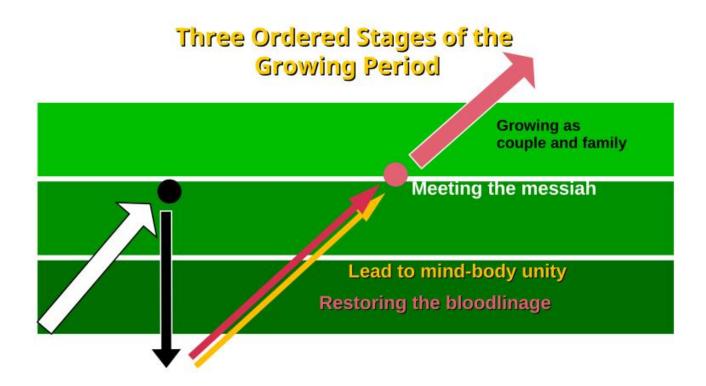
1.9. The Purpose of Religions from the Perspective of God's Providence

From the perspective of God's providence, as understood in the DP (<u>Divine Principle</u>), one might comprehend the special purpose of Judaism and Christianity as the restoration of God's blood lineage, which was lost during the Fall of Man.

This results in a sinless person, a second Adam, and ultimately a second Eve.

Through the "grafting," man can be restored to a sinless state, like before the Fall of Man.

The special purpose of mystical religions is to restore the individual on a personal level and lead them to a state of mind-body unity and inner oneness with God.



According to the GP, ideally, a person should have achieved the mind-body unity and matured by the end of the growth stage to then meet the Messiah.

This is where the engrafting into God's bloodline and the heavenly marriage blessing takes place. On this foundation, humans grow as couples and families through the completion stage to become heavenly spirits.

Ultimately, these two foundations of mystical and scripture-centered religions lead together to the great goal of restoration:

People under the direct dominion of God, who as families, tribes, and nations

form the kingdom of heaven on earth.

The core of his (Sun Myung Moon) teaching was the desire to guide every person to achieve a God-centered unity of mind and body - a divine balance of the self as a son or daughter of God.

On this foundation, he taught us the next stage, the blessing, in which two people come together as a married couple in complete harmony and love.

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