

THE CYCLE OF PRINCIPLE AND CONCEPT

THE METAPHYSICS WITHIN QUADRALITY

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*Author's Note: In preparing excerpts from **The Totality Of God** as stand-alone articles, care has been taken to choose those portions that, aside from introducing or explaining core aspects of my philosophy or its science, could be grasped without prior study of the principles involved. The following excerpt is one of the earliest sections of the text that I felt merited attention, mainly since it offers the first complete application of the System of Quadrality as an academically worthy, logical construct. The Cycle of Principle and Concept became the basis for developing the Rules of Quadrality and the Quadralitic Cube that would be derived from those Rules. But the excerpt requires knowledge of key terms original to my work, introduced on p. 27. Hopefully the following explanations will prove sufficient. Root Duality maintains the truth of Separation in a range of energetic values; for instance, Spiritual vs. Physical, Positive vs. Negative. Duo-duality maintains the truth of Interaction in a range of energetic values; that is, Spiritual to Physical, Positive to Negative. Duality is the second State of Alignment; Unity, obviously, is the first. (Triunity, the third, isn't referenced.) Quadrality, then, is the fourth State of Alignment, and is the truth of any energetic range of values existing as four subdivisions. Quadrality begins as Dual Duality, formed when any duo-duality combines with itself to express its energetic range as four values. With Quadrality the evolution of energy as four distinct values is complete, and it is formed by two different but energetically compatible duo-dualities combining with each other; for the above dualities: Spiritual – Physical – Positive – Negative. Ideological vs. behavioral identification refers to the forward vs. reversed movement of energy within the quadralities.*

To be considered academically worthy, the System of Quadrality needed to be scientifically sound. Showing that I felt I'd accomplished in its connection to electromagnetic theory. But science was only half of the Big Picture I hoped to reflect, and the System of Quadrality also needed to uphold this planet's accepted spiritual traditions. In exploring the System of Quadrality, I referenced two ancient, fundamental esoteric teachings still practiced to this day – one from the East, one from the West – the I Ching and the Cabala. In a later section "The Mysticism Within the Principle of Quadrality," the connection my Tree of Life has to the Cabala is clear, since all I'm offering as new is my interpretation. However, it is worth mentioning that this excerpt was originally taken from the section "The Metaphysics Within the Principle of Quadrality" and published without including the initial portion of it, or the concluding pages following the illustration of The Cycle of Principle and Concept. My reasoning was that those sections weren't required to understand the Cycle, and contained even more terms whose application in this work would obligate explanation – most notably the Planetary Energy Fields and Ancient Elements of Life. But, when it became clear I should include in these stand-alone articles the section on Mysticism to present my interpretation of the Tree of Life, I reconsidered my position. This was because the Cycle of Principle and Concept, being itself original, required the complete section on Metaphysics to see its connection to the I Ching.

The Metaphysics Within the Principle of Quadrality

This book began with the premise that there was a fundamental underlying construct for the multitude of ways Humankind has found, throughout the ages, to describe the spiritual phenomenon commonly associated (at least among Western cultures) with a word that can be interpreted as “**God.**” I postulated a *scientific explanation* based on planetary energetics for this *spiritual construct*, labeling it, I feel appropriately, the **Spiritual Principle of Quadrality**. While these multi-billion points of view could be symbolically categorized into *four* interrelated groupings, throughout recorded time civilizations sensed that this *Divine Essence* or *universal energy* somehow contained *three* **Aspects**, which we have called **Spirit, Mind** and **Body**. Even before ancient cultures had the awareness to differentiate them as such, the triune nature of the Universe – as the Sun, Moon and Earth – or of life itself – as Father, Mother and Child – was revered. And it is hard to say for just how many tens of millennia our human ancestors might have understood there was a life force that, upon death, left the body that once housed it and the mind that had discerned it. But more than that, many sensed this life force, consciousness, or soul moved on to an afterlife for which it needed to prepare – and from which it would perhaps even return – all in accord with a *Great Cosmic Plan*. Though interpretations or beliefs may differ, our **Triunity of Aspects** has at least some significance to every *religious* or *scientific* understanding of “**God.**”

The physical explanation for this spiritual phenomenon starts with a *Spiritual Model* activated by exactly these two principles, **Spiritual** and **Physical**, separate yet inclusive ingredients in the Duality contained within the Unity of God, with each a guardian over its self-named realm. That Unity also comprises the three **Aspects** just mentioned, a *whole-y trinity* whose parts are again separate yet inclusive of the whole – a simultaneous occurrence that I believe is meant to remain one of God’s unsolvable mysteries – managing somehow to manifest in every existent thing. Of those **Aspects**, **Spirit** is the one most closely related to the Spiritual Realm, and as such, remains neutral as the forces in nature play out into the creation of the Physical Realm – where **Mind** and **Body** are the defining **Aspects**. These take shape in the process of transformation from the finest *spiritual vibrations* in **Energy** to the densest *physical forces* in **Matter**. Once again, this transformation occurs on two planes, one spiritual and one physical, with *Spiritual preceding Physical*. Therefore, the physical Manifestation of God as the Universe initiates with the co-creation in the Spiritual Realm of the duo-dualistic spiritual principles behind the physical concepts of Mind and Body: **Active** and **Passive**, **Energy** and **Matter** (with **Spiritual** and **Physical** as the *source duality* of it all). These oppositional values have been categorically symbolized by the **Planetary Energy Fields** and **Ancient Elements of Life**, which must exist as *spiritual principles* before they can become *physical concepts*. They reflect this transition from *most* spiritual to *most* physical, Active-Energy to Passive-Matter. In the Spiritual Realm, where these principles are created, the *Active P.E.F.* are Female and the *Passive A.E.L.* are Male. In the Physical Realm, where they eventually manifest from intangible *Possibility* to *Realization* as tangible Energy and Matter, that gender relationship will reverse. Thus, through the reversal of gender the Spiritual and Physical Realms balance **Creation** and **Procreation**.

In the **Creation Stage** of the Physical Realm, the **P.E.F.** are created as the principles of East, West, North, and South, and the **A.E.L.** are created as the concepts

of Fire, Water, Air, and Earth. Grouped together as four pairs, one from each, they will represent the transition from the *spiritually active* principle of **Energy** to the *physically passive* concept of **Matter**. Their common ideological or behavioral nature will also represent the transition from the *spiritually conscious* principles of **Collective** and **Self** to the *physically aware* concepts of **Culture** and **Identity**.

The *spiritually Active, conscious Principles* are in control during the *spiritual Creation* phase of the Physical Realm (which occurs in both of its *Stages, Creation and Procreation*). But, in that realm's *physical Manifestation* phase (which likewise occurs in both of its *Stages*), the *physically Dominant, aware Concepts* must take charge. Then, the *intangibles* associated with Energy and Matter can continue on and eventually find completion as the *tangible P.E.F. and A.E.L.* this very planet and all that grew on it contains. (That occurs in its **Procreation Stage**, where the order of the paired **P.E.F.** and **A.E.L.** changes from *Feminine* to *Masculine*.)

How might this have happened? It is the result of the reversals that must energetically occur to complete the cycle of **Energy to Matter back to Energy**. That cycle is a prerequisite to the continuation of material existence, much as the cycle of Yang and Yin is to spiritual existence. These physical reversals reveal themselves in the Physical Realm through behavioral diversity spanning the microcosmic to the macrocosmic, inorganic to organic.

In either **Creation** phase, the principles of Active and Passive apply, and each of the Four Pathways defined by the **P.E.F.** and **A.E.L.** reflect them through the Male and Female principles of Yang and Yin, and the creation of the *Consciousness of the Collective and Self*. In this *ideological* phase, the **Active-Yang** principle aligns with the two **Spiritual** paths, one on each plane, and likewise for **Passive-Yin** with the two **Physical** paths. However, as we've discovered, a very curious phenomenon occurs in the manifestation of behavior within the Physical Realm as a new relationship comes into play – the duality of Submissive-Feminine and Dominant-Masculine. These new concepts reflect the *Awareness of Culture and Identity*, and manifest in this reversed alignment as the *Active Plane* moves from the Spiritual to become *Dominant* on the Physical. As a result, in either *behavioral Manifestation* phase, the now **Dominant-Masculine** concept aligns with the two **Physical** paths, and **Submissive-Feminine** aligns with the two **Spiritual** paths. Therefore, the newly aligned *concepts* of Feminine and Masculine end up being paired with the *principles* of Yang and Yin in the Four Pathways, thus bringing balance to each path.

This spiritual phenomenon is allegorically represented by the reversal in physical behavior exhibited on our planet between the negatively charged, **Feminine, Northern Hemisphere** and the positively charged, **Masculine, Southern Hemisphere** – which has occurred as a result of the movement of the Earth's *physical matter* through its own *physical energy* field. This is further substantiated when we examine the dualistic nature of the actual Horizontal and Vertical energy patterns within and surrounding the Earth. These physical processes are spiritually symbolized, as illustrated above, by the Eastern metaphysical teachings associated with the principles of **Yang** and **Yin**, philosophies adapted by the Taoists, taught since perhaps as many as 2800 years before the birth of Christ in the **I Ching**. (The **Book of Changes** – a collection of ancient wisdom that describes all nature and human endeavor in terms of their interaction.) As I've shown these principles to be described by contemporary Taoist practitioners, the **Yang spiritual energy** of the Heavens (in the self-labeled **Spiritual Creation** phase of the Physical Realm), had first moved in a **Positive-Active** manner to the **Yin spiritual matter** of the Earth. On its return journey, a reverse

Negative-Dominant movement occurred. We have determined it is this *spiritual Energy/Matter* reversal that effected the planar reversals between the *spiritual principles* of **Yang** and **Yin** and the *physical concepts* of **Feminine** and **Masculine**. It's a reversal we can envision was created in the *Spiritual Manifestation* phase of the Physical Realm as a result of the movement of *spiritual matter* back through *spiritual energy*. (And this movement, according to the **Law of Order**, actually preceded and was responsible for the Earth's physical energy reversals that we previously examined.)

In an effort to seek balance within any closed system (i.e., one having physical boundaries), whether it's the Earth or our individual bodies, the alignment of *spiritual* and *physical* gender energies appears to behaviorally reverse. The key question in life that flows from all of this is one of choice. Do we wish to follow the dictates of our *spiritually Godlike* natures and thus align ourselves with everything else that is spiritual in **God**, or allow the dictates of our *physically sexual Animal* natures to rule us and therefore potentially take us out of alignment with our Divine Source? In other words, do we really want to pull the plug from our connection to the Creator? Obviously, the answer is to find that perfect balance within us where both our *spiritual* and *physical* natures are allowed to flourish, while always keeping, as our priority, our need (as primarily spiritual beings) to stay in alignment with the **Spirit of God**. After all, it is that same perfect balance that has enabled the Universe to exist for perhaps 15 billion years, with no foreseeable end in sight!

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This intricately woven philosophic tapestry came to be because, as I went about exploring my own life's purpose, I had a scientist's curiosity to examine the myriad of viewpoints, terms and procedures anyone undertaking a journey of spiritual self-exploration would encounter, and a philosopher's need to somehow explain it all. I figured if I was wondering how all of this stuff fit together (if indeed it even did), then other searchers had and probably still puzzled over the same issues. I felt that if somehow the underlying relationship could be established, then it had to be of some benefit to the world, even if only to finally put these questions to rest. Actually, I believe the potential good that can be accomplished is much greater. Consider the possibility, overlooking the global implications. If a construct could be formulated in a way that brought it all together so everything seemed to make sense, imagine how that might affect your life! All the truths you might require to discover and achieve your own life's purpose would be found there.

Nonetheless, the fact that I've bothered to go through all of this with you may seem pointless to those of my readers who just want to know what to do to make their lives work better. I truly appreciate that basic motivation, since it was the one that got me started in the first place. And I trust with all my heart that before we're through with the *TWELFTH VERSE* of **Opus Three** you will learn all of that, as well. It is the fact that the wealth of wisdom gathered over centuries, from countless sources, *does* fit together that will actually make it all possible. To draw a marketing analogy, this Trilogy will become like a one-stop shopping plaza for all your spiritual needs, including a directory of additional outside sources for any specialty items you may require! (Don't worry. I'll provide you with enough practical techniques before we're through with *this book* to get you well on your way to achieving whatever you desire.)

The methods that I will later suggest you follow are actually much simpler than the science that will have preceded it. But, the scientific rationale behind them is essential to accepting, understanding and implementing their use. The approach that I propose you take to make positive changes in your life flows from the realization that by life's end your collective experiences will have shaped and defined it. All of those experiences will have had an impact on your energy in some way, according to their relationship to the balance between Spiritual and Physical, as well as the balance between Positive and Negative. Moreover, each of life's experiences – be it willful, emotional, mental, or corporeal – can be assimilated, analyzed, and then described to others through the use of language.

Thus, *the words we use to describe our experiences will reflect the energetic nature of the experiences themselves.* In fact, in the highest levels of the Spiritual Realm, where no tangibility exists, the Physical Realm is only a potential energy with no existence beyond the words used to describe it. And biblical Judaism (courtesy of *Microsoft Bookshelf*) refers to "Logos," the word of God, which itself has creative power and is God's medium of communication with the human race. Therefore, I have chosen to help you understand the energetic nature of life by examining the *energy within the words and their relationships to one another.* In so doing, you will not only unravel the perplexing mysteries of the Universe, but those even more seemingly obscure secrets to living out your own paradise-like life.

How do we do that? By using the Spiritual and Physical laws to work for us. And, whether you choose to rely upon *Divine Faithfulness*, or *universal constancy* to help you, the laws surrounding the energetic nature of all matter are irrefutable. Examine an experience in your life that has resulted in a loss of energy and describe it in words. First of all, in the balance between Spiritual and Physical, where does it fall? (For instance, is your focus on *spiritual growth*, or *physical gain*?) Use the related dualities that are herein discussed to get a clearer picture of the impact your actions may have on your *spiritual energy*. Then, see how you might modify your actions to take advantage of the Spiritual **Law of Order** – *Spiritual precedes Physical*. Modern and Ancient teachings alike, including the Bible, in some way convey the principle that you can achieve the Physical if you take care of the Spiritual first – so start by doing that! Secondly, assign those same words to the balance between Positive and Negative. The Physical laws now apply, since that is the *physical energy* you are attracting into your life through the experiences the word has described. Don't like the end result that the collective energies surrounding your life are producing? Find the more spiritual, positive words that energetically counterbalance the more physical, negative ones you feel best describe a particular energy-draining experience, and use *their* energies to reclaim *yours*. Once you find those **Words**, turn them into **Actions**. Hopefully, through this book – and the two that will follow it – you will learn and apply these personal techniques to accomplish that, and more.

When I took that initial step to write a simple article about a philosophy I'd developed called **The Totality Of God**, I never expected I was actually embarking on a journey to create a **Trilogy** whose purpose was as complex as what it has now appeared to become. I doubt if I would have even gotten started. I think that God in His Infinite Wisdom realizes this about Man, and therefore lets us in on only what we are actually able to deal with at any moment in our lives. Each change that I found myself forced to embrace only came about when I had grown enough personally to handle the apparent trauma it caused me. But, for anyone to grow toward a worthy sense of Pride requires true Humility. I had to learn how to let God get me through

the tough situations – but only until I could handle them on my own. In this way, I experienced for myself the principle of God and Man being co-creators in life.

The development of the above *Terms* and *Relationships* required over five years of intense study and contemplation, and five more to finalize as this book. At first, and for quite a long time, this process seemed to have me digging into an ever-increasing hole of perplexity as more and more variables appeared that each had to be taken into consideration. However, as I continued onward in this personal test of faith, eventually the clouds covering the underlying Universal Truths started to clear, and as they did I could truly begin to understand their *Rules* and *Structure*. I would like to share these additional thoughts with you now, because they should help to clear away whatever clouds may still be covering your own awareness. And as you examine them for yourself, I think you will come to the same conclusions I did. Therefore, it is appropriate to include them with my initial comments as part of the **Metaphysics Within the Principle of Quadrality**. Regardless of whether or not they can ever be proven, they feel right and make sense. And when it comes down to it, those are the spiritual and physical criteria we all use to decide whether or not a thing is personally valid. Moreover, what we gain in all of this is the sense of peace that comes from knowing that the phrase **God's Plan** isn't just some theological whitewashing used throughout history to explain the unexplainable. *It's real!* (Please, bear with the necessarily technical approach these next Points take. I realize that much of this has read like a textbook; and at times it may have looked like there were more footnotes than text! Well, this is still early in our journey and I guarantee there is much more to come. But throughout it I will have to make sure, to the best of my ability, that I leave as few potential questions unanswered as possible. Even a quasi-scientific study such as mine of an enigmatic subject like *Spirituality* would require it to be given serious consideration as a valuable contribution to Humanity.)

Before we begin, a clarification of the *root duality* of **Principle** and **Concept** is called for, since these terms play key roles in the logic that threads through the following Points. *Microsoft Bookshelf* defines **Principle** as a basic truth, law or assumption, and **Concept** as a general idea derived or inferred from specific instances or occurrences. Thus, a **Principle** is *Impersonal*, something that is true for all, while **Concept** is *Personal*, and therefore open to individual interpretation. We can see how those definitions apply to the duo-dualistic balance of **Wisdom** and **Understanding**, *plane defining* terms. However, throughout this study we'll also be allowing both pairs somewhat greater flexibility as *Realm determining* terms. As noted by the *root duality* of **Principle** vs. **Concept**, overall, the Spiritual Realm is considered one of **Principle**, and the Physical Realm is one of **Concept**. Thus, in light of the above definitions you could say that **Principle** refers to something that *actually is* in a *Spiritual* sense, while **Concept** refers to something that *potentially can be* in a *Physical* sense. Therefore, in the Spiritual Realm, *Dual Duality* is considered more of a **Concept** since it refers to **Potential**, while in the Physical Realm it is more accurate to refer to it as a **Principle** since by then it exists in **Actuality**.

Once something achieves the status of *Principle*, it then becomes a fundamental law upon which future *Concepts* can be based. For instance, in the Physical Realm, the *actual, intangible Principle* of *Dual Duality* allows for the *potential, intangible Concept* of *Ideological Quadrality*; which then becomes the *actual intangible Principle* of *Ideological Quadrality* that leads to the *potential intangible Concept* of *Behavioral Quadrality*. Then, once both exist as *actual intangible Principles*, they can continue to evolve into their *actual and potential tangible Principles and Concepts*

through material existence. Thus, **Principle** and **Concept** follow a linear as well as a cyclic pattern similar to **Cause** and **Effect**. (I'll briefly introduce the *root duality* of *Cyclic* vs. *Linear* following [Figure 7](#) – the complete **Cycle of Principle and Concept**.)

An interesting twist to this process is that a **Principle** in the present sense was once a **Concept** in the past sense. In the *ideological* world where *Spiritual precedes Physical*, the **S** duality of **Principle to Concept** holds. However, in the *behavioral* world where the reverse can occur, the **G** duality of **Concept to Principle** is also appropriate to consider, since the *Physical Principle* now exists. (Follow-up on p. 100, *Footnote 56*.) Through *reversal*, you can see the *Physical Principle* looking back on its origin as a *Spiritual Concept*, much as *Physical Actuality* was begot by its *Spiritual Potential* – and thus drawing an analogy to the energetic need that has driven Man to align with God. After all, each of us could consider *ourselves* to be the *Tangible Principle*, confident in our existence, with the creating *God* the *Intangible Concept* that's in question. A *Reunion* with God, through this behaviorally reversed journey, is Man's *Spiritual Potential*. Therefore, **Concept (G) Principle** has been included in [1b](#) to show that relationship. In general, though, this study will focus on the former case since **The Totality Of God** is founded on the Spiritual Realm's **Law of Order**.

The **Cycle of Principle and Concept** will become an important aid in our understanding the energetic evolution of the Universe. But, before we begin to use it, I want to be sure you are clear on the previous dualities, which reveal it. The *root duality* of **Principle {R} Concept** and its *duo-duality*, **Principle (S) Concept**, are *Spiritual Model* dualities, and, as with all such dualities, don't behaviorally reverse. That is, the **{R}** and **(S)** dualities of [Figure 1a/b](#) are *statements of Spiritual Truth*. They establish the energetic structure through which it all began. Any behavioral reversals needed to manifest Tangibility must happen through the *Physical Model*. Each occurs, as we shall see, to accomplish an energetic purpose. Some take place in the Root Physical Realm, where an ideologically aligned *Physical Model* duality can reverse to satisfy a particular behavioral condition in the quadrality it creates with another. (A duality is said to be behaviorally reversed when its terms have realigned opposite to an ideological alignment with Spiritual and Physical.) Other dualities occur extant in the Root Spiritual Realm in reversed order to uphold ideological limitation. These exist that way in the *Physical Model* to establish behavioral alignments required for the *Quadralities of Behavior* (Spiritual Realm) and *Limitation* (Physical Realm). A key example is **Internal (G) External**. As such, Internal aligns with Spiritual, External with Physical. This *Physical Model* duality is different from Internal/External found later in [Figure 8](#) as part of the Spiritual Realm's *Manifestation Phase*. The latter is the original *Spiritual Model* duality with terms placed to reflect the realignment of Spiritual in that phase with the Vertical Plane, and Physical, with the Horizontal Plane. As a result, External is still Spiritual and Internal is still Physical.

This applies to **Concept (G) Principle** and **Potential (G) Actual**, the dualities upon which the return half of the following **Cycle** will be based. These *Physical Model* dualities are only a potential in the *Intangible Spiritual Realm* and don't become actual until the *Intangible Physical Realm*. Thus, while the *Rules of Quadrality*, which we'll later study, themselves allow for no reversal of dualities in the Spiritual Realm, the potential for behavioral reversal begins in the reversed dualities present there. The precedent for the **G** dualities of the *Physical Model* is set by the *Spiritual Model* dualities that have reversed planes in the *Manifestation phase*. In the Physical Realm, these *Spiritual Model* dualities will once again align as in the *Creation phase*. With that established, let's take a journey through the **Cycle of Principle and Concept**:

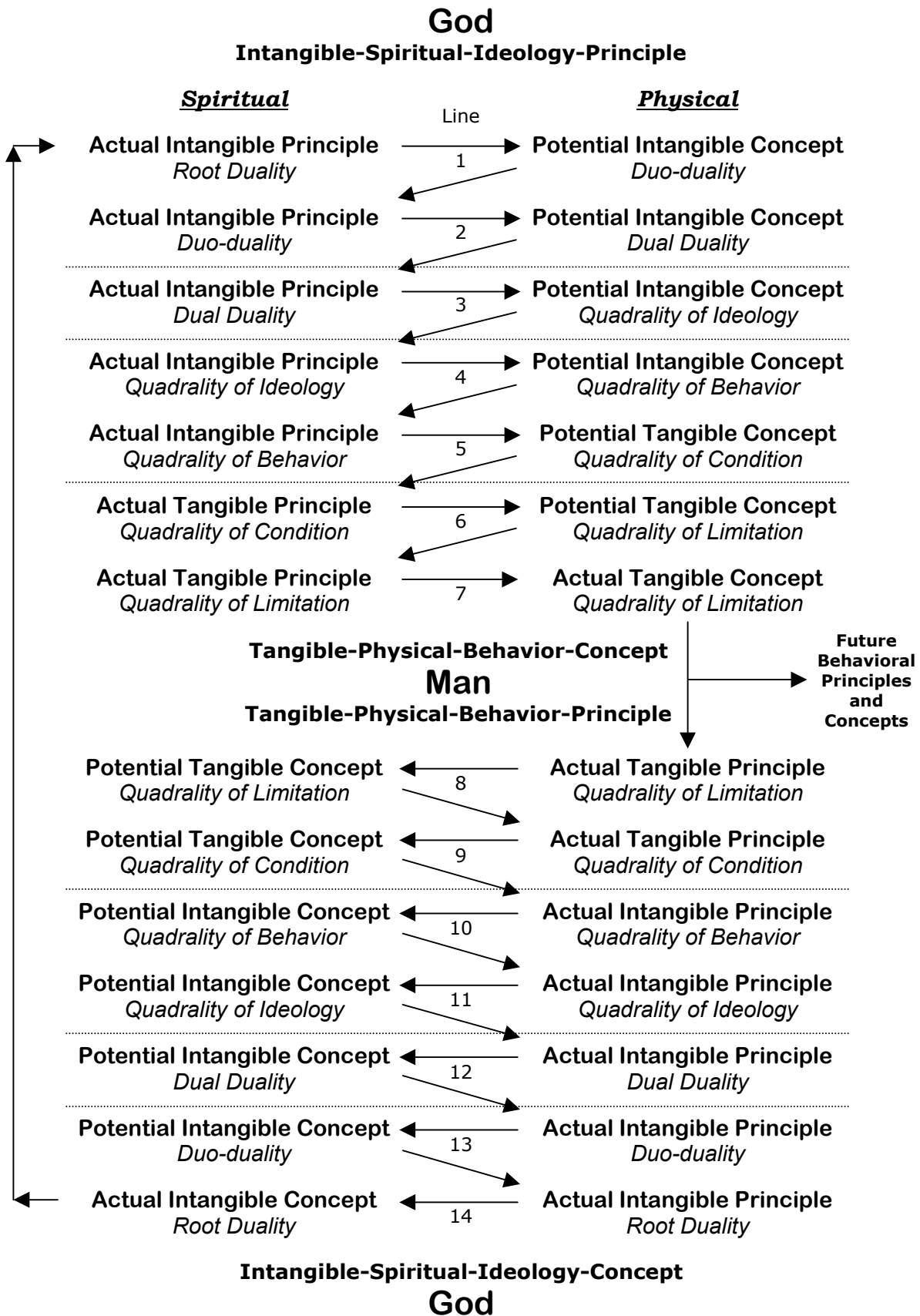


Figure 7 : The **Cycle of Principle and Concept**:
The Ideological evolution from God to Man – **Principle (S) Concept**;
The Behavioral re-evolution from Man to God – **Concept (G) Principle**.

The planar realignment of Internal/External serves to illustrate the impetus for the very important energetic transition I've referred to as behavioral reversal. It will transform the **External (S) Internal** applicable to the first half of the previous cycle into the **Internal (G) External** applicable to the second half. **External (S) Internal** in the Spiritual Realm's *Creation phase* aligns External with Spiritual on the Horizontal Plane and Internal with Physical on the Vertical. In its *Manifestation phase*, External-Spiritual moves to the Vertical Plane and Internal-Physical moves to the Horizontal. This movement first of all gives birth to all *Physical Model* dualities as an ideological limitation, with any behavioral limitation in potential. This includes the behaviorally reversed **G** dualities, of which those that don't imply behavioral limitation manifest in actuality in the Spiritual Realm's *Manifestation phase*. Secondly, it gives birth to behavioral reversal itself, with Spiritual-Internal and Physical-External aligning as an integration of the two Models during that phase.

Now, you may have noticed the careful attention I've paid to explaining the balance that exists between words like Principle and Concept, and wondered how any of it could possibly be of help to you in your life. Well, since things are about to get even more cerebral, I'd like to address this before we continue. The *Universal Balance* found in all the words we use to describe everyday existence begins with the most fundamental dualities, such as the ones we've been covering. Since all of life flows from them, to understand the *mundane* you must begin with the *sublime*. Then, the truths you learn will apply to everything else that follows, including the things most personally relevant.

The balance of Principle and Concept, as well as their related Actual and Potential, are important to grasp. This is because they serve to establish how the Wisdom of God has played out in temporal order – that there is a natural, time-referential progression of events in all that anteceded from the very first moment of Creation. And it can be expressed in the difference between God's perspective during the *whole* of Creation in the Spiritual Realm and Man's perspective as a *part* of Procreation in the Physical Realm. For the purposes of this portion of our discussion, let's just say God was responsible for that initiating event and overlook the scientifically postulated alternatives that exclude Him. God knows no physical time limitations, or any other limitations, for that matter. For God, everything that "has happened, is happening, or ever will happen," all happens *at once*, and also *forever* – Infinite Past, Present, and Future. That Spiritual aspect of time can be best represented by the word *Cyclic*. But *Cyclic*, as God knows it, must be constrained by temporal limitations to manifest in the Physical Realm and thus enable us to experience the principle of repetitive cycles throughout our lives and witness it everywhere in nature. The quadrality of the **Four Seasons** is an excellent example. However, there is also a Physical aspect of time in those seasons, expressed by the word *Linear*. (The dynamics of *Cyclic* and *Linear* will be found in greater detail in the following *VERSE*.) With *Linear* comes the understanding that once any moment in time is gone, it can never be reclaimed. There is no Time Machine that will take us back, nor Shangri-La or Fountain of Youth to reverse the inevitability of growing old.

Cyclic and *Linear* time apply to the *forward* and *reversed* dualities just discussed. For God at the moment of Creation in the Spiritual Realm, everything that would ever be needed to manifest the physical world existed in Actuality. These are the Principles that establish, from that very first moment, all of God's Fundamental Truths – the things that never change. In contrast, whatever that *Spiritual Actuality*

could eventually become over time was its *Physical Potential*. These are the Concepts, the things that change with time as a natural part of the Universe's evolution, either through its *order* or its *randomness*.

The Physical Realm, however, represents Man's perspective; and limitations only exist in the *physical manifestation*, not the *spiritual creation*. From God's perspective at the dawn of Creation, *anything* was possible; but from ours, billions of years after that event, the *something* that makes up the tangible Universe is what actually occurred. Thus, in the Physical Realm of behavioral reversal, the *Spiritual Potential* became the *Physical Actuality*. As far as we're concerned, *what* we wake up to every day and *how* we handle it is our reality, be it Joy or Sorrow, Pleasure or Pain. That "now" is the **Principle**, or the Physical **Known**. *Why* it's that way and *Who* we can count on to help us change it is the **Concept**, the Spiritual **Unknown**.

Although linear time doesn't reverse in the Physical Realm, perspective can make it seem so, allowing us to learn from its passage. So, when you begin to apply the techniques that I'll be describing throughout the rest of this book to make better choices in life, understanding whether to follow a Spiritual or a Physical order, and when, will be crucial in the results you achieve. From whose perspective should you look? Since Spiritual precedes Physical, most of the time it should be from God's. However, since we also need to consider the behavioral ramifications of our choices, at those times the perspective to look from is our own. The order implied in the dualities I've been describing will help you understand the energetic nature underlying all of life's experiences, be they those that led up to where you are now, or those that now determine where you will be going.

The balance between Principle and Concept thus establishes a very important order within the Universe. It's an order with deep-rooted philosophical significance: that the Platonic Ideal – all that is *Formative* within *Perfection* – preexisted and served as an archetype for the resulting *Substantive Imperfection* that would try but could never hope to match the Ideal. Imperfection and decay in the Physical Realm are inevitable conditions of material evolution, just like the duplicate key that never seems to work quite as well as the original.

The Principle of Perfection in God serves as the Ideal to be striven for by the Concept of Imperfection in Man. As previously noted, *the Principles never change*, and it doesn't matter whether that fact be perceived by the religious as due to God's Faithfulness or by the scientist as evidence of the irrefutable Laws of the Universe. However, *the Concepts are meant to be changed*. That physical possibility is what allows a fallible human being to correct his or her mistakes. And I thank God for thus making possible the concept of a second chance. While we may never fully recover from some, imagine if we were doomed to live with *all* of the bad first choices we inevitably make as we go about the process of learning how to get things right.

When a Concept that you have manifested isn't working out for your greatest good, the solution lies in the Perfect Principle that created *you*. The Principles within God are meant to guide us when the Concepts in our lives need to be changed. The search to find God is our way to identify with and conform to the Ideal, not in forced servitude as hapless slaves, but in willful service as heirs to a Divine birthright – the true freedom that comes from no longer living in bondage to our own shortcomings.