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Lesson 33A: Birth of Christ – Part 1

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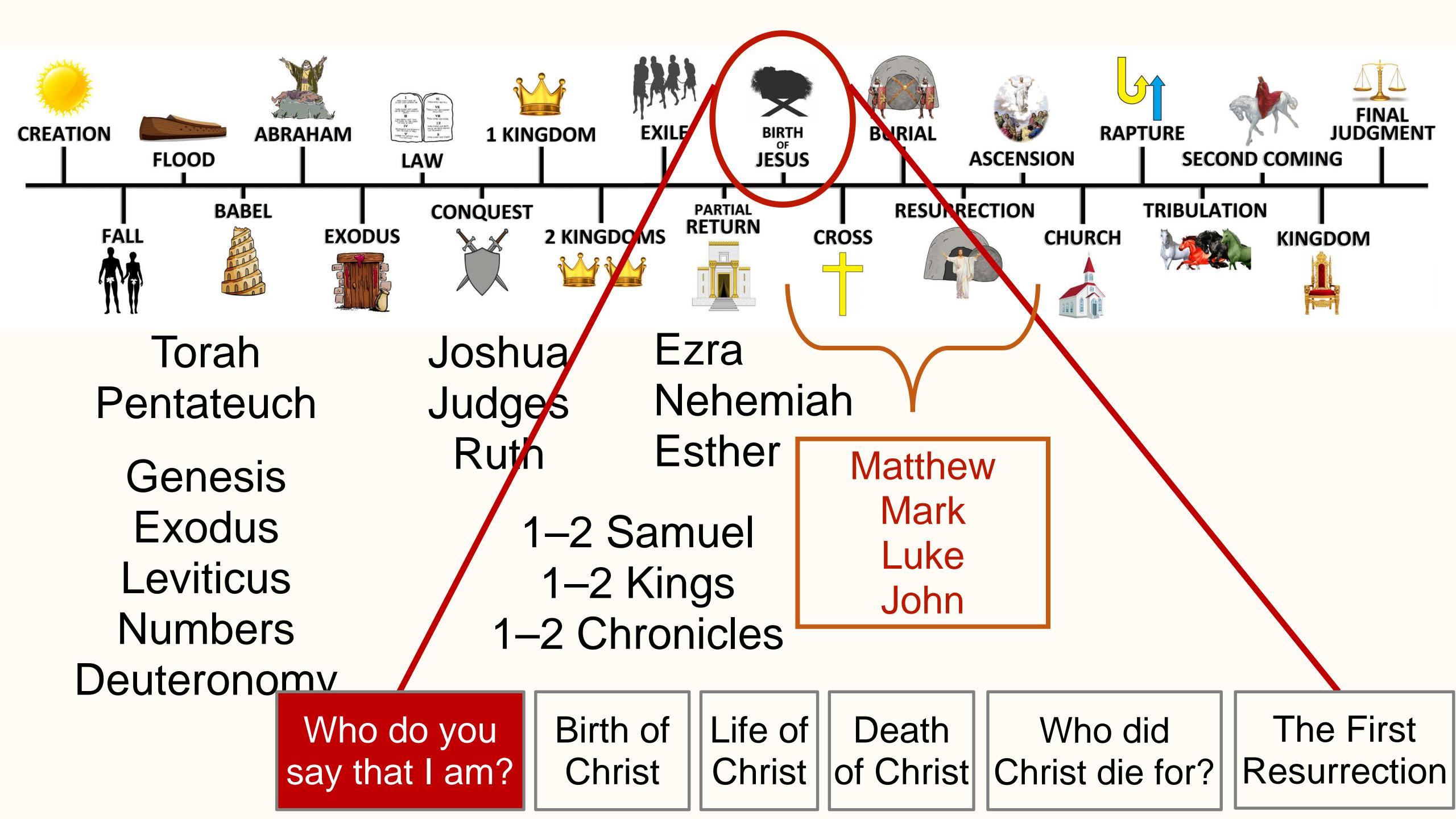
 - √ The Incarnation of Christ: The God-Man
 - √ The Virgin Birth of Christ
 - Why a Virgin Birth? Part 1

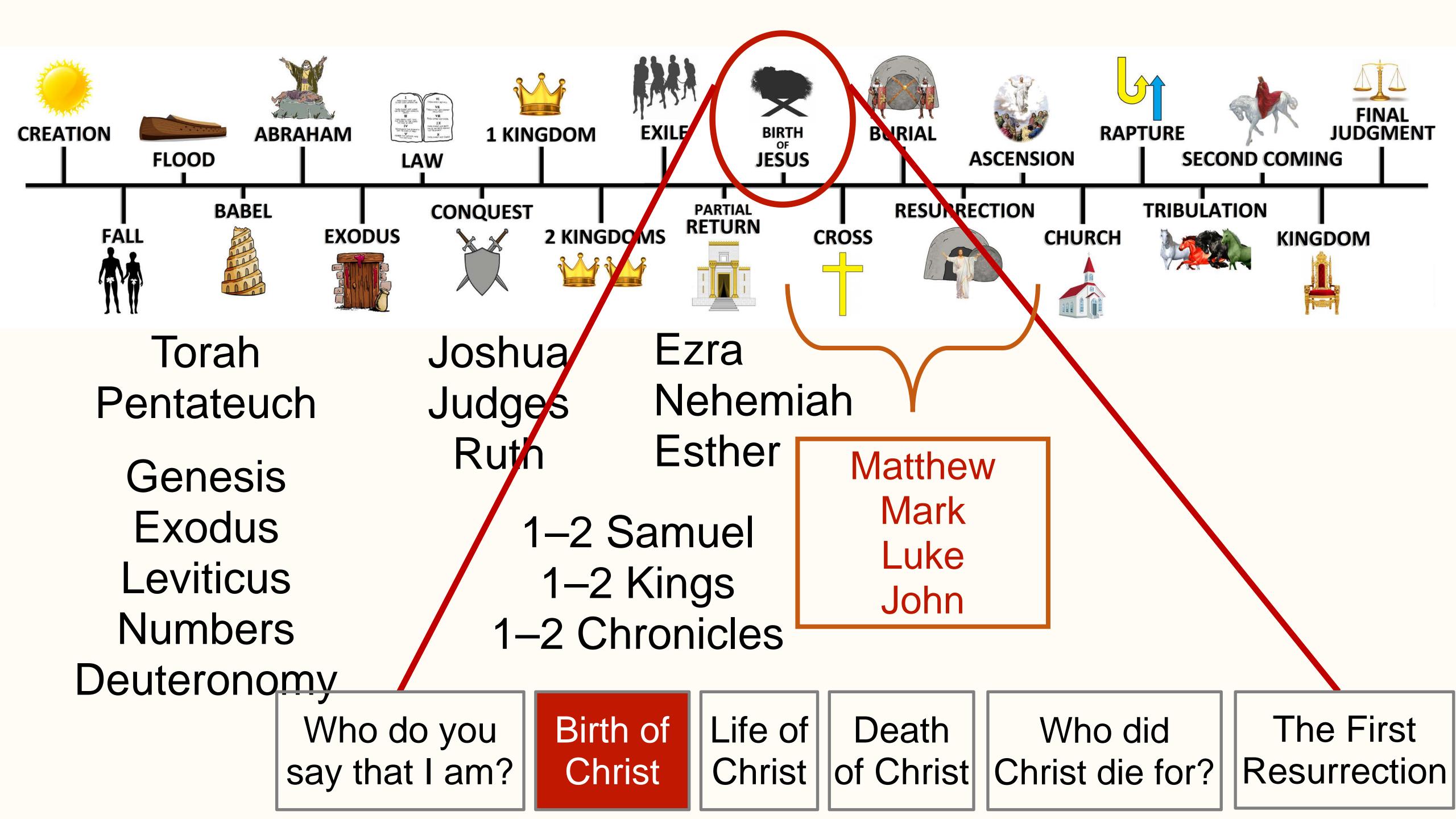
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Lesson 33B: Birth of Christ – Part 2

- Previously ...
 - √ When Jesus saves, He also imputes
 - ✓ For Jesus to be the Savior, He had to be sinless
 - √ Jesus: Son of God and Son of Man

 - √ What was mankind's response?





A. Imputed Sin

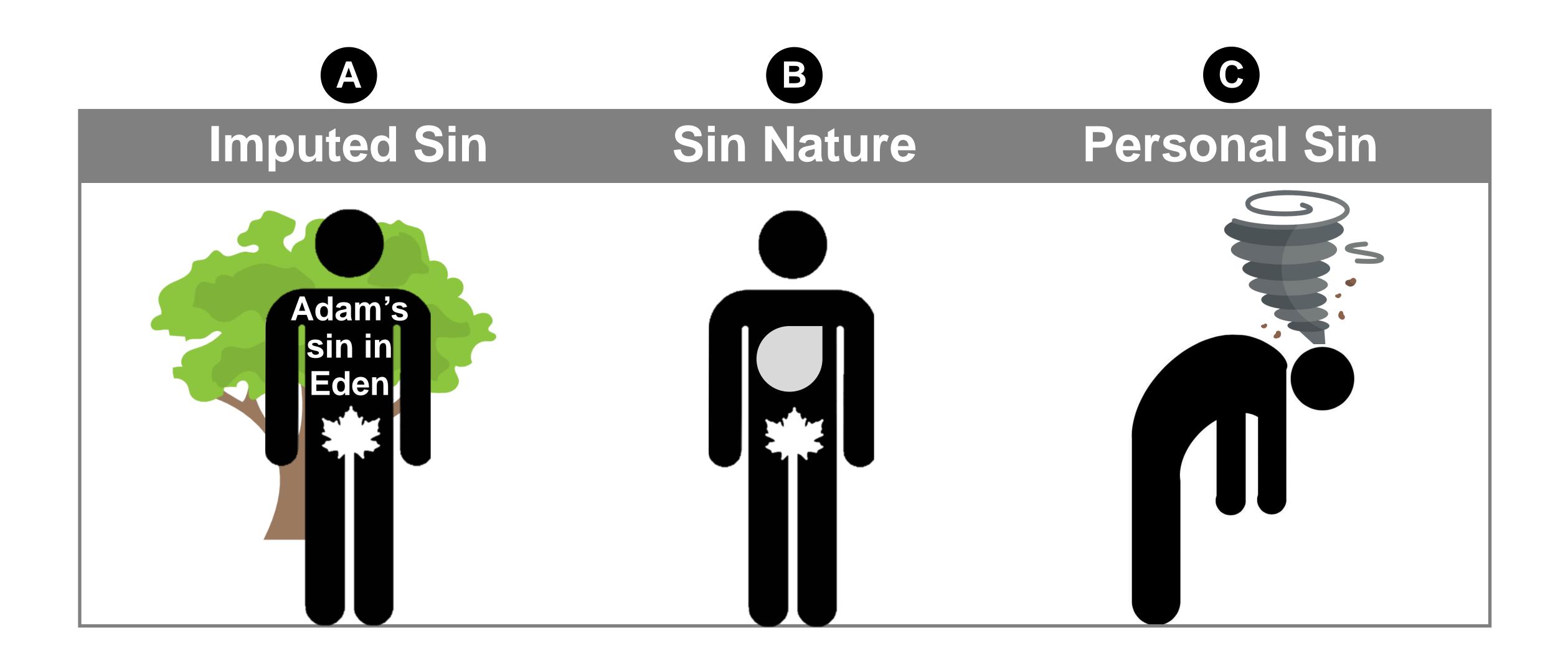
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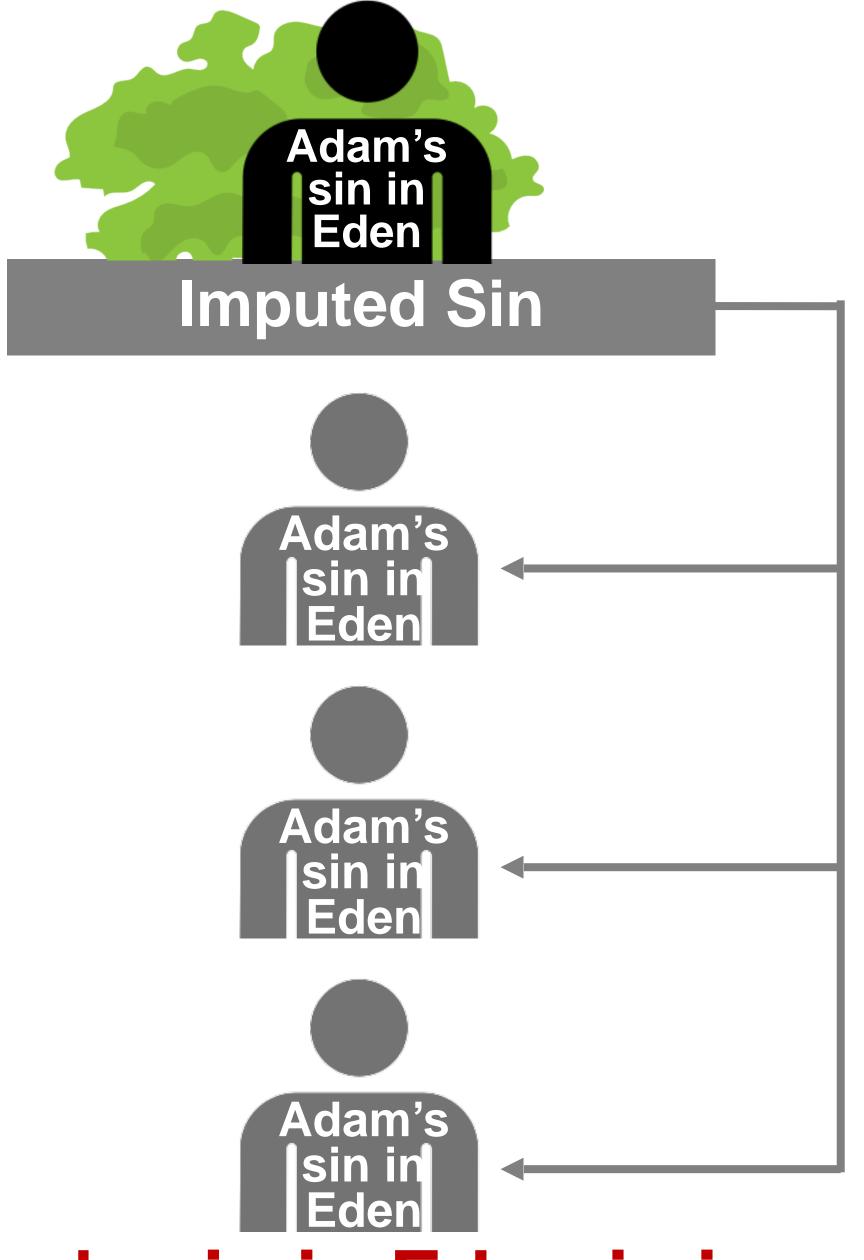
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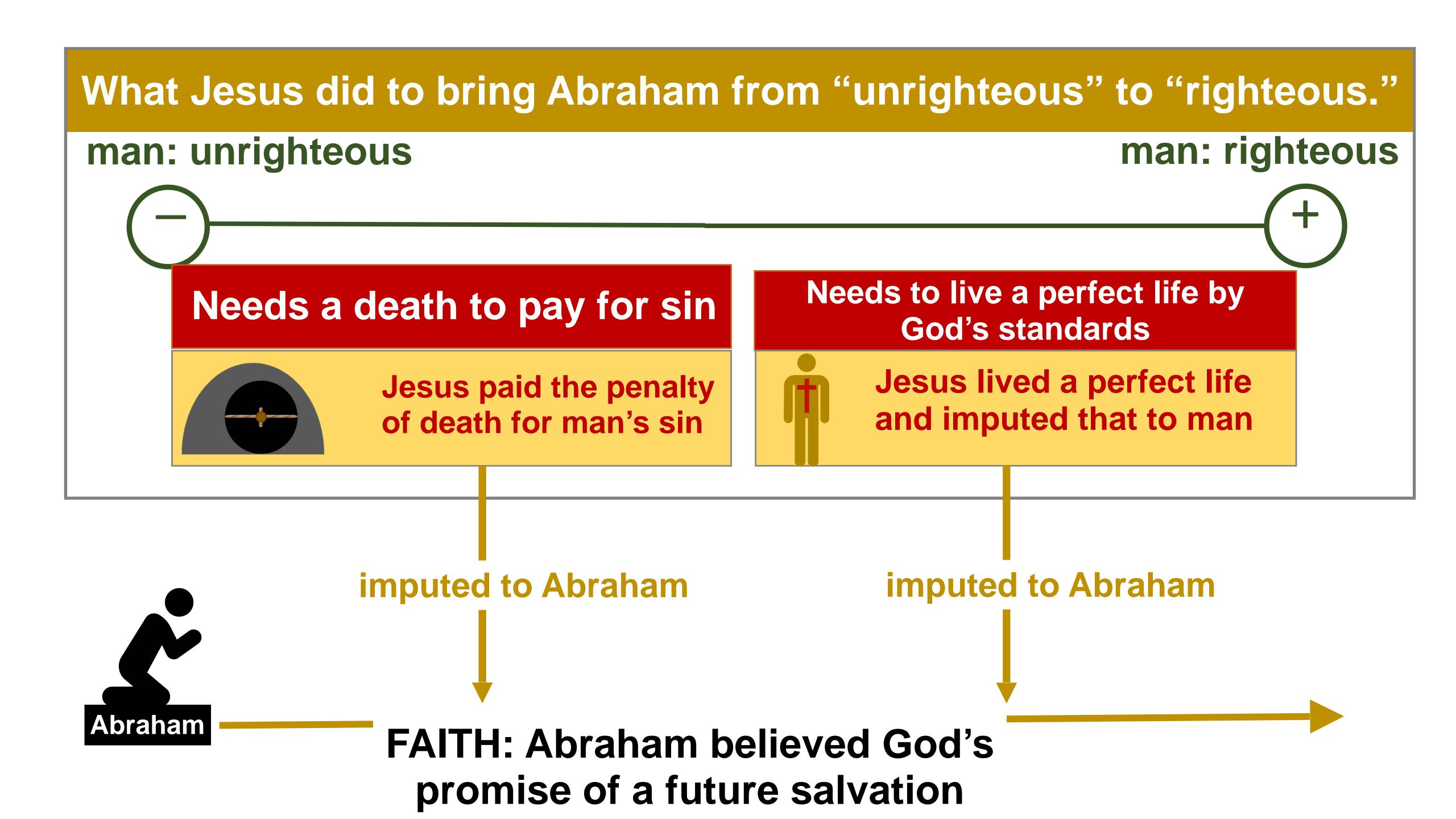
Imputed Righteousness

Gen. 15:6, "And earlier Abraham had already believed in the LORD [in His promise of a future Savior], and He imputed it to him for righteousness." [RD]





Adam's sin in Eden is imputed directly into all descendants



Heb. 7:4, "Now consider how great this man was, to whom even the patriarch Abraham gave a tenth of the spoils."

Heb. 7:9, "Even Levi, who receives tithes, paid tithes through Abraham, so to speak,

Heb. 7:10, "for he was still in the loins of his father when Melchizedek met him."





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Abraham's descendants: LEVITICAL PRIESTS

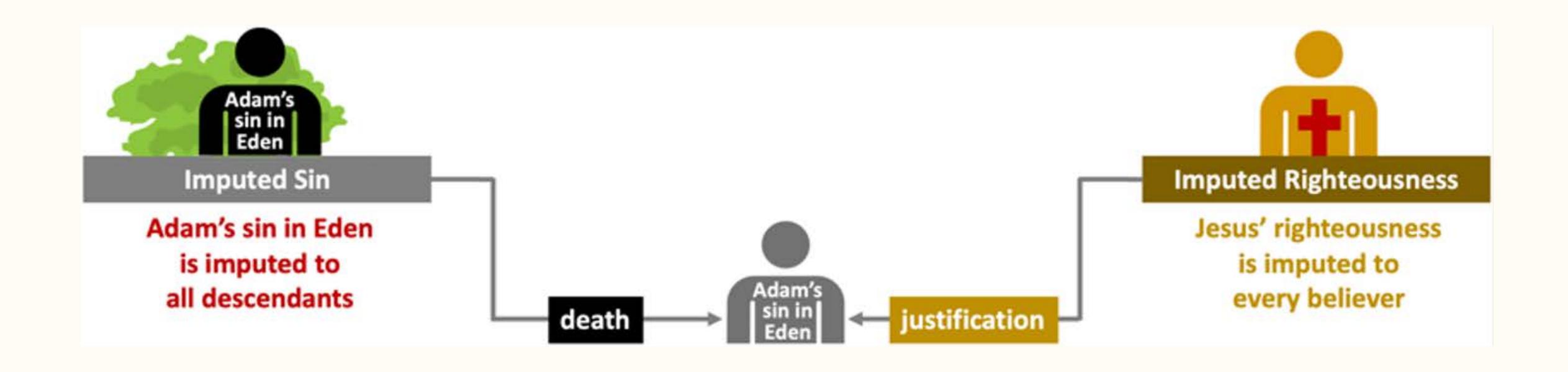


How God sees it:
Abraham's
descendants,
the Levitical priests,
also paid a tithe to
Melchizedek.

When Jesus saves, He also imputes

Rom. 5:15, "But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many.

Rom. 5:16, "And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in condemnation, but the <u>free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification</u>."



Rom. 4:3, "For what does the Scripture say? Abraham believed God, and it was imputed [credited] to him for righteousness."

Rom. 4:5, "But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is imputed [credited] for righteousness."

- 1 Cor. 15:21, "For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.
- 1 Cor. 15:22, "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive."

Gal. 2:16, "because we know that no one is justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, and we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; because by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified." [RD]

God credits righteousness to believers because of what Jesus did man: unrighteous man: righteous Needs to live a perfect life by Needs a death to pay for sin God's standards Jesus lived a perfect life Jesus paid the penalty of death for man's sin and imputed that to man imputed to believers imputed to believers God's Salvation **FAITH IN CHRIST** AII **Promises** Mankind

B. Sin Nature

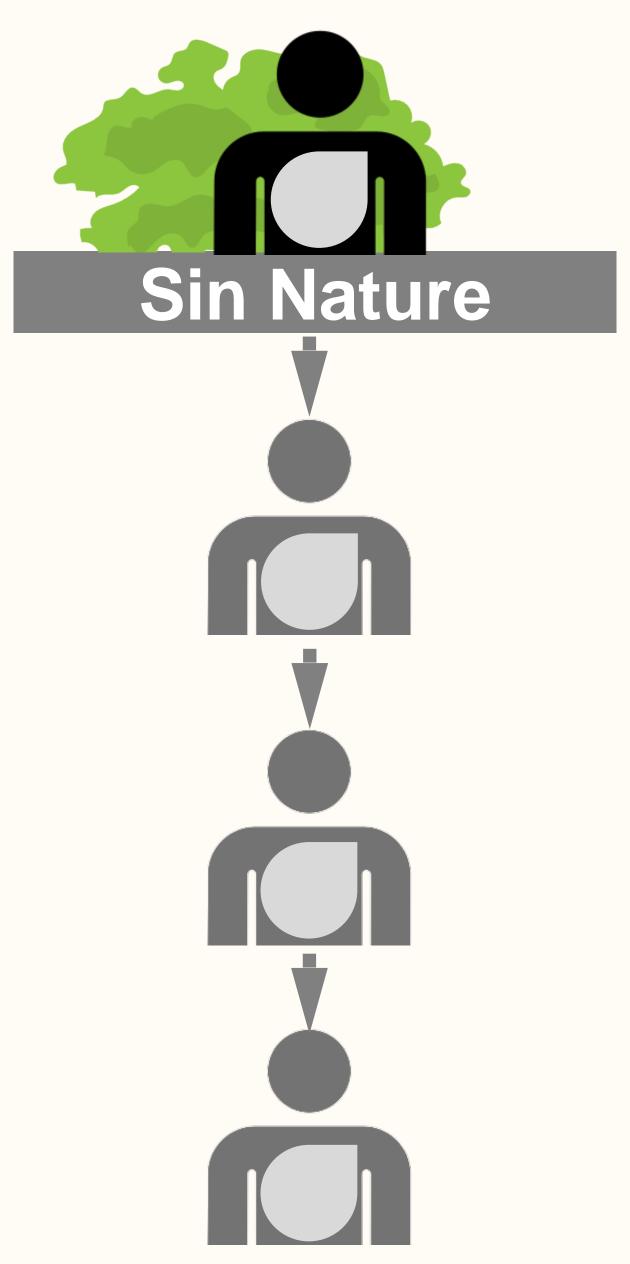
Psa. 51:5, "Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin my mother conceived me."

Gal. 5:17,

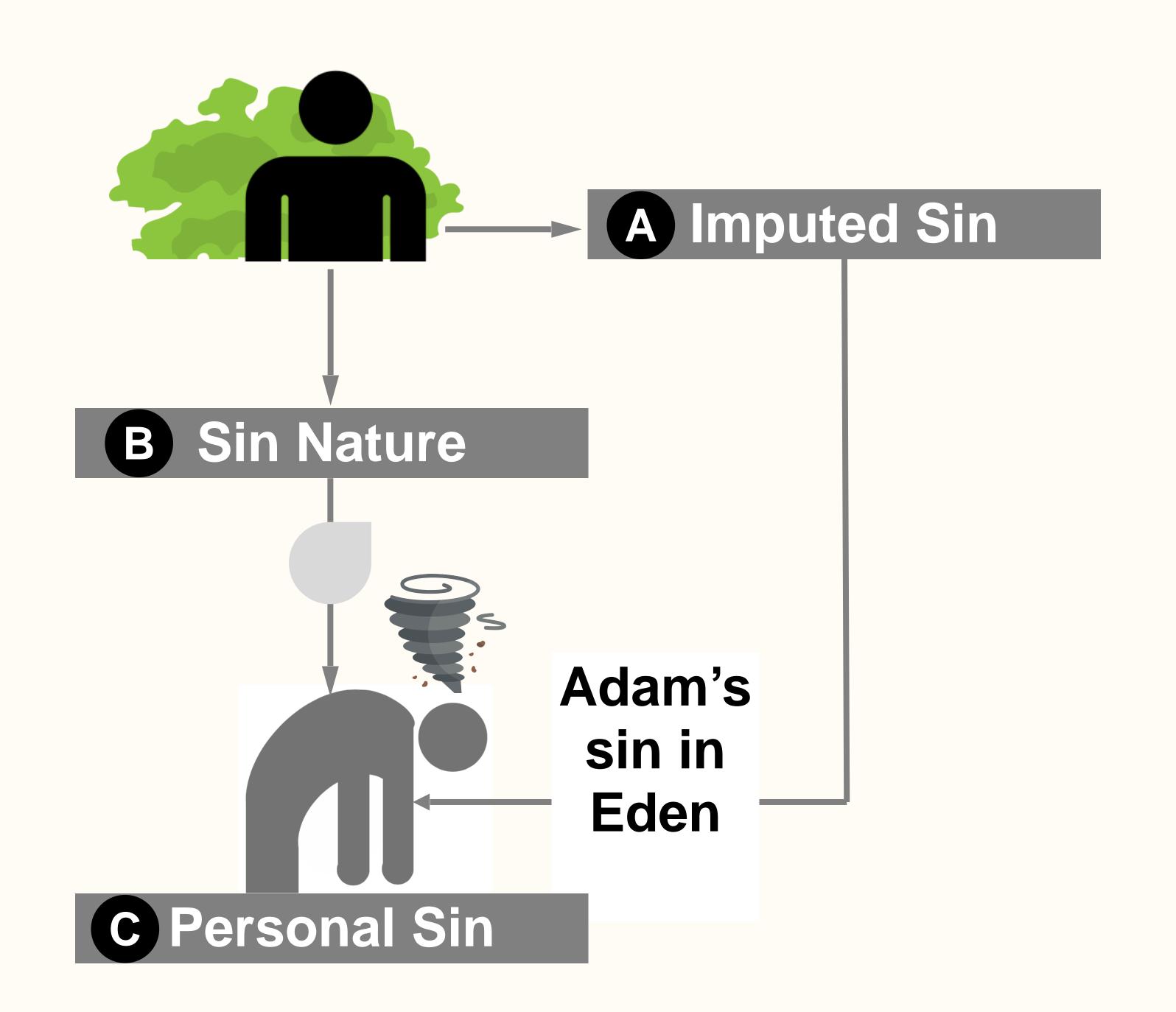
"For the flesh [sin nature] lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish."

Gal. 5:16, "I say then, walk by the Spirit and you will not carry out the desire of the flesh.

Gal. 5:17, "For the flesh desires what is against the Spirit, and the Spirit desires what is against the flesh; these are opposed to each other, so that you don't do what you want."



Adam's corrupted sin nature is passed on to all descendants, like genes.



C. Personal Sin



Sin that we commit ourselves

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Answer: The virgin birth solved the problem!

The Holy Spirit caused the virgin birth

Luke 1:26, "Now in the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent by God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,

Luke 1:27, "to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. The virgin's name was Mary.

Luke 1:28, "And having come in, the angel said to her, 'Rejoice, highly favored one, the Lord is with you; blessed are you among women!'

Luke 1:29, "But when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and considered what manner of greeting this was."

Luke 1:30, "Then the angel said to her, 'Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God.

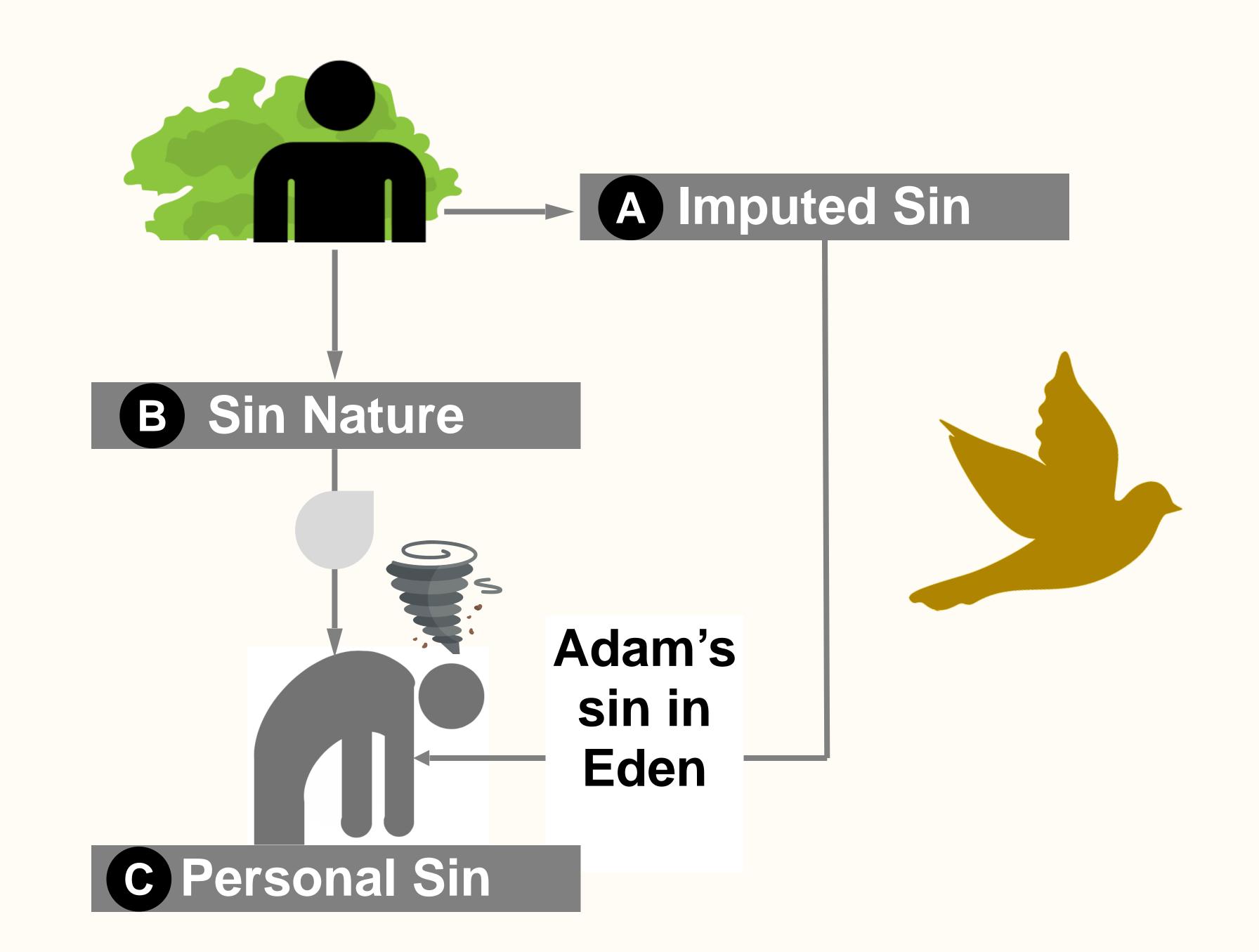
Luke 1:31, "'And behold, you will conceive in your womb and bring forth a Son, and shall call His name JESUS.

Luke 1:32, " 'He will be great, and will be called the Son of the Highest; and the Lord God will give Him the throne of His father David.

Luke 1:33, "'And He will reign over the house of Jacob forever, and of His kingdom there will be no end.""

Luke 1:34, "Then Mary said to the angel, 'How can this be, since I do not know a man?'

Luke 1:35, "And the angel answered and said to her, 'The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.'"

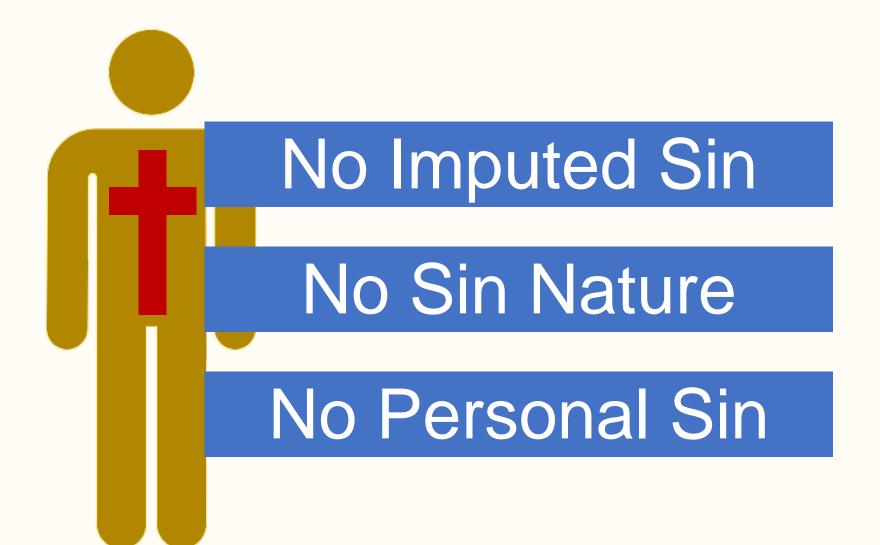


Rom. 8:3, "For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh,"

2. For Jesus to be the Savior, He had to be sinless.

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- Heb. 10:5, "Therefore, when He came into the world, He said: 'Sacrifice and offering You did not desire, but a body You have prepared for Me.'"
- 1 Pet. 1:18, "because you know that you were not redeemed with corruptible things, like silver or gold, from your aimless conduct received by tradition from your fathers,
- 1 Pet. 1:19, "but with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot.
- 1 Pet. 1:20, "He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you."

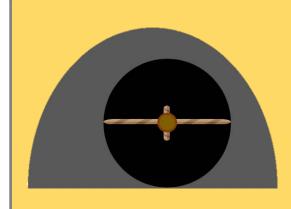
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man: unrighteous

man: righteous



Needs a death to pay for sin



The penalty for sin is death.

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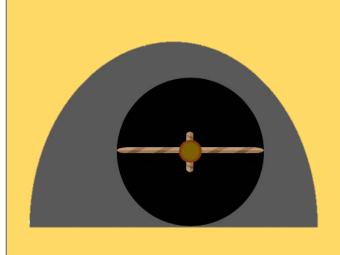
"righteous," there must be a

death to pay for all the sins.

Needs to live a perfect life by God's standards

To go from "unrighteous" to "righteous," an absolutely perfect, obedient, righteous life must have been lived.

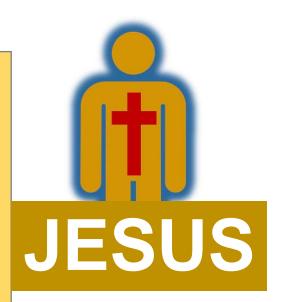
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Jesus paid the penalty of death for man's sin. He could because He had no sin of His own to pay for.



Jesus lived a perfect life and imputed that to man.



Did the Bible make mistakes in recording the genealogy of Jesus?

In Matthew's list, David's son is Solomon, who became king after his father died.

But in Luke's list, David's son is recorded as Nathan (another son of Bathsheba. See 1 Chronicles 3:5).

1 Chron. 3:5, "And these were born to him in Jerusalem: Shimea, Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon—four by Bathshua the daughter of Ammiel."

Matt. 1:5, "Salmon begot Boaz by Rahab, Boaz begot Obed by Ruth, Obed begot Jesse, Matt. 1:6, "and Jesse begot David the king. David the king begot Solomon by her who had been the wife of Uriah.

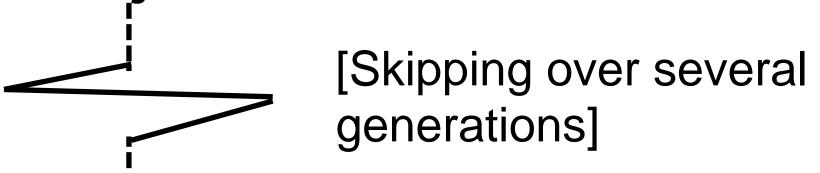
Matt. 1:7, "Solomon begot Rehoboam, Rehoboam begot Abijah, and Abijah begot Asa." Matt. 1:11, "Josiah begot Jeconiah and his brothers about the time they were carried away to Babylon." Matt. 1:16, "And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ."

Luke 3:23, "Now Jesus
Himself began His ministry at
about thirty years of age,
being (as was supposed) the
son of Joseph, the son of
Heli,"

Luke 3:31, "the son of Melea, the son of Menan, the son of Mattathah, the son of Nathan, the son of David, Luke 3:32, "the son of Jesse, the son of Obed, the son of Boaz, the son of Salmon, the son of Nahshon,"

Matthew 1:5–7, 16

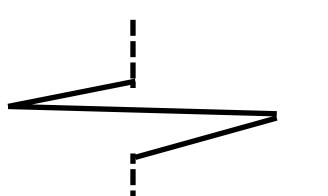
- Obed was the father of Jesse.
- Jesse was the father of King David.
- David was the father of Solomon (whose mother was Bathsheba, the widow of Uriah).
- Solomon was the father of Rehoboam.
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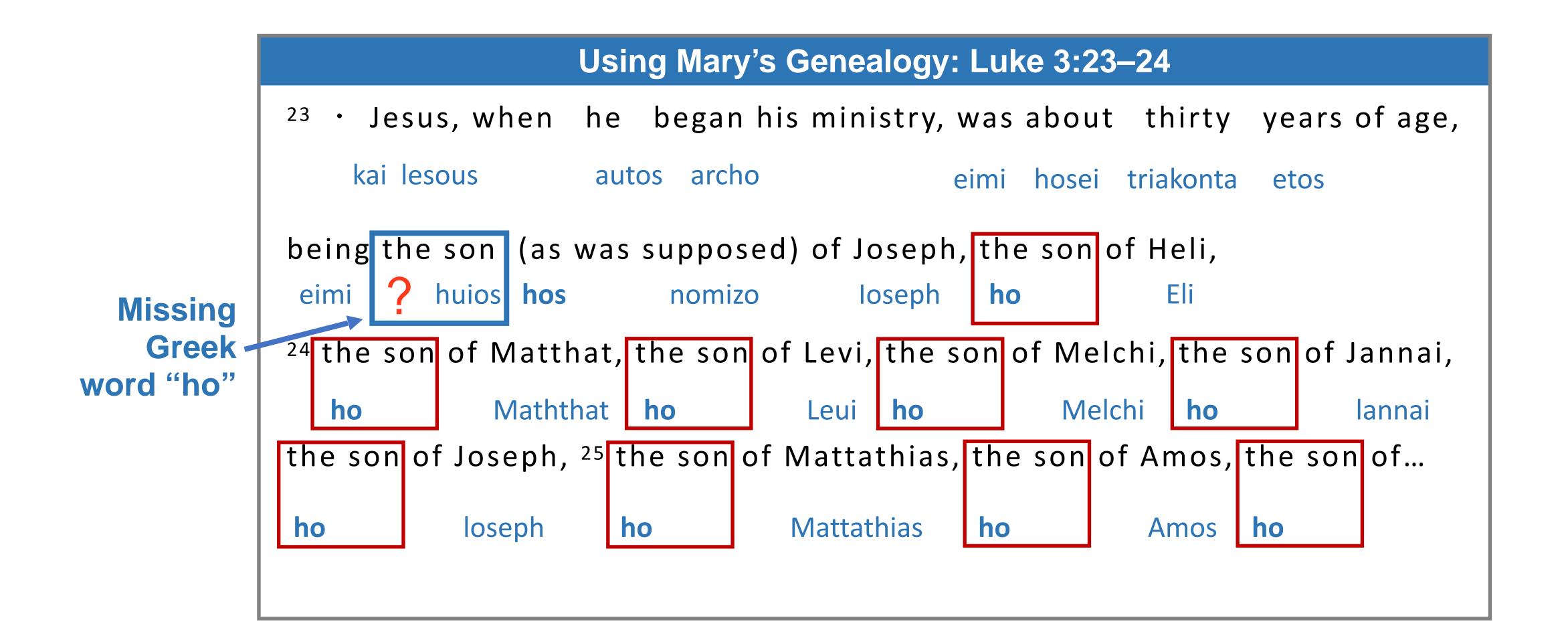
Luke 3:23, 31–32

- Obed was the father of Jesse.
- David was the son of Jesse.
- Nathan was the son of David.
- Mattatha was the son of Nathan.
- Menna was the son of Mattatha.
- Melea was the son of Menna.
- Eliakim was the son of Melea.



[Skipping over several generations]

- Joseph was the son of Heli.
- Jesus was known as the son of Joseph.



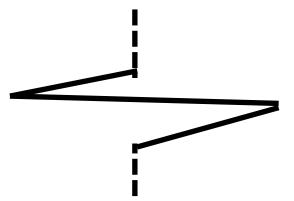
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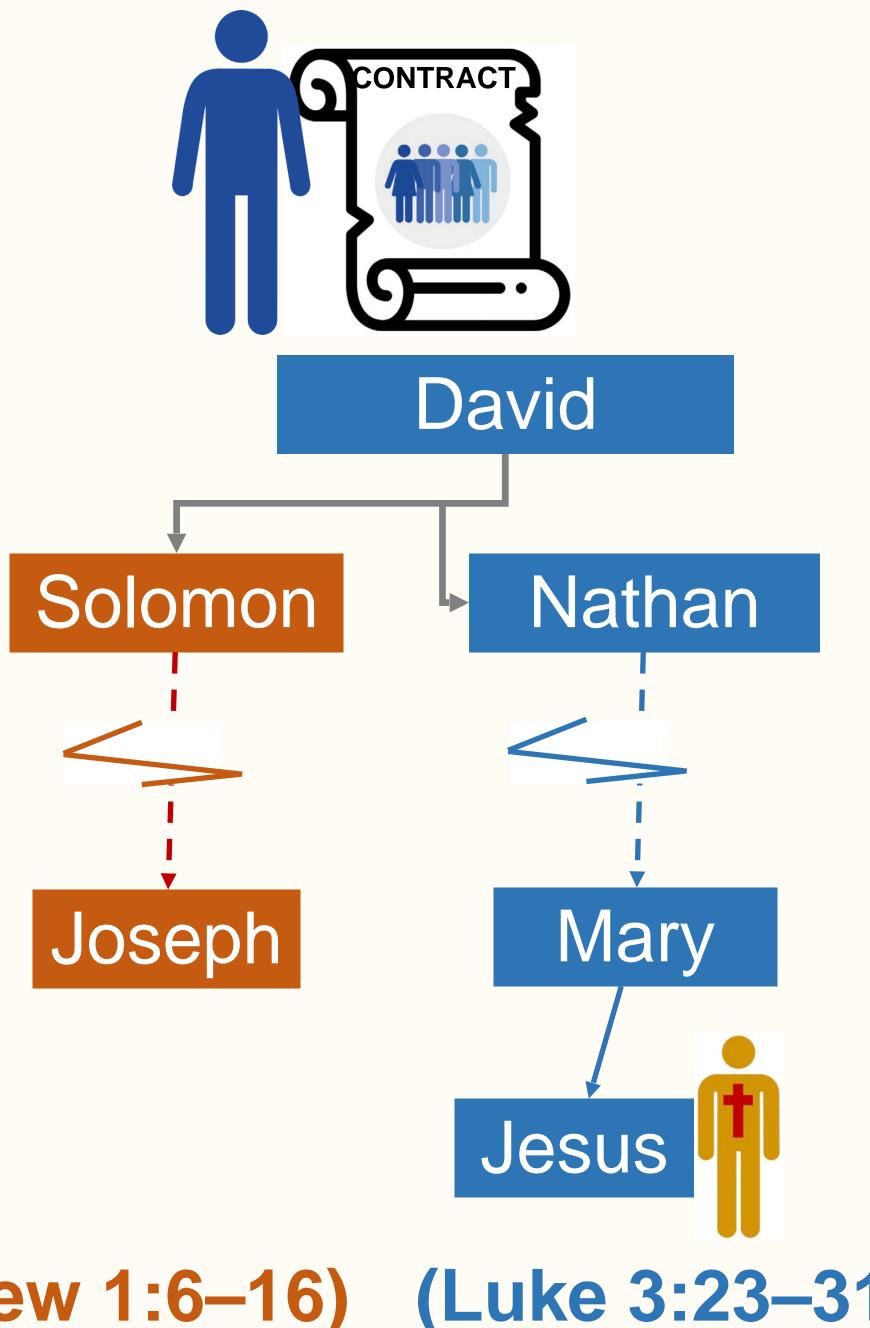


Joseph's father



So the difference between the genealogies in Luke and Matthew is:

- Luke shows Mary's genealogy from Jesus to Nathan and David.
- Matthew shows Joseph's genealogy from Jesus to Solomon, the royal line of David.



(Matthew 1:6-16) (Luke 3:23-31)

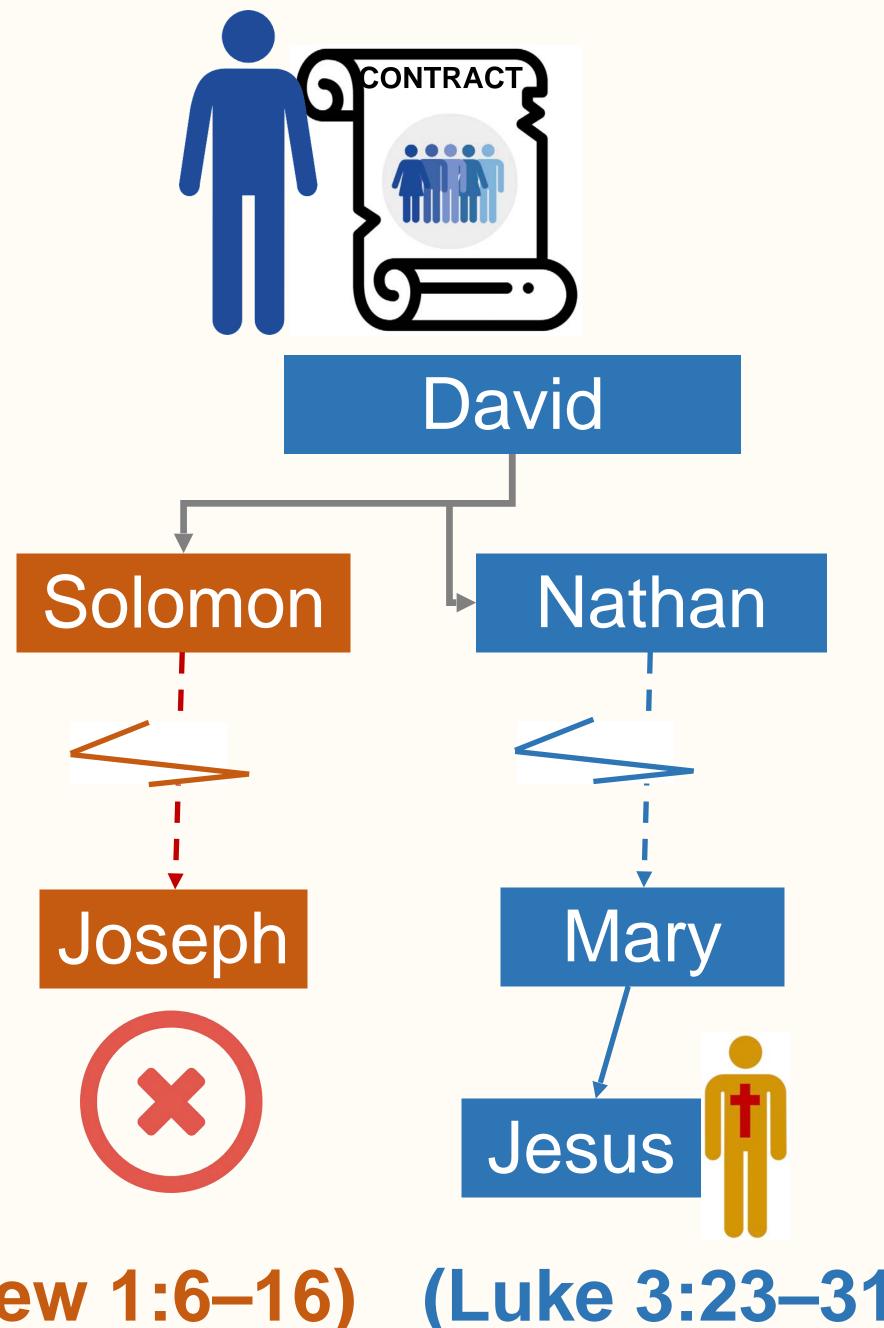
Jer. 22:28, "'Is this man Coniah a despised, broken idol—a vessel in which is no pleasure? Why are they cast out, he and his descendants, and cast into a land which they do not know?

Jer. 22:29, "'O earth, earth, earth, Hear the word of the LORD!'

Jer. 22:30, "Thus says the LORD: 'Write this man down as childless, a man who shall not prosper in his days; For none of his descendants shall prosper, sitting on the throne of David, and ruling anymore in Judah.'

Matt. 1:16, "And Jacob begot Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus who is called Christ."

Matt. 1:18, "Now the birth of Jesus Christ was as follows: After His mother Mary was betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Spirit."



(Matthew 1:6-16) (Luke 3:23-31)

Jesus: Son of God and Son of Man

1. Son of God

Prov. 30:1, "The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, his utterance. This man declared to Ithiel—to Ithiel and Ucal:

Prov. 30:2, "Surely I am more stupid than any man, and do not have the understanding of a man.

Prov. 30:3, "I neither learned wisdom nor have knowledge of the Holy One.

Prov. 30:4, "Who has ascended into heaven, or descended? Who has gathered the wind in His fists? Who has bound the waters in a garment? Who has established all the ends of the earth? What is His name, and what is His Son's name, if you know?"

Creator-Creature Distinction

1st level

SOVEREIGN GOD — God Nature

2nd level

created man -Human Nature -

Jesus is called "Son of God"

Jesus is called "Son of Man"

What is His name? What is His Son's name?

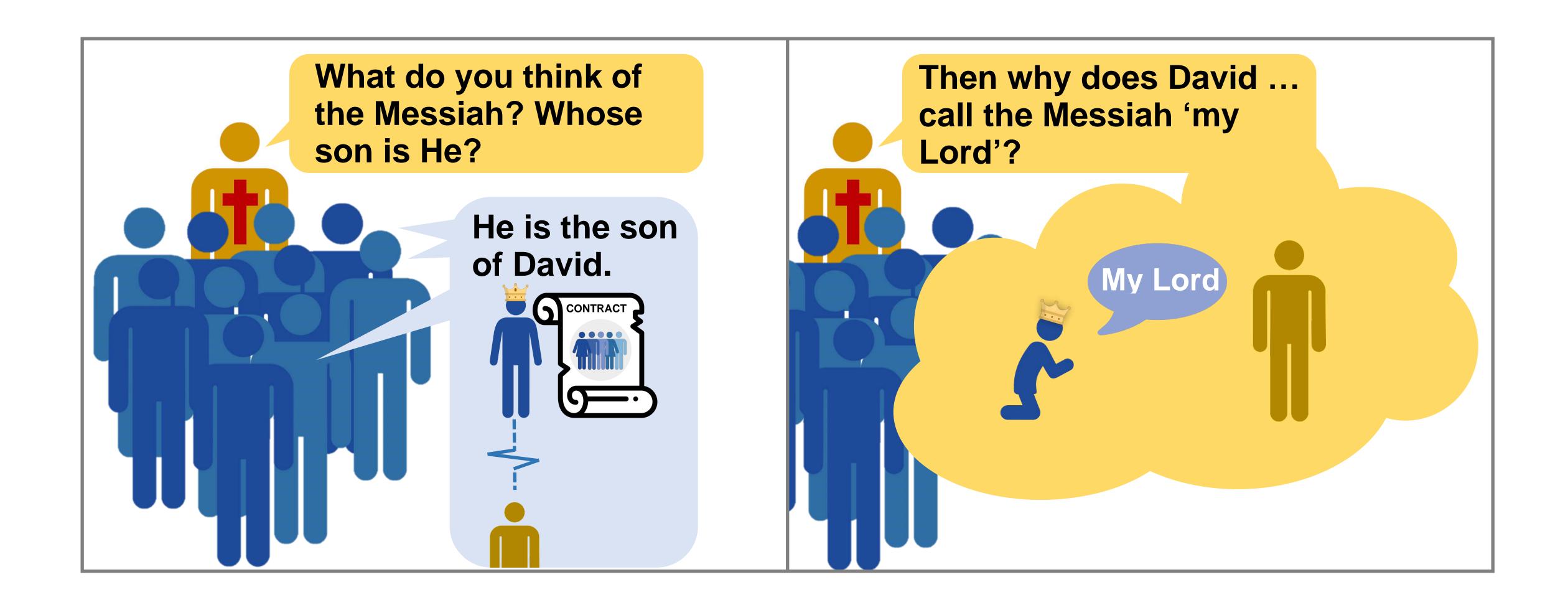


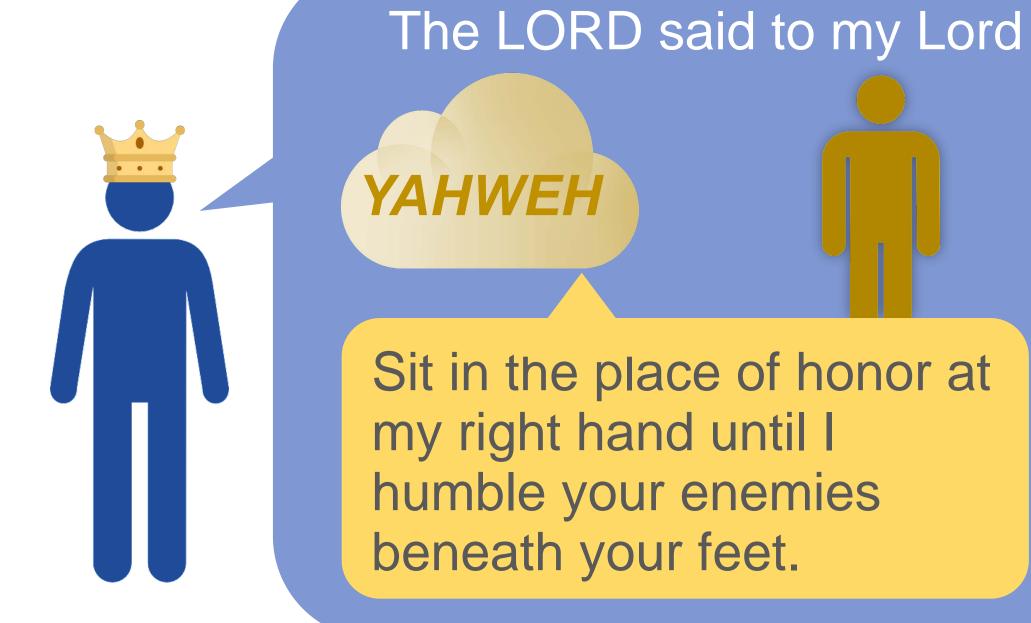


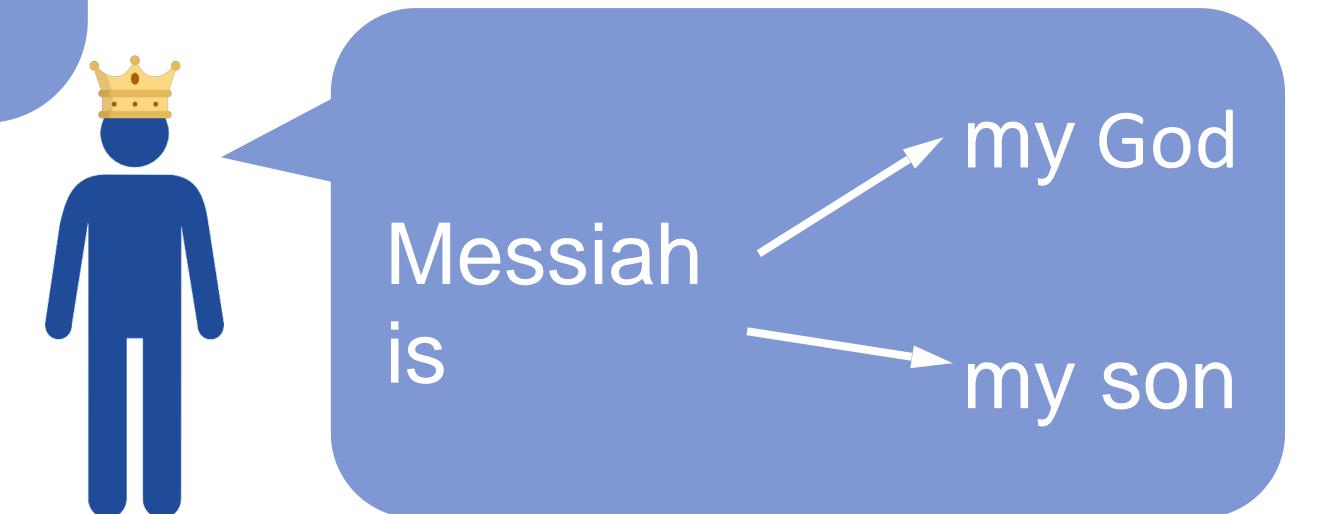
Isa. 9:6, "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Father of Eternity, Prince of Peace." [RD]

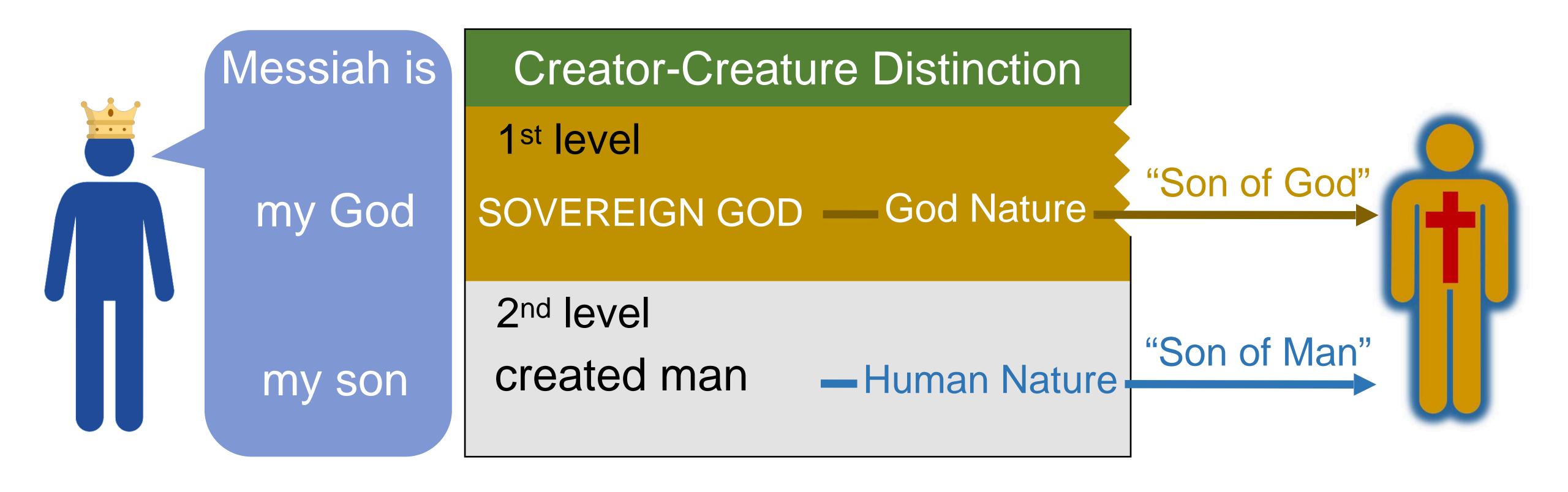
Isa. 9:7, "Of the increase of His government and peace there will be no end, upon the throne of David and over His kingdom, to order it and establish it with judgment and justice from that time forward, even forever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this."

- Matt. 22:41, "While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,
- Matt. 22:42, "saying, 'What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?' They said to Him, 'The Son of David.'
- Matt. 22:43, "He said to them, 'How then does David in the Spirit call Him "Lord," saying:
- Matt. 22:44, "'"The LORD said to my Lord, 'Sit at My right hand, till I make Your enemies Your footstool'"?
- Matt. 22:45, "'If David then calls Him "Lord," how is He his Son?'
- Matt. 22:46, "And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore."









Psalm 110 is used again and again to explain that Jesus is the Son of God: Mark 12:35–37; Luke 20:41–44; Acts 2:34–36; Hebrews 1:13, 10:12–13.

2. Son of Man

Adam

made from dust



Responsible dominion

failed

Second Adam

came from heaven



Responsible dominion

will succeed

<u>Dan. 7:13</u>, "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.

<u>Dan. 7:14</u>, "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."



612 BC

Babylon

539 BC

Medo-Persia

330 BC

Greece

63 BC

Rome

AD Future

Revived Rome

Kingdom of God



Lion



Bear



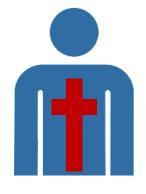
Leopard



Beast



Antichrist



Son of Man

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The Incarnation of Christ is the Clearest Revelation of God

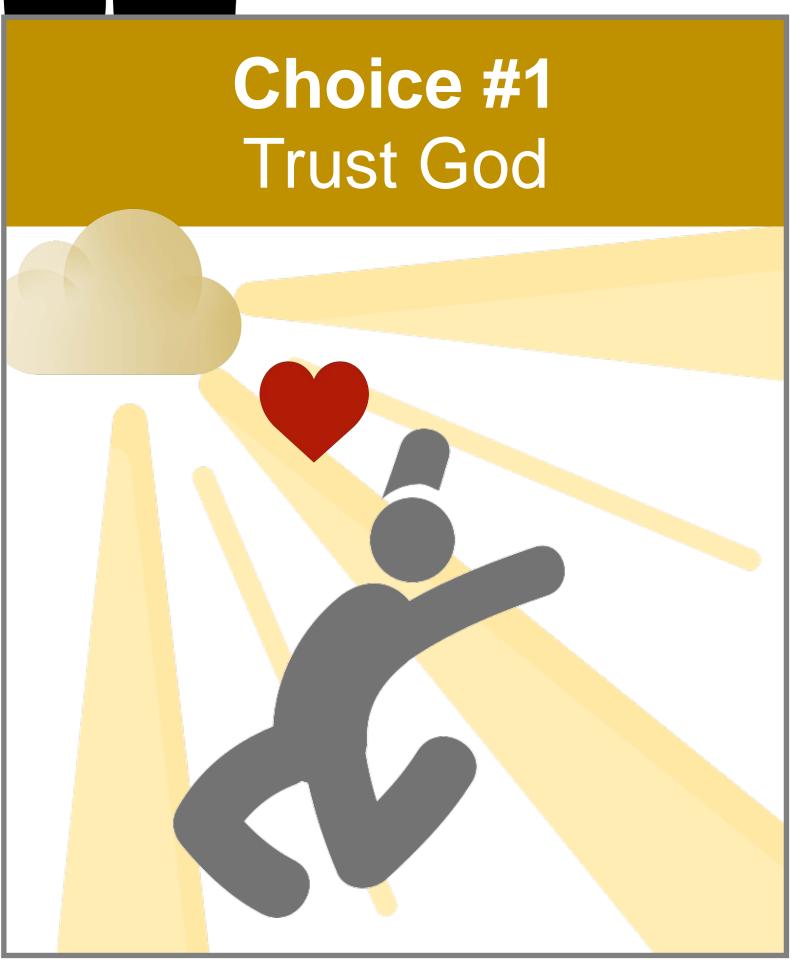
John 4:24, "God is Spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

What was mankind's response?



Mankind's Response to Jesus







John 3:18, "He who <u>believes</u> in Him is not condemned; but he who does not <u>believe</u> is condemned already, because he has not <u>believed</u> in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

John 3:19, "And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

John 3:20, "For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

John 3:21, "But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God."

Spiritual light







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."

God reveals Himself through





