened mind, looking directly into the sun, especially from such a darkened state, will cause blindness, yet the same sunlight received through the agency of the moon will allow the light to be embraced without harm.

Source – ἐκ → (Invisible)	Channel – δια (Visible)	Stream/Life - ζωη
Sun	Moon	Light
Parent	Child	Knowledge

As physical light comes to us through a divine pattern, so knowledge of our world comes to us by instruction. In order for us to learn our parents or teachers must instruct us. We might choose to read ourselves, but we have to be taught to read and we have to have exposure to books written by others to learn. Knowledge and wisdom must be learned through the stream of instruction. We are not born with an instant knowledge of the universe and our surroundings; we learn it from a teacher or mentor. Here are some more examples to consider.

Source – ἐκ → (Invisible)	Channel – δια (Visible)	Stream/Life - ζωη
Parent	Child	Life, Love, Blessing, Protection, Food, Mercy, Knowledge, Affirmation, Correction, Order
Teacher	Student	Knowledge, Affirmation/Blessing, Correction, Order
Christ	Church	Life, Love, Grace, Mercy, Blessing, Knowledge, Correction, Order

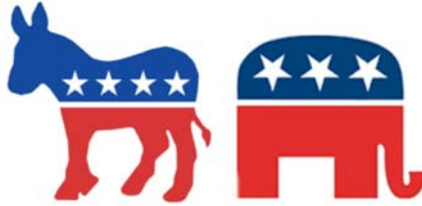
Elder	Flock	Love, Blessing, Knowledge, Protection, Correction, Order
Governor	Citizens	Knowledge, Protection, Affirmation, Order

So the Divine Pattern has:

1. Source
2. Channel
3. Stream

Through the correct alignment of source and channel the stream will begin to flow and bring life, blessing, fertility, and prosperity. But when they are not aligned and understood correctly then we taste the curse, decay, and eventually death.

7. The “God of this World” and the Birth of Opposing Forces



If you could walk into the houses of government of most democratically controlled nations you would find a collection of representatives who align themselves with the government and at the same time a collection of representatives who would be classed as the opposition. Day in and day out these opposing forces debate the pressing issues of the nation. Each speaker seeks to persuade the chamber of the virtues of his argument. The discussion is often sharp and cutting with a high level of tension. The process is a method designed for resolving disagreement that has been central to European and Indian philosophy since antiquity. Known as *Dialectic* in the Greek, it was made popular by Plato in the Socratic dialogues and is a dominant form of thinking in the world today.¹² Although these forces are visibly opposed to one another, they are actually understood to be complimentary, and the synthesis that emerges from the conflict is understood to produce a higher quality of truth and excellence for those involved and those they represent.

If we consider this principle from an eastern perspective, we find the Chinese philosophy of Yin and Yang, where perceived opposites such as light and dark, fire and water, and male and female are actually complimentary and work to create harmony and balance.¹³ These principles have been made popular through the *Star Wars* film series that displayed light and dark forces working against each other but ultimately bringing balance to the *force*.

How do we account for this apparent world of opposites; a world of tension that evidently exists within and all around us? If we should allow our senses alone to guide us, there appears to be much supportive evidence for such a view. To borrow the opening words from the series of *Star Wars* we might say, “A long time ago in a galaxy far, far away.”

¹² <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dialectic>

¹³ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Yin_and_yang

If we turn again to the ancient prophets, we can discover the genesis of this oppositional system.

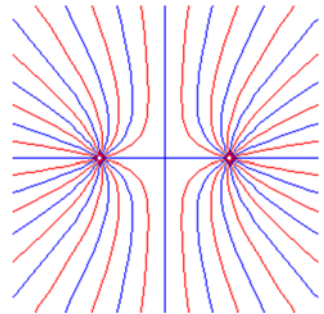
How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *How* you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! (13) For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; (14) I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' Isaiah 14:12-14

Lucifer was created a beautiful angelic being and was first among the angels. He was brought into a universe that operated according to the principle of $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \delta\iota\alpha = \zeta\omega\eta$, source-channel-life. There was perfect harmony as each created being approached the great Source of all through the example of the great $\delta\iota\alpha$ – the Son of the Father. The sweet harmony that existed between Father and Son was shared by all the inhabitants of the universe as long as they held the example of the Son of God as the cornerstone of their own personal identity. There can only be one true $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$, one ultimate Source of all things, and this is the Father. The harmony of the universe depended on a constant recognition of this fact. "The Lord our God, the Lord is One." Deuteronomy 6:4.

Lucifer came to believe that all that he had been given was his by divine right and that he himself was his own God. This lie led him to express that he himself was like the Most High – the Father. Lucifer did not seek to eliminate the Father but rather to present himself as His inherently equal counterpart. He no longer wished to behold the Father through the $\delta\iota\alpha$ lens of the Son of God. He envisioned a completely egalitarian model for the universe where all could identify themselves as their own source or $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$. So Lucifer envisioned the ruling of the universe as:

$\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ and $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$
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This formula that he proposed caused the natural flow of the $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \delta\iota\alpha = \zeta\omega\eta$ source-channel-life relationship to cease. The forces of two absolute $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ sources would lead to a natural tension that requires a synthesis or balance to regain oneness again.



As a formula we might state this as:

$$\begin{aligned} \acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \zeta\omega\eta(\text{life}) \leftarrow \acute{\epsilon}\kappa \\ (\text{source}) \downarrow (\text{source}) \\ \acute{\epsilon}\kappa (\text{source}) \end{aligned}$$



The collision of two $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ forces results in a unification or synthesis of the two into a mystical one. The individual identities are sacrificed by compromise of personal conviction for the common good, and harmony or balance is seemingly restored. This new formula is noted for its elimination of the $\delta\iota\alpha$ -channel principle. Thus, in order to maintain harmony in the universe there must be continual conflict and resolution as each individual finds a personal identity based on being an $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ source. Lucifer has promised all who will listen to him:

...God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and **you will be like God**, knowing good and evil. Genesis 3:5

So from the beginning it was the design of Lucifer to eliminate the great $\delta\iota\alpha$ – the Son of God.¹⁴ With the Son out of the way he would invite everyone to be part of the universal source through whatever philosophical method one desired. Whether by pantheism¹⁵ or by worshipping a god of co-equality and becoming like it, it does not matter as long as no $\delta\iota\alpha$ channel principle actually exists in reality. One can pretend to display the $\delta\iota\alpha$ channel principle as long as it is clear that the core reality is that of an $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ source.

This is the origin of the great war of the universe. It is a war between two understandings of the fundamental relationship of its first two celestial beings.

The Divine Pattern of Scripture	The God of this World's Pattern
$\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \delta\iota\alpha = \zeta\omega\eta$ source \rightarrow channel = life	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \zeta\omega\eta \leftarrow \acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ (source) \downarrow (source) 2. $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ (source)

¹⁴ John 8:44 ... He was a murderer from the beginning...

¹⁵ Pantheism is any religious belief or philosophical doctrine that identifies God with the universe or that God is the universe.

The pattern of the god of this world was inherited by the founders of our race when they accepted the lie, “You shall not surely die...you will be like God.” Gen 3:4,5. This is when we traded the harmonious position of $\delta\iota\alpha$ for the constant process of conflict between ourselves and with God to become our own $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ → source. How our race treated the great $\delta\iota\alpha$ when He came to this world is proof that this lie now exists naturally within humanity. He was hung on a cross and murdered. The meek and mild character of the Son of God, who was obedient to His Father in all things was not in harmony with the fallen mind we had inherited. Our first parents received this blasphemous pattern directly from its originator Lucifer.

It is interesting to note that the concept of “the dialectic” existed in the philosophy of Heraclitus of Ephesus (535 – 475 BCE), who proposed that everything is in constant change as a result of inner strife and opposition.¹⁶ The Scriptures expose the source of this inner strife by revealing Satan’s false concept of God that destroys the $\delta\iota\alpha$ identity. This is why Paul wrote to the Corinthians:

But even if our gospel [good news] is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing, whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.

2 Corinthians 4:3,4

It is impossible to understand the Divine Pattern and find true harmony when our minds are blinded by the god of this world. Our minds need to be reset or reborn into a correct understanding of the Divine Pattern. In other words, repent of our idolatry of false ideas. This process is likened to death in the Bible because it is a complete surrender and rejection of everything that seems logical and reasonable when viewed through the lens of the god of this world. The only way to return to the $\delta\iota\alpha$ principle is to ask Him, the Son of God, to teach you and help you. By ourselves this is impossible because our minds are set in the other direction under the influence of Luciferian teaching.

As an introduction to the many problems the “god of this world pattern” causes, let us consider the very perception of truth itself. Within the Divine Pattern “all things” proceed from the One $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ → Source which means there is one absolute truth or one source for truth. In the first stage of the “god of

¹⁶ <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Dialectic#Principles>

this world pattern” or creature-pattern there are at least two sources of truth if we replicate the pattern of elevating all persons to godhood or an $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ source. Therefore you have many versions of “truth” and this logically leads to the maxim of the Danish Philosopher Soren Kierkegaard (1813 – 1855) that “subjectivity is truth and truth is subjectivity.” Different truths are in competition with each other or mystically combined through force – either way this multi-source pattern is highly unstable, being built on sand. Truth is torn down from its objectivity, and it falls upon people to use whatever things they have at their disposal to convince others of their “truth.”

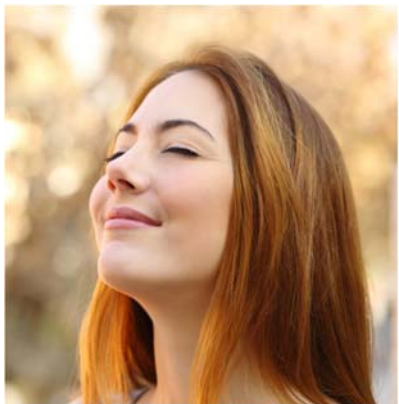
The tools available include manipulation, deceit, and eventually physical force to establish one’s own “truth”, as there is no absolute truth in the “god of this world pattern.” History reveals that the dominant players in this method have been those most capable of displaying several “truths” to different groups, even when such ideas conflict. Expressing several conflicting “truths” at once renders useless one’s core identity, causing cognitive dissonance that traps the individual in a cage of powerlessness. Increased contradiction within the system thus requires the rise of spin doctors to massage these “truths” to pacify the masses; and to give us a sense that many leaders only stand for what will advance their causes for domination. The individuals who are able to convince the majority of their “truths,” however conflicting, can secure the votes needed for their “truths” to dominate the group. The political processes of all the nations of the world are thus fed by this twisting and massaging of the truth, leaving the members of each nation feeling deceived and frustrated. These feelings may eventually lead to revolution and a repositioning of power. While the leadership changes, the problems eventually reappear because it is built on the same concept of truth.

Let us turn now to this inner conflict about which Heraclitus of Ephesus spoke. We will see how the Luciferian teaching causes conflict in the mind-body relationship as well as in the reason-emotion relationship.

8. Sabbath for the Soul: Finding Rest Within

The Bible account of the creation of man reveals that:

...the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. Genesis 2:7



So we learn that man is a combination of body and breath/wind/spirit. So what is the relationship between these two elements of body and spirit or body and mind? If you search the internet with the term “Mind Body Problem” you will see there is a whole body of literature dedicated to answering this question.

One of the central questions in psychology (and philosophy) concerns the mind/body problem: is the mind part of the body, or the body part of the

mind? If they are distinct, then how do they interact? And which of the two is in charge?¹⁷

Let us test these questions in the two patterns we have been discussing.

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Identifying the elements in the Divine Pattern is simple when we apply the invisible and visible characteristic. Clearly the mind is invisible and the body is visible. So our formula in this case is:

$$\text{mind} \rightarrow \text{body} = \text{life}$$

If we apply the relevant characteristics of the pattern we see that the mind is the head or director of the body. The body is the channel through which the

¹⁷ <http://www.simplypsychology.org/mindbodydebate.html>

mind is revealed. The thoughts of the mind are manifested through the voice and actions of the body. The apostle Paul expressed this mind-body relationship when he said

...I discipline my body and bring it into subjection, lest, when I have preached to others, I myself should become disqualified. 1 Corinthians 9:27

The body is placed in subjection to the mind. Yet at this point we must be careful that we adhere to all the characteristics of the Divine Pattern. The mind is the protector of the body in that the mind seeks to eat well, exercise, and get adequate rest for the body. This is in contrast to platonic notions that led to the suppression of the body and the rise of monasticism¹⁸ and the beating of the body. This idea is one of the natural fruits of the creature-pattern as we shall discover. In this model we see:

1. Mind → Life ← Body (Dualism)
- OR
2. Mind/Body (Monism)¹⁹

When the mind and body are understood as two co-source entities, there will be a resulting effort to harmonise these two opposing elements. One of the most common human situations that results from this pattern of life is how to deal with the question of hunger. When the body signals hunger and it has a co-equal status with the mind, then which one decides what and how much should be eaten? In other words, is the body's expression of hunger an appeal or a command? Within the Divine Pattern it is understood as an appeal to the mind. The mind assesses whether the request will prosper or harm the body and then issues a command. If the body functions in submission to the mind when it says *no*, there will be no conflict, but if the body, and particularly the lower part of the brain, is not in subjection to the higher frontal lobe, there will be a war in the mind as to whether to eat or not. This warfare is being played out on a large scale worldwide through issues with obesity and many lifestyle diseases that occur because the mind has been downgraded to a second class position to the body.

¹⁸ Monasticism is a religious way of life in which one renounces worldly pursuits to devote oneself fully to spiritual work. Monastic practices often involve rigid discipline through bodily suffering to weaken and suppress fleshly desires.

¹⁹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Mind-body_problem

Within the Divine Pattern, harmony of mind and body is found in the control of the mind over the body where the mind cares for the body and protects it, and the body nurtures the mind and expresses and expands its thinking and will. As long as the mind and body are patterned after the great $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow \delta\iota\alpha$ source-channel formula, it will seek to function in this order and thus prevent a war within the soul, bringing rest. It is the qualities of the Son of God, the great $\delta\iota\alpha$ of the universe, which ensures rest. As Jesus taught us:

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

Harmony of mind and body can begin to come when we allow the $\delta\iota\alpha$ principle of Christ into our lives to impact the channel aspects of our creation. This harmony results in a Sabbath or rest for the soul.

The mind and body issue can be extended further into the relationship of reason and emotion. Let us apply the two formulas once again. Our clue for the Divine Pattern is that reason is invisible and emotion involves a visible expression.

Reason \rightarrow Emotion = Life

Conversely in the “be-your-own-god” creature-pattern this becomes:

1. Reason \rightarrow Life \leftarrow Emotion

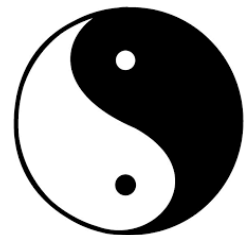
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2. Dominance of Reason “rationalism.”²⁰

OR

2. Dominance of Emotion “Let your feelings guide you.”

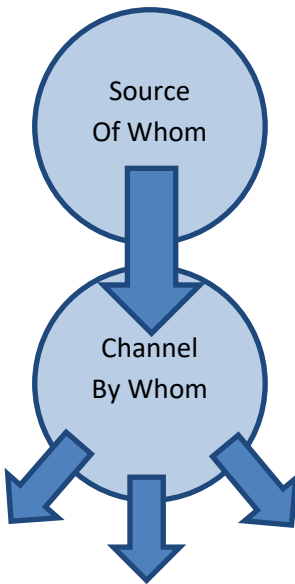
If you do any level of study on reason and emotion, you will find much advice on how to harmonise them. By perceiving reason and emotion as two sources viewed as opposing principles, there is created an internal war for dominance. Plato expressed these as a white and a black horse pulling our chariot through life. For Plato, reason was the white horse while emotion was the black horse, thus suggesting the oppositional nature of the relationship.



²⁰ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Chariot_Allegory

The white and black opposition went a step further in the East by the Yin and Yang principle in which the heart of the white is black and the heart of the black is white. Once again we can find partial expression of this in the *Star Wars* movie series where the heart of the Jedi ethic was expressed by calm, calculated discipline guided by one's feelings.

One might respond that at the heart of emotion is reason, but this then closes an entirely dialectic circle that leads one recursively to a mystical, non-comprehensible existence. The "enlightened" ones tell you that to question it is to reveal your novice state of mind; you must simply let your heart embrace what your mind cannot accept. "It's a mystery; just accept it."



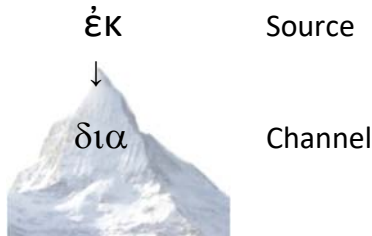
All of this confusion, conflict, and war can be put to rest by the acceptance of the Divine Pattern and the headship-submission relationship of reason and emotion where emotion acts as the magnifier and brightness of the mind's glory. The begotten Son invites us to eat the great $\delta\iota\alpha$ Bread of life to restore true harmony and bring rest to our minds and bodies.

9. Narrow Path to the Divine Pattern



Have you ever watched someone base jump from a high cliff or building? Base Jumping is an extreme sport where you jump from a very high and dangerous place and then deploy a parachute before you hit the ground. I have watched a number of videos on the internet recording this experience. Jumpers tell of the fear barrier one must overcome to make a jump. Making the transition from the “pattern of the god of this world” to the Divine Pattern is similar to this process. If you display the Divine Pattern formula in the context of the holy mountain of God, where the Father resides in the top of the mountain we see the following:

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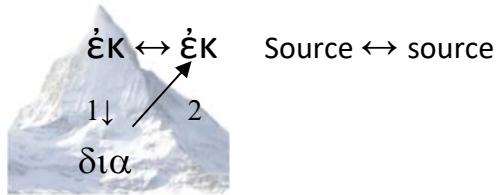
The Bible tells us concerning the Father:

For thus says the High and Lofty One Who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy, “I dwell in the high and holy place,” Isaiah 57:15

The Father dwells in the top of the mountain, and all access to Him is through His $\delta\iota\alpha$ Son. The Son of God occupies a position of humility and obedience to His Father. The Son inherited all that His Father possessed, but He remains submissive and under the authority of His Father. Lucifer, who became Satan after he fell, desired to ascend to the heights of the clouds and become like the Most High.

For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation on the farthest sides of the north; (14) I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' Isaiah 14:13-14

This process of self-exaltation may appear as follows:



Seeking to exalt self to be equal with God, and sitting in the temple of God claiming to be God is seeking an extremely high position. This is a place we don't belong and therefore puts us on the edge of a very high cliff. To return to our true position in submission to the great $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa \rightarrow$ Source of the universe requires us to jump from this position. If we took this jump ourselves we would die and be lost forever. There was one being in the universe who could take this jump and open a way for us to return to our proper place in the Divine Pattern. The Son of God was granted to be equal with His Father. He is entitled to stand at the top of the mountain with His Father. But in pity for our fallen race Christ took that amazing jump, so that He might bring us back into true relationship to the Father.

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, (6) who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, (7) but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men. (8) And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross. Philippians 2:5-8

In the great jump from the mountain, the Son of God opened a way for us to come back to the Divine Pattern and learn once again the principles of the $\delta\iota\alpha$ Son of God. The challenge for us is that we don't have a parachute, and our jump must certainly be to our death. From the top it can't be seen that as we jump Christ is able to hold us on the way down, and He takes the impact of the fall for us in that having died once, He died once for all.

Yet the desire to jump only comes to those who realise that it is blasphemous to seek the lofty position as God Himself. In our natural state we see no problem with this situation for the god of this world blinds our eyes to this terrible blasphemy. The Law of God thunders from the mountain,

You shall have no other gods before Me. Exodus 20:3

As we see the lightning, hear the thunder, and feel the mountain shake, we are made to feel the danger of our position. We feel the need to jump, but we fear that we shall die, and so we remain frozen precariously placed upon

the mountain. The fact is that the only reason we can still be alive is because of the prayer of the Son as He hung upon the cross, "Father, forgive them; for they know not what they do."

To step onto the mountain should mean instant death, because when we seek to exalt ourselves we should fall immediately to our death. However, Christ pleads on our behalf with the Father to grant us time to recognize this great sin of ours. Only when we see can it be impressed upon us, through the Law of God, to flee into His arms and allow ourselves to be crucified with Him and be born again into $\delta\iota\alpha$ life. We find ourselves like our first parents, submissively stationed at the base of the mountain and waiting to go up when called, clothed in the $\delta\iota\alpha$ channel garments of the Son of God.

The place to jump from the mountain is called in Scripture the narrow gate. This is a very narrow place where we may feel the embrace of the Saviour and jump with Him.

Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Matthew 7:13

The narrow gate is both hard to find as well as enter for most people. First it is hard to find because we do not naturally feel the need to enter. Once having found the gate, the narrow entrance requires us to leave behind everything in this life to get through it. We have to be willing to be like the camel that would go through the eye of the needle. The needle was a very short, narrow opening in the wall of the city in Jerusalem. When the main gates were shut this was the only place one could enter. A merchant would have to completely unload all the treasure from his camel and make the camel kneel and shuffle through the hole in the wall. This is why it is hard for a rich man (one who has pride in himself and exalts himself and clings to all the "stuff" that represents his self-worth) to enter the narrow gate. (Matt 19:24)

When the Law thunders from the mountain in loving warning, the intoxicating lie that we are our own $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ → source causes many to scoff at such warnings as fiction made to frighten and control the insecure. Others teach the Law is no longer important, for it was all fulfilled and completed at the cross. The humiliating leap of Christ to His death was enough; we do not need to jump with Him. We do not need to humble ourselves and repent in such a heart-wrenching manner. Through this and many other inventions the

narrow gate is covered up and hidden to the world, so that one remains upon the mountain unclothed in the $\delta\iota\alpha$ garments of the Son of God.

Those found without these garments upon the mountain at the time of the wedding of the Son of God to the Church will have to jump from the mountain alone. Time and again the Son of God called to the lost sheep upon the mountain, going afar to gather the wandering sheep again, but they would not hear. The cry arose, "We will not have this man to reign over us." So they will jump alone without a mediator, and it will prove to have been completely unnecessary.



Standing upon the cliff looking down thousands of feet seems very daunting. It feels certain that we must die, but Jesus has told us:

He who loves his life will lose it, and he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. John 12:25

Do you want the joy and prosperity that will be yours if you enter into the Divine Pattern and discover the key that restores, harmonises, and aligns all the relationships that concern you? Let the Law of God thunder into your soul, let your eyes be opened to the wickedness of believing you are your own $\acute{\epsilon}\kappa$ → source. If you can't see how this is the common experience inherited from our first parents, pray for eyes to see and discover in the pain of broken relationships and internal warfare that the creature-patterned virus is ravaging your mind and body. Come to the narrow gate and let go of the things you cling to that currently define you, and see in Christ one who will never leave you nor forsake you on your descent into the valley of humility. Jesus outlines the path of blessing. I invite you to study it carefully and embrace each point.

Then He opened His mouth and taught them, saying:

- (3) Blessed *are* the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- (4) Blessed *are* those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.
- (5) Blessed *are* the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.
- (6) Blessed *are* those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, For they shall be filled.
- (7) Blessed *are* the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

- (8) Blessed *are* the pure in heart, For they shall see God.
- (9) Blessed *are* the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.
- (10) Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake,
For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- (11) Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you,
and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.
- (12) Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great *is* your reward in heaven,
for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you. Matthew 5:3-12

Jesus says:

Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden,
and I will give you rest. Matthew 11:28

It may take several days of searching your heart. You may have even thought yourself to be walking the path of Christ but know that your war with self has yielded very few results in your character. Today is the day of salvation. Christ is ready to hold your hand and carry you down into the valley. I invite you to take this step and the leap of faith, not a leap of ignorance, but a leap in response to the full knowledge of the wrong way we all have been living. I know you will not regret this decision. Jesus says to us today:

All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. John 6:37

10.The Next Step

In this small booklet some of the foundational principles of the Divine Pattern have been presented. Now there is a world of discovery that awaits you as to how the alignment of source and channel in all areas of your life can be found in the Father and the Son. This is the beginning of a series of booklets outlining aspects of this Divine Pattern. In our journey we want to explore the Divine Pattern of love, the Divine Pattern of marriage, the Divine Pattern of law, the Divine Pattern of worship, and the Divine Pattern of finances. I thank you for investing in the journey thus far, and I pray it has been a blessing to you. May these words of our Father speak to you:

My son, if you receive my words, And treasure my commands within you, (2) So that you incline your ear to wisdom, And apply your heart to understanding; (3) Yes, if you cry out for discernment, And lift up your voice for understanding, (4) If you seek her as silver, And search for her as for hidden treasures; (5) Then you will understand the fear of the LORD, And find the knowledge of God. (6) For the LORD gives wisdom; From His mouth come knowledge and understanding; (7) He stores up sound wisdom for the upright; He is a shield to those who walk uprightly; (8) He guards the paths of justice, And preserves the way of His saints. Proverbs 2:1-8

Yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through (δῖα) whom are all things, and through whom we live. 1 Corinthians 8:6

Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through (δῖα) Me." John 14:6

Then Jesus said to them again, "Most assuredly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep. (8) All who ever came before Me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not hear them. (9) I am the door. If anyone enters by (δῖα) Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture. John 10:7-9

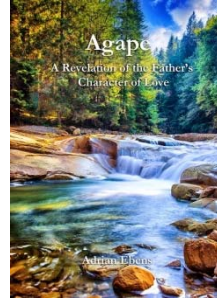
...we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, (24) but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ (δῖα) the power of God and the wisdom of God. 1 Corinthians 1:23-24

... attaining to all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the knowledge of the mystery of God, both of the Father and of Christ, (3) in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Colossians 2:2-3

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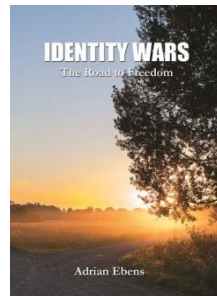
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The Divine Pattern of Life

Universal patterns of life are all around us. They come from the original Divine Pattern coming down from the Father, through the Son, which is found at every level of life.

Sun and moon, seed and plant,
parent and child, king and country,
Old Testament – New Testament,
the Pattern of Source and Channel
is the key.

In contrast, a subversive, conflicting pattern has made its way into the lives of men, and women, and the hearts and minds of rulers and leaders. All must choose their pattern of life or death. Sacred scriptures encourage us to choose life