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Conflict and polarization of Eastern and Western
perspectives

Collision of East-West Views of Earth

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Definition and Background of earth view

- What is a branch?
- 동양과 서양의 전통적 땅에 대한
관념
- Land: Cult Presence vs.
material existence
- The worldview underlying the
Eastern and Western worldviews

 Contrast between
Eastern and
Western branches

Global Conflict: Matteo Ricci and Heavenly Father

- Matteo Ricci's Introduction of Western material knowledge
- The conflict between Aristotle's ontological world view and Eastern egoism/Yin-Yang and the Five Phases through 『Cosmic Silui』
- Comparison of the 4th element (Ji Suhwapung) and the 5th element (Yin-Yang and Five Phases)
- Influence on contemporary Eastern intellectuals

Material Conflict: Beijing Treaty and Dynamics

- China's defeat against the West, including the Beijing Treaty:
 - "The shock of the sky falling"
 - Lu
- Suun Choi Je-woo and the pioneer of Donghak: a
 - autogenous response to Western culture
- East Asia's search for self-sustaining
 - modernity and its urgency

Polarization of the relationship between heaven and earth – the case of the West

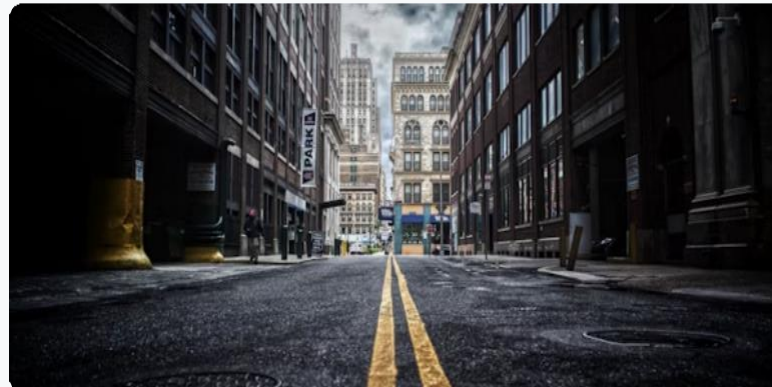
- Introduction of immanent concepts in the transcendental View of Heaven and earth
 - With the development of science and technology, the relationship between heaven and earth becomes to atomic theory
 - Expanding the separation between humans and nature, and between God and nature
- Changes in Western science and worldview:

Changes in the relationship between heaven and earth in the West

The correlational properties of the geo-hydrophone style disappeared, and the relationship between heaven and earth became more polarized due to an atomistic world view. As the fifth element became monotheistic, nature was reduced to simple matter.

Polarization of the relationship between heaven and earth – the case of the East

- Solidification of the traditional heavenly world, heavenly earth, and earthly principles
- **Formalization process of the monument to heaven and earth and the monument to yang and yin**
- **Substantiation of earth and separation of the concepts of heaven and earth**
- Changes in the status of Earth and problems within the Yin-Yang and Five Phases



In the Yin-Yang Theory of the Five Phases, earth was the central element connecting heaven and earth, but gradually it was recognized only as the entity of earth, and the balance in the relationship between heaven and earth was lost.

Conclusion and Implications

- The meaning and modern implications of the clash between Eastern and Western intellectuals
 - Lessons from the polarization of heaven and earth relations
 - Possibility and future prospects of integration of Eastern and Western thinking
- "The harmonious integration of Eastern and Western cultures can be a clue to solving the modern ecological crisis and environmental problems."*

