

Divine Principle
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The Second Coming of Christ

Jesus Preached the Coming of God's Kingdom

Luke 4:43 .. he said to them, *“I must preach **the good news of the kingdom of God** to the other cities also; **for I was sent for this purpose.**”*

Matt 4:23 *And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching **the gospel of the kingdom** and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.*

Mark 1:14-15 *Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and **the kingdom of God is at hand**; repent, and believe in the gospel.”*

Matt 24:14 *“And **this gospel of the kingdom** will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations; and then the end will come.”*

For What Purpose Will Christ Return?

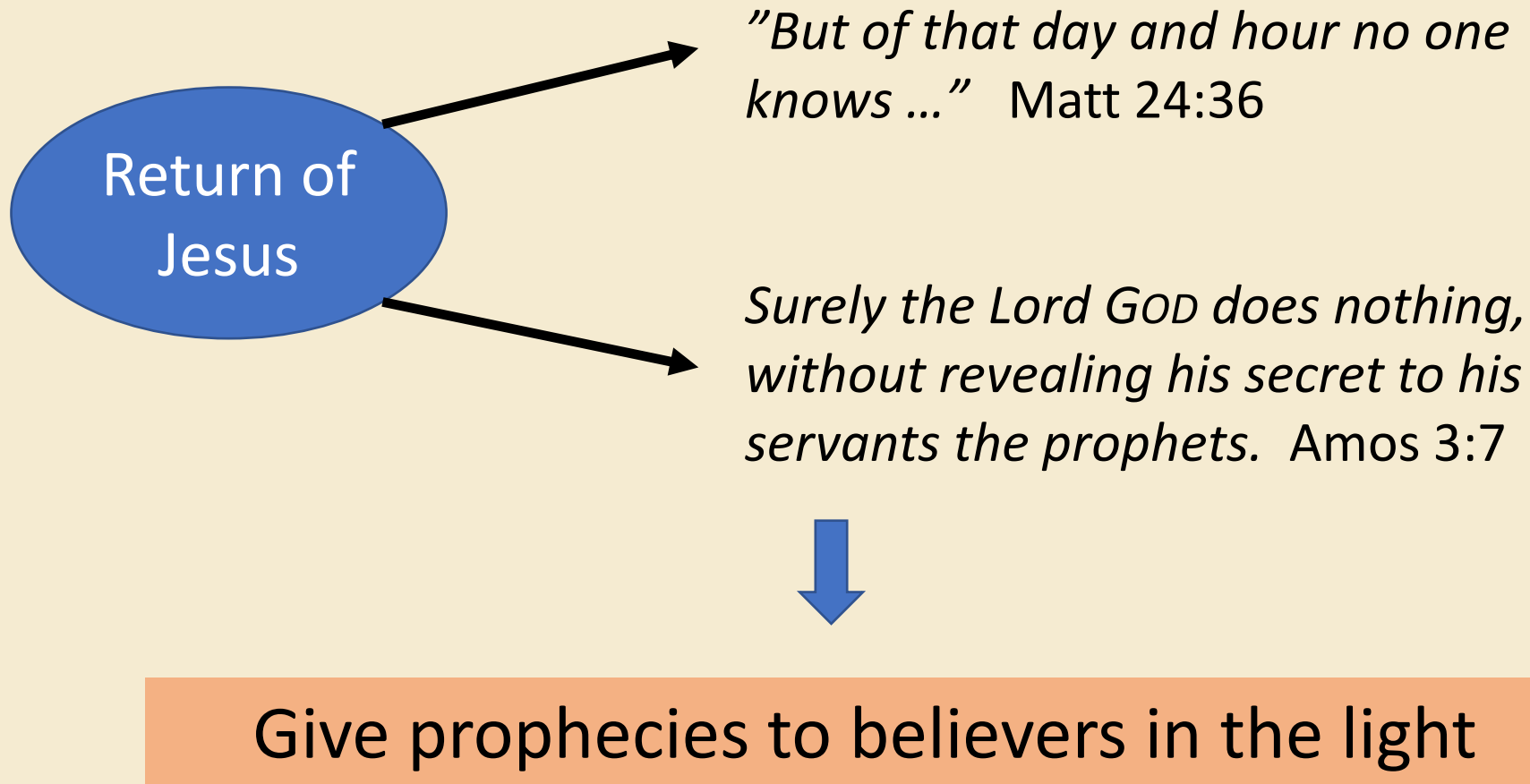
- 1 God's unchanging will is the establishment of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth. (Matt 6:9-10)
- 2 Jesus brought mankind spiritual salvation at His first coming, but the Kingdom on Earth was not established at that time. (John 18:36)
- 3 At the time of the Second Coming, God will fulfill His original purpose of creation and begin to reclaim sovereignty over the earth centering on Christ and His lineage. (Isa 46:11)

Christ Will Have Power Over the Nations

... only hold fast what you have, until I come. He who conquers and who keeps my works until the end, I will give him power over the nations, and he shall rule them with a rod of iron, as when earthen pots are broken in pieces, even as I myself have received power from my Father.

Rev 2:25-27

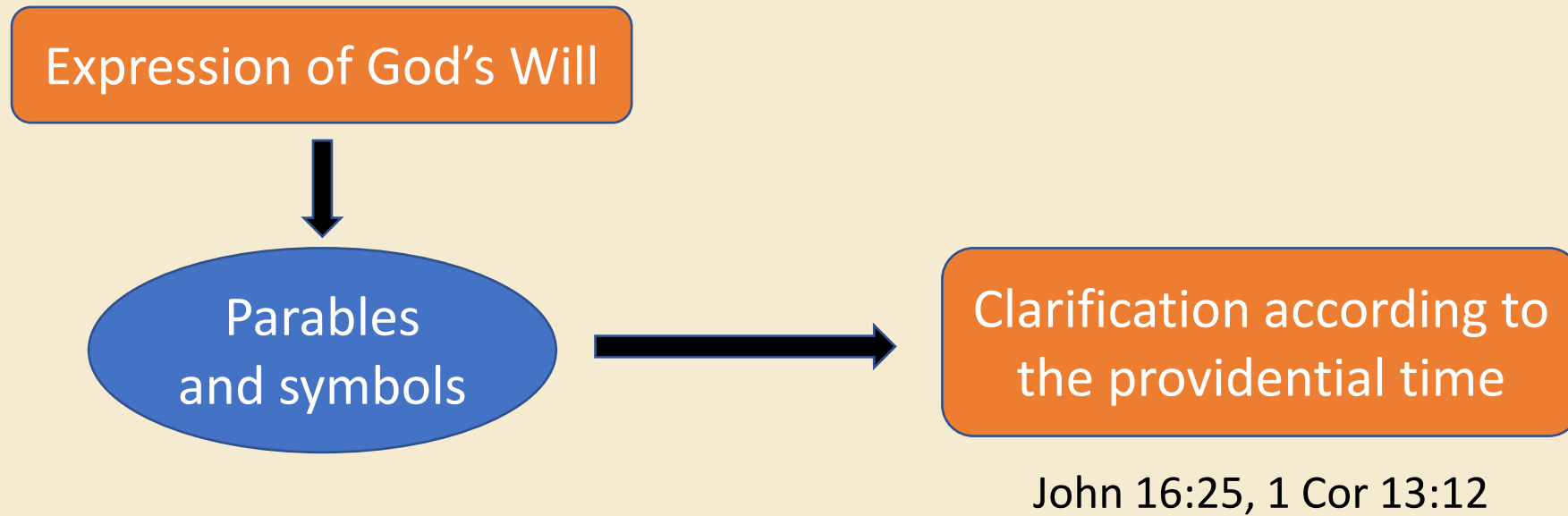
Prophecies of the Second Coming



When Will Christ Return?

- Christ returns at the end of the 2,000-year period of the New Testament Age.
- We are living in the time of the Second Advent (1917-1930).

How Will Christ Return?



Clouds – Literal or Symbolic?

“Then will appear the sign of the Son of Man in heaven. And then all the peoples of the earth will mourn when they see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven, with power and great glory.” Matthew 24:30

Behold, He is coming with clouds, and every eye will see Him, even they who pierced Him. And all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of Him. Even so, Amen. Revelation 1:7

Elijah Taken Up Into the Clouds

As they were walking along and talking together, suddenly a chariot of fire and horses of fire appeared and separated the two of them, and Elijah went up to heaven in a whirlwind. 2 Kings 2:11

The Jewish People Were Waiting for Elijah's Return

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the Lord comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.” Malachi 4:5-6

How Would Elijah Return?



Elijah Returned as John the Baptist

Then an angel of the Lord appeared to him, standing at the right side of the altar of incense. When Zechariah saw him, he was startled and was gripped with fear. But the angel said to him: “Do not be afraid, Zechariah; your prayer has been heard. Your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you are to call him John.... He will bring back many of the people of Israel to the Lord their God. And he will go on before the Lord, in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the parents to their children and the disobedient to the wisdom of the righteous—to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.”

Luke 1:11-13, 16-17

Elijah Returned as John the Baptist

“But I tell you, Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but have done to him everything they wished. In the same way the Son of Man is going to suffer at their hands.” Then the disciples understood that he was talking to them about John the Baptist. Matt 17:12-13

Biblical Prophecy Regarding Christ's Return

Being asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was coming, he answered them, "The kingdom of God is not coming with signs to be observed; nor will they say, 'Lo, here it is!' or 'There!' for behold, the kingdom of God is in the midst of you." And he said to the disciples, "The days are coming when you will desire to see one of the days of the Son of man, and you will not see it. And they will say to you, 'Lo, there!' or 'Lo, here!' Do not go, do not follow them. For as the lightning flashes and lights up the sky from one side to the other, so will the Son of man be in his day. But first he must suffer many things and be rejected by this generation." Luke 17:25

Jesus' Words Regarding His Return

"I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8

If Christ Returns on the Clouds:

- He would not have to suffer and be rejected
- He would be readily accepted and honored
- All Christians would embrace the returning Jesus

Jesus' Words Regarding His Return

“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’ And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you evildoers.’ ”

Matthew 7:21-23

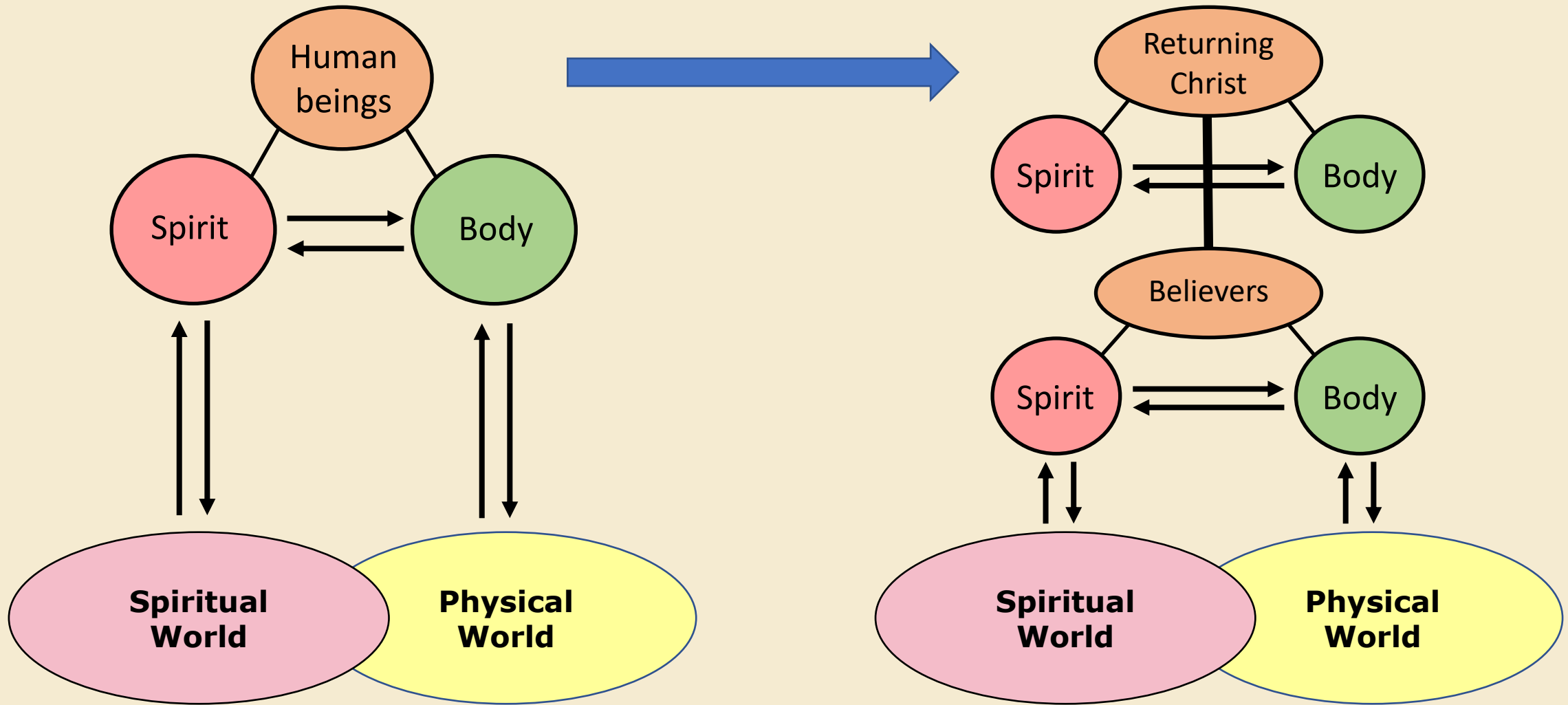
Christ Will Come in the Flesh

- Just as Elijah returned through John the Baptist, Jesus will return in the same manner.
- He will come as a child born on earth with a new name. (Rev 2:17)

Christ Comes to Fulfill God's Original Purpose

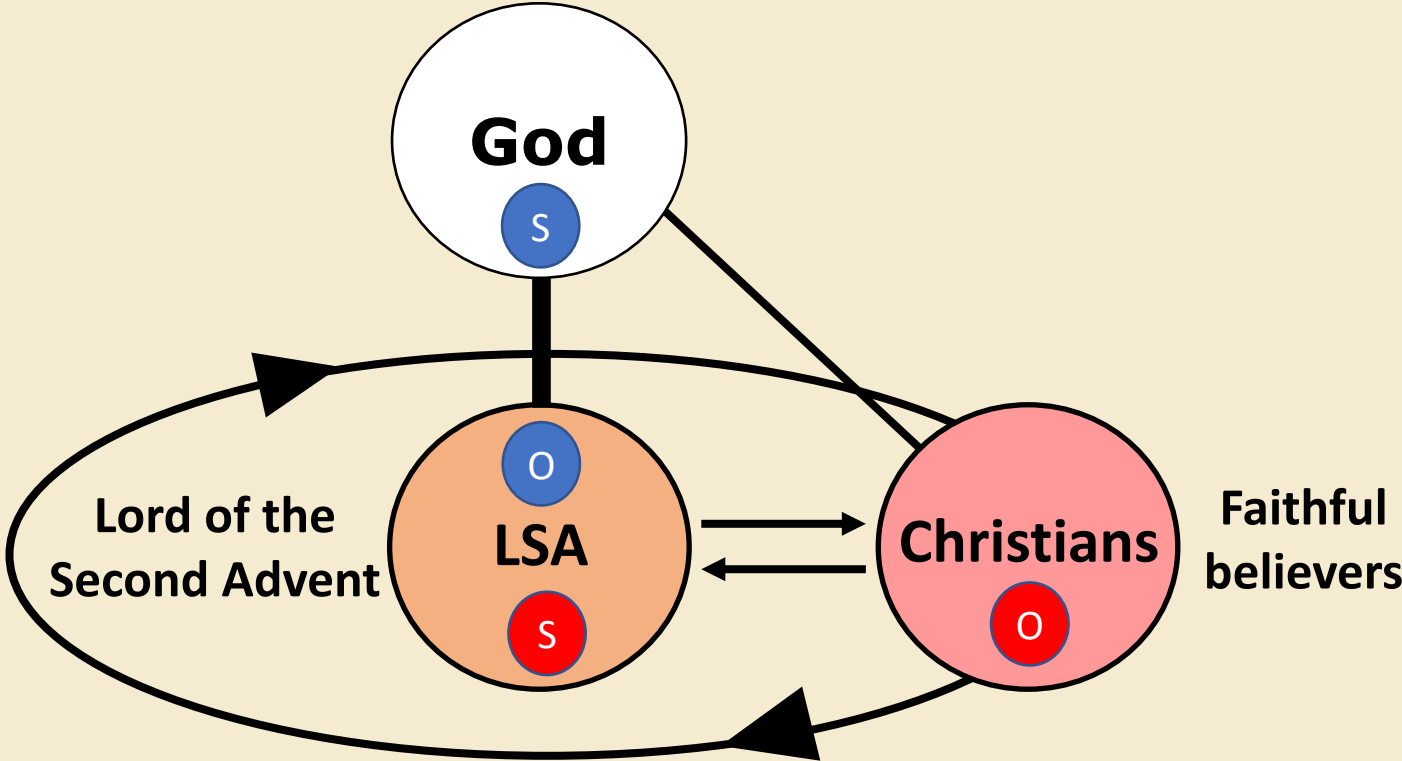
- As a God of absolute Will and Perfection, God will not deviate from His original purpose.
- God created Adam on the earth to establish His kingship and lineage for eternity.
- By accomplishing His purpose through Christ's return, God's dominion of love will be planted on the earth for the first time.

*“I was watching in the night visions,
And behold, One like the Son of Man,
Coming with the clouds of heaven!
He came to the Ancient of Days,
And they brought Him near before Him.
Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom,
That all peoples, nations, and languages should serve Him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion,
Which shall not pass away,
And His kingdom the one
Which shall not be destroyed.” Daniel 7:13-14*

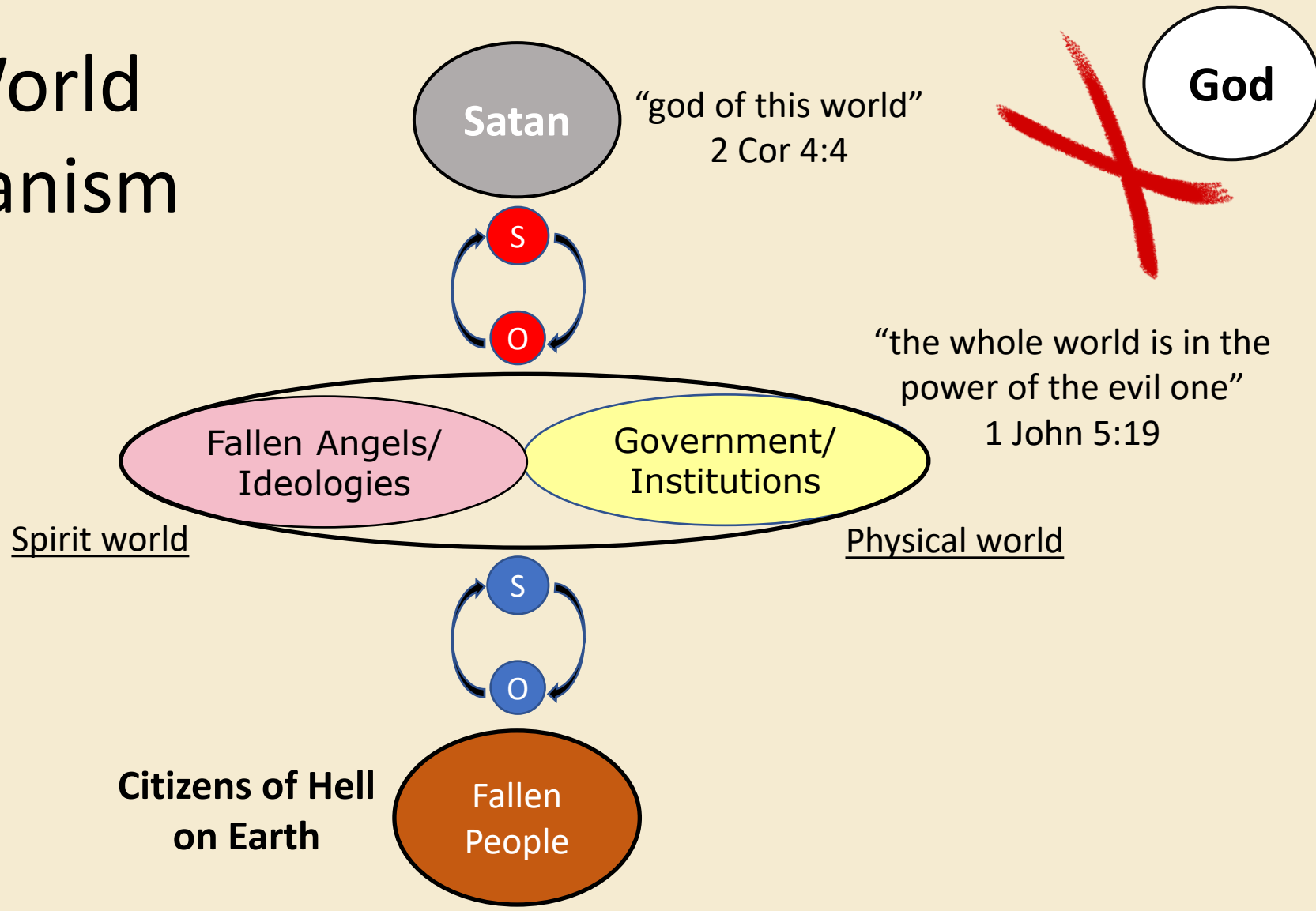


"Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven." Matt 6:9-10

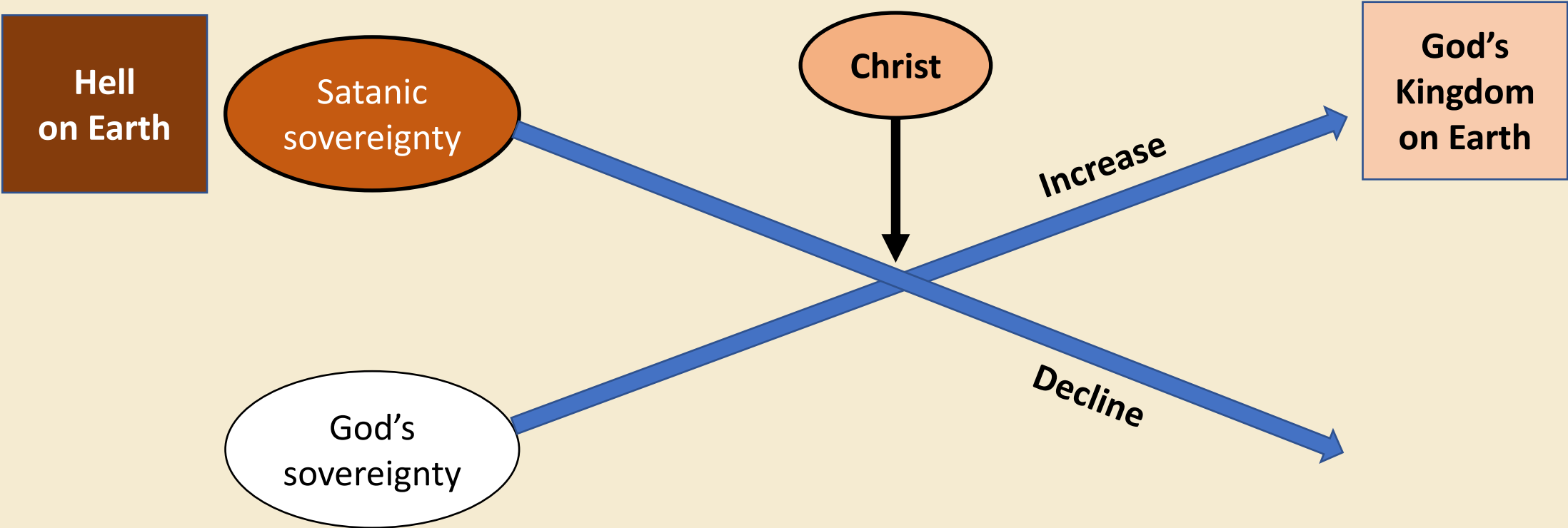
Christians and the Second Coming



Fallen World Totalitarianism

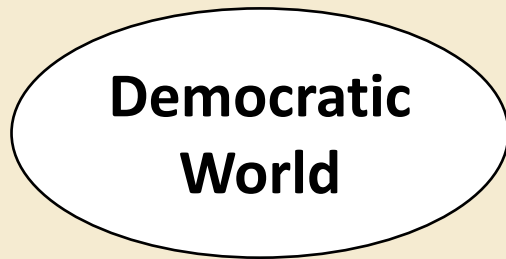


Reclamation of God's Sovereignty in the Last Days



The Last Days and the World Wars

God's side (Abel)



Allied nations
centering on the
United States

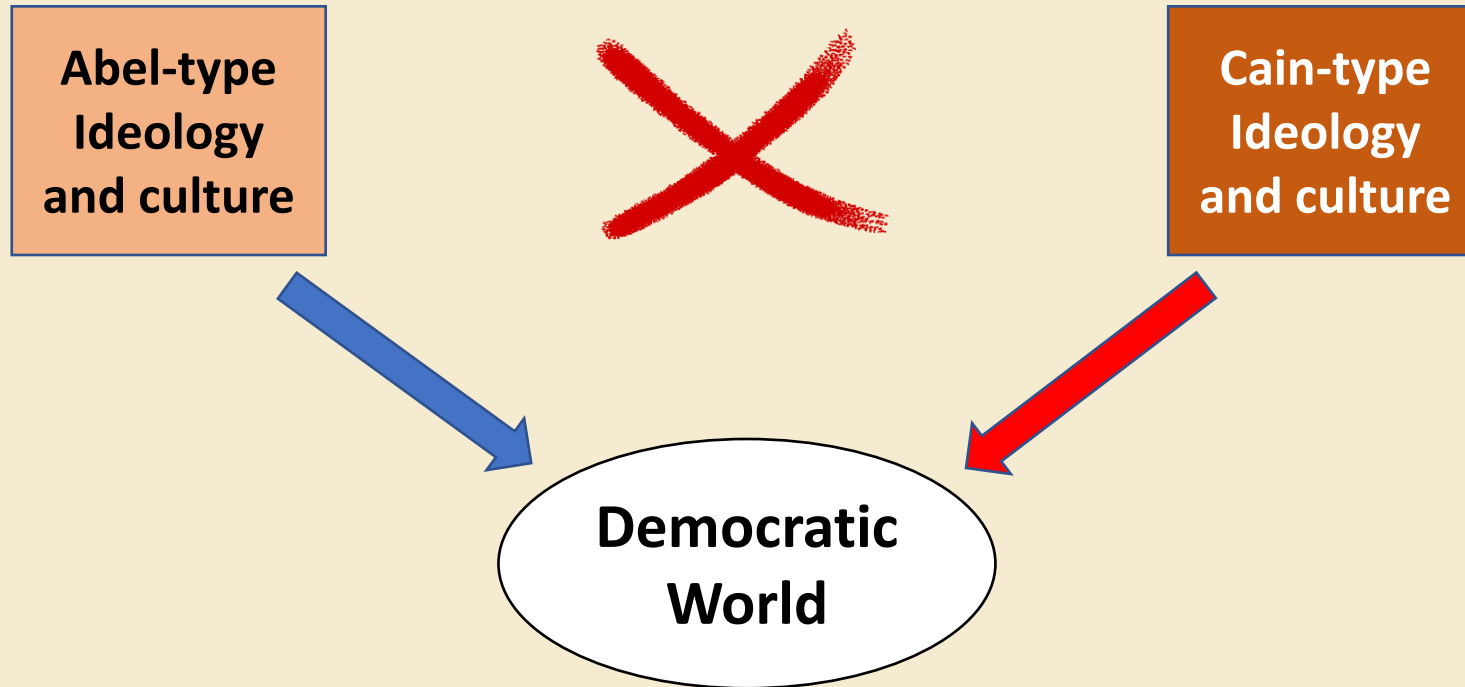


Satan's side (Cain)

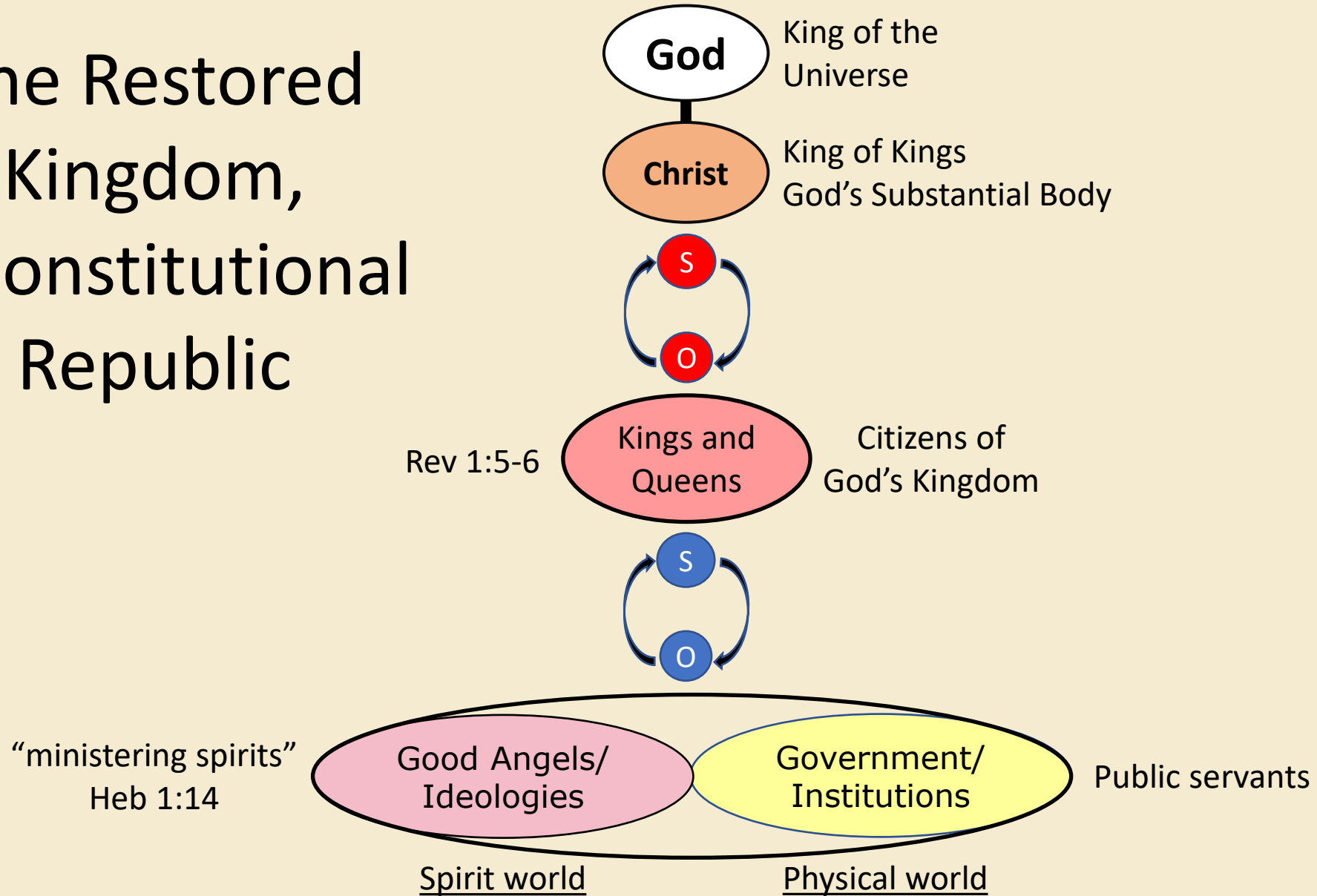


WW1 – Germany/Austria/Turkey
WW2 – Germany/Japan/Italy
WW3 – Russia/China/N. Korea

The Spiritual and Political Battles within the Democratic World



The Restored Kingdom, A Constitutional Republic



Where Will Christ Return?

Will Christ Come among the Jewish People?

And I heard the number of the sealed, a hundred and forty-four thousand sealed, out of every tribe of the sons of Israel. Revelation 7:4

“When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly, I say to you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel, before the Son of man comes.”

Matthew 10:23

“Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.” Matthew 16:28

Where Will Christ Return?

Or Will He Come to Another People?

“And do not think you can say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father.’ I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.” Matthew 3:9-10

“... Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it.” Matthew 21:43

Christ Will Return to a Nation in the East

*Then I saw another angel ascend **from the rising of the sun**, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, saying, “Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God upon their foreheads.” And I heard the number of the sealed, a hundred and forty-four thousand sealed, out of every tribe of the sons of Israel. Revelation 7:2-4*

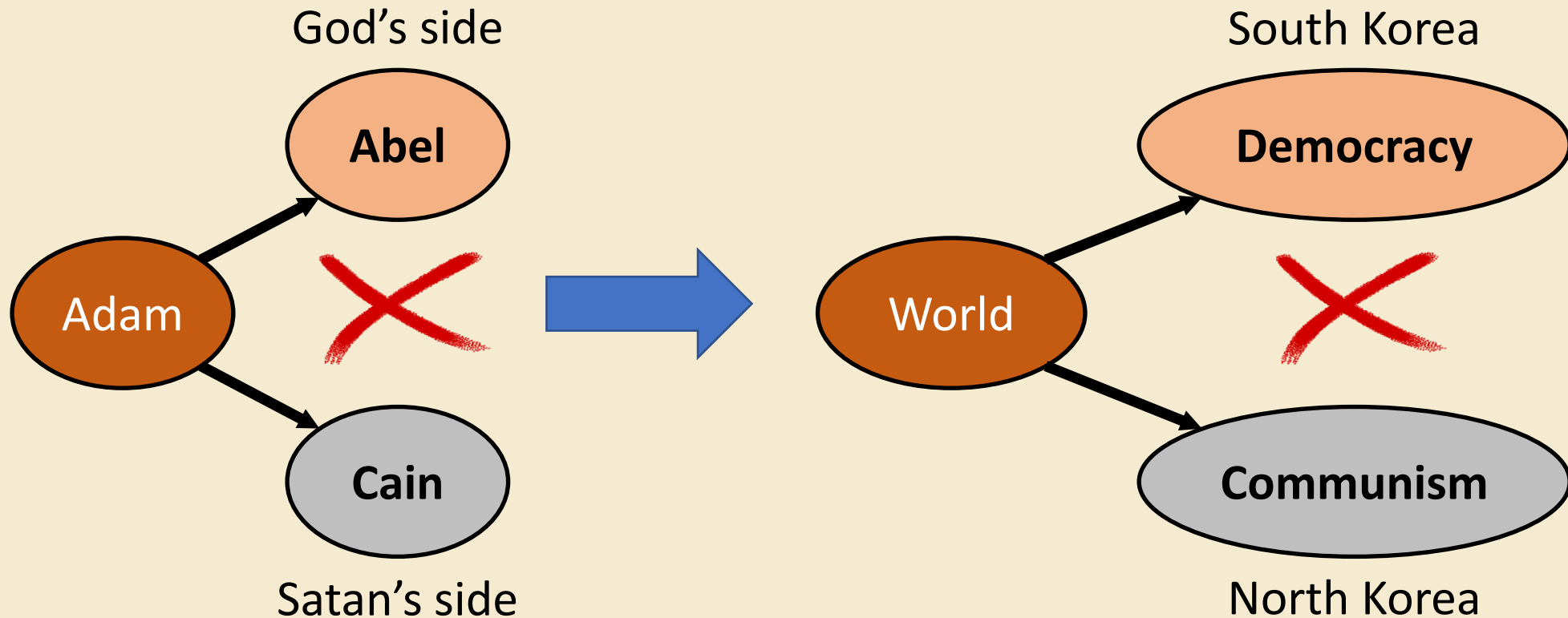
Requirements of the Chosen Nation

- It has to be a nation that has a homogeneous people and culture.
- It must be a nation that has traveled a path similar to that of Israel prior to Jesus.
- It will be a nation with deep religious faith.

Korea is the Only Qualified Nation

- Despite nearly constant invasion and occupation, the Korean people have kept and developed their unique culture, language and traditions for thousands of years.
- Throughout their long histories, Israel and Korea were frequently invaded and their peoples taken captive. Furthermore, both nations have experienced being divided north and south.
- Of all the nations in the far east, Christianity took deepest root in Korea. Western missionaries referred to the city of Pyongyang as the “Jerusalem of the East”.

God's Front Line and Satan's Front Line



A Nation that Knows God's Heart

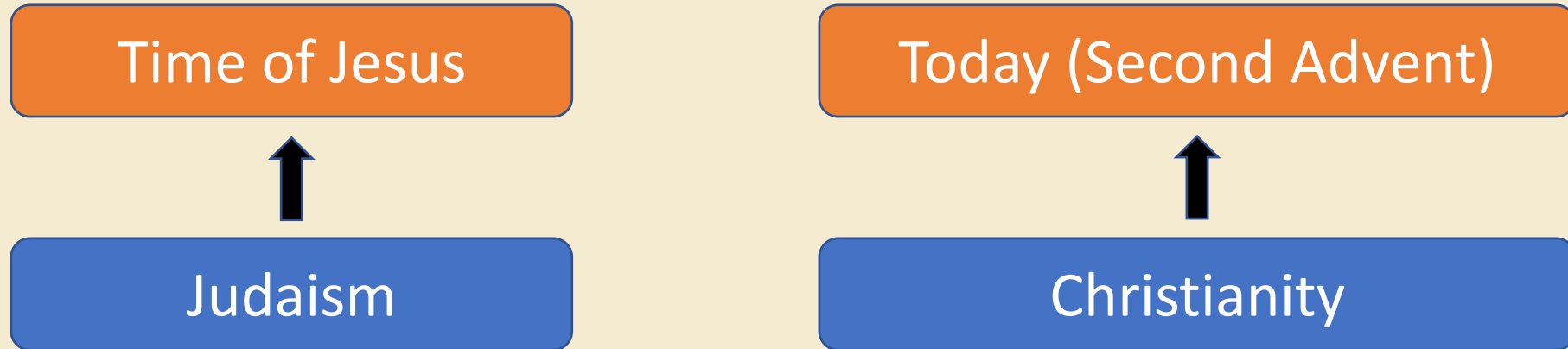
- Suffering course - Path of blood, sweat and tears
- Strong family virtues and values
- Deep spiritual nature and culture

Messianic Prophecies

- Revelations and signs (Acts 2:17)
- Messianic idea among the Korean people (Chonggamnok)
- Revelations that religious founders will return to Korea

→ Many revelations that the Lord will come to Korea

Parallels between Jesus' Day and Today



- Religious leaders persecute Christ
- Rigid adherence to tradition; institutional corruption
- Negative response to new revelations
- Devout believers end up opposing God's will

What Kind of People Does God Need at this Time?

- People searching to understand and follow God's providential Will
- People who are humble and ready to receive truth not previously revealed by God
- People who have faith to stand with Christ even when it's difficult
- People who have the courage to stand strong against evil in all its manifestations

“I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear. But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come... I have said this to you in figures; the hour is coming when I shall no longer speak to you in figures but tell you plainly of the Father.” John 16:12-13, 25

“I am coming soon; hold fast what you have, so that no one may seize your crown.” Revelation 3:11

Thank You Very Much!