

Genesis בְּרֵאשִׁית

Theme: In six days the Triune God created all things as a home for mankind, whom He made in His image. He did it because of His great love for man—to God belongs all the glory.

Genesis 1:1-2:4 (NKJV)

¹In the beginning God created **the heavens and the earth.**

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²The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

The Triune God _____ _____ _____ 1 God, but 3 Persons	Is the Creator of “the heavens and the earth,” which is _____ (obviously, not Himself) Word = Jesus, the Son of God - John 1:1-3 “In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ²He was in the beginning with God. ³All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.” (1:14 “the Word became flesh”)
A Young, Created Earth, not Evolution (Ex. 20:11)	Evolution says that all things came into existence through random events over long periods of time without a Creator. The Bible teaches that God created the earth in six days about 6,000 years old (Creation according to Bp. Usher, apx. 4,004 B.C.)
God’s Work of	Creating, Separating, Gathering, and Blessing

Creation <i>(ex nihilo)</i>	He created it _____, by the power of His _____. Hebrews 11:3 "By faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God , so that the things which are seen were not made of things which are visible."
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³Then God said, "Let there be light"; and there was light. ⁴And God saw the light, that it was good; and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness He called Night. So the evening and the morning were **the first day**.

Day 1 He created the Light	Divided the _____ from the _____ Calling it _____ and _____
"the first day"	"First day" includes _____ and _____. <i>(sounds like a regular 24-hour day)</i>
"it was good" v.4	

⁶Then God said, "Let there be **a firmament** in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." ⁷Thus God made **the firmament**, and divided the waters which were under **the firmament** from the waters which were above **the firmament**; and it was so. ⁸And God called the **firmament Heaven**. So the evening and the morning were **the second day**.

Day 2 He created the Firmament	Waters above = _____ Firmament = "Heaven" = _____ (v.14 and v.20) Waters below = _____
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9Then God said, “Let the waters under **the heavens** be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear”; and it was so. 10And God called the dry land Earth, and the gathering together of the waters He called Seas. And God saw that it was good. 11Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth”; and it was so. 12And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 13So the evening and the morning were **the third day**.

Day 3 He created the Earth and Vegetation	He gathered the _____ so that the _____ appeared. He caused vegetation to appear on the earth, too.
“it was good” v.10,12	

14Then God said, “Let there be lights in **the firmament of the heavens** to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs and seasons, and for days and years; 15“and let them be for lights in **the firmament of the heavens** to give light on the earth”; and it was so. 16Then God made two great lights: the greater light to rule the day, and the lesser light to rule the night. He made the stars also. 17God set them in **the firmament of the heavens** to give light on the earth, 18and to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. 19So the evening and the morning were **the fourth day**.

Day 4 He created the _____ _____ _____	These are to “rule” for man to know... (v. 14) - _____ - _____ - _____
“it was good” v.18	

20Then God said, “Let the waters abound with an abundance of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the face of **the firmament of the heavens.**” 21So God created great sea creatures and every living thing that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. 22And God blessed them, saying, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.” 23So the evening and the morning were **the fifth day.**

Day 5 He created the Fish and Birds	To inhabit... _____ _____
“it was good” v.21	

24Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind”; and it was so. 25And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, cattle according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Day 6, Part A He created the Animals	To inhabit... _____
“it was good” v.25	

Day 1 Light	Day 4 “lights” = Sun, moon, stars
Day 2 Water/sky	Day 5 Fish, birds
Day 3 Dry ground/ vegetation	Day 6 Ground creatures, including man

26Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” 27So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28Then God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

29And God said, “See, I have given you every herb that yields seed which is on the face of all the earth, and every tree whose fruit yields seed; to you it shall be for food. 30“Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is life, I have given every green herb for food”; and it was so. 31Then God saw **everything that He had made**, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were **the sixth day**.

Day 6, part B He created Man	“Man” includes _____ (male/boy and female/girl)
“Let us make...”	The Triune God deliberates/agrees to make man.
“in His own image”	Ephesians 4:24, “and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true _____ and _____.” Not a physical likeness - Jn 4:24, “God is spirit.”
“God blessed them”	Mankind is different from birds, fish, & animals.
“have dominion”	Over what?
“Be fruitful, multiply, and fill the earth”	
“it was very good” v.31	

2:1Thus **the heavens and the earth, and all the host of them,** were finished. 2And on the seventh day God ended His work which He had done, and He rested on the seventh day from all His work which He had done. 3Then God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it, because in it He rested from all His work which God had created and made.

Day 7 God rested on the Sabbath	
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Why did God create “the heavens and the earth?” _____

Proverbs 16:4 “The Lord has made all for Himself...”

1 John 4:8, “...for God is love.”

Genesis 2:15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Why did God create man? _____

John 17:24 “Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.”

1 Peter 1:20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you

Ephesians 1:3-9 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love...

What is man’s response? _____

Psalms 139:14 “I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.”

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Connection with Jesus

All things made through Christ... and now in Christ all things are sustained.

Colossians 1:17, "He{**Christ**} is before all things, and **in him** all things hold together."

Hebrews 1:3, "...{**Christ**} who being the brightness of His glory and the express image of His person, and **upholding all things by the word of His power**, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high..."

John 3:35, "The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand."

The Trinity Continues to Sustain His Creation

"Moreover, we also confess that God the Father has not only given us all that we have and see before our eyes, but **daily preserves** and defends us against all evil and misfortune, averts all sorts of danger and calamity; and that He does all this out of pure love and goodness, without our merit, as a benevolent Father, who cares for us that no evil befall us. But to speak more of this belongs in the other two parts of this article, where we say: Father Almighty" (LC II, 17).

Psalms 115:3, "But our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases."

Psalms 145:15-16, "The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food at the proper time. You open your hand and satisfy the desires of every living thing."

Matthew 19:26, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Genesis 17:1, "I am **Almighty God**; walk before Me and be blameless."

The Love of the Triune God for Us

Romans 8:28, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."

Lamentations 3:22-23, "Through the Lord's mercies we are not consumed, because His compassions fail not. They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness."

Psalms 118:1, "Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever."

Psalms 103:13, "As a father pities his children, So the Lord pities those who fear Him."

The Triune God is Three Persons in One Godhead

“...we shall briefly sum up the entire Creed in three chief articles, according to **the three persons in the Godhead**, to whom everything that we believe is related, so that the First Article, of God the Father, explains Creation, the Second Article, of the Son, Redemption, and the Third, of the Holy Ghost, Sanctification. **7]** Just as though the Creed were briefly comprehended in so many words: I believe in God the Father, who has created me; I believe in God the Son, who has redeemed me; I believe in the Holy Ghost, who sanctifies me. One God and one faith, but three persons, therefore also three articles or confessions. (**Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 6-7**)

First Commandment: You shall have no others gods.

Tell Me About the One True God. What do you know?

“I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. **10]** This portrays and sets forth most briefly what is the essence, will, activity, and work of God the Father. For since the Ten Commandments have taught that we are to have not more than one God, the question might be asked, What kind of a person is God? What does He do? How can we praise, or portray and describe Him, that He may be known? Now, that is taught in this and in the following article, **so that the Creed is nothing else than the answer and confession of Christians arranged with respect to the First Commandment**. As if you were to ask a little child: **11]** My dear, what sort of a God have you? What do you know of Him? he could say: This is my God: first, the Father, who has created heaven and earth; besides this only One I regard nothing else as God; for there is no one else who could create heaven and earth. (**Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 9-11**)

The Creator Works Through Means to Give Us Good Things

For even though otherwise we experience much good from men, still whatever we receive by His command or arrangement **is all received from God**. For our parents, and all rulers, and every one besides with respect to his neighbor, have received from God the command that they should do us all manner of good, so that we receive these blessings not from them, but, through them, from God. **For creatures are only the hands, channels, and means whereby God gives all things**, as He gives to the mother breasts and milk to offer to her child, and corn and all manner of produce from the earth for nourishment, none of which blessings could be produced by any creature of itself. (**Large Catechism, 1st Commandment, 26]**

The Love of God for Man: Preserves and Defends His Creation

“Moreover, we also confess that God the Father has not only given us all that we have and see before our eyes, but **daily preserves** and defends us against all evil and misfortune, averts all sorts of danger and calamity; and that **He does all this out of pure love and goodness, without our merit, as a benevolent Father, who cares for us that no evil befall us.** But to speak more of this belongs in the other two parts of this article, where we say: Father Almighty.” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 17)

Love of God for Man in Creation, Redemption & Sanctification

“But here we have everything in richest measure; for here in all three articles He has Himself revealed and opened **the deepest abyss of his paternal heart and of His pure unutterable love.** For He has created us for this very object, that He might redeem and sanctify us; and in addition to giving and imparting to us everything in heaven and upon earth, He has given to us even His Son and the Holy Ghost, by whom to bring us to Himself. (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 64)

God Created the World so that He Could Redeem It!

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The Love of Man for His Creator

“Now, since all that we possess, and, moreover, whatever, in addition, is in heaven and upon the earth, is daily given, preserved, and kept **for us** by God, it is readily inferred and concluded that **it is our duty to love, praise, and thank Him for it without ceasing, and, in short, to serve Him with all these things, as He demands and has enjoined in the Ten Commandments.**” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 19)

If We Believed God Created the Heaven and the Earth...

“Here we could say much if we were to expatiate, how few there are that believe this article. For we all pass over it, hear it and say it, but neither see nor consider what the words teach us. **21]** For if we believed it with the heart, we would also act accordingly, and not stalk about proudly, act defiantly, and boast as though we had life, riches, power, and honor, etc., of ourselves, so that others must fear and serve us, as is the practice of the wretched, perverse world, which is drowned in blindness, and abuses all the good things and gifts of God only for its own pride, avarice, lust, and luxury, and never once regards God, so as **to thank Him or acknowledge Him as Lord and Creator.**” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 20-21)

If We Believed God Created the Heaven and the Earth...

“Therefore, this article ought to humble and terrify us all, if we believed it. For we sin daily with eyes, ears, hands, body and soul, money and possessions, and with everything we have, especially those who even fight against the Word of God. **Yet Christians have this advantage, that they acknowledge themselves in duty bound to serve God for all these things, and to be obedient to Him [which the world knows not how to do]....**” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 22)

In Creation, We Sense God’s Fatherly Heart...

“We ought, therefore, daily to practice this article, impress it upon our mind, and to remember it in all that meets our eyes, and in all good that falls to our lot, and wherever we escape from calamity or danger, that **it is God who gives and does all these things, that therein we sense and see His Paternal heart and his transcendent love toward us.** Thereby the heart would be warmed and kindled to be thankful, and to employ all such good things to the honor and praise of God...” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 23)

With His Creation, The Triune God Richly Provides for Us

“Thus we have most briefly presented the meaning of this article, as much as is at first necessary for the most simple to learn, both as to what we have and receive from God, and what we owe in return, which is a most excellent knowledge, but a far greater treasure. **For here we see how the Father has given Himself to us, together with all creatures, and has most richly provided for us in this life,** besides that He has overwhelmed us with unspeakable, eternal treasures by His Son and the Holy Ghost, as we shall hear.” (Large Catechism, Apostles’ Creed, 24)

Man's Duty in response to his Creator

"...for all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him."
(Small Catechism, Apostles' Creed, 1st Article)

Divine Service

"...Our help is in the name of the Lord, who made heaven and earth."
(Versicles before Confession)

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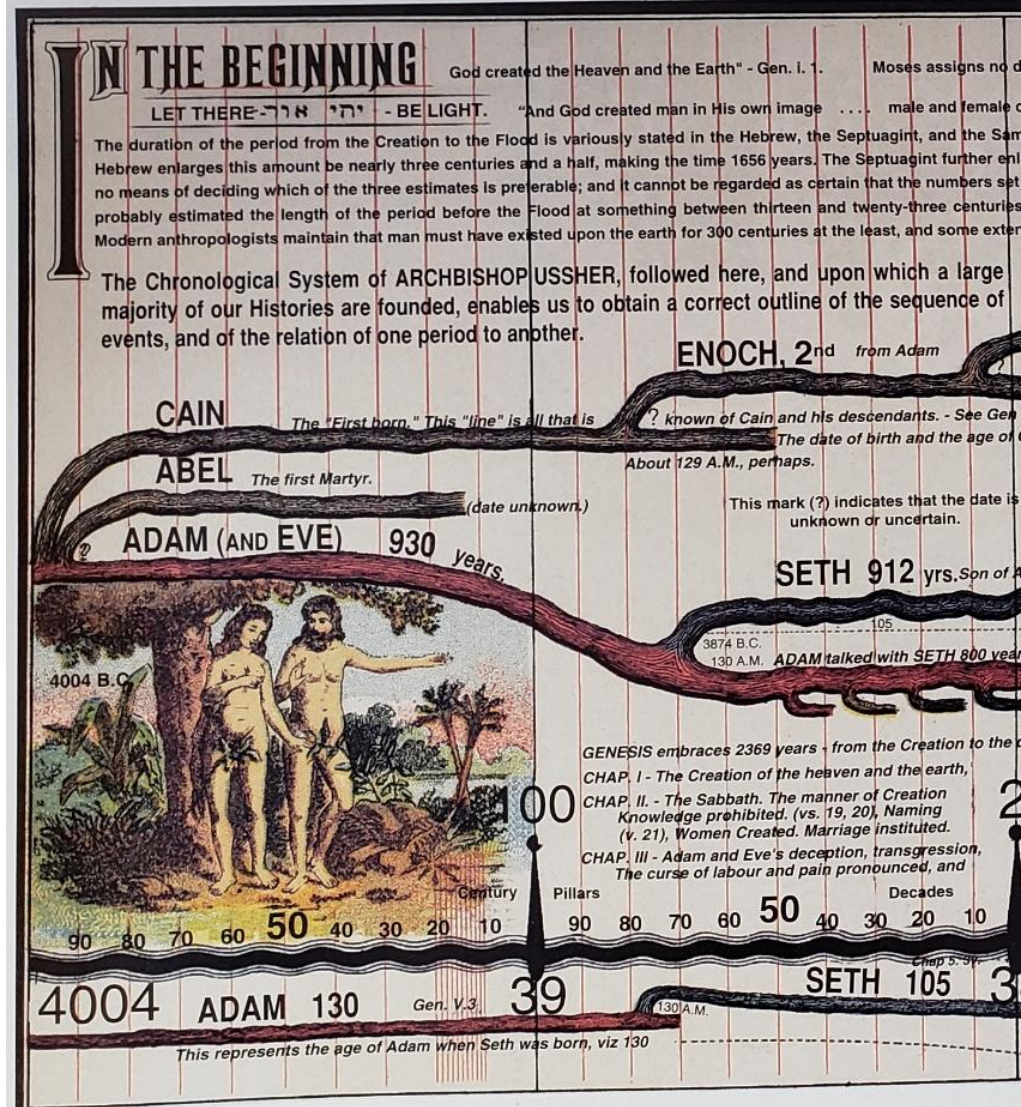
"...Create in me a clean heart, O God." (Offertory)

Divine Service, Lutheran Worship

"Lord of heaven and earth, we praise and thank you for having had mercy on those whom you created, sending your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior...." (Eucharistic Prayer)

Matins

"...The deep places of the earth are in His hand; the strength of the hills is His also. The sea is His, for He made it, and His hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker." (Venite)



THE ANTEDILUVIAN PERIOD, FROM THE CREATION TO THE FLOOD (1657 YEARS).

YEAR OF THE WORLD.	BEFORE CHRIST.	EVENTS OCCURRING BEFORE THE FLOOD.	YEAR OF THE WORLD.	BEFORE CHRIST.	EVENTS OCCURRING BEFORE THE FLOOD.
1	4004	The first year of the Mundane Era, and of the life of Adam. Whether the years of Adam are reckoned from his creation, or from the expulsion from Paradise, is left undecided.	987	3017	Translation of Enoch, aged 365 years.
			1042	2962	Death of Seth, aged 912 years. [Bisecting of the period from Adam to the Promise.]
			1056	2948	Birth of Noah.
			1140	2864	Death of Enos, aged 905 years.
130	3874	Cain and Abel.	1235	2769	Death of Cainan, aged 910 years.
235	3769	Birth of Seth. "Then began men to call upon the name of the Lord."	1290	2714	Death of Mahalaleel, aged 895 years.
			1422	2582	Death of Jared, aged 962 years.
325	3679	Birth of Cainan.	1536	2468	The ark begins to be prepared (120 years).
395	3609	Birth of Mahalaleel.	1557	2447	Noah's eldest son is born (500 years).
460	3544	Birth of Jared.	1558	2446	Shem is born.
622	3382	Birth of Enoch.	1652	2352	Lamech dies, aged 777 years.
688	3317	Birth of Methuselah.	1656	2348	Methuselah dies, in his 969th year.
874	3130	Birth of Lamech.	1657	2347	The Flood, in the 600th year of Noah, and the 99th year of Shem.
930	3074	Death of Adam, aged 930 years.			

NOTE.—The death of Abel must be supposed to have not long preceded the birth of Seth, since Eve regarded Seth as the substitute "for Abel, whom Cain slew." In that case there will be no difficulty in explaining Cain's exclamation, "Every one who findeth me shall slay me." In one hundred and twenty years after the Creation, the earth may have had a considerable population.

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Chapter 2

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For whom was the Sabbath Day made?

9:30 AM Genesis 1:1-2:3

-Holy Trinity (1:2, Jn 1:1-3, 1 Cor 8:6, Col 1:15-16, Heb 1:2)

-Why did God make all things?

Triune God is Love

Jn 17:24 Father loved Jesus before the creation of the world,

1 Peter 1:20 determined to send Jesus before the creation of the world

Eph 1:3-9 Before the creation of the world.

-Day 1 Sunday light

- Jesus is the Light of the World

- the just are children of the eternal light.

- octave feasts

- (See Day 8 below)

-tly 7:173-174

-Day 2 Monday: firmament, dividing the waters

- Scriptures are our foundation

-separation (two testament, the sacrifice, angels/men)

- two laws of Love

-tly, 7:191-192

-Day 3 Sea earth

Habitation for men

-separating the church from the earthly men

-three virtues, rose on third day

---tly 7:206-207

Day 4 sun, moon, star

- Jesus the Sun(Rev),

- the Church(also Mary a type of the church Cant 6:9) the Moon, reflects the light of Christ,

- the stars countless host of God's elect (Job 38:7, Dan 12:3, Phil 2:15)

--tly, 7:230

Day 5 living beings in water and air

-Baptism gives birth to living beings

-Air the souls of holy men souring to heavenly things

-tly, 7:250

Day 6 – body of man from slime of the earth, in our image and likeness,

- Friday the work is completed, just as Jesus on the cross

- we were created to by Lord over creation, now Jesus is Lord

--tly, 7:266

Day 7 Sabbath – rest from all creating

-the day that the Lord rested in the grace

--tly, 7:289-290

Day 8 Sunday – New beginning - Resurrection

- made light shine out of darkness

-Jesus came out of death to a resurrection

-Creation vs. Evolution

Acts 17:26 from one man

Chief Part: Ten Commandments

- the will of God

- written on the heart initially(Rom 2:14-15), but lost
- written on stone on Mt. Sinai
- Love is the fulfillment of the law (Deut 6:5, Mt 22:37-39, Rom 13:10)
- Law, 3 uses of the
 - Curb, Mirror(Rom 3:20, John 5:45), Guide
- Sin, original and actual
- Punishment (Rom 3:22-23)
- Who has kept the Law perfectly? Jesus (Heb 4:15)

Second Chief Part: Apostles' Creed

Who the Triune God is: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

How He reveals himself

Creator,

Redeemer,

Sanctifier

How God saves in His church(parts of 3rd article)

Look at **Sunday School Research Gen 1 and 2.docx**

There are quotes from Confessions

Especially marriage

Look at **Give thanks.docx**

Scripture quotes

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Scripture quotes

Why did God create “the heavens and the earth?”

1. For the Glory of God

Ps 19:1 The heavens declare the glory of God; And the firmament shows His handiwork

Ps 136:1 “O give thanks to the LORD for He is **good!**

Ps 136:5-9 v.5 “To Him who by **wisdom** made the heavens, For **His mercy** endures forever.

Ps 104:24, O Lord, how manifold are Your works! In **wisdom** You have made them all.

The earth is full of Your possessions—

Ps 115:3 “But Our God is in heaven; He does whatever He pleases. (Prov 16:4 ...for Himself.)

Isaiah 40:21-28 v.26 Lift up your eyes on high, And see who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, By the **greatness of His might And the strength of His power**; Not one is missing.

Job 9:8-10 He alone does...

Romans 11:32-36 v.36For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

2. For the benefit of man

Psalms 115:15-16 May you be blessed by the Lord, Who made heaven and earth.

16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the Lord's; But **the earth He has given to the children of men.**

Psalms 148:1-12 **Praise the Lord!** Praise the Lord from the heavens; Praise Him in the heights! 2 Praise Him, all His angels; Praise Him, all His hosts! 3 Praise Him, sun and moon; Praise Him, all you stars of light! 4 Praise Him, you heavens of heavens, And you waters above the heavens! 5 Let them praise the name of the Lord, For He commanded and they were created. 6 He also established them forever and ever; He made a decree which shall not pass away. 7 Praise the Lord from the earth, You great sea creatures and all the depths; 8 Fire and hail, snow and clouds; Stormy wind, fulfilling His word; 9 Mountains and all hills; Fruitful trees and all cedars; 10 Beasts and all cattle; Creeping things and flying fowl; 11 Kings of the earth and all peoples; Princes and all judges of the earth; 12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children.

Psalms 104:1-2; 5; 33-35 **Bless the Lord**, O my soul! O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor and majesty, 2 Who cover Yourself with light as with a garment, Who stretch out the heavens like a curtain.... 5 You who laid the foundations of the earth, So that it should not be moved forever,.... **33 I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.** 34 May my meditation be sweet to Him; I will be glad in the Lord. 35 May sinners be consumed from the earth, And the wicked be no more. Bless the Lord, O my soul! Praise the Lord!

Psalms 139:13-14 For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother's womb. 14 **I will praise You**, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

Psalms 8:1-5 O Lord, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth, Who have set Your glory above the heavens! 2 Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have ordained strength, Because of Your enemies, That You may silence the enemy and the avenger. 3 When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, The moon and the stars, which You have ordained, 4 What is man that You are mindful of him, And the son of man that You visit him? 5 For You have made him a little lower than the angels, And **You have crowned him with glory and honor.**

Genesis 2:15 Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

Psalms 118:1 Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

What does it mean to glorify God?

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, For this is man's all. 14 For God will bring every work into judgment, Including every secret thing, Whether good or evil.

Psalms 100:2-3 Serve the Lord with gladness; Come before His presence with singing. 3 Know that the Lord, He is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.

1 Samuel 12:24 "Only fear the Lord, and serve Him in truth with all your heart; for consider what great things He has done for you. Creation does what it is created to do

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What about Jesus?

John 1:1-4 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2He was in the beginning with God. 3All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. 4In Him was life, and the life was the light of men.

Hebrews 1:1-2 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, 2has in these last days spoken to us by His Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds;

John 17:24 "Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, that they may behold My glory which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

1 Peter 1:20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you

Ephesians 1:3-9 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, 4just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, 5having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, 6to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He has made us accepted in the Beloved. 7In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace 8which He made to abound toward us in all wisdom and prudence, 9having made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His good pleasure which He purposed in Himself,

Matthew 24:14 "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

John 3:35 "The Father loves the Son, and has given all things into His hand.

Notes for Genesis 6-9

Isaiah 54:8-9

- 8 With a little wrath I hid My face from you for a moment;
But with everlasting kindness I will have mercy on you,”
Says the Lord, your Redeemer.
- 9 “For this is like **the waters of Noah** to Me;
For as I have sworn
That the waters of Noah would no longer cover the earth,
So have I sworn
That I would not be angry with you, nor rebuke you.

Ezekiel 14:12-20 The word of the Lord came again to me, saying: 13“Son of man, when a land sins against Me by persistent unfaithfulness, I will stretch out My hand against it; I will cut off its supply of bread, send famine on it, and cut off man and beast from it. 14“**Even if these three men, Noah, Daniel, and Job, were in it**, they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness,” says the Lord God.

15“If I cause wild beasts to pass through the land, and they empty it, and make it so desolate that no man may pass through because of the beasts, 16“even though these three men were in it, as I live,” says the Lord God, “they would deliver neither sons nor daughters; only they would be delivered, and the land would be desolate.

17“Or if I bring a sword on that land, and say, ‘Sword, go through the land,’ and I cut off man and beast from it, 18“even though these three men were in it, as I live,” says the Lord God, “they would deliver neither sons nor daughters, but only they themselves would be delivered.

19“Or if I send a pestilence into that land and pour out My fury on it in blood, and cut off from it man and beast, 20“**even though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in it**, as I live,” says the Lord God, “they would deliver neither son nor daughter; they would deliver only themselves by their righteousness.”

Matthew 24:36-39 But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only. 37“**But as the days of Noah** were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. 38“For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that **Noah** entered the ark, 39“and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

Luke 17:26-27 And as it was **in the days of Noah**, so it will be also in the days of the Son of Man: 27“**They ate, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage,** until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

Hebrews 11:6-7 But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. ⁷**By faith Noah**, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.

1 Peter 3:18-22 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit, 19by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, 20who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited **in the days of Noah**, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water. 21There is also an antitype which now saves us—**baptism** (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, 22who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, angels and authorities and powers having been made subject to Him.

2 Peter 2:4-10a For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; 5and did not spare the ancient world, **but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly**; 6and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; 7and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked 8(for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds)— 9then the Lord knows how to deliver the godly out of temptations and to reserve the unjust under punishment for the day of judgment, 10and especially those who walk according to the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despise authority.

Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

Exodus 34:15-16 “lest you make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they play the harlot with their gods and make sacrifice to their gods, and one of them invites you and you eat of his sacrifice, 16“and you take of his daughters for your sons, and his daughters play the harlot with their gods and make your sons play the harlot with their gods.

Numbers 13:32-33 And they gave the children of Israel a bad report of the land which they had spied out, saying, “The land through which we have gone as spies is a land that devours its inhabitants, and all the people whom we saw in it are men of great stature. 33“There we saw the giants (the descendants of Anak came from the giants); and we were like grasshoppers in our own sight, and so we were in their sight.”

1 Samuel 15:29 “And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor relent. For He is not a man, that He should relent.”

Psalm 14:2-3 The Lord looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God. ³They have all turned aside, They have together become corrupt; There is none who does good, No, not one.

Romans 3:10 As it is written: "There is none righteous, no, not one;
Romans 11:32 For God has committed them all to disobedience, that He might have mercy on all.

John 15:5 "I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in Me, and I in him, bears much fruit; for without Me you can do nothing.

John 16:8 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

Key Bible texts on Birth Order:

1. "Also to Shem, the father of all the children of Eber, and **the older brother of Japheth**, children were born." (Genesis 10:21, MT)
2. "And to Shem were born children, even to him, the father of all the sons of Eber, the **brother of Japheth the great**." (Genesis 10:21, LXX)
3. "Noah was five hundred years old, and Noah became the father of Shem, Ham, and Japheth." (Genesis 5:32, MT, LXX)
4. "These are the records of the generations of Shem. Shem was one hundred years old, and became the father of Arpachshad two years after the flood;" (Genesis 11:10, MT, LXX)
5. "When Noah awoke from his wine, he knew what **his youngest son [Ham]** had done to him." (Genesis 9:24)

"The birth order is not given in Genesis 5:32 (Shem, Ham, Japheth). Shem is listed first because he is in the Messianic line. The same goes for Abraham in Gen 11:26, who was not born when Terah was 70, but 130. This repetition creates a literary inclusio between 5:32 and 11:26 in the primeval history. Moses is making a theological point in both verses, while also giving a chronological referent. The son who was born in the 500th year of Noah's life is Japheth. Shem is born when Noah is 502, and Ham is the youngest (the superlative translation of "youngest" in 9:24, טָקַח, is almost certainly correct). In Gen 11:26, the genitive τοῦ μείζονος makes Japheth the elder brother of Shem. This is also the Masoretes' understanding of the Hebrew, as the accentuation shows." (Henry Smith, Oct. 2017)

Passages for Gen 2 Part A

Earth and Heaven

Psalm 148:12-15

- 12 Both young men and maidens; Old men and children.
13 Let them praise the name of the Lord,
For His name alone is exalted; His glory is above **the earth and heaven**.
14 And He has exalted the horn of His people, The praise of all His saints—
Of the children of Israel, A people near to Him. Praise the Lord!

The Proper Name Yahweh

Exodus 3:13-15 Then Moses said to God, “Indeed, when I come to the children of Israel and say to them, ‘The God of your fathers has sent me to you,’ and they say to me, ‘What is His name?’ what shall I say to them?” 14 And God said to Moses, “I AM WHO I AM.” (אֶהְיֶה אֲשֶׁר אֶהְיֶה) And He said, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel, ‘I AM (אֶהְיֶה) has sent me to you.’” 15 Moreover God said to Moses, “Thus you shall say to the children of Israel: ‘The Lord God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has sent me to you. This is My name forever, and this is My memorial to all generations.’”

Genesis 15:7 Then He said to him, “I am **the Lord** (יְהוָה), who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans, to give you this land to inherit it.”

Genesis 15:7 (NIV) He also said to him, “I am **the LORD**, who brought you out of Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land to take possession of it.”

Plant/herb of the field

Genesis 1:11-12 Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, whose seed is in itself, on the earth”; and it was so. 12 And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, whose seed is in itself according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Living Creature (Life/Breath Neshamah, Nishma)

Genesis 1:20; 21; 24; 30 Then God said, “Let the waters abound with an abundance of **living creatures** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה), and let birds fly above the earth across the face of the firmament of the heavens.”

Genesis 1:21 So God created great sea creatures and **every living thing** (כָּל-נֶפֶשׁ הַחַיָּה) that moves, with which the waters abounded, according to their kind, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Genesis 1:24 Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the **living creature** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה) according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind”; and it was so.

Genesis 1:30 “Also, to every beast of the earth, to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, in which there is **life** (נֶפֶשׁ חַיָּה), I have given every green herb for food”; and it was so.

1 Kings 17:17 Now it happened after these things that the son of the woman who owned the house became sick. And his sickness was so serious that there was **no breath** left in him

(לֹא-נֹתְרָה-בּוֹ נֶשְׁמָה:).

Breath (Ruach)

Genesis 6:17 “And behold, I Myself am bringing floodwaters on the earth, to destroy from under heaven all flesh in which is **the breath of life**; everything that is on the earth shall die.

Genesis 7:15 And they went into the ark to Noah, two by two, of all flesh in which is **the breath of life**.

Genesis 7:21-22 And all flesh died that moved on the earth: birds and cattle and beasts and every creeping thing that creeps on the earth, and every man. 22All in whose nostrils was **the breath of the spirit of life** (כָּל אֲשֶׁר נְשָׁמַת-רוּחַ חַיִּים), all that was on the dry land, died.

Acts 17:25 (NKJV) 25“Nor is He worshiped with men’s hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath(*pnoe*) , and all things.

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Body and Soul

Matthew 10:28 “And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body(ψυχὴν καὶ σῶμα) in hell.

Matthew 16:25-26 “For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it. 26“For what profit is it to a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul? Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

Good and Evil

Deuteronomy 1:39 ‘Moreover your little ones and your children, who you say will be victims, who today have no knowledge of good and evil, they shall go in there; to them I will give it, and they shall possess it.

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Adam

Genesis 2:19-20 (NKJV) Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to **Adam** to see what he would call them. And whatever **Adam** called each living creature, that was its name. 20So **Adam** gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for **Adam** there was not found a helper comparable to him.

Genesis 2:19-20 (NIV) Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. He brought them to **the man** to see what he would name them; and whatever **the**

man called each living creature, that was its name. 20 So **the man** gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field. But for **Adam**⁹ no suitable helper was found.

Genesis 3:17 (NKJV) 17Then to Adam He said, "Because you have heeded the voice of your wife...

Genesis 3:17 (NIV) To Adam(אָדָם לְ) he said, "Because you listened to your wife ...

Divine Order

Subjection even before the fall

As a Helpmate for man

Bring up children are rear them in faith and piety

Dominion given to both man and woman

Genesis 1:28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Genesis 2:18-22 And the Lord God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him." 19Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. 20So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him. 21And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

1 Corinthians 11:2-11 Now I praise you, brethren, that you remember me in all things and keep the traditions just as I delivered them to you. 3But I want you to know that **the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God.** 4Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonors his head. 5But every woman who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head, for that is one and the same as if her head were shaved. 6For if a woman is not covered, let her also be shorn. But if it is shameful for a woman to be shorn or shaved, let her be covered.

7For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God; but **woman is the glory of man.** 8For **man is not from woman, but woman from man.** 9**Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man.** 10For this reason the woman ought to have **a symbol of authority** on her head, because of the angels. 11Nevertheless, neither is man independent of woman, nor woman independent of man, **in the Lord.**

1 Timothy 2:11-15 Let a woman learn in silence with all submission. 12And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. 13For Adam was formed first, then Eve.

14And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression. 15Nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

Ephesians 5:21-33 submitting to one another in the fear of God.

22Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. 23For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body. 24Therefore, just as the church is subject to Christ, so let the wives be to their own husbands in everything. 25Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord does the church. 30For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh." 32This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Titus 2:3-5 the older women likewise, that they be reverent in behavior, not slanderers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things— 4that they admonish the young women to love their husbands, to love their children, 5to be discreet, chaste, homemakers, good, obedient to their own husbands, that the word of God may not be blasphemed.

1 Corinthians 7:20 Let each one remain in the same calling in which he was called.

Beast of the field vs. Cattle

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Genesis 1:24-25 (NKJV) Then God said, "Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: **cattle** and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind"; and it was so. 25And God made the beast of the earth according to its kind, **cattle** according to its kind, and everything that creeps on the earth according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

Build a family (v.22)

Genesis 2:22 Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

Genesis 16:2 So Sarai said to Abram, "See now, the Lord has restrained me from bearing children. Please, go in to my maid; perhaps **I shall obtain children** by her." And Abram heeded the voice of Sarai.

Genesis 16:2 (NIV) so she said to Abram, "The LORD has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my maidservant; perhaps I can **build** a family through her." Abram agreed to what Sarai said.

Genesis 30:3 So she said, "Here is my maid Bilhah; go in to her, and she will bear a child on my knees, that I also may **have children** by her."

Genesis 30:3 (NIV) Then she said, "Here is Bilhah, my maidservant. Sleep with her so that she can bear children for me and that through her I too can **build a family**."

Image of God passages

Romans 8:28-29 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29For whom He foreknew, He also predestined **to be conformed to the image of His Son**, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

1 Corinthians 15:48-52 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly. 49And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, **we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man**.

50Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. 51Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— 52in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

2 Corinthians 3:18 But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, **are being transformed into the same image** from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

Colossians 3:8-11 But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. 9Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, 10and have put on **the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him**, 11where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.

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2 Thessalonians 2:4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Romans 1:22 Professing to be wise, they became fools,

Genesis 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.

Hebrews 5:12-14 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. 13For everyone who partakes only of milk is unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. 14But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, that is, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.

Tree of Life

Revelation 2:7 “He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. To him who overcomes I will give to eat from **the tree of life**, which is in the midst of the Paradise of God.”

Revelation 22:1-2 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. 2In the middle of its street, and on either side of

the river, was **the tree of life**, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

Revelation 22:14 Blessed are those who do His commandments, that they may have the right to **the tree of life**, and may enter through the gates into the city.

1 Peter 2:24 who Himself bore our sins in His own body on the tree, that we, having died to sins, might live for righteousness—by whose stripes you were healed.

Galatians 3:13 Christ has redeemed us from the curse of the law, having become a curse for us (for it is written, “Cursed is everyone who hangs on a tree”),

Rivers out of Eden, Rivers out of Revelation

Revelation 22:1-3 And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. ²In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, *was* the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each *tree* yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree *were* for the healing of the nations. ³And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him.

Order of Creation

1 Timothy 2:8-15 I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting; ⁹in like manner also, that the women adorn themselves in modest apparel, with propriety and moderation, not with braided hair or gold or pearls or costly clothing, ¹⁰but, which is proper for women professing godliness, with good works. ¹¹Let a woman learn in silence with all submission. ¹²And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. ¹³**For Adam was formed first, then Eve.** ¹⁴And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression. ¹⁵Nevertheless she will be saved in childbearing if they continue in faith, love, and holiness, with self-control.

1 Corinthians 11:3-16 But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman is man, and the head of Christ is God. ⁴Every man praying or prophesying, having his head covered, dishonors his head. ⁵But every woman who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head, for that is one and the same as if her head were shaved. ⁶For if a woman is not covered, let her also be shorn. But if it is shameful for a woman to be shorn or shaved, let her be covered. ⁷For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, since he is the image and glory of God; but woman is the glory of man. ⁸**For man is not from woman, but woman from man. ⁹Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man.** ¹⁰For this reason the woman ought to have a symbol of authority on her head, because of the angels. ¹¹Nevertheless, **neither is man independent of woman, nor woman independent of man, in the Lord.** ¹²**For as woman came from man, even so man also comes through woman; but all things are from God.** ¹³Judge among yourselves. Is it proper for a woman to pray to God with her head uncovered? ¹⁴Does not even nature itself teach you that if a man has long hair, it is a dishonor to him? ¹⁵But if a woman has long hair, it is a glory to her; for her hair is given to her for a covering. ¹⁶But if anyone seems to be contentious, we have no such custom, nor do the churches of God.

Knowledge of Good and Evil

Genesis 2:16-17 And the Lord God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; ¹⁷but of **the tree of the knowledge of good and evil** you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Genesis 3:4-7 Then the serpent said to the woman, "You will not surely die. ⁵"For God knows that in the day you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." ⁶So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. ⁷Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.

Genesis 3:22-23 NKJV 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"— ²³therefore the Lord God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken.

1. From Cursory to Comprehensive Knowledge

Before the fall, Adam (in his innocence and God's warning) only had an acquaintance with the knowledge of good and evil. But after his fall into sin, he now had—through personal contact—a more comprehensive knowledge of how good God actually was and how evil the devil was. Adam's knowledge of good and evil was LIKE/AS God.

2. Sarcasm or irony (Augustine, Luther, Calvin)

Irony - the use of words to express something other than and especially the opposite of the literal meaning

Sarcasm - a sharp and often satirical or ironic utterance designed to cut or give pain

In Adam's desire to "become like God," he actually "became like the devil." God, "By your sin you have 'become like God'" = 'become like the devil'

After the comfort of the hope of life in the divine promise, these words are **a harsh reminder of past sin to make Adam fear future sin and beware of it.** They are spoken after the Gospel (v.15), and the profession of faith (v.20) and the clothing(v.21).

3. Seriously Spoken

a. **Concerning the Present** – in and by Christ he has come to know the good God was providing and the evil nature of sin, death, and the devil which the Promised Seed would overcome.

b. **Concerning the Past** – Adam WAS like/as God knowing good and evil before the Fall. He was created righteous and he had been warned about evil. In the fall, Adam had lost the image of God, AND NOW Adam has come to know evil.

Passages for Genesis 3

Pre-Fall

2 Peter 2:4 For if God did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment;

Jude 6 And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;

Snake, Serpent = Satan, Devil

Revelation 12:7-12 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, 8but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. **9So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.** 10Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, “Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. 11“And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. 12“Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time.”

Revelation 20:1-3 Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, having the key to the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. 2He laid hold of **the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the Devil and Satan**, and bound him for a thousand years; 3and he cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal on him, so that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years were finished. But after these things he must be released for a little while.

2 Corinthians 11:1-3 Oh, that you would bear with me in a little folly—and indeed you do bear with me. 2For I am jealous for you with godly jealousy. For I have betrothed you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. 3But I fear, lest somehow, **as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness**, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

2 Corinthians 11:14 And no wonder! For Satan himself transforms himself into an angel of light.

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Matthew 10:16 “Behold, I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves. Therefore be **wise as serpents** and harmless as doves.

John 8:44 “You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks a lie, he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it.

Luke 22:31-32 And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat. 32“But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren.”

2 Corinthians 10:5 ...casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,

Isaiah 7:9b ...If you will not believe, Surely you shall not be established.” ’ ’ ”

1 Peter 5:9 Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world.

Wisdom of Solomon 2:24 (KJV Apoc) Nevertheless through envy of the devil came death into the world: and they that do hold of his side do find it.

Wisdom of Solomon 10:12 (KJV Apoc) She defended him from his enemies, and kept him safe from those that lay in wait, and in a sore conflict she gave him the victory; that he might know that good lines is stronger than all.

Eve Deceived

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Passages for Genesis 3

Desire, Sin, Knowledge of sin

James 1:15 Then, when **desire has conceived, it gives birth to sin**; and sin, when it is full-grown, brings forth death.

Proverbs 1:7 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge, But fools despise wisdom and instruction.

Proverbs 28:1 The wicked flee when no one pursues, But the righteous are bold as a lion.

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

Romans 3:20 Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for **by the law is the knowledge of sin**.

Romans 7:9 I was **alive once without the law**, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died.

The devil is judged

John 16:8-11 "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9"of sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10"of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; 11"**of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged**.

Jesus Wins

Romans 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Romans 4:24-25 ... It shall be imputed to us who believe in Him who raised up **Jesus our Lord** from the dead, 25who was delivered up because of our offenses, and was raised because of our justification.

John 1:29 The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! **The Lamb of God** who takes away the sin of the world!

All Creation

Romans 8:20-22 For **the creation was subjected to futility**, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; 21because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. 22For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now.

Second Death

Revelation 2:11 "He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by the **second death**."

Revelation 20:6; 14 Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such **the second death** has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.... 14Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is **the second death**.

1 Corinthians 15:26 The last enemy that will be destroyed is death.

Gospel Promised and the Enmity

2 Corinthians 7:1 Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Romans 7:22-25 For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24O wretched man that I am! Who will deliver me from this body of death? 25I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

Bodily Punishments(consequences, afflictions) and Troubles

2 Corinthians 4:17-18 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, 18while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

For our correction and warning

John 5:14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you."

2 Peter 1:9-12 For he who lacks these things is shortsighted, even to blindness, and has forgotten that he was cleansed from his old sins. 10Therefore, brethren, be even more diligent to make your call and election sure, for if you do these things you will never stumble; 11for so an entrance will be supplied to you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

12For this reason I will not be negligent to remind you always of these things, though you know and are established in the present truth.

2 Peter 2:22 But it has happened to them according to the true proverb: "A dog returns to his own vomit," and, "a sow, having washed, to her wallowing in the mire."

Matthew 12:43-45 "When an unclean spirit goes out of a man, he goes through dry places, seeking rest, and finds none. 44"Then he says, 'I will return to my house from which I came.' And when he comes, he finds it empty, swept, and put in order. 45"Then he goes and takes with him seven other spirits more wicked than himself, and they enter and dwell there; and the last state of that man is worse than the first. So shall it also be with this wicked generation."

Being Clothed

2 Corinthians 5:4 For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, **but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life.**

The Image of God is lost, but promises of restoration

Colossians 1:15-17 He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

original sin(old Adam, man's heart, sinful flesh, etc.) causes other sins

Romans 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**,

Ephesians 2:1-3 And you He made alive, **who were dead in trespasses and sins**, 2in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, **fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind**, and were **by nature children of wrath**, just as the others.

Romans 7:17 But now, it is no longer I who do it, but **sin that dwells in me**.

Galatians 5:17 For **the flesh 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.

Matthew 15:19 "For **out of the heart** proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.

John 3:5-6 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6"**That which is born of the flesh is flesh**, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

The sin of origin: Original Sin / Sinful Nature(flesh)

1 Corinthians 2:14 But **the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God**, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Genesis 8:21 And the Lord smelled a soothing aroma. Then the Lord said in His heart, "I will never again curse the ground for man's sake, although **the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth**; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.

Romans 8:7 Because **the carnal mind is enmity against God**; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

Galatians 5:19-21 Now **the works of the flesh** are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, 20idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, 21envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Colossians 3:1-10 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5Therefore **put to death your members which are on the earth**: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6Because of these things the **wrath of God** is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7**in which you yourselves once walked** when you lived in them. 8But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. 9Do not lie to one another, since you have **put off the old man with his deeds**, 10and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

1/10 Psalm 51:1-19

- 1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.
- 5 Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.
- 6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part You will make me to know wisdom.
- 7 Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

8 Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice.
 9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities.
 10 **Create in me a clean heart, O God,** And renew a steadfast spirit within me.
 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.
 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit.
 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You.
 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.
 15 **O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**
 16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering.
 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—These, O God, You will not despise.
 18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem.
 19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

Psalms 58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb; They go astray as soon as they are born, **speaking lies.**

1 Corinthians 7:14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband; otherwise your children would be unclean, **but now they are holy.**

Proverbs 20:9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

Proverbs 20:11 Even a child is known by his deeds, Whether what he does is pure and right.

Romans 5:12-21 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus **death spread to all men, because all sinned**— 13(For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14Nevertheless **death reigned from Adam** to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15But 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. 16And 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 free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification. 17For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) 18Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19For as **by one man's disobedience many were made sinners**, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. 20Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, 21so that as **sin reigned in death**, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Job 14:1; 4, "Man who is born of woman Is of few days and full of trouble.... **4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one!**

Romans 3:21-23 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. **For there is no difference; 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,**

Ecclesiastes 7:20 For there is not a just man on earth who does good And does not sin.

1 John 1:8-10 **If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.** 9If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.
Romans 8:7 Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.
1 Corinthians 1:23 but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,

Romans 3:10-18
10As it is written:

- “There is none righteous, no, not one;
11 There is none who understands;
There is none who seeks after God.
12 They have all turned aside;
They have together become unprofitable;
There is none who does good, no, not one.”
13 “Their throat is an open tomb;
With their tongues they have practiced deceit”;
“The poison of asps is under their lips”;
14 “Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness.”
15 “Their feet are swift to shed blood;
16 Destruction and misery are in their ways;
17 And the way of peace they have not known.”
18 “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Slavery to Sin

Romans 6:5-8 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that **the body of sin** might be done away with, that we should **no longer be slaves of sin**. 7For he who has died **has been freed from sin**. {original sin} 8Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,

Romans 6:17-18 But God be thanked that though you were **slaves of sin**, yet you obeyed **from the heart** that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. 18And **having been set free from sin**, you became slaves of righteousness. {all the way to Rom 6:23}

Romans 6:22-23 But now **having been set free from sin**, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. 23For the wages of sin is death, but **the gift of God is eternal life** in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 7:1-25 Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives? 2For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband. 3So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man. 4Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another— to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5For **when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death**. 6But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that **we should serve in the newness of the Spirit** and not in the oldness of the letter.

7What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, “You shall not covet.” 8But **sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire**. For apart from the law sin was dead. 9I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. 10And the

commandment, which was to bring life, I found to bring death. 11For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed me. 12Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

13Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful. 14For we know that the law is spiritual, but **I am carnal, sold under sin**. 15For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do. 16If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good. 17But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 18**For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells;** for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. 19For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice. 20Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but **sin that dwells in me**. 21I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good. 22For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23**But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind,** and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24O wretched man that I am! **Who will deliver me from this body of death?** 25I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

Hebrews 2:14-17 Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that **through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage**. 16For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. 17Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things pertaining to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people.

Sins are a dirty rags

Isaiah 64:6

- 6 But we are all like an unclean thing,
And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags;
We all fade as a leaf,
And our iniquities, like the wind,
Have taken us away.

Ezekiel 18:30-32 “Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to his ways,” says the Lord God. “Repent, and turn from all your transgressions, so that iniquity will not be your ruin. 31“Cast away from you all the transgressions which you have committed, and get yourselves **a new heart and a new spirit**. For why should you die, O house of Israel? 32“For I have no pleasure in the death of one who dies,” says the Lord God. “Therefore turn and live!”

Ezek 11:16-21 - Ezekiel 11:19-20 “Then I will give them one heart, and I will put a new spirit within them, and take the stony heart out of their flesh, and give them a heart of flesh, 20“that they may walk in My statutes and keep My judgments and do them; and they shall be My people, and I will be their God.

Ezekiel 36:24-27 “For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. 25“Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. 26“I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27“I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

Ezekiel 37 The Valley of Dry Bones Ezekiel 37:12-14 “Therefore prophesy and say to them, ‘Thus says the Lord God: “Behold, O My people, I will open your graves and cause you to come up from your graves, and bring you into the land of Israel. 13“Then you shall know that I am the

Lord, when I have opened your graves, O My people, and brought you up from your graves. 14“I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live, and I will place you in your own land. Then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken it and performed it,” says the Lord.’ ”

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2 Corinthians 5:4 For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, **but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life**.

original sin(old Adam, man's heart, sinful flesh, etc.) causes other sins

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Ephesians 2:1-3 And you He made alive, **who were dead in trespasses and sins**, 2in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, **fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind**, and were **by nature children of wrath**, just as the others.

Romans 7:17 But now, it is no longer I who do it, but **sin that dwells in me**.

Galatians 5:17 For **the flesh 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.

Matthew 15:19 "For **out of the heart** proceed evil thoughts, murders, adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies.

John 3:5-6 Jesus answered, "Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. 6"**That which is born of the flesh is flesh**, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

The sin of origin: Original Sin / Sinful Nature(flesh)

1 Corinthians 2:14 But **the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God**, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned.

Genesis 8:21 And the Lord smelled a soothing aroma. Then the Lord said in His heart, “I will never again curse the ground for man’s sake, although **the imagination of man’s heart is evil from his youth**; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.

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Galatians 5:19-21 Now **the works of the flesh** are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, 20idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, 21envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

Colossians 3:1-10 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5Therefore **put to death your members which are on the earth**: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6Because of these things the **wrath of God** is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7**in which you yourselves once walked** when you lived in them. 8But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. 9Do not lie to one another, since you have **put off the old man with his deeds**, 10and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

1/10 Psalm 51:1-19

- 1 Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions.
- 2 Wash me thoroughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I acknowledge my transgressions: and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against thee, thee only, have I sinned, and done this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.
- 5 **Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, And in sin my mother conceived me.**
- 6 Behold, You desire truth in the inward parts, And in the hidden part **You will make me to know wisdom.**
- 7 **Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; Wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.**
- 8 Make me hear joy and gladness, That the bones You have broken may rejoice.
- 9 Hide Your face from my sins, And blot out all my iniquities.
- 10 **Create in me a clean heart, O God,** And renew a steadfast spirit within me.
- 11 Do not cast me away from Your presence, And do not take Your Holy Spirit from me.
- 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit.
- 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You.
- 14 Deliver me from the guilt of bloodshed, O God, The God of my salvation, And my tongue shall sing aloud of Your righteousness.
- 15 **O Lord, open my lips, And my mouth shall show forth Your praise.**
- 16 For You do not desire sacrifice, or else I would give it; You do not delight in burnt offering.
- 17 The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit, A broken and a contrite heart—These, O God, You will not despise.
- 18 Do good in Your good pleasure to Zion; Build the walls of Jerusalem.
- 19 Then You shall be pleased with the sacrifices of righteousness, With burnt offering and whole burnt offering; Then they shall offer bulls on Your altar.

Psalm 58:3 The wicked are estranged from the womb; They go astray as soon as they are born, **speaking lies.**

1 Corinthians 7:14 For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband; otherwise your children would be unclean, **but now they are holy.**

Proverbs 20:9 Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?

Proverbs 20:11 Even a child is known by his deeds, Whether what he does is pure and right.

Romans 5:12-21 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned— 13(For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14Nevertheless **death reigned from Adam** to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15But 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. 16And 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 free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification. 17For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) 18Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19For as **by one man's disobedience many were made sinners**, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous. 20Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, 21so that as **sin reigned in death**, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Job 14:1; 4, "Man who is born of woman Is of few days and full of trouble.... **4 Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? No one!**

Romans 3:21-23 But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. **For there is no difference; 23for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,**

Ecclesiastes 7:20 For there is not a just man on earth who does good And does not sin.

1 John 1:8-10 **If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.** 9If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10If we say that we have not sinned, we make Him a liar, and His word is not in us.

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10As it is written:

- "There is none righteous, no, not one;
- 11 There is none who understands;
There is none who seeks after God.
- 12 They have all turned aside;
They have together become unprofitable;
There is none who does good, no, not one."
- 13 "Their throat is an open tomb;
With their tongues they have practiced deceit";
"The poison of asps is under their lips";
- 14 "Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness."
- 15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood;

- 16 Destruction and misery are in their ways;
 17 And the way of peace they have not known.”
 18 “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Slavery to Sin

Romans 6:5-8 For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, 6knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that **the body of sin** might be done away with, that we should **no longer be slaves of sin**. 7For he who has died **has been freed from sin**. {original sin} 8Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him,

Romans 6:17-18 But God be thanked that though you were **slaves of sin**, yet you obeyed **from the heart** that form of doctrine to which you were delivered. 18And **having been set free from sin**, you became slaves of righteousness. {all the way to Rom 6:23}

Romans 6:22-23 But now **having been set free from sin**, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. 23For the wages of sin is death, but **the gift of God is eternal life** in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 7:1-25 Or do you not know, brethren (for I speak to those who know the law), that the law has dominion over a man as long as he lives? 2For the woman who has a husband is bound by the law to her husband as long as he lives. But if the husband dies, she is released from the law of her husband. 3So then if, while her husband lives, she marries another man, she will be called an adulteress; but if her husband dies, she is free from that law, so that she is no adulteress, though she has married another man. 4Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another— to Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God. 5For **when we were in the flesh, the sinful passions which were aroused by the law were at work in our members to bear fruit to death**. 6But now we have been delivered from the law, having died to what we were held by, so that **we should serve in the newness of the Spirit** and not in the oldness of the letter.

7What shall we say then? Is the law sin? Certainly not! On the contrary, I would not have known sin except through the law. For I would not have known covetousness unless the law had said, “You shall not covet.” 8But **sin, taking opportunity by the commandment, produced in me all manner of evil desire**. For apart from the law sin was dead. 9I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died. 10And the commandment, which was to bring life, I found to bring death. 11For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it killed me. 12Therefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy and just and good.

13Has then what is good become death to me? Certainly not! But sin, that it might appear sin, was producing death in me through what is good, so that sin through the commandment might become exceedingly sinful. 14For we know that the law is spiritual, but **I am carnal, sold under sin**. 15For what I am doing, I do not understand. For what I will to do, that I do not practice; but what I hate, that I do. 16If, then, I do what I will not to do, I agree with the law that it is good. 17But now, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. 18**For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh) nothing good dwells**; for to will is present with me, but how to perform what is good I do not find. 19For the good that I will to do, I do not do; but the evil I will not to do, that I practice. 20Now if I do what I will not to do, it is no longer I who do it, but **sin that dwells in me**. 21I find then a law, that evil is present with me, the one who wills to do good. 22For I delight in the law of God according to the inward man. 23**But I see another law in my members, warring against the law of my mind**, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members. 24O wretched man that I am! **Who will deliver me from this body of death?** 25I thank God—through Jesus Christ our Lord! So then, with the mind I myself serve the law of God, but with the flesh the law of sin.

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Isaiah 64:6

- 6 But we are all like an unclean thing,
And all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags;
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And our iniquities, like the wind,
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Ezekiel 36:24-27 "For I will take you from among the nations, gather you out of all countries, and bring you into your own land. 25"Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you shall be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. 26"I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27"I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.

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Genesis 3:15 (NKJV) And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and **her Seed**; **He** shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.”

Luke 1:34 (NKJV) Then Mary said to the angel, “How can this be, since I do not **know a man**?”

1 Peter 5:5 (NKJV) Likewise you younger people, submit yourselves to your elders. Yes, all of you be submissive to one another, and be clothed with humility, for “**God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble.**”

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Luke 1:52 (NKJV) **He has put down the mighty** from their thrones, And exalted the lowly.

Proverbs 3:34 (NKJV) Surely **He scorns the scornful**, But gives grace to the humble.

Offering/Sacrifice

Leviticus 9:24 (NKJV) and **fire came out from before the Lord** and consumed the burnt offering and the fat on the altar. When all the people saw it, they shouted and fell on their faces.

1 Kings 18:38 (NKJV) Then **the fire of the Lord** fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood and the stones and the dust, and it licked up the water that was in the trench.

Romans 14:23 (NKJV) But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; **for whatever is not from faith is sin.**

Proverbs 15:8 (NKJV) **The sacrifice of the wicked** is an abomination to the Lord, But the prayer of the upright is His delight.

Psalms 32:1 (NKJV) Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, Whose sin is covered.

Psalms 116:17 (NKJV) I will offer to You the **sacrifice of thanksgiving**, And will call upon the name of the Lord.

Altar and Offering/Sacrifice

Genesis 8:20 (NKJV) Then Noah built **an altar** to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, **and offered burnt offerings**(עֹלֹת) on the altar.

Genesis 9:3-4 (NKJV) “Every moving thing that lives shall be food for you. I have given you all things, even as the green herbs. 4“But you shall not eat flesh with its life, that is, its blood.

Offering (minha)

Genesis 4:4-5 (NKJV) Abel also brought of the firstborn of his flock and of their fat. And the Lord respected Abel and **his offering**, 5but He did not respect Cain and **his offering**. And Cain was very angry, and his countenance fell.

Genesis 22:2 (NKJV) Then He said, “Take now your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt **offering** on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you.”

1 Samuel 10:27 (NKJV) But some rebels said, “How can this man save us?” So they despised him, and brought him no **presents**. But he held his peace.

Covered Sin

Matthew 10:26 (NKJV) Therefore do not fear them. For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, and hidden that will not be known.

1 Timothy 5:24 (NKJV) Some men’s sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of some men follow later.

Sin in us

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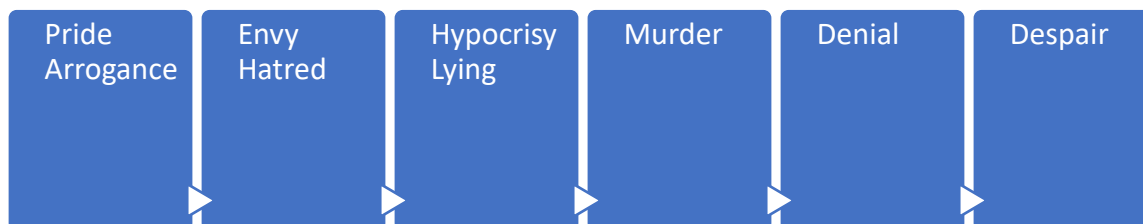
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Psalms 72:14 (NKJV) He will redeem their life from oppression and violence; And **precious shall be their blood in His sight**.

Psalms 116:15 (NKJV) **Precious** in the sight of the Lord Is **the death of His saints**.

Matthew 22:32 (NKJV) ‘I am the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob’? God is not the God of the dead, but **of the living**.”

Matthew 5:10-12 (NKJV) Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven. 11“Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake. 12“Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.



Abel

Hebrews 11:4 (NKJV) **By faith** Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

Hebrews 12:24 (NKJV) to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things **than that of Abel**.

Matthew 23:35 (NKJV) that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from **the blood of righteous Abel** to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar. (also Luke 11:51)

Romans 8:29 (NKJV) For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Cain

Jude 11 (NKJV) Woe to them! For they have gone **in the way of Cain**, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

Prerogative of Descent

John 1:12-13 (NKJV) But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: 13who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

Galatians 3:7 (NKJV) Therefore know that only those who are of faith are sons of Abraham.

Matthew 3:9 (NKJV) and do not think to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' For I say to you that God is able to raise up children to Abraham from these stones.

The wicked Fears Job 15:20-25 (NKJV)

- 20 The wicked man writhes with pain all his days,
And the number of years is hidden from the oppressor.
- 21 Dreadful sounds are in his ears;
In prosperity the destroyer comes upon him.
- 22 He does not believe that he will return from darkness,
For a sword is waiting for him.
- 23 He wanders about for bread, saying, 'Where is it?'
He knows that a day of darkness is ready at his hand.
- 24 Trouble and anguish make him afraid;
They overpower him, like a king ready for battle.
- 25 For he stretches out his hand against God,
And acts defiantly against the Almighty,

Call on the Name

Genesis 4:26 (NKJV) And as for Seth, to him also a son was born; and he named him Enosh.

Then men began to call on the name of the Lord.

Genesis 12:8 (NKJV) And he moved from there to the mountain east of Bethel, and he pitched his tent with Bethel on the west and Ai on the east; there he built an altar to the Lord **and called on the name of the Lord.**

Genesis 13:4 (NKJV) to the place of the altar which he had made there at first. And there Abram **called on the name of the Lord.**

Genesis 21:33 (NKJV) Then Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in Beersheba, and there **called on the name of the Lord, the Everlasting God.**

Genesis 26:25 (NKJV) So he built an altar there and **called on the name of the Lord**, and he pitched his tent there; and there Isaac's servants dug a well.

Adam

Other than Gen 2:19 – Genesis 5:5

Deuteronomy 32:8 When the Most High divided their inheritance to the nations, When He separated the sons of **Adam**, He set the boundaries of the peoples According to the number of the children of Israel.

1 Chronicles 1:1 **Adam**, Seth, Enosh,

Job 31:33 If I have covered my transgressions as **Adam**, By hiding my iniquity in my bosom,

Luke 3:38 the son of Enos, the son of Seth, the son of **Adam**, the son of God.

Romans 5:14 Nevertheless death reigned from **Adam** to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

1 Corinthians 15:22 For as in **Adam** all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:45 And so it is written, "The first man **Adam** became a living being." The last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

1 Timothy 2:13 For **Adam** was formed first, then Eve.

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Jude 14 Now Enoch, the seventh from **Adam**, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints,

Eve

Genesis 3:20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

Genesis 4:1 Now Adam knew Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, and said, "I have acquired a man from the Lord."

2 Corinthians 11:3 But I fear, lest somehow, **as the serpent deceived Eve by his craftiness**, so your minds may be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

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Hebrews 11:4 By faith Abel offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than **Cain**, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.

1 John 3:12 not as **Cain** who was of the wicked one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his works were evil and his brother's righteous.

Jude 11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of **Cain**, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

Abel in NT

- Matthew 23:35 “that on you may come all the righteous blood shed on the earth, from the blood of righteous **Abel** to the blood of Zechariah, son of Berechiah, whom you murdered between the temple and the altar.
- Luke 11:51 “from the blood of **Abel** to the blood of Zechariah who perished between the altar and the temple. Yes, I say to you, it shall be required of this generation.
- Hebrews 11:4 By faith **Abel** offered to God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and through it he being dead still speaks.
- Hebrews 12:24 to Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of **Abel**.

Give Thanks

2 Samuel 22:50	Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the Gentiles, And sing praises to Your name.
1 Chronicles 16:8	Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!
1 Chronicles 16:34	Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
1 Chronicles 16:35	And say, "Save us, O God of our salvation; Gather us together, and deliver us from the Gentiles, To give thanks to Your holy name, To triumph in Your praise."
1 Chronicles 16:41	and with them Heman and Jeduthun and the rest who were chosen, who were designated by name, to give thanks to the Lord, because His mercy endures forever;
1 Chronicles 25:3	Of Jeduthun, the sons of Jeduthun: Gedaliah, Zeri, Jeshaiiah, Shimei, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the direction of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp to give thanks and to praise the Lord.
2 Chronicles 31:2	And Hezekiah appointed the divisions of the priests and the Levites according to their divisions, each man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and peace offerings, to serve, to give thanks , and to praise in the gates of the camp of the Lord.
Nehemiah 12:24	And the heads of the Levites were Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel, with their brothers across from them, to praise and give thanks , group alternating with group, according to the command of David the man of God.
Psalms 18:49	Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the Gentiles, And sing praises to Your name.
Psalms 30:4	Sing praise to the Lord, You saints of His, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.
Psalms 30:12	To the end that my glory may sing praise to You and not be silent. O Lord my God, I will give thanks to You forever.
Psalms 75:1	To the Chief Musician. Set to "Do Not Destroy." A Psalm of Asaph. A Song. We give thanks to You, O God, we give thanks! For Your wondrous works declare that Your name is near.
Psalms 92:1	A Psalm. A Song for the Sabbath day. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, And to sing praises to Your name, O Most High;
Psalms 97:12	Rejoice in the Lord, you righteous, And give thanks at the remembrance of His holy name.
Psalms 105:1	Oh, give thanks to the Lord! Call upon His name; Make known His deeds among the peoples!
Psalms 106:1	Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalms 106:47	Save us, O Lord our God, And gather us from among the Gentiles, To give thanks to Your holy name, To triumph in Your praise.
Psalms 107:1	Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalms 107:8	Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
Psalms 107:15	Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!

Psalm 107:21	Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
Psalm 107:31	Oh, that men would give thanks to the Lord for His goodness, And for His wonderful works to the children of men!
Psalm 118:1	Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalm 118:29	Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalm 119:62	At midnight I will rise to give thanks to You, Because of Your righteous judgments.
Psalm 122:4	Where the tribes go up, The tribes of the Lord, To the Testimony of Israel, To give thanks to the name of the Lord.
Psalm 136:1	Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalm 136:2	Oh, give thanks to the God of gods! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalm 136:3	Oh, give thanks to the Lord of lords! For His mercy endures forever:
Psalm 136:26	Oh, give thanks to the God of heaven! For His mercy endures forever.
Psalm 140:13	Surely the righteous shall give thanks to Your name; The upright shall dwell in Your presence.
Romans 16:4	who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks , but also all the churches of the Gentiles.
1 Corinthians 10:30	But if I partake with thanks, why am I evil spoken of for the food over which I give thanks ?
1 Corinthians 14:17	For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified.
Ephesians 1:16	do not cease to give thanks for you, making mention of you in my prayers:
Colossians 1:3	We give thanks to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you,
1 Thessalonians 1:2	We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers,
1 Thessalonians 5:18	in everything give thanks ; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.
2 Thessalonians 2:13	But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth,

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While the *Formula of Concord* does not deny the capacity of fallen man for salvation, it is careful in defining that this is not an active, but a **passive capacity**. That is to say: Man is utterly incapable of qualifying himself for, or of contributing in the least toward, his own spiritual restoration; but what is impossible for man is not impossible with God who, indeed, is able to convert man, endow him with new spiritual powers, and lead him to eternal salvation,—a goal for the attainment of which, in contradistinction from inanimate and other creatures, man, being a rational creature, endowed with intellect and will, was created by God and redeemed by Christ. In the *Formula of Concord* we read: “And although God, according to His just, strict sentence, has utterly cast away the fallen evil spirits forever, He has nevertheless, out of special, pure mercy, **willed that poor fallen human nature might again become and be capable and participant of conversion, the grace of God, and eternal life**; not from its own natural, active [or effective] skill, aptness, or capacity (for the nature of man is obstinate enmity against God), but from pure grace, through the gracious efficacious working of the Holy Ghost. And this Dr. Luther calls *capacitatem (non activam, sed passivam)*, which he explains thus: *Quando patres liberum arbitrium defendunt, capacitatem libertatis eius praedicant, quod scilicet verti potest ad bonum per gratiam Dei et fieri revera liberum, ad quod creatum est*. That is: When the Fathers defend the free will, they are speaking of this, that it is capable of freedom in this sense, that by God’s grace **it can be converted to good**, and become truly free, for which it was created in the beginning.” (889, 20.)

This accords with Luther’s words in *De Servo Arbitrio*: “It would be correct if we should designate as the power of free will that [power] by which **man, who is created for life or eternal death**, is apt to be moved by the Spirit and imbued with the grace of God. For we, too, confess this power, *i.e.* aptitude or, as the Sophists [Scholastic theologians] say, disposition and passive aptitude. And who does not know that trees and animals are not endowed with it? For, as the saying goes, heaven is not created for geese. *Hanc enim vim, hoc est, aptitudinem, seu, ut Sophistae loquuntur, dispositivam qualitatem et passivam aptitudinem, et nos confitemur; quam non arboribus neque bestiis inditam esse, quis est, qui nesciat? Neque enim pro anseribus, ut dicitur, coelum creavit.*” (E. v. a. 158: St. L. 18. 1720.)

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AC Article XXIII: Of the Marriage of Priests.

1] There has been common complaint concerning the examples of priests who were not chaste. **2]** For that reason also Pope Pius is reported to have said that there were certain causes why marriage was taken away from priests, but that there were far weightier ones why it ought to be given back; for so Platina writes. **3]** Since, therefore, our priests were desirous to avoid these open scandals, they married wives, and taught that it was lawful for them to contract matrimony. First, because **4]** Paul says, 1 Cor. 7, 2. 9: *To avoid fornication, let every man have his own wife*. Also: *It is better to marry than to burn*. Secondly **5]** Christ says, Matt. 19, 11: *All men cannot*

¹Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 152). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

receive this saying, where He teaches that not all men are fit to lead a single life; for **God created man for procreation**, Gen. 1, 28. **6]** Nor is it in man's power, without a singular gift and work of God, to alter this creation. [For it is manifest, and many have confessed that no good, honest, chaste life, no Christian, sincere, upright conduct has resulted (from the attempt), but a horrible, fearful unrest and torment of conscience has been felt by many until the end.] Therefore, **7]** those who are not fit to lead a single life ought to **8]** contract matrimony. For no man's law, no vow, can annul the commandment and ordinance of God. For these reasons **9]** the priests teach that it is lawful for them to marry wives.

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Ap IV

126] Thirdly, James has spoken shortly before concerning regeneration, namely, that it occurs through the Gospel. For thus he says James 1, 18: *Of His own will begat He us with the Word of Truth, that we should be a kind of first-fruits of His creatures*. When he says that we have been born again by the Gospel, he teaches that we have been born again and justified by faith. For the promise concerning Christ is apprehended only by faith, when we set it against the terrors of sin and of death. James does not, therefore, think that we are born again by our works.

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AP XXIII

14] *Matrimony* was not first instituted in the New Testament, but in the beginning, immediately on the creation of the human race. It has, moreover, God's command; it has also promises, not indeed properly pertaining to the New Testament, but pertaining rather to the bodily life. Wherefore, if any one should wish to call it a sacrament, he ought still to distinguish it from those preceding ones [the two former ones], which are properly signs of the New Testament, and testimonies of grace and the remission of sins. **15]** But if marriage will have the name of sacrament for the reason that it has God's command, other states or offices also, which have God's command, may be called sacraments, as, for example, the magistracy.

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²Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 65). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

³Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 195). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

⁴Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 311). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

7] *First*. Gen. 1, 28 teaches that men were created to be fruitful, and that one sex in a proper way should desire the other. For we are speaking not of concupiscence, which is sin, but of that appetite which was to have been in nature in its integrity [which would have existed in nature even if it had remained uncorrupted], which they call physical love. And this love of one sex for the other is truly a divine ordinance. But since this ordinance of God cannot be removed without an extraordinary work of God, it follows that the right to contract marriage cannot be removed by statutes or vows.

8] The adversaries cavil at these arguments; they say that in the beginning the commandment was given to replenish the earth, but that now since the earth has been replenished, marriage is not commanded. See how wisely they judge! The nature of men is so formed by the word of God that it is fruitful not only in the beginning of the creation, but as long as this nature of our bodies will exist; just as the earth becomes fruitful by the word Gen. 1, 11: *Let the earth bring forth grass, yielding seed*. Because of this ordinance the earth not only commenced in the beginning to bring forth plants, but the fields are clothed every year as long as this natural order will exist. Therefore, just as by human laws the nature of the earth cannot be changed, so, without a special work of God, the nature of a human being can be changed neither by vows nor by human law [that a woman should not desire a man, nor a man a woman].

9] *Secondly*. And because this creation or divine ordinance in man is a natural right, jurists have accordingly said wisely and correctly that the union of male and female belongs to natural right. But since natural right is immutable, the right to contract marriage must always remain. For where nature does not change, that ordinance also with which God has endowed nature does not change, and cannot be removed by human laws. 10] Therefore it is ridiculous for the adversaries to prate that marriage was commanded in the beginning, but is not now. This is the same as if they would say: Formerly, when men were born, they brought with them sex; now they do not. Formerly, when they were born, they brought with them natural right; now they do not. No craftsman (*Faber*) could produce anything more crafty than these absurdities, which were devised to elude a right of nature. 11] Therefore let this remain in the case which both Scripture teaches and the jurist says wisely, namely, that the union of male and female belongs to natural right. 12] Moreover, a natural right is truly a divine right, because it is an ordinance divinely impressed upon nature. But inasmuch as this right cannot be changed without an extraordinary work of God, it is necessary that the right to contract marriage remains, because the natural desire of sex for sex is an ordinance of God in nature, and for this reason is a right; otherwise, why would both sexes have been created? 13] And we are speaking, as it has been said above, not of concupiscence, which is sin, but of that desire which they call physical love [which would have existed between man and woman even though their nature had remained pure], which concupiscence has not removed from nature, but inflames, so that now it has greater need of a remedy, and marriage is necessary not only for the sake of procreation, but also as a remedy [to guard against sins]. These things are clear, and so well established that they can in no way be overthrown.

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⁵Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Pages 365-367). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

6th commandment

206] But since this commandment is aimed directly at the state of matrimony and gives occasion to speak of the same, you must well understand and mark, first, how gloriously God honors and extols this estate, inasmuch as by His commandment He both sanctions and guards it. He has sanctioned it above in the Fourth Commandment: *Honor thy father and thy mother*; but here He has (as we said) hedged it about and protected it. **207]** Therefore He also wishes us to honor it, and to maintain and conduct it as a divine and blessed estate; because, in the first place, He has instituted it before all others, and therefore **created man and woman separately (as is evident), not for lewdness, but that they should [legitimately] live together, be fruitful, beget children, and nourish and train them to the honor of God.**

FC VI

2] 1. We believe, teach, and confess that, although men truly believing [in Christ] and truly converted to God have been freed and exempted from the curse and coercion of the Law, they nevertheless are not on this account without Law, but have been redeemed by the Son of God in order that they should exercise themselves in it day and night [that they should meditate upon God's Law day and night, and constantly exercise themselves in its observance, Ps. 1, 2], Ps. 119. **For even our first parents before the Fall did not live without Law, who had the Law of God written also into their hearts, because they were created in the image of God, Gen. 1, 26f.; 2, 16ff; 3, 3.**

1st commandment

26] For even though otherwise we experience much good from men, still whatever we receive by His command or arrangement is all received from God. For our parents, and all rulers, and every one besides with respect to his neighbor, have received from God the command that they should do us all manner of good, so that we receive these blessings not from them, but, through them, from God. **For creatures are only the hands, channels, and means whereby God gives all things,** as He gives to the mother breasts and milk to offer to her child, and corn and all manner of produce from the earth for nourishment, none of which blessings could be produced by any creature of itself.

Cain and Abel in Book of Concord

Ap III (or IV.)

Reply to the Arguments of the Adversaries.

Thus of works Paul also teaches when he says, Rom. 4, 9 sq., that Abraham received circumcision, not in order that by this work he might be justified; for by faith he had already attained it that he was accounted righteous. But circumcision was added in order that he might have in his body a written sign, admonished by which he might exercise faith, and by which also he might confess his faith before others, and, by his testimony, might invite others to believe. **81]** *By faith Abel offered unto God a more excellent sacrifice, Heb. 11, 4. Because, therefore, he was just by faith,* the sacrifice which he made was pleasing to God; not that by this work he merited the remission of sins and grace, but that he exercised his faith and showed it to others, in order to invite them to believe.

Ap Article XXIII (XI): Of the Marriage of Priests.

56] The Popes daily dispense and daily change other laws which are most excellent, yet, in regard to this one law of celibacy, they are as iron and inexorable, although, indeed, it is manifest that this is simply of human right. **57]** And they are now making this law more grievous in many ways. The canon bids them suspend priests; these rather unfriendly interpreters suspend them not from office, but from trees. They cruelly kill many men for nothing but marriage. [It is to be feared, therefore, that **the blood of Abel** will cry to heaven so loudly as not to be endured, and that we shall have to tremble like **Cain.**] **58]** And these very parricides show that this law is a doctrine of demons. For since the devil is a murderer, he defends his law by these parricides.

FC SD VI. OF THE THIRD USE OF GOD'S LAW.

16] The difference, however, is in the works, because of the difference in the men who strive to live according to this Law and will of God. For as long as man is not regenerate, and [therefore] conducts himself according to the Law and does the works because they are commanded thus, from fear of punishment or desire for reward, he is still under the Law, and his works are called by St. Paul properly works of the Law, for they are extorted by the Law, as those of slaves; and these are saints after the **order of Cain** [that is, hypocrites].

Ap Article XXVII: (XIII): Of Monastic Vows.

Therefore **7]** the monks by such morals are singing their own fate [requiem, and it will soon be over with them]. And now another sign is added, because they are, in many places, the instigators of the death of good men. [**This blood of Abel cries against them** and] These murders God undoubtedly will shortly avenge. **8]** Nor indeed do we find fault with all; for we are of the opinion that there are here and there some good men in the monasteries who judge moderately concerning human and factitious services, as some writers call them, and who do not approve of the cruelty which the hypocrites among them exercise.

Eve

Fc ep XI. OF GOD'S ETERNAL FOREKNOWLEDGE [PREDESTINATION] AND ELECTION.

89] Moreover, this doctrine gives no one a cause either for despondency or for a shameless, dissolute life, namely, when men are taught that they must seek eternal election in Christ and His holy Gospel, as in the Book of Life, which excludes no penitent sinner, but beckons and calls all the poor, heavy-laden, and troubled sinners [who are disturbed by the sense of God's wrath], to repentance and the knowledge of their sins and to faith in Christ, and promises the Holy Ghost for purification and renewal, **90]** and thus gives the most enduring consolation to all troubled, afflicted men, that they know that their salvation is not placed in their own hands,—for otherwise they would lose it much more easily than was the case **with Adam and Eve in paradise**, yea, every hour and moment,—but in the gracious election of God, which He has revealed to us in Christ, out of whose hand no man shall pluck us, John 10, 28; 2 Tim. 2, 19.

VIII. Of Confession.

Fc ep **5]** All this is the old devil and old serpent, who also converted **Adam and Eve** into enthusiasts, and led them from the outward Word of God to spiritualizing and self-conceit, and nevertheless he accomplished this through other outward words. **6]** Just as also our enthusiasts [at the present day] condemn the outward Word, and nevertheless they themselves are not silent, but they fill the world with their pratings and writings, as though, indeed, the Spirit could not come through the writings and spoken word of the apostles, but [first] through their writings and words he must come. Why [then] do not they also omit their own sermons and writings, until the Spirit Himself come to men, without their writings and before them, as they boast that He has come into them without the preaching of the Scriptures? But of these matters there is not time now to dispute at greater length; we have elsewhere sufficiently urged this subject.

Fc Ep Original Sin

4] For God created not only the body and soul of **Adam and Eve** before the Fall, but also our bodies and souls after the Fall, notwithstanding that they are corrupt, which God also still acknowledges as His work, as it is written Job 10, 8: *Thine hands have made me and fashioned me together round about.* Deut. 32, 18; Is. 45, 9ff; 54, 5; 64, 8; Acts 17, 28; Job 10, 8; Ps. 100, 3; 139, 14; Eccl. 12, 1.

9] 1. That this hereditary evil is the guilt [by which it comes to pass] that, by reason of the disobedience of **Adam and Eve**, we are all in God's displeasure, and by nature children of wrath, as the apostle shows Rom. 5, 12ff; Eph. 2, 3.

Adam

Too many

Genesis Chapter 3

FC Ep Original Sin

61] In this way, then, original sin is not extenuated by the word *accidens*, [namely] when it is explained according to [the analogy of] God's Word, after the manner in which Dr. Luther, in his Latin exposition of the third chapter of Genesis, has written with great earnestness against the extenuation of original sin; but this word serves only to indicate the distinction between the work of God (which our nature is, notwithstanding that it is corrupt) and the work of the devil (which the sin is that inheres in God's work, and is the most profound and indescribable corruption of it).⁶

Ap. Original Sin

46] Although the scholastics extenuate both sin and punishment when they teach that man, by his own strength, can fulfil the commandments of God; in Genesis the punishment, imposed on account of original sin, is described otherwise. For there human nature is subjected not only to death and other bodily evils, but also to the kingdom of the devil. For there, Gen. 3, 15, this fearful sentence is proclaimed: *I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed.* **47]** The defects and the concupiscence are punishments and sins. Death and other bodily evils, and the dominion of the devil, are properly punishments. For human nature has been delivered into slavery and is held captive by the devil, who infatuates it with wicked opinions and errors, and **48]** impels it to sins of every kind. But just as the devil cannot be conquered except by the aid of Christ, so by our own strength we cannot free ourselves **49]** from this slavery. Even the history of the world shows how great is the power of the devil's kingdom. The world is full of blasphemies against God and of wicked opinions, and the devil keeps entangled in these bands those who are wise and **50]** righteous [many hypocrites who appear holy] in the sight of the world. In other persons grosser vices manifest themselves. But since Christ was given to us to remove both these sins and these punishments, and to destroy the kingdom of the devil, sin and death, it will not be possible to recognize the benefits of Christ unless we understand our evils. For this reason our preachers have diligently taught concerning these subjects, and have delivered nothing that is new, but have set forth Holy Scripture and the judgments of the holy Fathers.⁷

⁶Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 879). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

⁷Lutheran Church. Missouri Synod. (1997). *Concordia Triglotta - English : The symbolic books of the Evangelical Lutheran Church*. Includes Historical Introductions by F. Bente and indexes of subjects. (electronic ed.) (Page 119). Milwaukee WI: Northwestern Publishing House.

Threats against Old Adam in Book of Concord

Threats against the Old Adam

FC EP VI. 4

On account of this old Adam, which still inheres in the understanding, the will, and all the powers of man, it is needful that the Law of the Lord always shine before them

A., in order that they **may not from human devotion institute wanton and self-elected cults** [that they may frame nothing in a matter of religion from the desire of private devotion, and may not choose divine services not instituted by God's Word];

B. likewise, **that the old Adam also may not employ his own will, but may be subdued against his will**, not only by the admonition and threatening of the Law, **but also by punishments and blows, so that he may follow and surrender himself captive to the Spirit**, 1 Cor. 9, 27; Rom. 6, 12, Gal. 6, 14; Ps. 119, 1ff; Heb. 13, 21 (Heb. 12, 1).

5] 4. Now, as regards the distinction between **the works of the Law** and **the fruits of the Spirit**, we believe, teach, and confess that the works which are done according to the Law are and are called **works of the Law** as long as they are only **extorted from man by urging the punishment and threatening of God's wrath**.

Works of the Law Fruits of the Spirit
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6] 5. **Fruits of the Spirit**, however, are **the works which the Spirit of God who dwells in believers works through the regenerate, and which are done by believers so far as they are regenerate [spontaneously and freely], as though they knew of no command, threat, or reward**; for in this manner the children of God live in the Law and walk according to the Law of God, which [mode of living] St. Paul in his epistles calls the Law of Christ and the Law of the mind, Rom. 7, 25; 8, 7; Rom. 8, 2; Gal. 6, 2.

7] 6. Thus the Law is and remains both to the penitent and impenitent, both to regenerate and unregenerate men, **one [and the same] Law, namely, the immutable will of God**; and the difference, **so far as concerns obedience, is alone in man**, inasmuch as one who is not yet regenerate does for the Law out of constraint and unwillingly what it requires of him (**as also the regenerate do according to the flesh**); but the believer, so far as he is regenerate, does without constraint and with a willing spirit that which no threatenings [however severe] of the Law could ever extort from him.

One and the same Law But the obedience of man varies
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FC SD VI. 9

9] Therefore, because of these lusts of the flesh the truly believing, elect, and regenerate children of God need in this life not only the daily instruction and admonition, warning, and threatening of the Law, **but also frequently punishments, that they may be roused [the old man is driven out of them]** and follow the Spirit of God, as it is written Ps. 119, 71: *It is good for me that I have been afflicted, that I might learn Thy statutes.* And again, 1 Cor. 9, 27: *I keep under my body and bring it into subjection, lest that, by any means, when I have preached to others, I myself should be a castaway.* And again, Heb. 12, 8: *But if ye be without chastisement, whereof all are partakers, then are ye bastards and not sons;* as Dr. Luther has fully explained this at greater length in the Summer Part of the Church Postil, on the Epistle for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.

19] But as far as the old Adam is concerned, which still clings to them, he must be driven not only with the Law, **but also with punishments; nevertheless he does everything against his will and under coercion,** no less than the godless are driven and held in obedience by the threats of the Law, 1 Cor. 9, 27; Rom. 7, 18. 19.

24] For the old Adam, as an intractable, refractory ass, is still a part of them, which must be coerced to the obedience of Christ, not only by the teaching, admonition, force and threatening of the Law, **but also oftentimes by the club of punishments and troubles,** until the body of sin is entirely put off, and man is perfectly renewed in the resurrection, when he will need neither the preaching of the Law **nor its threatenings and punishments,** as also the Gospel any longer; these belong to this [mortal and] imperfect life. 25] **But as they will behold God face to face, so they will, through the power of the indwelling Spirit of God, do the will of God [the heavenly Father] with unmingled joy, voluntarily, unconstrained, without any hindrance, with entire purity and perfection, and will rejoice in it eternally.**

Man has Become like One of Us

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Verse 22. - And the Lord God said. Verba insultantis (Augustine); ironica reprobatio (Calvin). **But "irony at the expense of a wretched, tempted soul might well befit Satan, but not the Lord" (Delitzsch)**, and is altogether inconsistent with the footing of grace on which man was placed immediately upon his fall. Behold, the man is become as one of us. Not the angels (Kalisch), but the Divine Persons (cf. [Genesis 1:26](#)). **It is scarcely likely that Jehovah alludes to the words of the tempter ([Genesis 3:5](#)). To know good and evil. Implying an acquaintance with good and evil which did not belong to him in the state of innocence.**

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This is sarcasm and very bitter derision. Therefore the question is asked: Why does God deal so harshly with wretched Adam? Why; after being deprived of all his glory and falling into sin and death, is he further vexed by his Creator with such bitter scorn? And is the visible sign not enough to remind him of his present misfortune and of his lost glory? Why must He also add the audible Word?

My answer is: Adam had the promise of mercy; with this he ought to have lived content. **But to make him fear future sin and beware of it, this harsh reminder is given him.** God sees what sort of people his descendants will be. He puts this Word into Adam's mouth for Adam to make it known to his descendants and thus to teach them that when he wanted to become like God, he became like the devil. So they themselves are to be on their guard lest they add their own sin to that of their parents and thus withdraw still farther from God.

As in the case of the pelt, so here, by His very Word, **God calls attention to both past and future evils.** It is not as though He were pleased by so sad a fall, for then He would not warn Adam in this way but would keep silence. **What He wants is that man should long for the lost image of God and begin to hate sin as the cause of this great evil, and that Adam should warn his descendants about what followed after sin, namely, that when he was deprived of his mind by Satan and believed that he would be like God, he became like Satan himself.**

...Hence the opinion stands that Adam and Eve made the attempt to become the image of God. But the image of the invisible God is the Son, through whom all things hold together (Col. 1:15, 17). Therefore through his sin Adam struck against the Person of Christ, who is the true image of God. All this is only briefly and dimly suggested here, but Adam undoubtedly based countless sermons on these words. Similarly, it is plain that the prophets referred to these mysteries in various ways and marvelously veiled what later on the Gospel pointed out clearly.

...When someone escapes the gallows, everybody reminds him of his danger and urges him henceforth to be on his guard. **So after Adam has been comforted again with the hope of life through the divine promise, God reminds him by this bitter scorn not to forget this awful fall, not to strive again after the godlikeness he had so unsuccessfully attempted to gain, but to humble himself before God's majesty and henceforth, together with his descendants, to beware of such a sin.** For these words are not spoken only to Adam; they also concern us, who, after being baptized and renewed by grace, must make every effort to guard against falling back into our former ungodliness.

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Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil; which is generally understood as **an irony or sarcasm** at man's deception by Satan, who promised man, and **he expected to be as gods, knowing good and evil**; behold the man, see how much like a god he looks, with his coat of skin upon his back, filled with shame and confusion for his folly, and dejected under a sense of what he had lost, and in a view of what he was sentenced to; yet must be understood not as rejoicing in man's misery, and insulting over him in it, but in order the more **to convince him of his folly, and the more to humble him, and bring him to a more open repentance** for affecting what he did, and giving credit to the devil in it:

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or else the words are a declaration of man's past state and condition, and may be rendered, **"behold, the man was as one of us"** (o); as one of the Persons in the Deity, as the Son of God, after whose image, and in whose likeness, he was made; both as to his body, that being formed according to the idea of the body of Christ in the divine mind, and which was not begotten, but made out of the virgin earth; and as to his soul, **which was created in righteousness and holiness**, in wisdom and knowledge, and was like him in the government he had over all the creatures: and besides, he was in many things a type of Christ, a figure of him that was to come; especially in his being a federal head to his posterity, and in his offices of prophet, priest, and King; and being created in knowledge, after the image of him that created him, and having the law of God inscribed on his heart, **he knew what was good and to be done, and what was evil and to be avoided**: **but now he was in a different condition**, in other circumstances, **had lost the image of God**, and friendship with him, and his government over the creatures; and had ruined himself, and all his posterity, and was become unholy and unwise; for being tempted by Satan to

eat of the forbidden fruit, under an expectation of increasing his knowledge, lost in a great measure what he had.

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Ellicott's Commentary for English Readers

(22) As one of us.--See Note on [Genesis 1:26](#). By the fall man had sunk morally, but grown mentally. **He had asserted his independence, had exercised the right of choosing for himself, and had attained to a knowledge without which his endowment of free-will would have remained in abeyance. There is something painful and humiliating in the idea of Chrysostom and other Fathers that the Deity was speaking ironically, or even with insult (Augustine).** All those qualities which constitute man's likeness to God--free-will, self-dependence, the exercise of reason and of choice--had been developed by the fall, and Adam was now a very different being from what he had been in the days of his simple innocency.

Lest he put forth his hand.--Adam had exercised the power of marring God's work, and if an unending physical life were added to the gift of freewill now in revolt against God, his condition and that of mankind would become most miserable. Man is still to attain to immortality, but it must now be through struggle, sorrow, penitence, faith, and death. Hence a paradise is no fit home for him. The Divine mercy, therefore, commands Adam to quit it, in order that he may live under conditions better suited for his moral and spiritual good.

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(1) lest by eating of the fruit he should recover that immortal life which he no longer "it possessed (Kalisch), as is certain that man would not have been able, had he even devoured the whole tree, to enjoy life against the will of God" (Calvin); nor

(2) lest the first pair, through participation of the tree, should confer upon themselves the

attribute of undyingness, which would not be the ζωὴ αἰώνιος of salvation, but its opposite, the ὄλεθρον αἰώνιον of the accursed (Keil, Lange, T. Lewis, Wordsworth); but either

(3) lest man should conceive the idea that immortality might still be secured by eating of the tree, instead of trusting in the promised seed, and under this false impression attempt to take its fruit, which, in his case, would have been equivalent to an attempt to justify himself by works instead of faith (Calvin, Macdonald); or

(4) lest he should endeavor to partake of the symbol of immortality, which he could not again do until his sin was expiated and himself purified (cf. [Revelation 22:14](#); Candlish). The remaining portion of the sentence is omitted, anakoloutha or aposiopesis being not infrequent in impassioned speech (cf. [Exodus 32:32](#); [Job 32:13](#); [Isaiah 38:18](#)). The force of the ellipsis or expressive silence may be gathered from the succeeding words of the historian.

[Barnes' Notes on the Bible](#)

[Genesis 3:22](#)

As one of us. - This is another indication of the plurality in unity which is evidently inherent in the Eternal Spirit. It is still more significant than the expression of concert in the creation of man, as it cannot be explained by anything short of a personal distinction.

Behold, the man is become as one of us to know good and evil. - We are now prepared to understand the nature of the two trees which were in the midst of the garden. The tree of the knowledge of good and evil effected a change, not in the physical constitution of man, but in his mental experience - in his knowledge of good and evil. There do not appear to have been any seeds of death - any poisonous or malignant power in the tree. "The woman saw that the tree was good for food, and likely to the eyes," as well as a tree to be desired to make one wise. Neither does it appear that the virtue of making wise on the particular point of moral distinctions lay in the digestion of its fruit when received into the stomach. The natural effect of food is on the body, not on the understanding. **The moral effect lay rather in the conduct of man in regard to the tree, as a thing prohibited. The result of his conduct, whether in the way of obedience or disobedience to the divine command, was to be the knowledge of good and evil. If man had obeyed, he would have come to this knowledge in a legitimate way. For he would have perceived that distrust of God and disobedience to his will, as they were externally presented to his view in the suggestions of the tempter, were evil; and that confidence and obedience, internally experienced in himself in defiance of such suggestions, were good. And this was the germ of the knowledge of good and evil.** But, by disregarding the express injunction of his Maker with respect to this tree, he attained to the knowledge of good and evil in an unlawful and fatal way. He learned immediately that he himself was the guilty party, whereas, before, he was free from guilt; and thus became aware, in his own person and to his own condemnation, of good and evil, as distinct and opposite qualities.

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and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life; as well as of the tree of knowledge of good and evil; which some take to be a continued sarcasm; and others, that it was in pity to him, that he might not live a long life of sorrow; and others, as a punishment, that having sinned he was justly deprived of the sacrament and symbol of life; or else to prevent a fresh sin; or rather to show that there could be no life without satisfaction for the sin committed, and this in no other way than by Christ, the antitype of the tree of life:

and eat, and live for ever; not that it was possible, by eating of the fruit of the tree of life, his natural life could be continued for ever, contrary to the sentence of death pronounced upon him; or so as to elude that sentence, and by it eternal life be procured and obtained; but he was hindered from eating of it, lest he should flatter himself, that by so doing he should live for ever, notwithstanding he was doomed to die; and very probably the devil had suggested this to him, that should he be threatened with death, which he made a question of, yet by eating of the tree of life, which stood just by the other, he might save himself from dying: wherefore to prevent him, and to cut off all hopes of securing life to himself in this way, it is suggested that something must be done, which may be supplied from the following verse, let us send him out of the garden.

(o) "fuit", Pagninus, Montanus, Schmidt. So Abarbinel. apud Abendana in Miclöl. Yophi in loc.