

Interlocked Series

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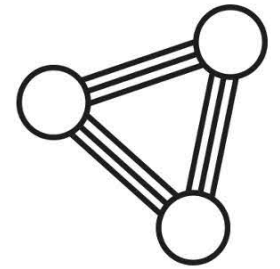
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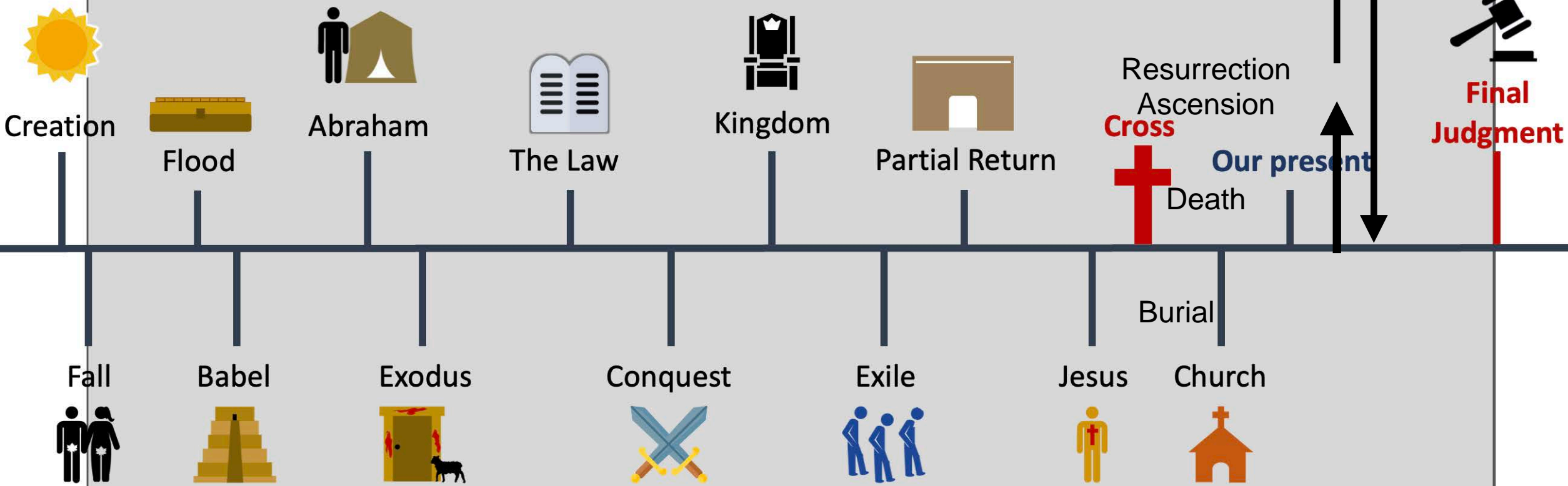
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Lesson 3, Part 2 **What Happened
to the Perfect Institutions?**

Lesson 3: Consequences of the Fall

Timeline of Biblical Events from Creation to Final Judgment



Old Testament

Creator-creature

Divine Institutions

Flood

Abraham

Law

Kingdom

Partial
Return

Fall

Babel

Exodus

Conquest

Exile

Spirit Beings: Angelic Revolt

New Testament

Jesus's
Birth

Death

Burial

Resurrection

Church Age

Rapture

2nd
Coming

Messianic
Kingdom

- 1. The focus of lesson one: God's Creation; Divine Institutions.**
- 2. Lesson 2 focuses on wrong views of creation, where they came from, and what this pagan worldview looks like today.**
- 3. Lesson 3 looks at what happened to the world and the Divine Institutions after the Fall.**

Things we should remember:

1. The Creator-creature distinction.
2. God is the infinite, personal, Creator God.
3. God created everything out of nothing.
4. God created the first humans, Adam and Eve, in His image to rule over the planet as His representatives.
5. God created as part of man's physical nature, specific social absolutes called _____.
 - Responsible _____
 - _____
 - _____

Things we should remember:

6. These things begin to shape a biblical worldview:

Biblical Worldview

- 1. Creator-Creature Distinction
One God | Man | Nature**
- 2. Personal Sovereign God**
- 3. Ultimate Authority: God**

Pagan Worldview

- 1. Continuity of Being (A scale)
gods _____ man _____ nature**
- 2. Impersonal Fate and Chance**
- 3. Ultimate Authority: Self**

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CHILDREN'S

Pagan View: Evil is Forever

**Biblical View: Evil is Bounded: Rev 21:1-8;
22-27;**

The Promised Savior; Gen 3:14-15

Chart Satan and the Savior

**What Happened to the Perfect World
After the Fall?**

Sin damage to man

To man's body; Gen 3:19

1. Death of a friendship; Gen. 3:8

2. Death of the body; Gen 3:19

**3. The second death, separation of
immaterial from the material part;**

Matt 25:41; Rev 20:10, 14-15

Death cannot be avoided

Sin damages man's soul; 1 Pet 2:11;

Rom 3:10-12

Bad Results of the Fall:

**Mankind would die; Gen 3;17-19; Gen
2:7**

Death of a friendship; Gen. 3:8

Death of the body; Gen 3:19

**Second death; Gen 2:7; Matt 25:41; Rev
20:14b-15**

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Consequences of Sin on:



Man



Nature

1. Responsible Dominion

2. Marriage

3. Family

Divine Institutions

Creation

Fall

Judgment

Good

Good

Evil

Good

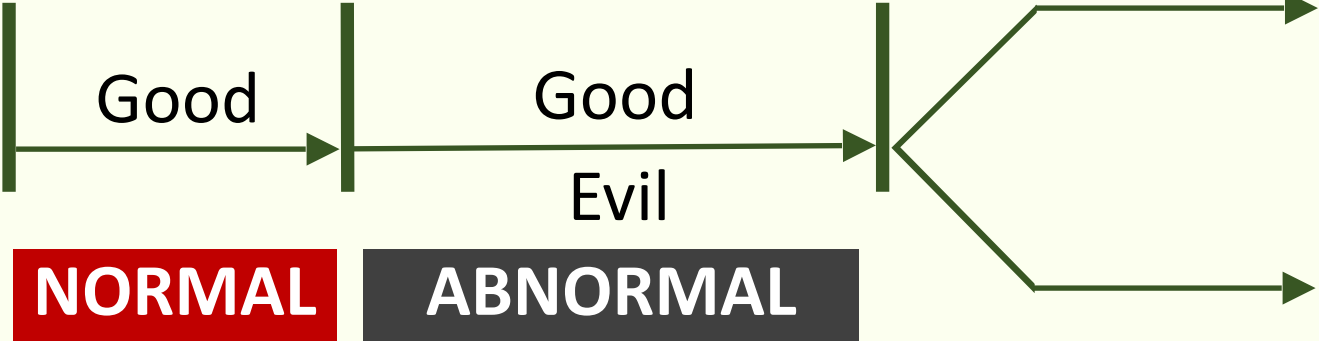
Evil (confined)

NORMAL

LAKE OF FIRE

NORMAL

ABNORMAL

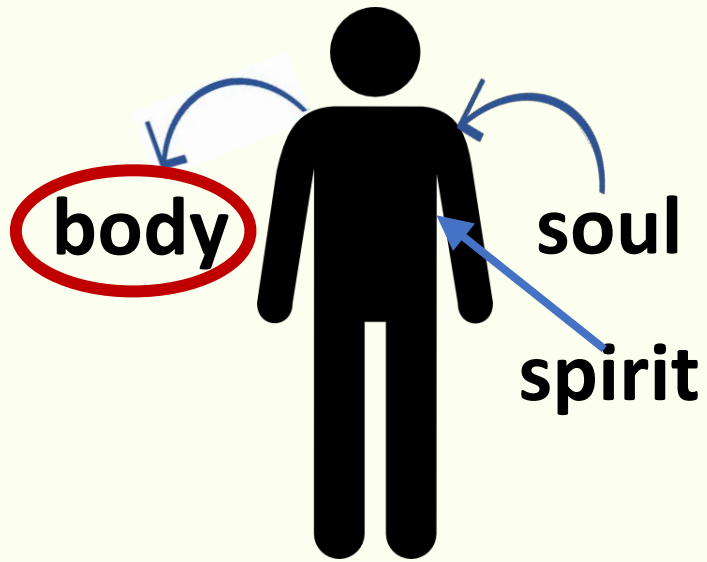


Sin Damaged Man's Immaterial Nature

Before Sin:

Man had three parts:

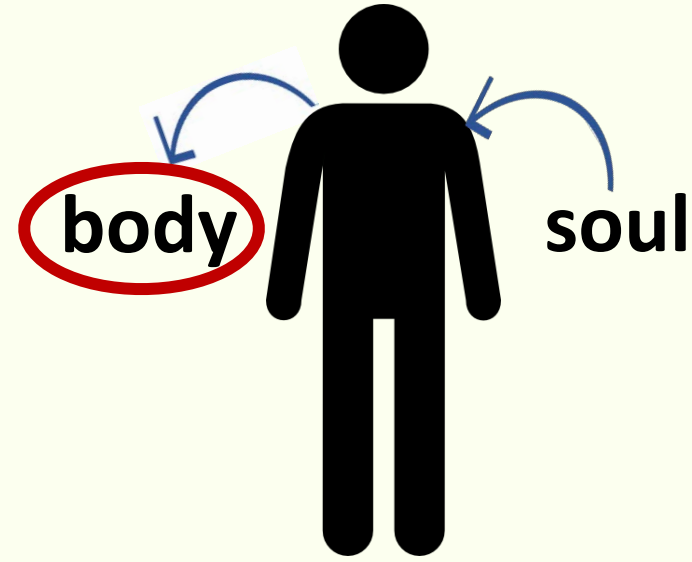
Body, Soul, Human spirit



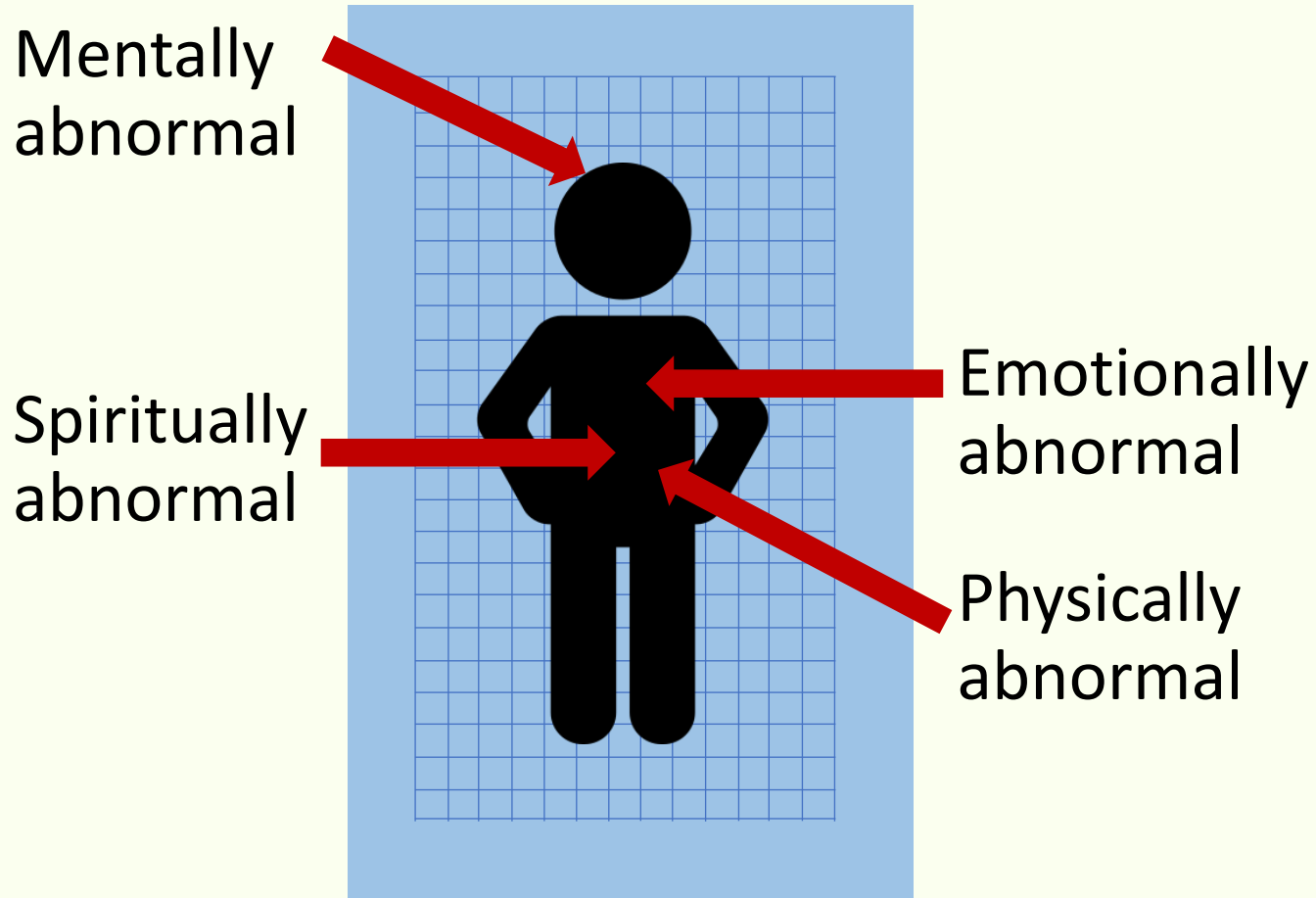
After Sin, Before Salvation:

Man had two parts:

Body, Soul



Fallen Man



The problem is a sin nature

We are born with this corruption, it is not only a lack of human spirit, but the addition of corruption as a result of Adam's sin.

Rom. 3:10, “As it is written: ‘There is none righteous, no, not one;

Rom. 3:11, “ ‘There is none who understands; There is none who seeks after God.

Rom. 3:12, “ ‘They have all turned aside; They have together become unprofitable; There is none who does good, no, not one.’ ”

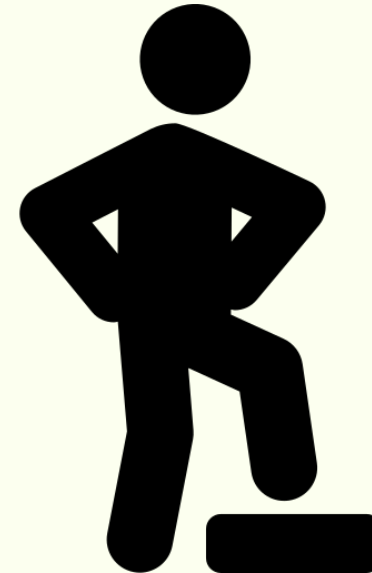
Sinless Man's Choice

Live dependent
on the Creator-God



Fallen Man's Choice

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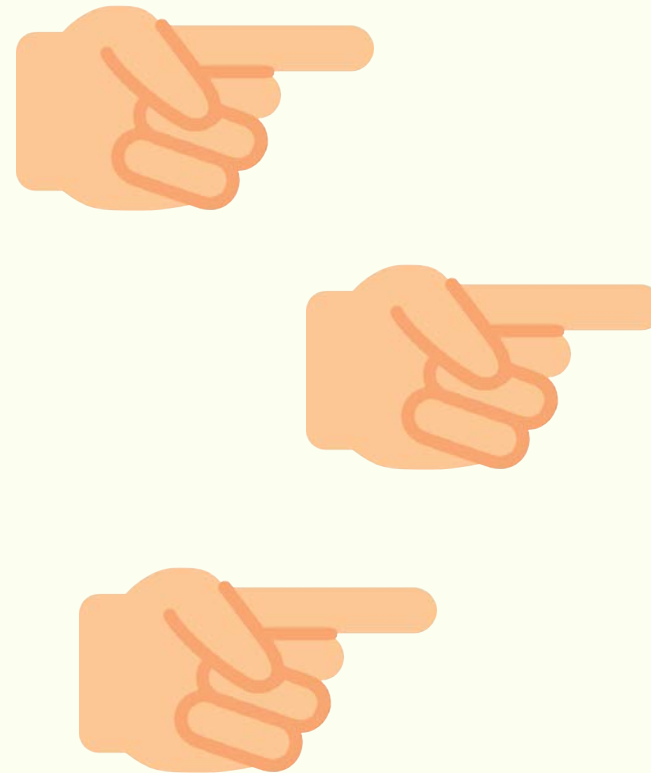
Sinless Man's Conscience

Evaluate self based on
God's Word and standards



Fallen Man's Conscience

Focus on accusing
and judging others



Rom. 1:32, “who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.

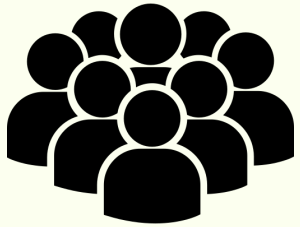
Rom. 2:1, “Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things.”

Interlocked 3.2

How this sin problem has damaged people and how they try to fix it.

Some people believe they can make themselves whole again.

The Problem



Fallen mankind

Heading towards



Man's Solution



Shopping



Education



Career



Supplements



Self-help books

The Problem: Inherent sin, spiritual death

The Solution: Only the Divine solution which begins at the Cross can provide real meaning and purpose and begin the process of ultimate redemption.

The Second Problem: Satan seeks to distract us from the real problem and the only solution.

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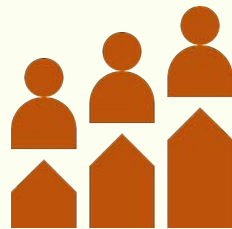
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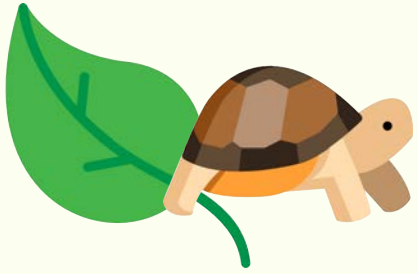
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Pagan View: Good/Evil Mix is Forever “Normal”





Sin Damage to Nature



Gen. 3:17, “Then to Adam He said, ‘Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, “You shall not eat of it”’: ‘Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life.

Gen. 3:18, “ ‘Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, and you shall eat the herb of the field.

Gen. 3:19, “ ‘In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; For dust you are, and to dust you shall return.’ ”

Rom. 8:18, “For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

Rom. 8:19, “For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God.

Rom. 8:20, “For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope;

Rom. 8:21, “because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Rom. 8:22, “For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.”





China

Japan

India

Krakatoa,
Indonesia

Australia





What Happened to the Perfect Institutions that God Created?



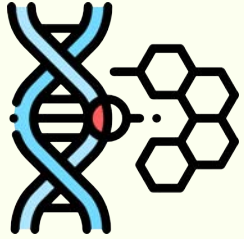
First Divine Institution:

**Responsible Choice:
Including ruling over the earth.**

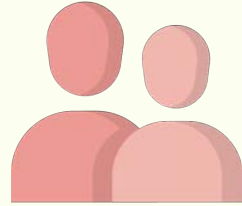


God gave man:	How sinful man abuses it:
 Food	Gluttony ----- Repulsed by food
 Work	Overworking or being a workaholic ----- Laziness and irresponsibility
 Exercise	Obsession over physique ----- Not taking care of health
 Leisure and entertainment	Becomes main purpose in life ----- All work and not knowing how to rest

Why do people sin?



bad genes?



awful parents?



abusive childhood?



past hurts?

Man blames his genes, his parents, his environment, education, friends, family, other people, government, economics, God, everything but his own bad choices.

People put hope in the details of life:

**Friends, family, marriage, education, popularity,
acceptance, good grades, money, things money can buy,
.... everything to find meaning and purpose that only God
can provide.**

Man, by his disobedience to God brought a judgment upon the world. The damage sin did to the environment is a million times worse than any one like Greta Thornburg ever imagined. And the clean up solution began at the Cross.

A recent news report indicates the discovery of OH, the hydroxide molecule, cleanses many pollutants from the atmosphere.

<https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2023/04/230407133443.htm>

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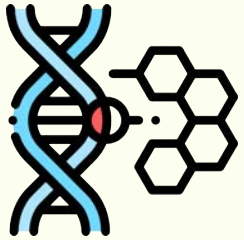
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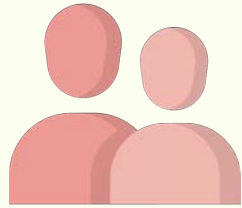
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We are Victims! (Victim mentality vs. Taking responsibility)

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Gen. 3:12, “Then the man said, ‘The woman whom You gave to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I ate.’

Gen. 3:13, “And the LORD God said to the woman, ‘What is this you have done?’ The woman said, ‘The serpent deceived me, and I ate.’ ”

People lose hope, meaning, and purpose in life.

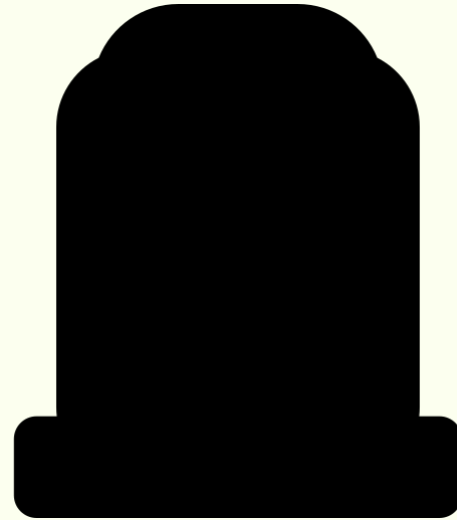
Because there is no one in control and there is no purpose to life, some people come to the logical conclusion that life is meaningless. So they decide to take their own life. They feel this is a good choice because of what they believe about death:

- Some believe that when they are dead, they cease to exist. So killing themselves will just end things for them.**
- Others believe that when they die, they will be absorbed into nature.**
- Still others believe in reincarnation, that their spirits will return to earth in another form.**



1. Because there is no one in control and there is no purpose to life, some people come to the logical conclusion that life is meaningless.

Heb. 9:27, “And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,”



Matt. 25:46, “And these will go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

2. Not being able to escape sin, others decide to give in to it and try to dull the pain with drugs, drink, and pleasure.



3. Others do not lose hope, they give themselves to a cause, to reform the world.

In contrast to this victim mentality, what does the Bible teach? The Bible teaches that God demands personal responsibility from each person.

Ezek. 18:20, “The soul who sins shall die. The son shall not bear the guilt of the father, nor the father bear the guilt of the son. The righteousness of the righteous shall be upon himself, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon himself.”

2 Cor. 5:10, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”

Adam and Eve had full control over their personal response to being tempted by Satan

Choice #1

Ask God



All-knowing
Creator-God

Choice #2

Find out for themselves
independent of God



Tree of
the knowledge of
good and evil

Entitlement: I am entitled and I have rights. I am my own ultimate authority.

I'm a victim!



Sense of hopelessness

I believe I'm in control!

(...but actually...there's so much I can't control)



Sense of hopelessness

B. Second Institution: Marriage

Gen. 3:16, “To the woman He said: ‘I will greatly multiply your sorrow and your conception; In pain you shall bring forth children; Your desire shall be for your husband, and he shall rule over you.’ ”

Matt. 19:4, “And He answered and said to them, ‘Have you not read that He who made them at the beginning “made them male and female,”

Matt. 19:5, “ ‘and said, “For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh”?”

Matt. 19:6, “ ‘So then, they are no longer two but one flesh. Therefore what God has joined together, let not man separate.’ ”

Matt. 19:7, “They said to Him, ‘Why then did Moses command to give a certificate of divorce, and to put her away?’

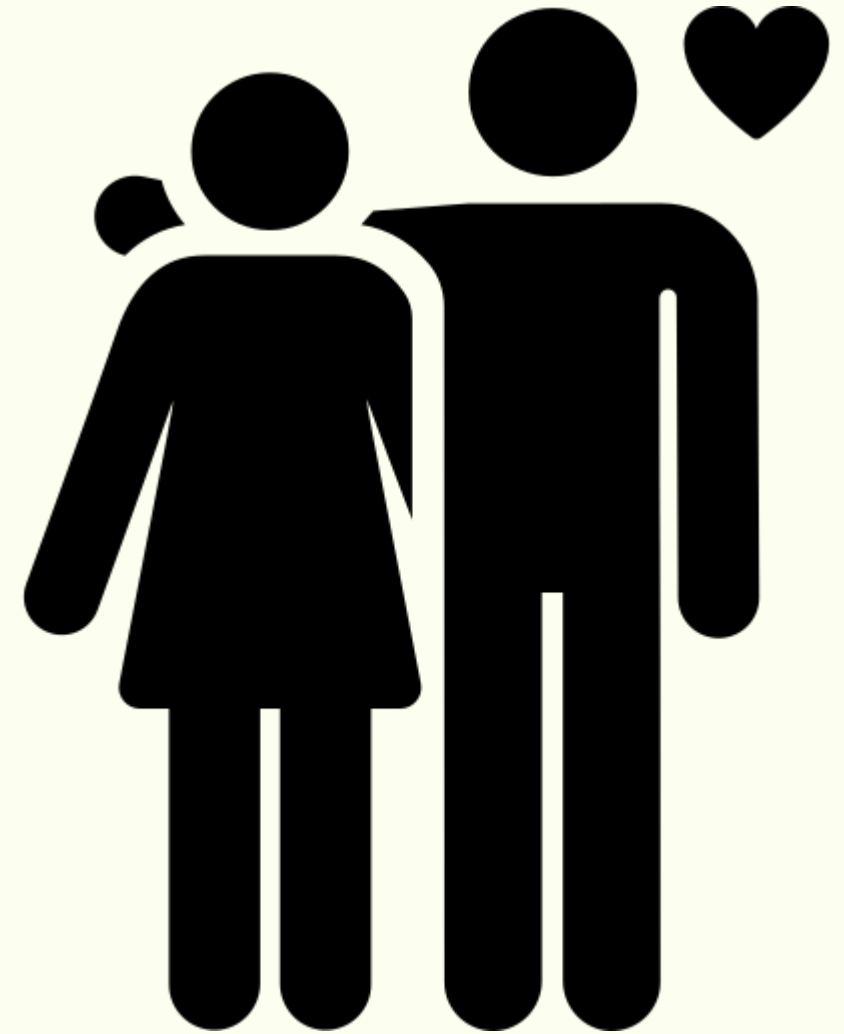
Matt. 19:8, “He said to them, ‘Moses, because of the hardness of your hearts, permitted you to divorce your wives, but from the beginning it was not so.’ ”

Evil Alternatives to Marriage:

- **“Marriage” between a man and a man**
- **“Marriage” between a woman and a woman**
- **“Marriage” between several men and a woman, or several women and a man.**
- **“Marriage” between mothers and sons, fathers and daughters, adults with children, or**
- **Anything other than one man and one woman.**

God's Design for Marriage:

One man and one woman.



C. Third Institution: Family



Gen. 4:8, “Now Cain talked with Abel his brother; and it came to pass, when they were in the field, that Cain rose up against Abel his brother and killed him.”

Because of mankind's rebellion, God gave them over to do whatever their sinful hearts wanted.

Rom. 1:18, “For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

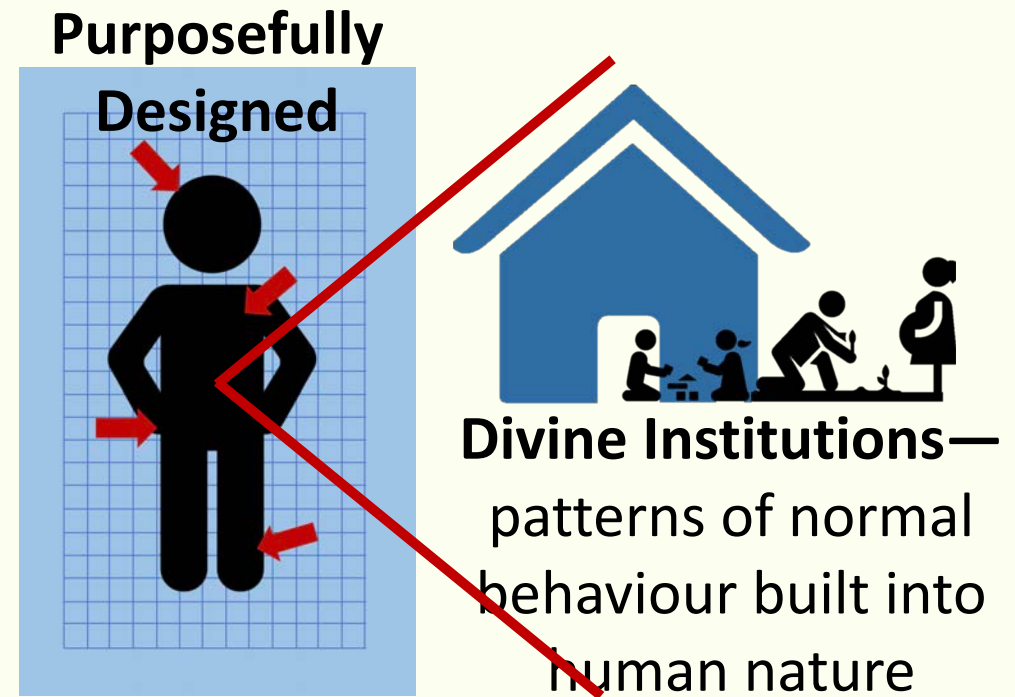
Rom. 1:19, “because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them.

Rom. 1:20, “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,”

Rom. 1:21, “because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.”

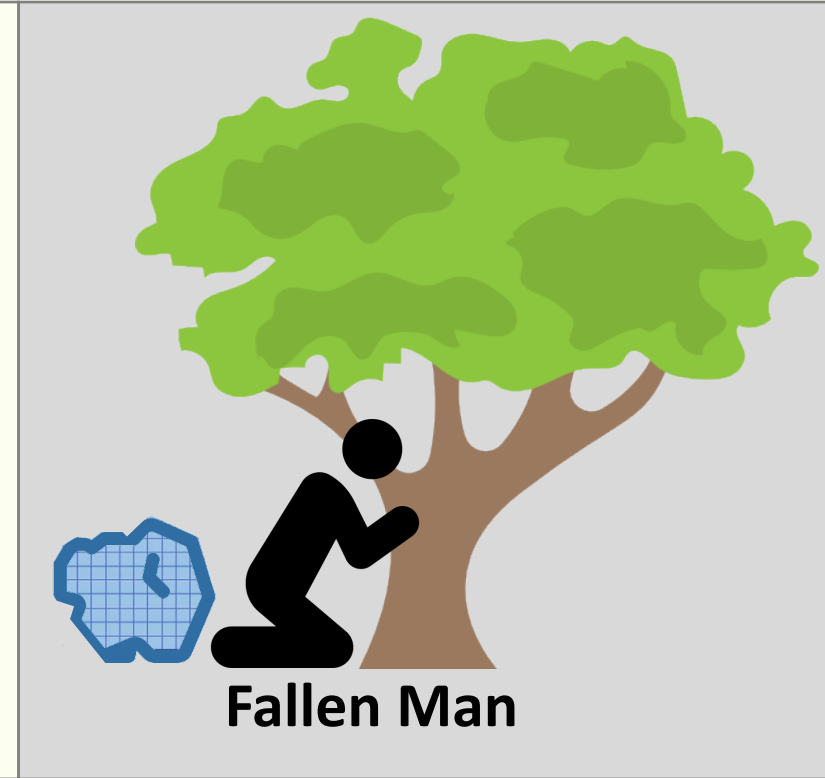
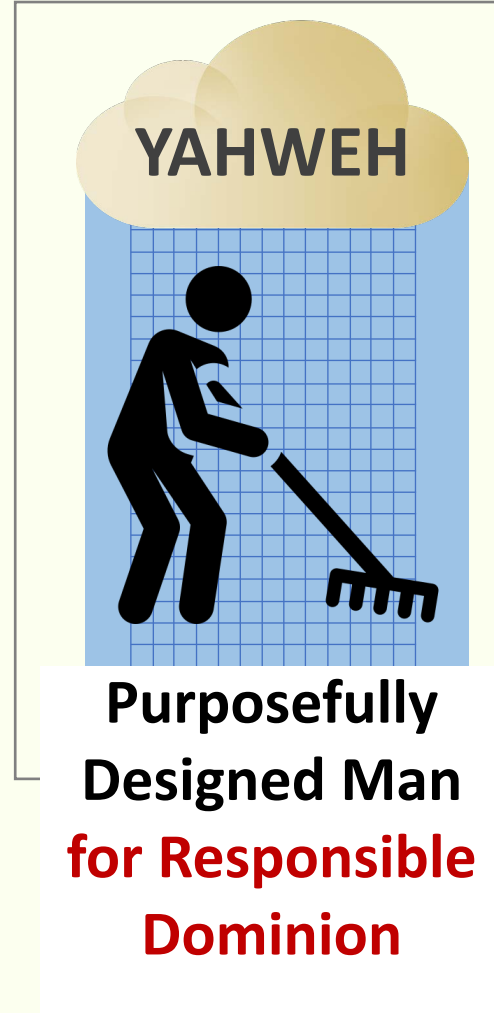
Rom. 1:22, “Professing to be wise, they became fools,”

Rom. 1:23, “and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.”



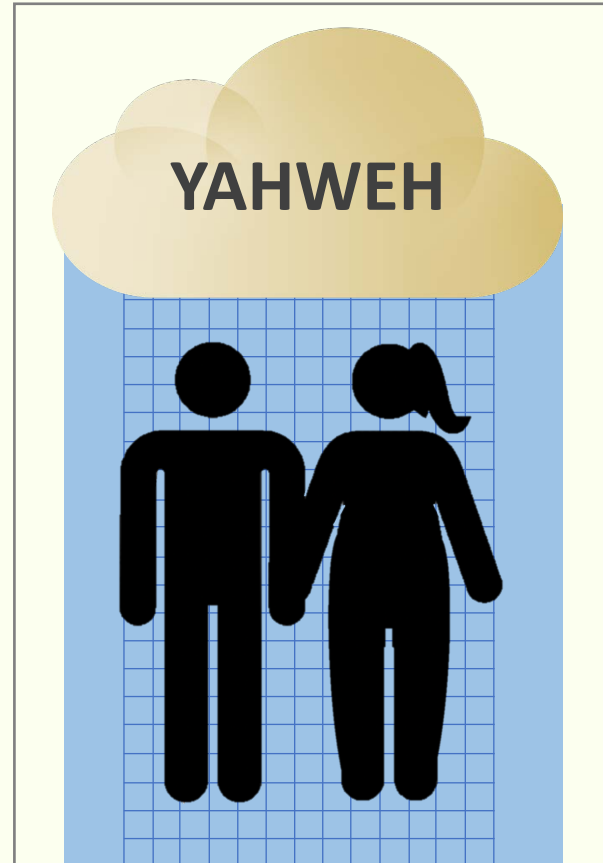
Rom. 1:24, “Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves,

Rom. 1:25, “who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.”

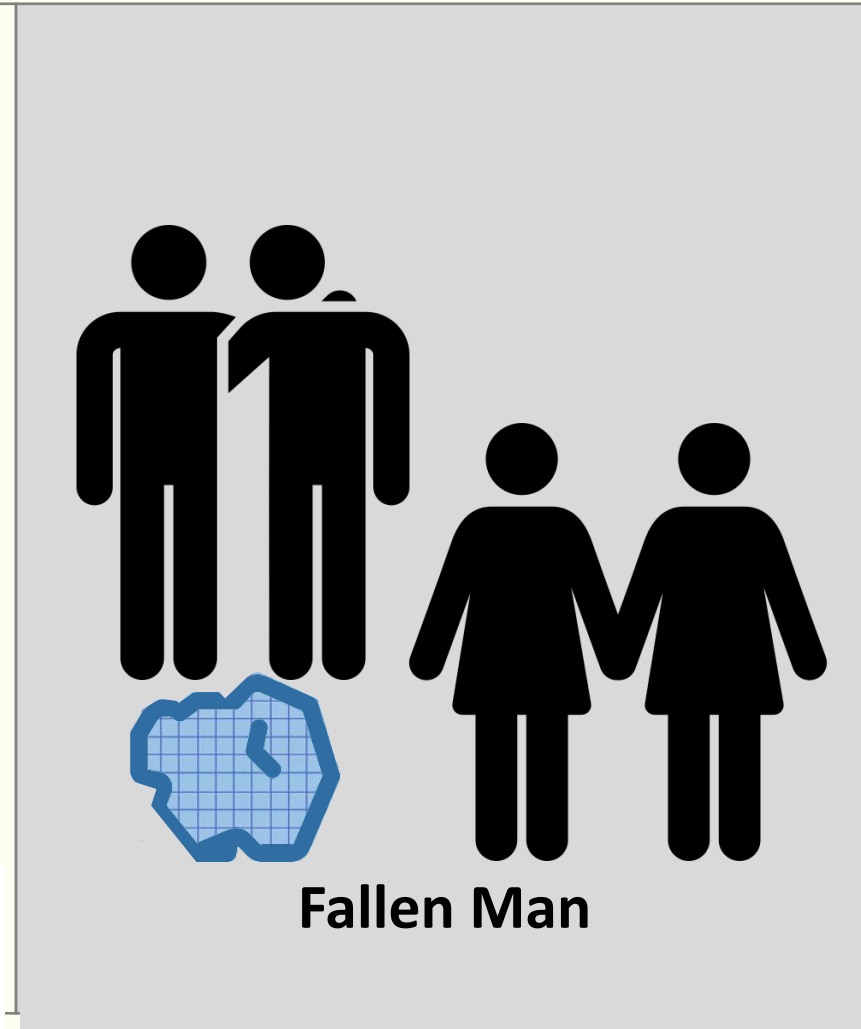


Rom. 1:26, “For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature.

Rom. 1:27, “Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due.”

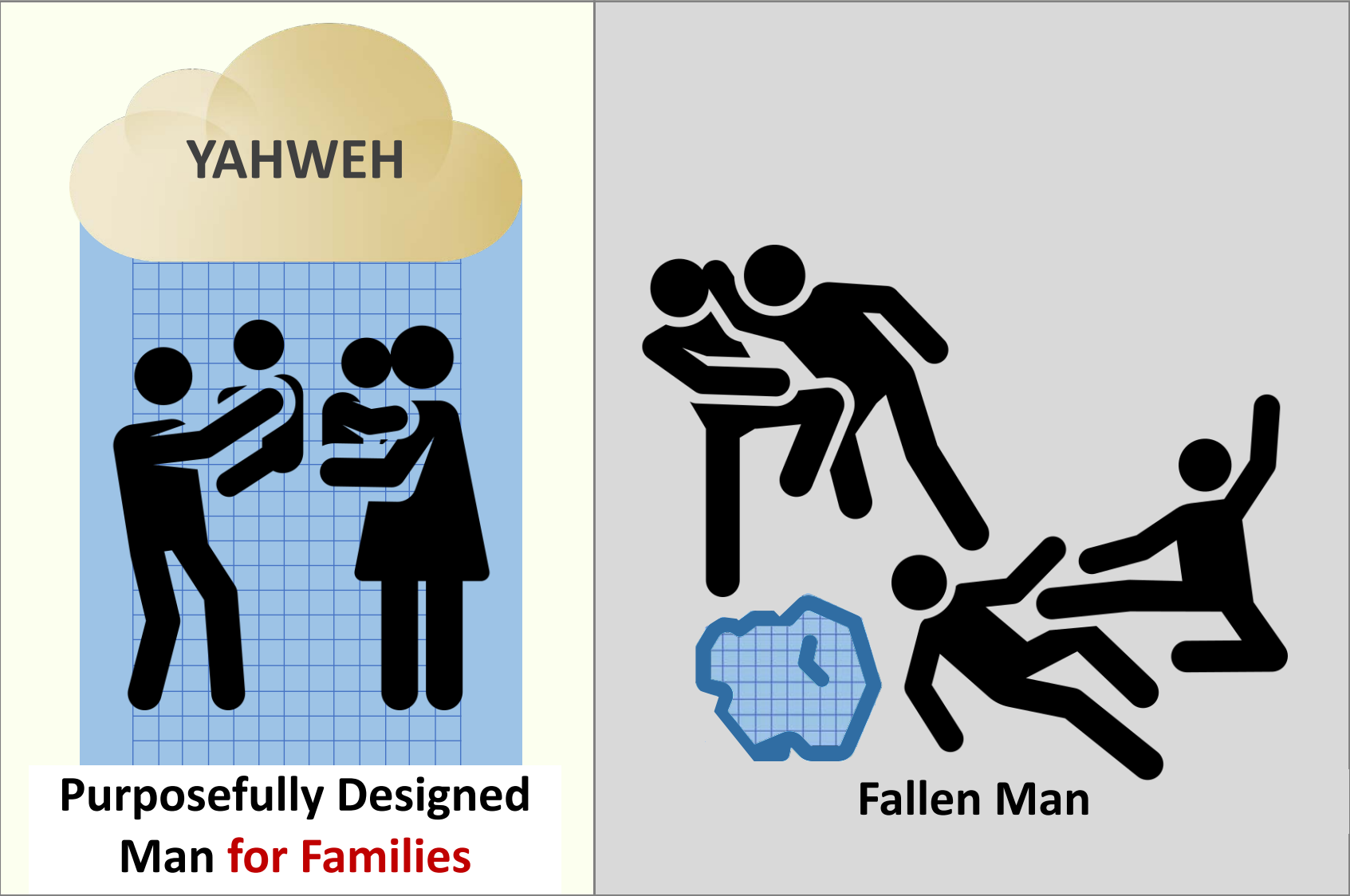


Purposefully
Designed Man **for**
Marriage



Fallen Man

The Collapse of the Family



Rom. 1:28, “And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting;

Rom. 1:29, “being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers,

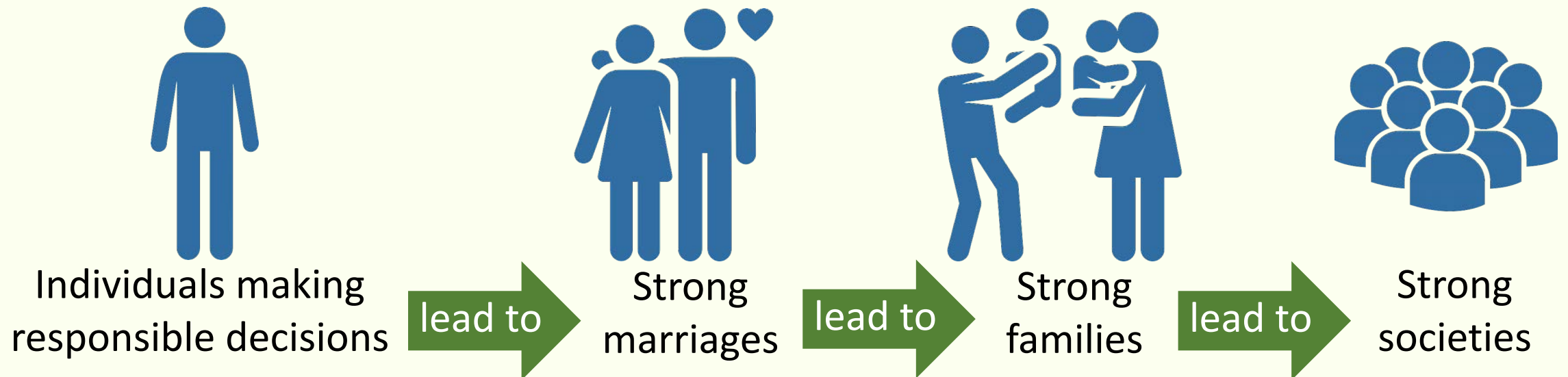
Rom. 1:30, “backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

Rom. 1:31, “undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful;

Rom. 1:32, “who, knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same but also approve of those who practice them.”

The Divine Institutions are like interconnected blocks, with each institution building upon the previous one:

- **Societies cannot be strong without strong families.**
- **We will not have strong families without strong marriages.**
- **And we will not have strong marriages unless individuals are making good, responsible decisions.**



How God Communicated with Adam

God **SHOWED**
him the garden
He had made.



God **SPOKE** to
him about how
to live well.

How God Communicates with Man

God **SHOWS**
us His creation.



God's **WORD**
tells us how to
live well.

If we ignore God, we will face the consequences. God cannot be mocked.

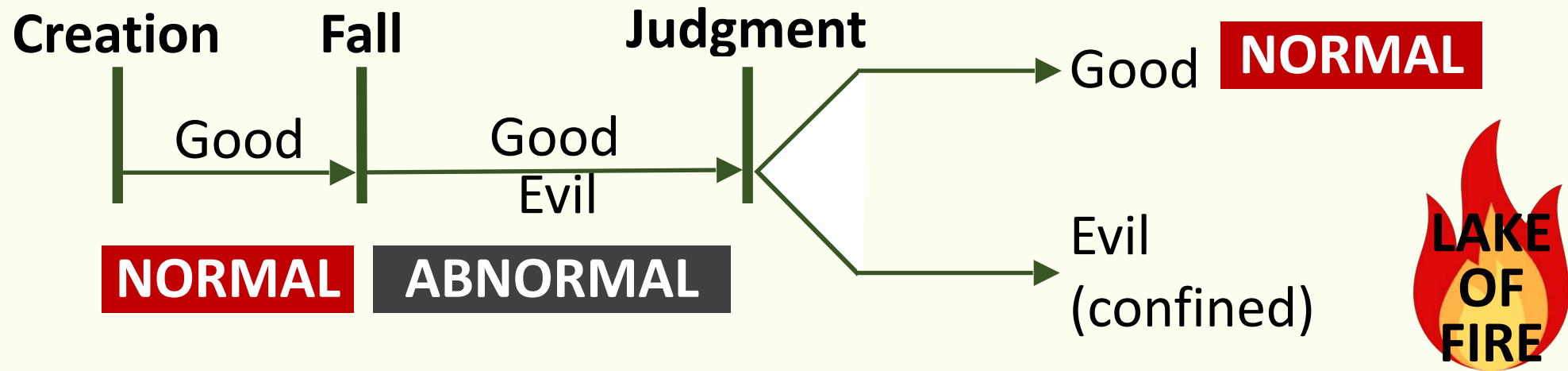
Gal. 6:7, “Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap.”

Gen. 3:22, “Then the LORD God said, ‘Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever’—

Gen. 3:23, “therefore the LORD God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.”

Gen. 3:24, “So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.”

Biblical View: Good/Evil Mix is Abnormal and Temporary



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