Christian World View

Course Outline

Christian World View

truth

revelation

the canon of Scripture

the survey of Scripture

the theology of Scripture

the four states of man

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the theology of Scripture

the four states of man

- the good man → after creation → Adam & Eve
- the natural man → after the fall → all mankind in Adam

the Savior → salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone

- the spiritual man → after salvation → all believers in Christ
- the glorified man → after the 2nd coming → all believers in Christ

the King → the second coming · the last things · the kingdom of God

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unit 1 → TRUTH · absolute truth
unit 2 → TRUTH · revelation
unit 3 → TRUTH · the canon of Scripture
unit 4 → SURVEY · the parts of Scripture
unit 5 → SURVEY · the theme of Scripture
unit 6 → 1 Four States of Man · the good man
unit 7 → 2 Four States of Man · the natural man
unit 8 → FIRST COMING · the Savior & salvation
unit 9 → 3 Four States of Man · the spiritual man
unit 10 → 4 Four States of Man · the glorified man
unit 11 → SECOND COMING · the King & kingdom

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The Foundation · 1st Year

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The Life · 2nd Year

unit 1 → TRUTH · *review*
unit 4 → SURVEY · *review*
unit 5 → SURVEY · *review*
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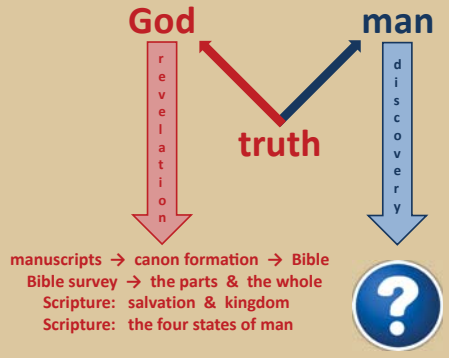

manuscripts → canon formation → Bible
Bible survey → the parts & the whole
Scripture: salvation & kingdom
Scripture: the four states of man

absolute truth relativism

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Truth

World Views

the discovery of a world view

a world view addresses the following questions:

my origin · how did I come to be?

my identity · who am I?

my meaning · why am I here?

my values · what do I believe?

my function · how shall I live?

my future · where will I end up?

the definition of a world view

a world view is a belief system used to interpret life

the beginning
the person
the meaning
the values
the function
the ending

the foundation of a world view

a world view is based on faith in God or faith in man

theism

faith in God = the God of the Bible

absolute truth exists in God
absolute truth is revealed by God

absolutism · Christianity · assurance

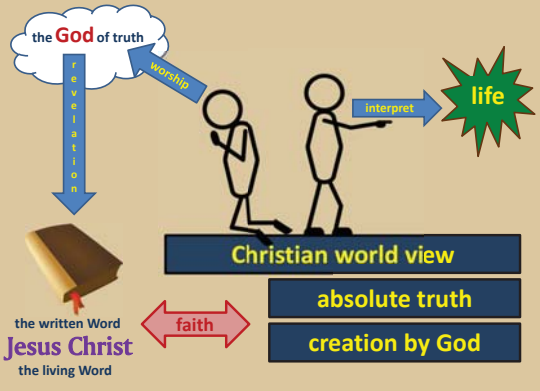
humanism

faith in man = individualism
collectivism

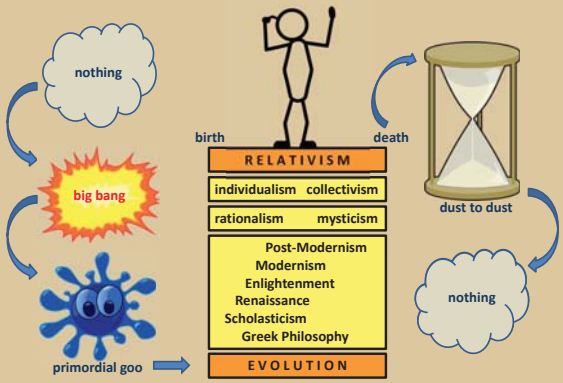
absolute truth cannot be found
values are time and place sensitive

relativism · secularism · skepticism

theism · a Christian world view



humanism · a secular world view



types of world views

linear · theism · Christianity

God — beginning · faith-rationalism · absolutism · meaning · ending — God

chance — random · humanism · secularism — chance

big bang · rational-irrationalism · relativism · relational · big crunch

cyclical · humanism · mysticism

endless progression from nothing to nowhere · introspection for transcendence

Christian world view

a world view is a belief system used to interpret life

a Christian world view believes that God (the Bible) provides the true foundation for interpreting life.

the origin → how did we come to be?
we were created by God.

the identity → who are we?
we are creatures made in the image and likeness of God.

the meaning → why are we here?
we live to glorify God and enjoy Him forever.

the values → what do we believe?
we believe that God is the source of all absolute truth.

the function → how shall we live?
we live by faith in God's truth as revealed in the Bible.

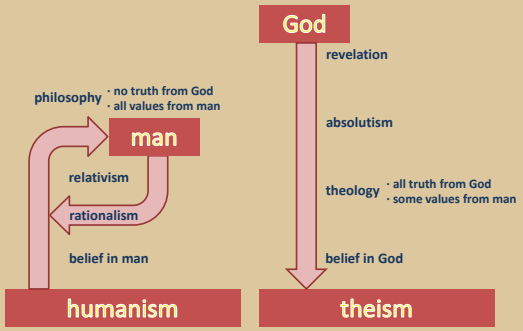
the future → where are we going?
we will live forever in the kingdom of God.

Christian World View

Truth

absolute truth

The Pursuit of Absolute Truth



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Absolute Truth = Absolute God

the nature of God		the nature of absolute truth	
	a perfect match		
Psalm 90:2	God is eternal	forever	= absolute truth
Psalm 102:25-27	God is immutable	unchangeable	= absolute truth
Psalm 139:7-10	God is omnipresent	everywhere	= absolute truth
Psalm 145:3	God is transcendent	unreachable	= absolute truth
Psalm 98:2-3	God is immanent	revealed	= absolute truth
Psalm 19:7-9	God is perspicuity	comprehensible	= absolute truth
Psalm 119:103-104	God is omniscient	relevant	= absolute truth
Psalm 119:89, 160	God is omnipotent	preserved	= absolute truth

God is Absolute Truth

absolute truth ➡ the attributes of God

the attributes of God
spirit
holy · perfect
infinite & eternal
aseity & self-sufficient
omniscient · all knowing
omnipotent · all powerful
omnipresent · all present
absolute & immutable
incomprehensible
sovereign & free
love
good
truth
faithful
wisdom
grace · mercy
righteous · just

the attributes in action
love
joy
peace
patience
kindness
goodness
faithfulness
gentleness
self-control

God is Absolute Truth

God reveals His truth to man

God

is absolute truth

revelation

the Word of God · Jesus Christ

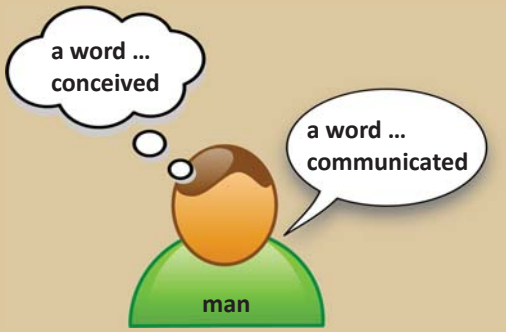
the written Word — the living Word

LOGOS = λόγος = "word"

the expression of a thought · a concept · an idea · a truth

God is Absolute Truth

the meaning of LOGOS · "Word"



a word is the outward form by which an inward thought is expressed

God is Absolute Truth

the meaning of LOGOS · "Word"

LOGOS existing in God … the perfect and absolute Word

LOGOS

truth
logic · reason
knowledge · wisdom
order · design
the meaning of life

God

LOGOS spoken by God … the powerful and authoritative Word

LOGOS

creation
theophany
Old Testament
Jesus Christ
New Testament
the life · the light
grace and truth

God is Absolute Truth

absolute truth ➡ the LOGOS

John 1:1-5 ➡ the Word / the LOGOS / the Creator / the life, the light, and the darkness
[1] In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. [2] He was in the beginning with God. [3] All things came into being through Him, and apart from Him nothing came into being that has come into being. [4] In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. [5] The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it.

John 1:6-8 ➡ John the Baptist / the witness of the light
[6] There came a man sent from God, whose name was John. [7] He came as a witness, to testify about the light, so that all might believe through him. [8] He was not the light, but *he came* to testify about the light.

John 1:9-13 ➡ the true light / the Creator / receive · believe / the children of God
[9] There was the true light which, coming into the world, enlightens every man. [10] He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. [11] He came to His own, and those who were His own did not receive Him. [12] But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, *even* to those who believe in His name, [13] who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 1:14-18 ➡ the Word / the LOGOS / flesh and glory / grace and truth / the only begotten God
[14] And the Word became flesh, and dwelt among us, and we saw His glory, glory as of the only begotten from the Father, full of grace and truth. [15] John testified about Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me has a higher rank than I, for He existed before me.'" [16] For of His fullness we have all received, and grace upon grace. [17] For the Law was given through Moses; grace and truth were realized through Jesus Christ. [18] No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God who is in the bosom of the Father, He has explained *Him*.

God is Absolute Truth

the seven "I am" statements

the person (present) the call (present) the promise (future)

John 6:35 ➡ "I am the bread of life;
he who comes to Me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall not thirst."

John 8:12 ➡ "I am the light of the world;
he who follows Me shall not walk in the darkness, but shall have the light of life."

John 10:9 ➡ "I am the door;
if anyone enters through Me, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and shall find pasture."

John 10:11 ➡ "I am the good shepherd;
the good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."

John 11:25-26 ➡ "I am the resurrection and the life;
he who believes in Me shall live even if he dies, and everyone who lives and believes in Me shall never die."

John 14:6 ➡ "I am the way, and the truth, and the life;
no one comes to the Father, but through Me."

John 15:5 ➡ "I am the vine, you are the branches;
he who abides in Me, and I in him, he bears much fruit;
for apart from Me you can do nothing."

the Shepherd & "My sheep"
He calls His sheep by name (10:3)

John 10:25-30
(I call them) ➡ My sheep hear
I know them ➡ My sheep follow
I give them eternal life ➡
My sheep shall never perish

God is Absolute Truth

LOGOS · COSMOS · CHAOS

Hebrew

ToHu WaBoHu • Genesis 1:3

ToHu = "formless" ➡ nothing · no form or shape

WaBoHu = "void" ➡ emptiness · an empty area

Latin

creatio ex nihilo = "creation out of nothing" ➡ nothing comes from nothing

Greek

chaos χάος = "emptiness" ➡ complete confusion · random disorder

cosmos κόσμος = "world" ➡ the ordered universe

logos λόγος = "word" ➡ truth · wisdom · order · design

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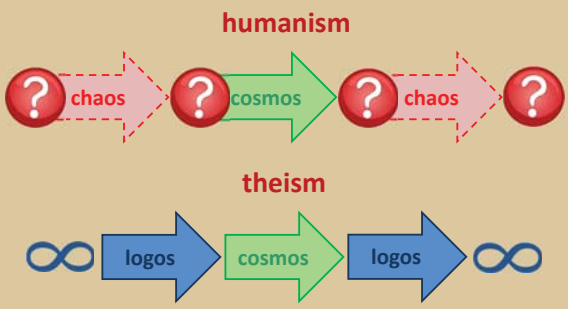
LOGOS · COSMOS · CHAOS



chaos occurs in cosmos when logos is abandoned

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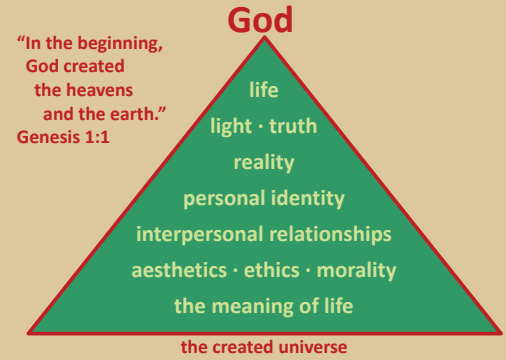
Christian World View

Truth

theism vs humanism

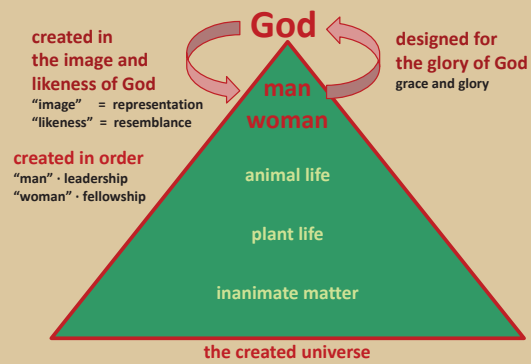
Theism vs. Humanism

the biblical world view



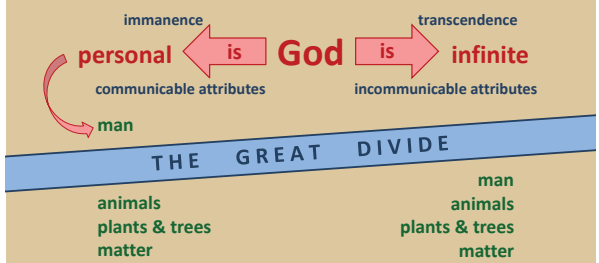
Theism vs. Humanism

the biblical world view



Theism vs. Humanism

the order of creation



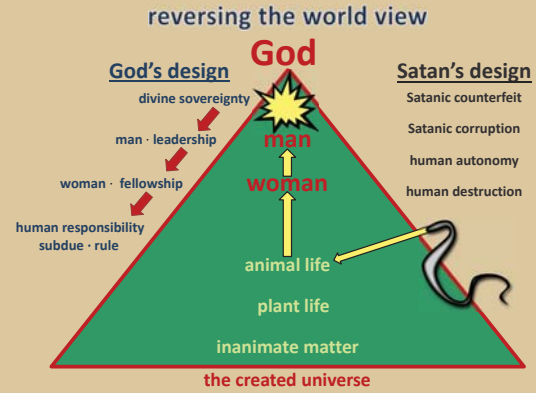
"And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them." – Genesis 1:27

"image" = representation

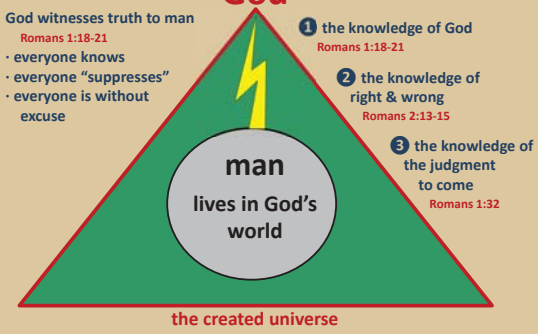
"likeness" = resemblance

Theism vs. Humanism

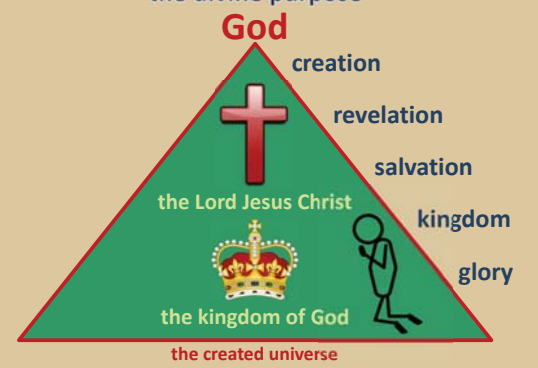
reversing the world view



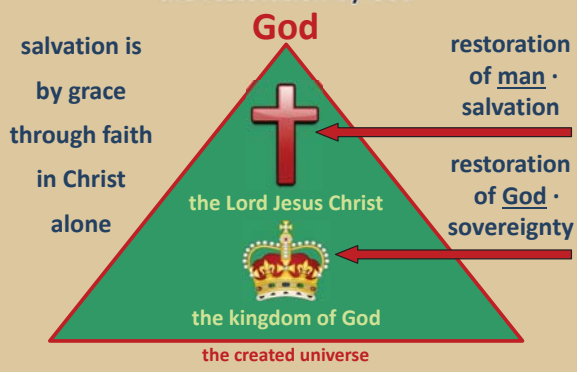
Theism vs. Humanism
the dilemma of humanism



Theism vs. Humanism
the divine purpose



Theism vs. Humanism
the restoration by God



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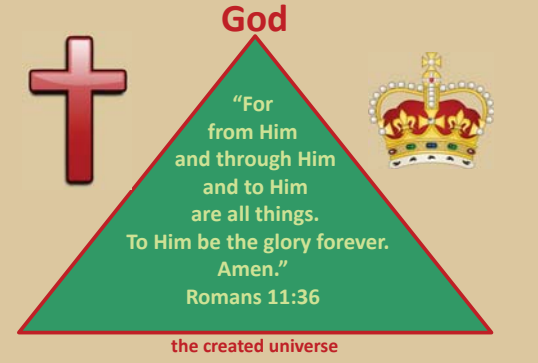
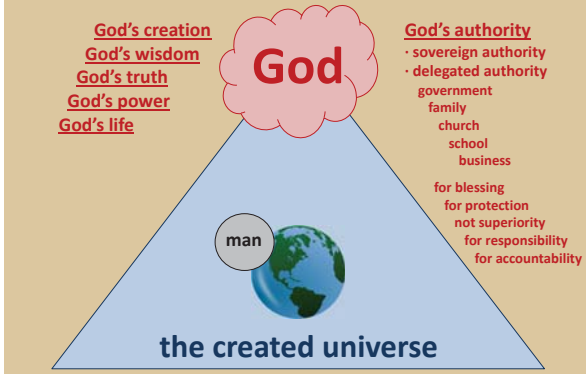
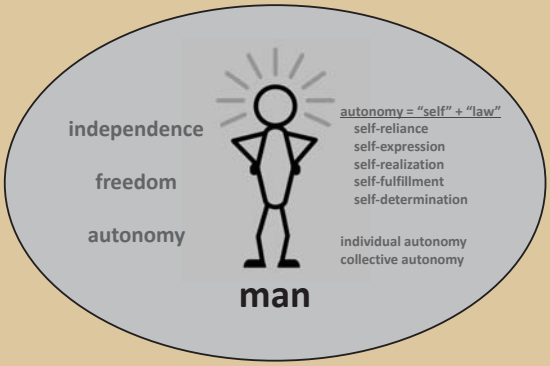
the triumph of God



Theism vs. Humanism
the battle of world views



Theism vs. Humanism
the ideal of humanism



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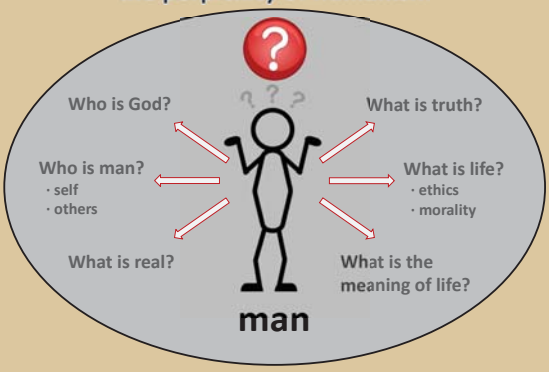
the perplexity of humanism



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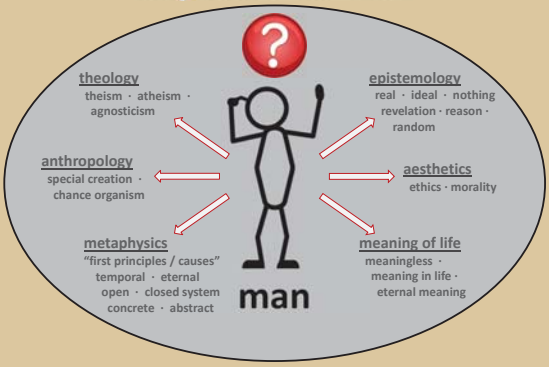
the pursuit of humanism



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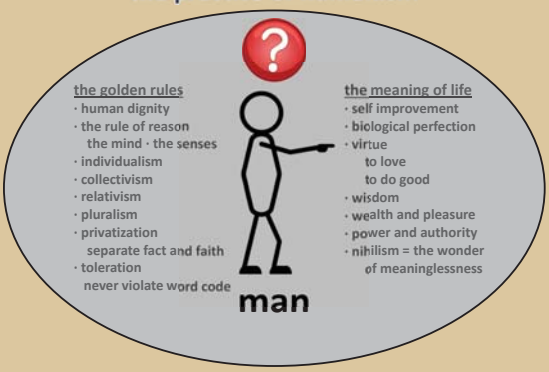
the practice of humanism

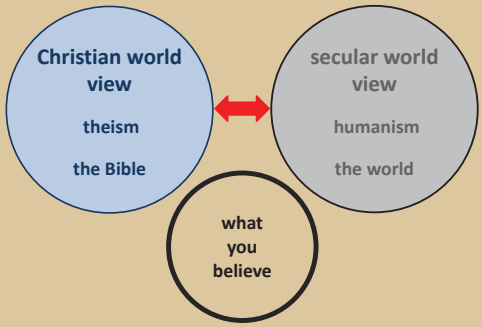


Theism vs. Humanism
the pursuit of folly

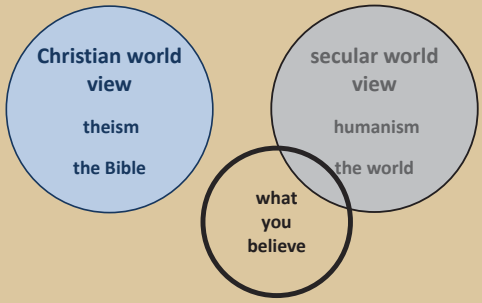
* sex outside marriages · couples living together · soaring divorce rate 1960-1980

** for 15 year olds · without parental knowledge or consent · paid by Medicaid

Theism vs. Humanism
the challenge of life



Theism vs. Humanism
a secular world view



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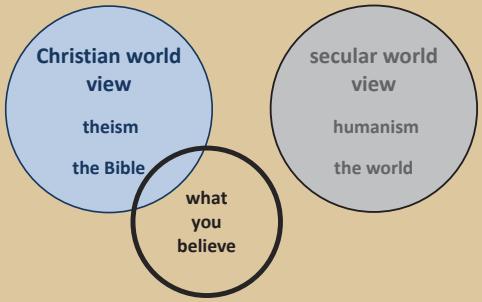
a Christian world view



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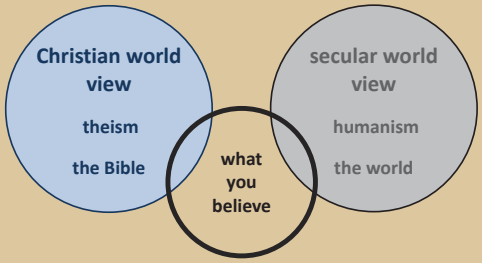
an accommodating world view



syncretism – the blending of two systems into one new system · most often in Christianity – a compromise of biblical truth

Christian World View

Truth

World Views in Art

The River of Dreams · by Billy Joel · 1993

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
from the mountains of faith, to a river so deep.
I must be looking for something, something sacred I lost,
but the river is wide, and it's too hard to cross.

And even though I know the river is wide,
I walk down every evening and I stand on the shore,
and try to cross to the opposite side,
so I can finally find out what I've been looking for.

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the valley of fear, to a river so deep.
And I've been searching for something, taken out of my soul,
something I would never lose, something somebody stole.

I don't know why I go walking at night,
but now I'm tired and I don't want to walk anymore,
I hope it doesn't take the rest of my life,
until I find what it is that I've been looking for.

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the jungle of doubt, to a river so deep.
I know I'm searching for something, something so undefined,
that it can only be seen, by the eyes of the blind.
In the middle of the night . . .

I'm not sure about a life after this,
God knows I've never been a spiritual man,
baptized by the fire, I wade into the river,
that runs to the promised land.

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the desert of truth, to the river so deep.
We all end in the ocean, we all start in the streams
we're all carried along, by the river of dreams.
In the middle of the night . . .

Amazing Grace · by John Newton · 1829

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be, as long as life endures.

Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below, will be forever mine.

When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.

Adolph "Ad" Frederick Reinhardt (1913 – 1967)
Abstract Painting · 1963

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Abstract Painting · 1963

"A square (neutral, shapeless) canvas, five feet wide, five feet high, as high as a man, as wide as a man's outstretched arms (not large, not small, sizeless), trisected (no composition), one horizontal form negating one vertical form (formless, no top, no bottom, directionless), three (more or less) dark (lightless) non-contrasting (colorless) colors, brushwork brushed out to remove brushwork, a matte, flat, free-hand, painted surface (glossless, textureless, non-linear, no hard edge, no soft edge) which does not reflect its surroundings – a pure, abstract, non-objective, timeless, spaceless, changeless, relationless, disinterested painting – an object that is self conscious (no unconsciousness) ideal, transcendent, aware of no thing but Art (absolutely no anti-art)."

estimated value = $120,000 to $180,000

The Laughing Heart · Charles Bukowski

your life is your life
don't let it be clubbed into dank submission.
be on the watch.
there are ways out.
there is a light somewhere.
it may not be much light but
it beats the darkness.
be on the watch the gods will offer you chances.
know them.
take them.
you can't beat death but
you can beat death in life, sometimes
and the more often you learn to do it,
the more light there will be.
your life is your life.
know it while you have it.
you are marvelous
the gods wait to delight
in you.

Wild Geese · Mary Oliver

You don't have to be good.
You do not have to walk on your knees
for a hundred miles through the desert, repenting.
You only have to let the soft animal of your body
love what it loves.
Tell me about despair, yours, and I will tell you mine.
Meanwhile the world goes on.
Meanwhile the sun and the clear pebbles of the rain
are moving across the landscapes,
over the prairies and the deep trees,
the mountains and the rivers.
Meanwhile the wild geese, high in the clean blue air,
are heading home again.
Whoever you are, no matter how lonely,
the world offers itself to your imagination,
calls to you like the wild geese, harsh and exciting –
over and over announcing your place
in the family of things.

Invictus (1875) · William Ernest Henley (1849-1903)

Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods may be
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance
I have not winced nor cried aloud.
Under the bludgeonings of chance
My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears
Looms but the Horror of the shade,
And yet the menace of the years
Finds and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how strait the gate,
How charged with punishments the scroll,
I am the master of my fate,
I am the captain of my soul.

New York Fashion Week · interview
Jim Carrey · actor

I don't believe in personalities.
I believe that peace lies beyond personality,
beyond invention in disguise.
Beyond the red "S" that you wear on your chest
that makes bullets bounce off.
I believe that it's deeper than that.
I believe that we're a field of energy dancing for itself.

There's no me.

"Something Good"
Julie Andrews · Sound of Music · 1965
Richard Rodgers, songwriter

Perhaps I had a wicked childhood,
perhaps I had a miserable youth;
but somewhere in my wicked, miserable past,
there must have been a moment of truth.

For here you are, standing there, loving me,
whether or not you should;
so somewhere in my youth or childhood,
I must have done something good.

Nothing comes from nothing,
nothing ever could;
so somewhere in my youth or childhood,
I must have done something good.

Christian World View

Revelation

truth from God

The Pursuit of Truth

God
absolute truth
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faith
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theism

"A world view is a belief system used to interpret life."

The Revelation of God

general revelation | special revelation

creation | knowledge | written Word | living Word

Psalm 19:1-6

- the knowledge of God
  Romans 1:18-21
- the knowledge of right & wrong
  Romans 2:13-15
- the knowledge of the judgment to come
  Romans 1:32

Psalm 19:7-11
the Bible

Lord
Jesus
Christ

The Revelation of God

general revelation | special revelation

revelation

God

speaks
inspires
prophets · apostles
writes
Ten Commandments
presents
visions · dreams
appears
theophany · incarnation

The Revelation of God

General Revelation | Special Revelation

the Holy Spirit

revelation

inspiration | illumination

the writers
accuracy

the readers
understanding

the Word of God
the Bible

The Inspiration of Scripture

human author

the Holy Spirit — inspiration → the Word of God, the Bible

Inspiration is God's superintending of human authors so that using their own individual personalities they composed and recorded without error His revelation to man in the words of the original manuscripts.
Charles C. Ryrie

inerrant & infallible
necessity
authority
sufficiency
perspicuity

The Inspiration of Scripture

2 Timothy 3:16-17

"All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable
for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;
that the man of God many be adequate, equipped for every good work."

all Scripture

the Holy Spirit — inspired → — profitable → the man of God

"inspired by God"
θεόπνευστος
"God" + "breathed"

"profitable"
useful, helpful, advantageous

the accuracy of Scripture

the sufficiency of Scripture

The Inspiration of Scripture

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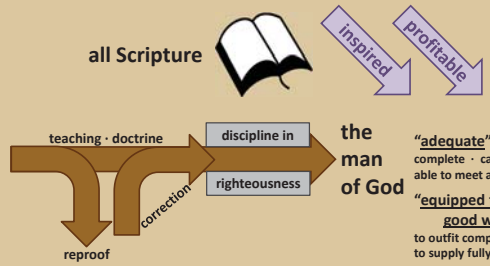
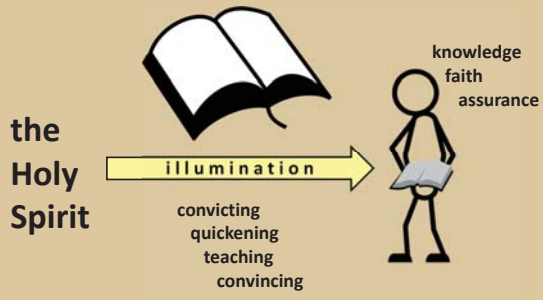


"adequate"
complete · capable
able to meet all demands

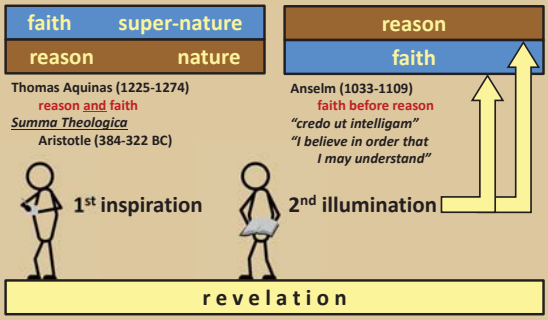
"equipped for every good work"
to outfit completely
to supply fully

The Illumination of Scripture



The Theology of Knowing God

God



Christian World View

Revelation

philosophy vs theology

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the definition: EROS = "love"
from Greek philosophy
the love that desires to possess

heavenly EROS → the world above
the upward attraction of the soul

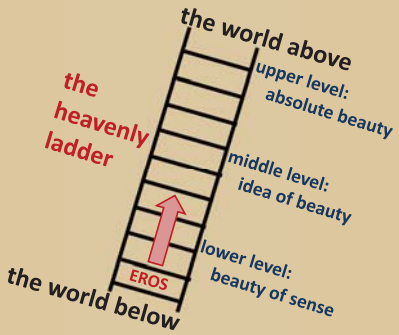
earthly EROS → the world below
the worldly attraction of the senses

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the distinctions: heavenly EROS
the love that desires to possess

1. acquisitive love → the desire to acquire · to possess
   longing and striving to obtain the valued object
2. ego-centric love → to obtain for self
   self-centered · self-seeking · self-satisfying
3. religious love → the human way to the divine
   man → the starting point for man is human need ·
   the final goal is satisfaction of human need
   god → has no need to love · possess all that is wished ·
   needs no fellowship with man

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ



Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the definition: AGAPÉ = "love"
from the Bible
the love that freely gives

AGAPÉ existed in Greek literature · rarely
used · given its meaning in the Bible

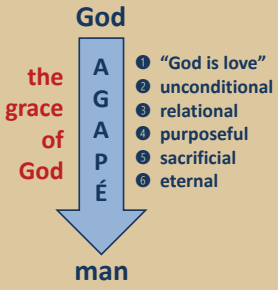
AGAPÉ confronted the ERŌS view of love
· ERŌS never appears in the Bible

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the distinctions: AGAPÉ = "love"
the love that freely gives

AGAPÉ → John 3:16
1. theological → self-existing in God · "God is love"
2. unconditional → spontaneous from God · unmotivated by anything in man
3. relational → personal with another
4. purposeful → seeking the greatest good / highest good
5. sacrificial → providing all / requiring nothing
6. eternal → forever / never ending

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ



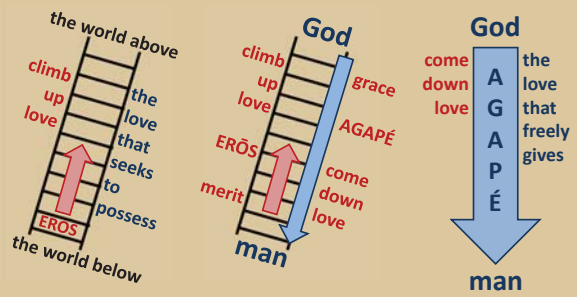
Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the conflict in meaning:

EROS in Greek philosophy		AGAPÉ in the Bible
love rising up out of man	↔	love self-existing in God
love motivated by the object	↔	love unmotivated by the object
love that desires to possess · acquire	↔	love that freely gives · grace
love pursued by man · longing & striving	↔	love received by man · faith
ego-centric love · self-seeking	↔	other-centric love · self-giving
climb up religion · from man	↔	come down religion · from God
fellowship on god's level	↔	fellowship on man's level

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the compromise in church history:



Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

AGAPÉ · was preserved and protected by the church's stand for biblical truths

1. creation · the come down God / the Creator
   no demiurge / "artisan" / one with special skills / a subordinate creator
2. incarnation · the come down God / the Mediator
   as Savior and King
3. resurrection · the significance of the body
   not just the soul

Philosophy EROS & Theology AGAPÉ

the Greek words for "love":

AGAPÉ = ἀγάπη = unconditional love that gives the greatest good
NT usage: AGAPÉ = 109x AGAPAŌ = 117x

PHILIA = φιλία = love of friendship · intimate personal affection · brotherly love
NT usage: PHILOS (adjective) 28x "friend" PHILEO = 24x
PHILEO + ADELPHOS = PHILADELPHOS = brotherly love = 6x

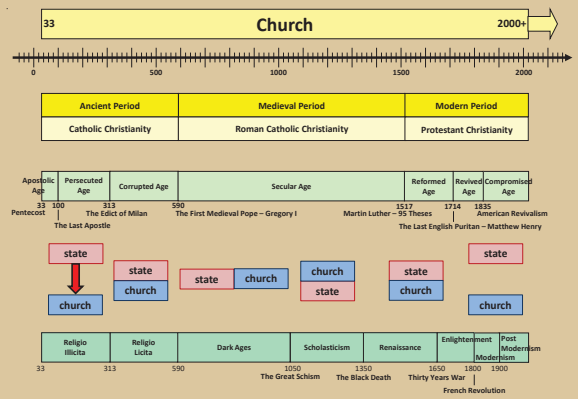
EROS = ἔρος = love that seeks to acquire for self
word not used in the New Testament
Septuagint LXX translation · Proverbs 7:18; 30:16

STORGÉ = στοργή = love of affection · familial love · parents for children
word not used in the New Testament
ASTORGÉ = "without natural affection" · Romans 1:31 · 2 Timothy 3:3
word association = stork

Christian World View

Truth

faith vs reason



Humanism in History — Theism in History

The Roman Empire 33-313 Christianity-Evangelical

Jesus Christ – Edict of Milan

emperor worship · paganism

religio illicita = "illegal religion"

1. the apostolic age (33-100)
2. the persecuted age (100-313)

The Fall of the Roman Empire 313-590 Christianity-Established

Edict of Milan – Gregory the Great · 1st pope

410/455 the sack of Rome

476 the last emperor Romulus Augustus

religio licita = "legal religion"

3. the corrupted age (313-590)

Augustine of Hippo (354-430) The City of God

The Dark Ages 590-1050 Christianity-Empowered

Gregory the Great · 1st pope – the great schism (1054)

dark days for human reason

the middle ages

4. the secular age (313-1517)

Humanism in History — Theism in History

Scholasticism 1050-1350 Scholasticism

the great schism – the black death (1346-1353)

harmonizing faith and reason

the philosophy of Aristotle (384-322 BC)
natural and empirical science
"universals" exist only *post res* = subsequent to particular things

Anselm (1033-1109) faith before reason
credo ut intelligam = "I believe …"
" … in order that I may understand"

Thomas Aquinas (1225-1274) faith and reason
Suma Theologica (1265-1274)
Roman Catholic doctrine

Renaissance 1350-1650 Renaissance

the black death (1346-1353) – the thirty years war (1618-1648)

southern ← ← ← *the "rebirth" of reason · the liberation of the mind* → → → northern Europe

man's relationship to the material world
the classics (Greek)

Niccolò Machiavelli (1469-1527)
The Prince (1532) a secular state
religion is man-made · use religion to control people

René Descartes (1596-1650) the father of modern philosophy
cogito ergo sum = "I think, therefore I am"

man's relationship to the spiritual world
the Bible (Hebrew & Greek) & the church fathers

John Wycliffe (1320-1384) Oxford

Jan Hus (1369-1415) Prague
① Wycliffe · "the spark"
② Hus · "the flame"
③ Luther · "the fire"

Humanism in History — Theism in History

Enlightenment 1650-1800

thirty years war (1618-1648) – the French Revolution (1787-1799)
truth and life through human reason alone

Thomas Hobbes (1588-1679) Leviathan (1651)
atheist · materialist · no original sin
the king rules church and state
natural rights, not right or wrong

Benedict Spinoza (1632-1677) Ethics (1676)
atheist · everything is god
a secular democracy
a re-constructed secular church
enforced tolerance
human pyramid: 1-philosophical elite, 2-scientists, 3-vulgar masses

Jean-Jacques Rousseau (1712-1778)
secular liberal civil religion
natural simplicity "the noble savage"
no original sin · tolerance

The French Revolution (1787-1799)
liberté, égalité, fraternité = "liberty, equality, fraternity (brotherhood)"

John Locke (1632-1704)
the father of classical liberalism
the mind *tabula rasa* = blank slate
knowledge by experience and perception

Reformation 1517-1714

Martin Luther (95 theses) – the last English Puritan (Matthew Henry)
Sola Scriptura = "Scripture Alone"

5. the reformed age (1517-1714)

Martin Luther (1483-1546) Wittenberg
Ulrich Zwingli (1484-1531) Zurich
John Calvin (1509-1564) Geneva
John Knox (1514-1572) Edinburgh

The American Revolution (1775-1783)
"life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness"
Declaration of Independence (1776)
United States Constitution (1787)

Humanism in History — Theism in History

Modernism / Modernity (1800-)

the French Revolution (1787-1799 – *present*)
socially progressive · the power of modern man to reshape his environment with the aid of science and technology, questioning the axioms and the traditions of the previous age

Revival (1714-1835)

Puritans – the 2nd Great Awakening
the 1st Great Awakening (1730's -1740's)

6. the revived age (1714-1835)

Jonathan Edwards (1703-1758)
America's greatest theologian
George Whitefield (1714-1770)
English-American evangelist
William Carey (1761-1834)
the father of modern missions

John Stuart Mill (1806-1873) · realism · materialism
nominalism – "there is nothing general except names/nomen"
On Liberty (1859) "the only truth is one that provides the greatest happiness to the greatest number of people"

Charles Darwin (1809-1892) · materialism applied to man
On the Origin of Species by Means of Natural Selection (1859)

Søren Kierkegaard (1813-1855) existentialism – "existence precedes essence"
the acting, living, feeling individual, not religion or society, gives meaning to life

Karl Marx (1818-1883) · materialism applied to economics
Das Kapital (1867)

Humanism in History — Theism in History

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the French Revolution (1787-1799 – *present*)
socially progressive · the power of modern man to reshape his environment with the aid of science and technology, questioning the axioms and the traditions of the previous age

Compromise 1835-)

American theological decline – *present*
Calvinism → Arminianism → Liberalism

7. the compromised age (1835-)

Charles Finney (1792-1875)
the father of modern revivalism
Oberlin College · Ohio

Charles Haddon Spurgeon (1834-1892)
the prince of preachers
London

Post-Modernism 1900-)

from horse & carriage to space shuttle (1900 – *present*)
ultimate principles do not exist · *"vanity of vanities, all is vanity"*
skepticism · relativism · pluralism · privatization · toleration
no absolute truth · no meaning → paganism … a return to Rome

pandemic / 1918 influenza 50-100m · world war / WWI-17m & WWII-50-80m · genocide · decolonization · nationalism · globalism · world organizations · transportation · communication · nuclear technology · space exploration · digital technology / computers · medical technology / genetic engineering · world population / 1804-1b & 1927-2b & 1999-6b

Christianity
the presence of truth

sola Scriptura	the authority is Scripture alone
sola gratia	salvation is by grace alone
sola fide	salvation is through by faith alone
solus Christus	salvation is in Christ alone
soli Deo gloria	glory to God alone

Christianity
the presence of truth

Christian World View

Truth

Athens in Rome

Vatican City · Apostolic Palace · "Room of Segnatura"
Raphael · fresco paintings · 1508-1511

The Parnassus
[the dwelling place of the gods]
Arts · "beauty"

The Disputation of the Sacrament
[the Eucharist]
Theology · "supernatural truth"

north
west
east
south

The School of Athens
[truth by human reason]
Philosophy · "natural truth"

The Cardinal Virtues and the Law
[fortitude · prudence · temperance]
Justice · "good"

Vatican Museums

"The Room of the Segnatura contains Raphael's most famous frescoes. Besides being the first work executed by the great artist in the Vatican they mark the beginning of the high Renaissance. The room takes its name from the highest court of the Holy See, the "Segnatura Gratiae et Iustitiae", which was presided over by the pontiff and used to meet in this room around the middle of the 16th century. Originally the room was used by Julius II (pontiff from 1503 to 1513) as a library and private office. The iconographic program of the frescoes, which were painted between 1508 and 1511, is related to this function. It was certainly established by a theologian and meant to represent the three greatest categories of the human spirit: Truth, Good and Beauty. Supernatural Truth is illustrated in the Disputation of the Most Holy Sacrament (theology), while rational Truth is illustrated in the School of Athens (philosophy). Good is expressed in the Cardinal and Theological Virtues and the Law. Beauty is represented in the Parnassus with Apollo and the Muses. The frescoes of the ceiling are connected with the scenes below them. The allegorical figures of Theology, Philosophy, Justice and Poetry allude in fact to the faculties of the spirit painted on the corresponding walls. Under Leo X (pontiff from 1513 to 1521) the room was used as a small study and music room, in which the pontiff also kept his collection of musical instruments. The original furnishings of the time of Julius II were removed and replaced with a new wooden wainscot, the work of Fra Giovanni da Verona. The wood covered all the walls with the exception of that of the Parnassus, where, for reasons of space, the same decoration, still visible today, was painted in fresco. The wooden wainscot was probably destroyed following the Sack of Rome in 1527 and in its place, during the pontificate of Paul III (pontiff from 1534 to 1549) a wainscot in chiaroscuro was painted by Perin del Vaga."

north . arts

east . philosophy

south · justice west · theology

north . arts

south . justice

"On the wall corresponding to Theology, is the fresco of the so-called Disputation of the Most Holy Sacrament, the title of which should more rightly be that of the Triumph of Religion. At the sides of the Most Holy Trinity (with God the Father, Christ between the Virgin and St John the Baptist, and the Holy Spirit in the center) is the Triumphant Church, with patriarchs and prophets of the Old Testament alternated with apostles and martyrs, seated in a hemicycle on the clouds. The personages are (from left to right for the viewer). St Peter, Adam, St John the Evangelist, David, St Laurence, Judas Maccabees, St Stephen, Moses, St James the elder, Abraham, St Paul. On the ground, at the sides of the altar on which the Most Holy Sacrament dominates, is the Militant Church. On the marble thrones closest to the altar sit four Fathers of the Latin Church: St Gregory the Great (a portrait of Julius II), St Jerome, St Ambrose and St Augustine." – **Vatican Museums**

1: Zeno of Citium
2: Epicurus Possibly, the image of two philosophers,
who were typically shown in pairs during the Renaissance:
Heraclitus, the "weeping" philosopher, and Democritus, the "laughing" philosopher.
3: unknown (believed to be Raphael)
4: Boethius or Anaximander or Empedocles?
5: Averroes
6: Pythagoras
7: Alcibiades or Alexander the Great?
8: Antisthenes or Xenophon or Timon?
9: Raphael, Fornarina as a personification of Love or Francesco Maria della Rovere?
10: Aeschines or Xenophon?
11: Parmenides? (Leonardo da Vinci)
12: Socrates
13: Heraclitus (Michelangelo)
14: Plato (Leonardo da Vinci)
15: Aristotle (Giuliano da Sangallo)
16: Diogenes of Sinope
17: Plotinus (Donatello?)
18: Euclid or Archimedes with students (Bramante?)
19: Strabo or Zoroaster? (Baldassare Castiglione)
20: Ptolemy? R: Apelles (Raphael)
21: Protogenes (Il Sodoma, Perugino, or Timoteo Viti)

"The most famous philosophers of ancient times move within an imposing Renaissance architecture which is inspired by Bramante's project for the renewal of the early Christian basilica of St Peter. Some of these are easily recognizable. In the center Plato points upwards with a finger and holds his book Timeus in his hand, flanked by Aristotle with Ethics; Pythagoras is shown in the foreground intent on explaining the diatesseron. Diogenes is lying on the stairs with a dish, while the pessimist philosopher, Heracleitus, a portrait of Michelangelo, is leaning against a block of marble, writing on a sheet of paper. Michelangelo was in those years executing the paintings in the nearby Sistine Chapel. On the right we see Euclid, who is teaching geometry to his pupils, Zoroaster holding the heavenly sphere and Ptolemy holding the earthly sphere. The personage on the extreme right with the black beret is a self-portrait of Raphael." – **Vatican Museum**

Christian World View

the canon of Scripture

the formation

Plato

Aristotle

Leonardo Da Vinci

The Canon of Scripture
the big picture

The Canon of Scripture
the formation of the Bible

Latin: "manuscriptus" = "manu" by hand + "scriptum" = written

1. **the original manuscripts** · none in existence today
2. **the copies** · some copy errors / variant readings
3. **the formation of the canon** · OT "39" / NT "27" books
4. **the collections** · original language OT and NT
5. **the translations** · the language of the people

Greek: βιβλία = "books" → Bible

The Canon of Scripture
the Old Testament

TaNaKh · Hebrew Bible
Ta = TORAH · teachings
Na = NEVIIN · prophets
Kh = KETUVIM · writings

original manuscripts Moses to Malachi BC 1450-417

1. **prophetic**
   Was it written by a prophet of the LORD God?
2. **orthodox**
   Is it true to the LORD God?
3. **accurate**
   Is it true in time? Has it been fulfilled?

The Canon of Scripture
the Old Testament

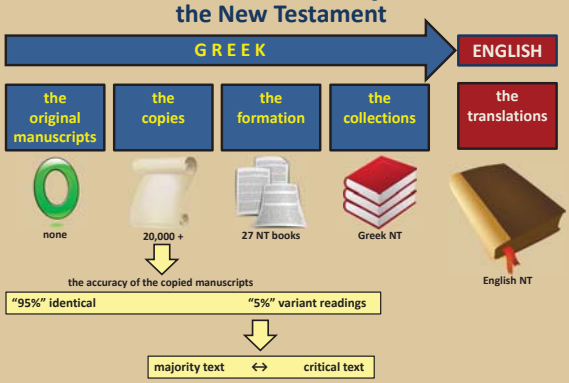
1 the Septuagint
Greek Old Testament BC 300-100
early fragments · 2nd century BC complete text · 4th century AD

2 the Dead Sea Scrolls
Hebrew · Aramaic · Greek BC 150 – AD 70
40% Old Testament 30% second Temple period 30% secular

3 the Latin Vulgate
Latin Bible AD 404
39 Old Testament books 16 Apocryphal *"hidden, secret"* books

4 the Masoretic Text
Hebrew Bible AD 600-800
the authoritative text added accents and vowel pointings

The Canon of Scripture
the New Testament



The Canon of Scripture
the New Testament
the use and preservation of the manuscripts
1st century

1 the inspiration of Scripture
the manuscripts were written during the first century

2 the leading churches
the manuscripts were copied by the churches
- Jerusalem
- Antioch
- Alexandria
- Rome
- Constantinople

3 the scholarly languages
the manuscripts were recorded in scholarly languages
west · Rome · Latin
east · Byzantine · Greek

The Canon of Scripture
the New Testament
the criteria for accepting a manuscript:
1st – 4th centuries

1 apostolic
Was the document written by an apostle?

2 catholic · universal
Was the document received as authoritative by the whole church?

3 orthodox
Was the document recognized as having "right doctrine"?
Was the document accompanied with spiritual and moral effects?

The Canon of Scripture
the New Testament
the process for accepting the manuscripts:
1st – 4th centuries

1 circulated · 70-170
the individual documents were circulated among the churches

2 recognized · 170-303
the individual documents were regarded as Scripture by the churches

3 ratified · 303-397
the individual documents were formally identified by church councils

The Canon of Scripture
the New Testament

1 the Latin Vulgate · Latin Bible · Jerome · AD 404

2 the Textus Receptus · Greek NT
late Byzantine "Eastern" manuscripts 21 editions

5 editions · Erasmus	1516 · 1519 · 1522 · 1527 · 1535
4 editions · Estienne aka Stephanus	1546 · 1549 · 1550 · 1551
9 editions · Theodore de Beza	1565-1604
3 editions · Elzevir Brothers	1624 · 1633 · 1641

3 the Majority Text · Greek NT
late Byzantine "Eastern" manuscripts
(M) Majority · traditional · ecclesiastical
Constantinopolitan · Antiochian or Syrian text

4 the Critical Text · Greek NT · Vaticanus (B) + Sinaiticus (ℵ)
(N) Nestle-Aland text 1st edition 1898 · 27th edition 1993
(U) United Bible Societies 5 editions: 1966 · 1975 · 1983 · 1993 · 2014

The Canon of Scripture

Textus Receptus

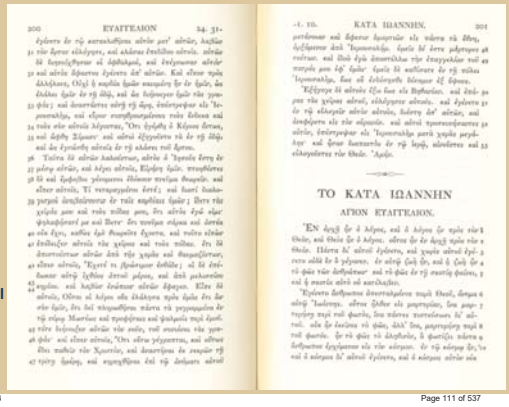
(M) the majority text

New Testament

1830 edition

Dallas Theological Seminary

John 1



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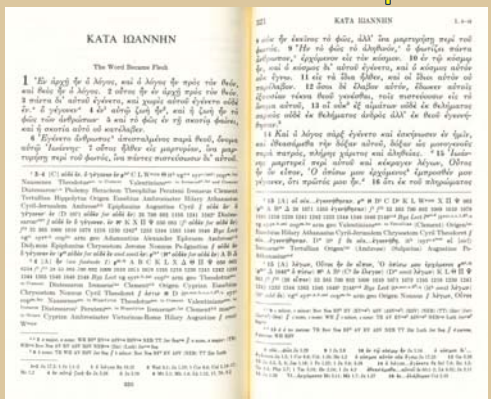


United Bible Societies

(U) the critical text

New Testament

1966 1968
2nd edition

John 1

The Canon of Scripture
the big picture

1. revelation of the Word of God by divine inspiration
2. acceptance of books as God's Word by the church
3. formation of authoritative books: OT-39 & NT-27
4. collection of manuscripts into the canon of Scripture

the manuscripts
Hebrew-OT & Greek-NT

the books
Hebrew-OT & Greek-NT

Christian World View
the canon of Scripture
the translation

The Canon of Scripture
the translations

1. the canon of Scripture in Hebrew and Greek
2. translation in the language of the people

the books
Hebrew-OT
Greek-NT

the Bible
in the language
of the people

The Canon of Scripture
the translations

John Wycliffe (circa 1330-1384) · 1382 '84 '88 '95
English · manuscript from Latin Vulgate completed in 1382

Johannes Gutenberg (circa 1398-1468) the printing press · 1440
Latin Vulgate · 1st book printed with movable type · Mainz, Germany · 1454-1455

Martin Luther (10 Nov 1483 - 18 Feb 1546) · age 62
German NT · 1522 from Greek text German Bible · 1534 from Hebrew text

William Tyndale (circa 1494 - 6 Oct 1536)
English NT · 1526 · 1st NT from Greek texts Miles Coverdale · 1535 · 1st Bible

Geneva Bible · 1560
Geneva, Switzerland · English Bible translation from Hebrew and Greek
"80-90%" of the Geneva Bible is the same as the Tyndale Bible

Authorized King James Bible · 1611 · 1604-11
England · King James I · English Bible · the most popular English version
"80-90%" of the King James Bible is the same as the Tyndale Bible

The Canon of Scripture
the Wycliffe Bible

John Wycliffe · 1382 '84 '88 '95
English · manuscript from Latin Vulgate

[1] In þe bigynnyng God made of nouȝt heuene and erþe. [2] Forsoþe þe erþe was idel and voide, and derknessis weren on the face of depþe; and the Spiryt of þe Lord was borun on the watris. [3]And God seide, Liȝt be maad, and liȝt was maad. Genesis 1:1-3

For God louede so þe world, that he ȝaf his oon bigetun sone, þat ech man þat bileueþ in him perische not, but haue euerlastynge lijf. John 3:16

The Wycliffe Bible · John 1

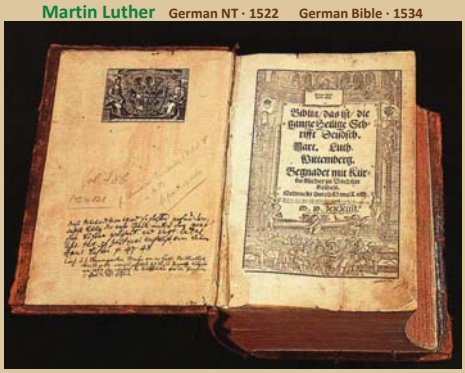
The Canon of Scripture
the Gutenberg Bible

Johann Gutenberg 1454-55
the printing press · 1440
Latin Vulgate · Mainz, Germany
1st book printed in Europe
with movable type
1286 pages bound in two volumes
42-line/page · 14 pounds/volume
3-5 years to complete printing
180 copies · 135 on paper and the rest on vellum = a parchment made from calfskin
170 skins for 1 Bible
price = 3 years clerk's wages
49 copies survive today in varying states of completeness
21 are complete Bibles
estimated price = $25-35 million for a complete Bible today

The Gutenberg Bible · British Library · Genesis 1

The Canon of Scripture
the Luther Bible

Martin Luther German NT · 1522 German Bible · 1534



The Canon of Scripture
the Tyndale Bible

William Tyndale · 1526
English NT · 1526 · 1st English New Testament from Greek texts published in Worms, Germany

title page:
"The newe Testament as it was written and caused to be written by them which herde yt. To whom also oure saveour Christ Jesus commaunded that they shulde preache it unto al creatures."

October 6, 1536 · strangled and burned
"Lord, open the king of England's eyes!"
Tyndale's prayer recorded by John Foxe

Miles Coverdale · 1535 · 1st complete English Bible from Hebrew
Tyndale translated Pentateuch and Jonah

The Tyndale Bible · British Library · 1526 · John 1

The Canon of Scripture

Geneva Bible · 1560

Geneva, Switzerland · English Bible translation from Hebrew and Greek

The Geneva Bible · printed from 1560-1644 · Psalm 1 & Romans 1 · The Custis Library and Museum

The Canon of Scripture

Authorized King James Bible · 1611

England · King James I · English Bible · the most popular English version

The King James Bible · printed before 1650 · Genesis 1 & John 1 · The Custis Library and Museum

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the New Testament · the modern translations

Greek New Testament

Majority Text

"Textus Receptus"
Luther Bible
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New King James Bible

Critical Text

American Standard Version · 1901
Revised Standard Version · 1946 NT · 1952 OT · 1971
English Standard Version · 2002
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New American Standard Bible · 1963 NT · 1971 OT
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Recovery Version · 1999

"thought for thought"
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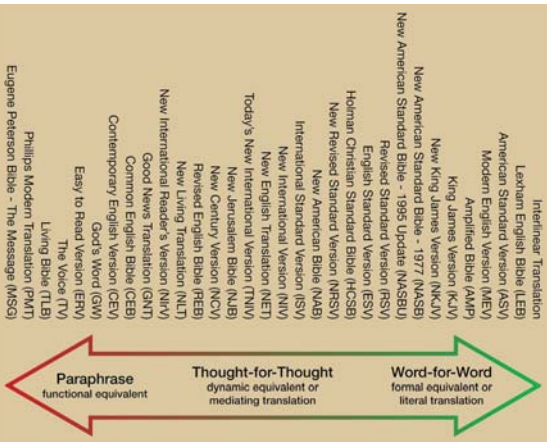
"paraphrase"
Living Bible · Ken Taylor · 1971 OT · based on ASV
The Message · Eugene Peterson · 1993-2002



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the New Testament · translating Scripture

Hebrews 13:5-6: Let your character be free from the love of money, being content with what you have; for He Himself has said, "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you," so that we confidently say, "The Lord is my Helper, I will not be afraid. What shall man do to me?"

emphatic:
1. an authoritative quote = Deuteronomy 31:1-8 (6, 8)
2. "himself" = impressive repetition & 1st word
3. "said" = perfect tense = completed action with continuing effects
4. "no never" = double negatives = οὐ μή = two times & 1st word
5. parallel statement = double promise

interlinear translation – Greek to English:
… Himself for (He)-said, "no no you (I will)-desert nor no no you (I will)-forsake"

NASB … for He Himself has said, "I will never desert you, nor will I ever forsake you."
ESV … for He has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."
NIV … because God has said, "Never will I leave you; never will I forsake you."
KJV … for He hath said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."
NKJV … for He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you."
GWC (?) … for He Himself has said, "I will no-never drop you / let go of you;
I will no-never abandon you / give you up in affliction."

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2 Chronicles 16:9: For the eyes of the LORD move to and fro throughout the earth that He may strongly support those whose heart is completely His.

a shālēm heart ↔ shālēm = שָׁלֵם

Hebrew and Aramaic Lexicon (HAL)

shālēm = intact · untouched · complete · perfect · whole · undivided

English translations:

NASB "… whose heart is completely His."
ESV "… whose heart is blameless toward Him."
NIV "… whose hearts are fully committed to Him."
KJV "… whose heart is perfect toward Him."
NKJV "… whose heart is loyal to Him."

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Psalm 1:1-6 · NASB

How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, nor stand in the path of sinners, nor sit in the seat of scoffers! But his delight is in the law of the LORD, and in His law he meditates day and night. And he will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in its season, and its leaf does not wither; and in whatever he does, he prospers.

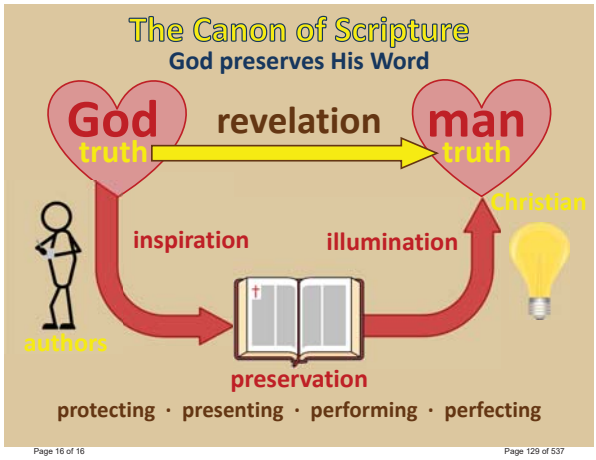
The wicked are not so, but they are like chaff which the wind drives away. Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.

Psalm 1:1-6 · The Message

How well God must like you – you don't hang out at Sin Saloon, you don't slink along Dead-End Road, you don't go to Smart-Mouth College. Instead you thrill to God's Word, you chew on Scripture day and night. You're a tree replanted in Eden, bearing fresh fruit every month, never dropping a leaf, always in blossom.

You're not at all like the wicked who are mere windblown dust – without defense in court, unfit company for innocent people. God charts the road you take. The road they take is Skid Row.

Eugene Peterson



Christian World View

a survey of the Bible

Bible Survey

– the parts of the whole –

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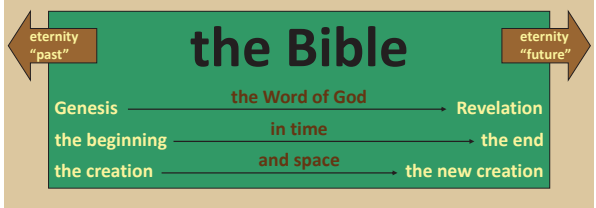
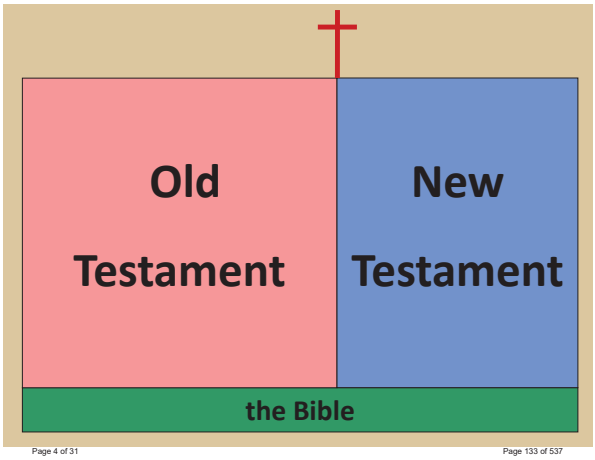
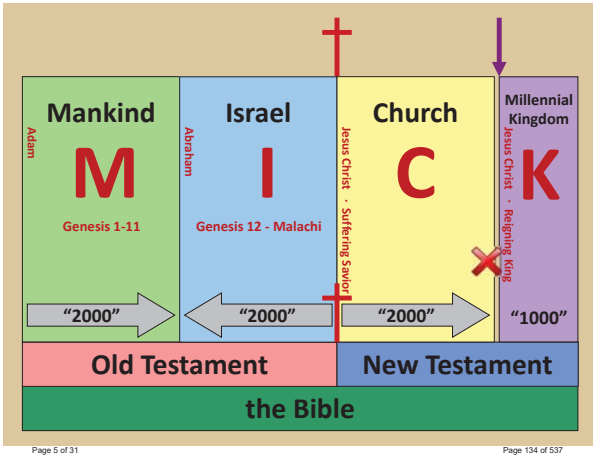
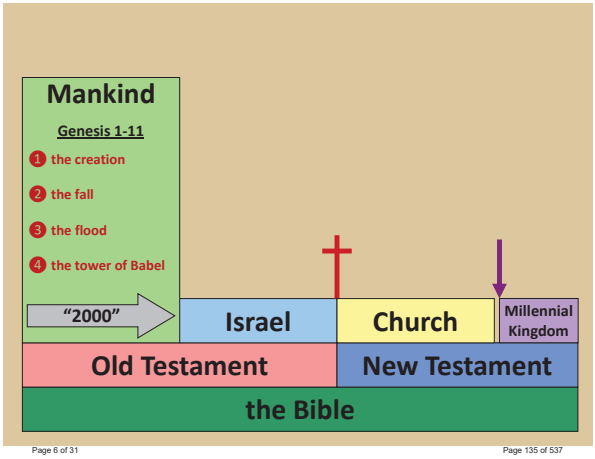
Biblical Theology

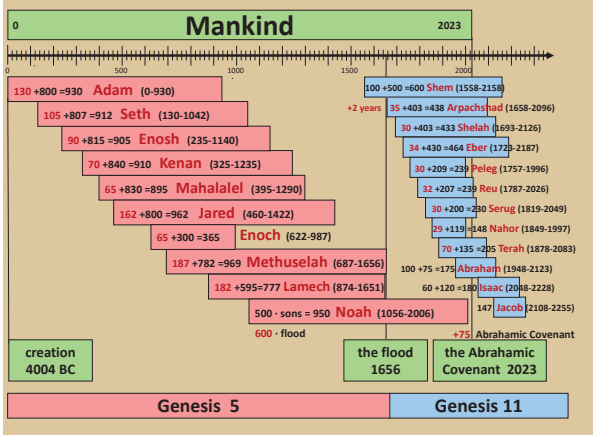
– the unifying theme –

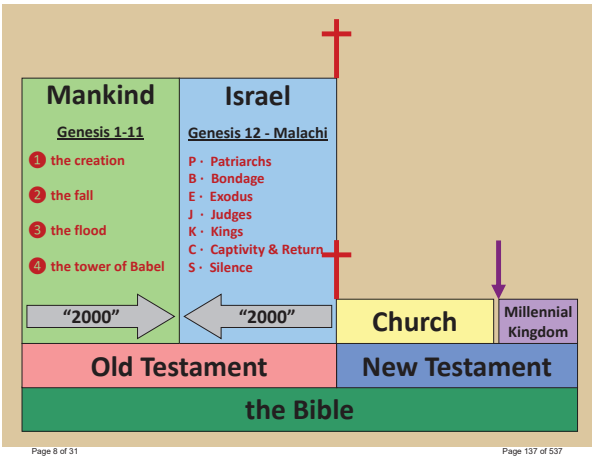








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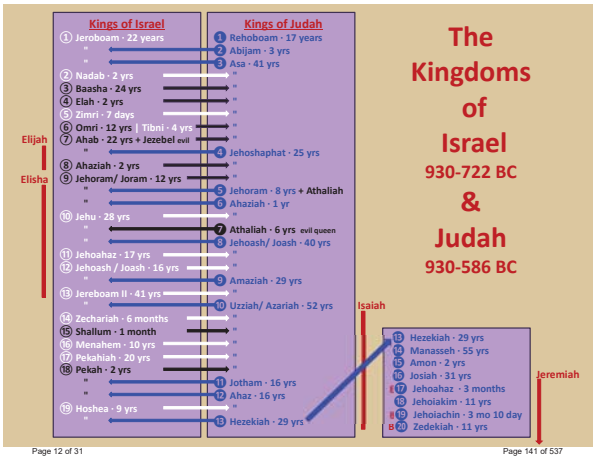
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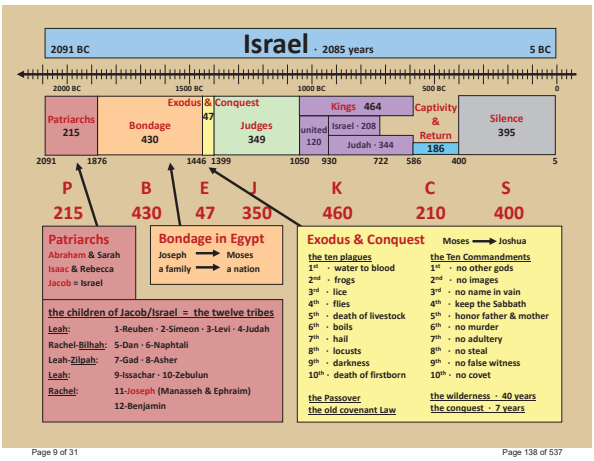
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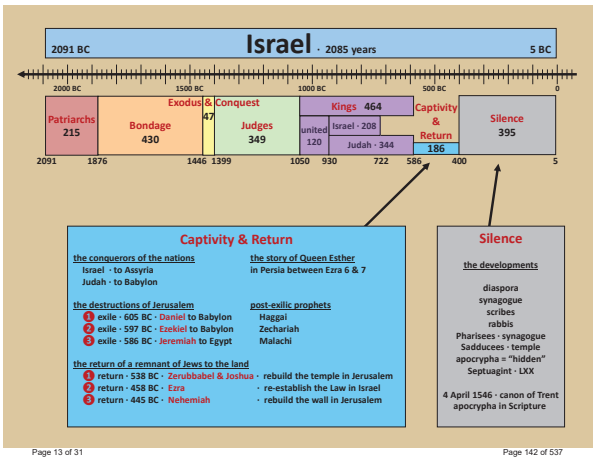
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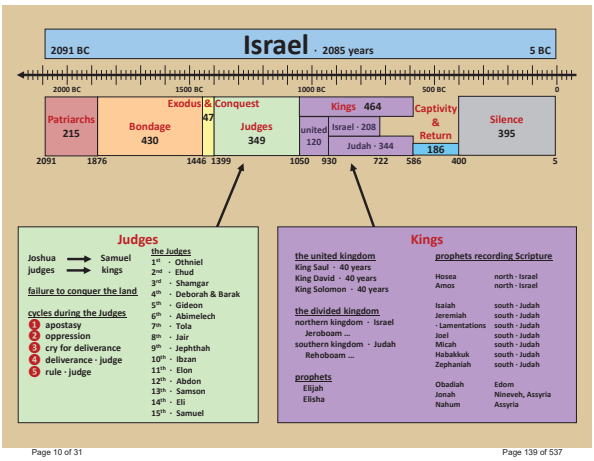
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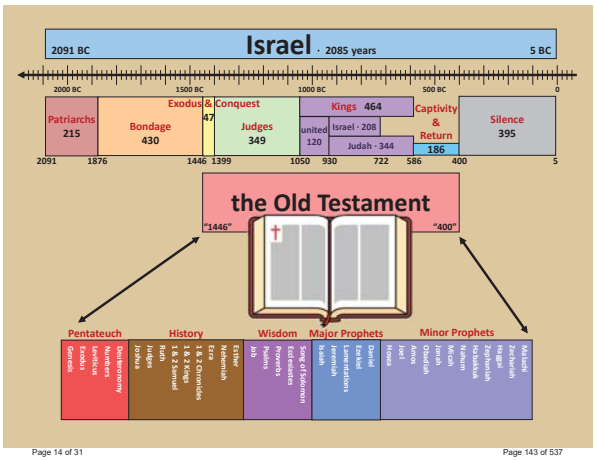
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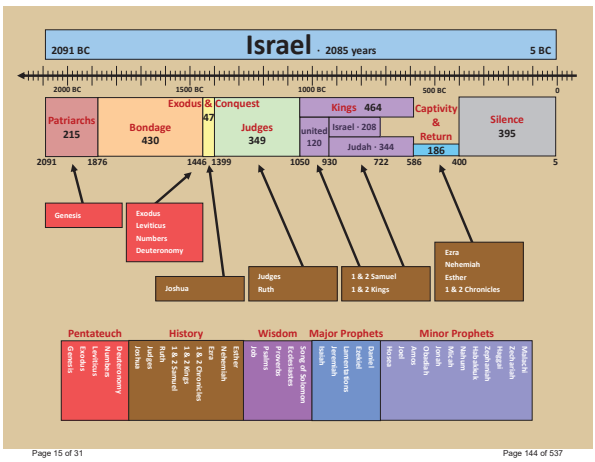
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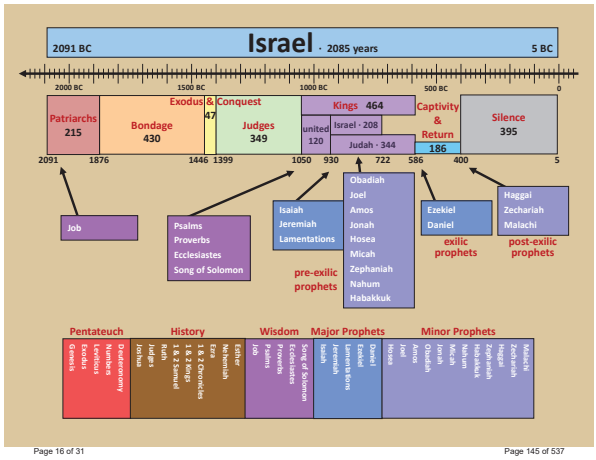
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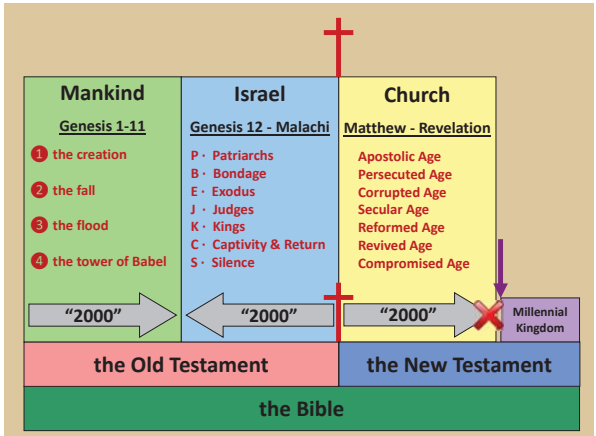
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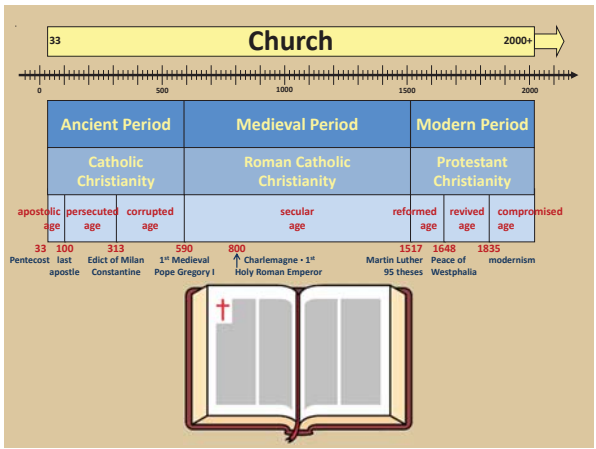
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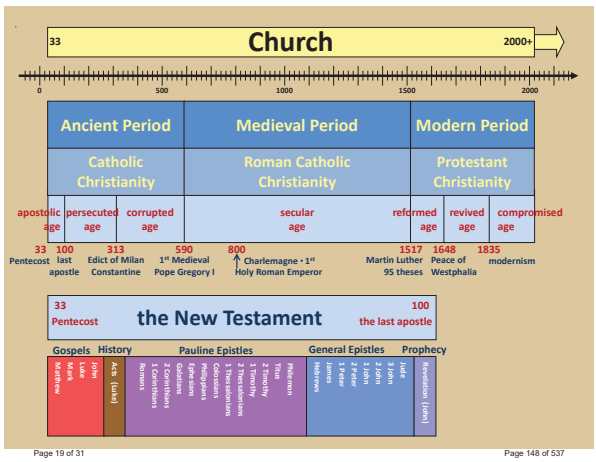
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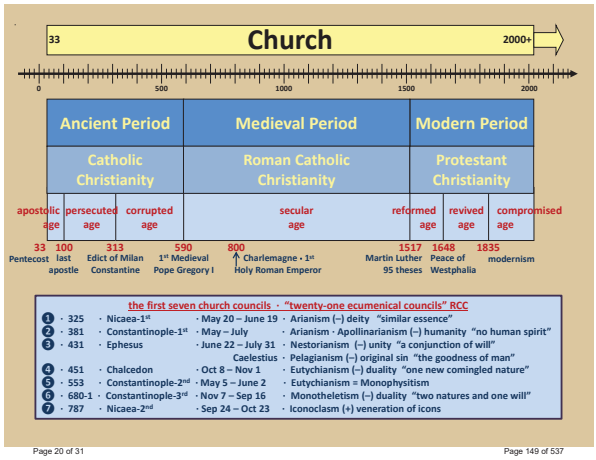
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the first seven church councils · "twenty-one ecumenical councils" RCC
1 · 325 · Nicaea-1st · May 20 – June 19 · Arianism (–) deity "similar essence"
2 · 381 · Constantinople-1st · May – July · Arianism · Apollinarianism (–) humanity "no human spirit"
3 · 431 · Ephesus · June 22 – July 31 · Nestorianism (–) unity "a conjunction of will"
Caelestius · Pelagianism (–) original sin "the goodness of man"
4 · 451 · Chalcedon · Oct 8 – Nov 1 · Eutychianism (–) duality "one new comingled nature"
5 · 553 · Constantinople-2nd · May 5 – June 2 · Eutychianism = Monophysitism
6 · 680-1 · Constantinople-3rd · Nov 7 – Sep 16 · Monotheletism (–) duality "two natures and one will"
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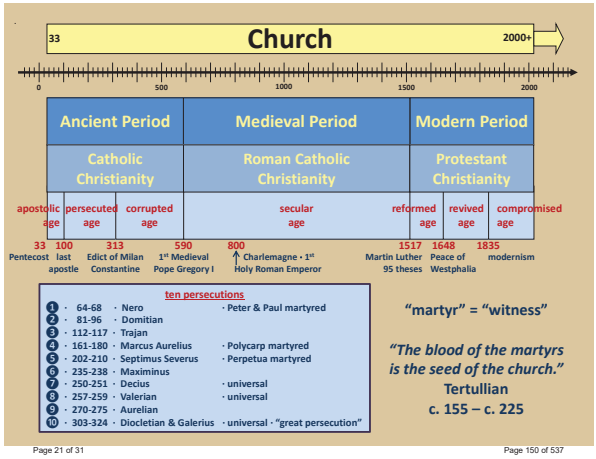
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5 · 202-210 · Septimus Severus · Perpetua martyred
6 · 235-238 · Maximinus
7 · 250-251 · Decius · universal
8 · 257-259 · Valerian · universal
9 · 270-275 · Aurelian
10 · 303-324 · Diocletian & Galerius · universal · "great persecution"
"martyr" = "witness"
"The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church."
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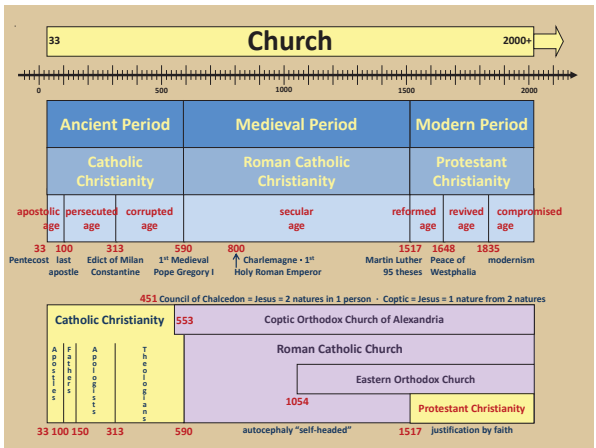
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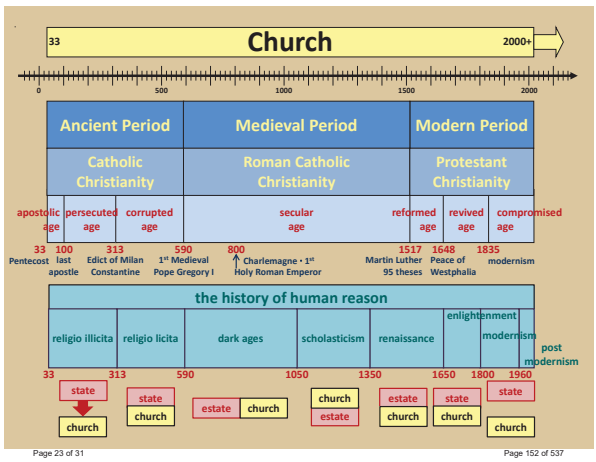
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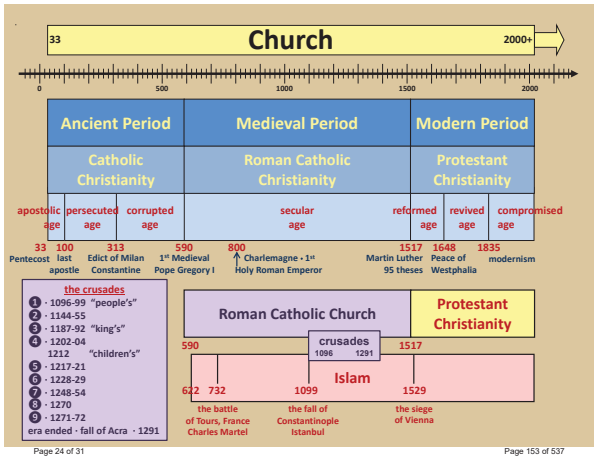

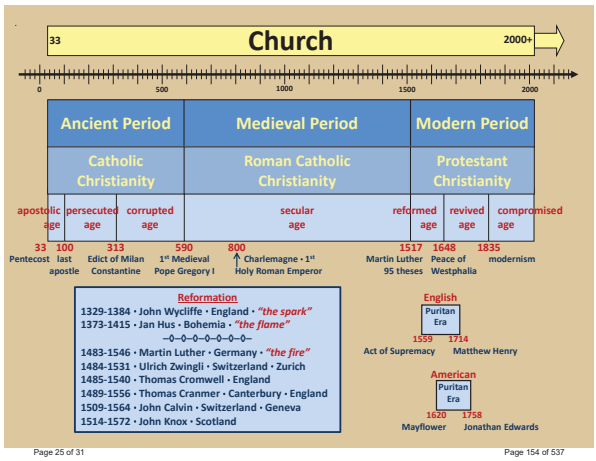

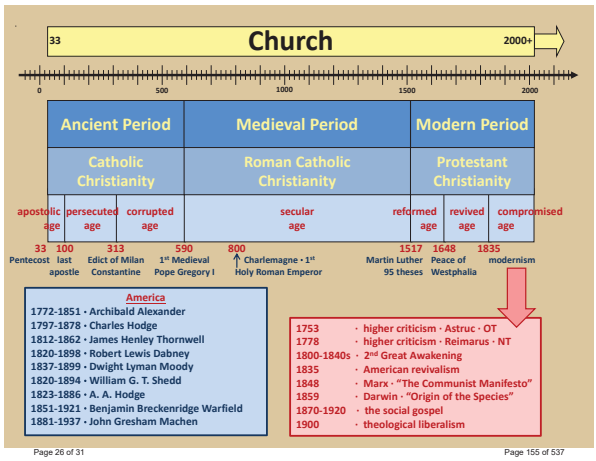

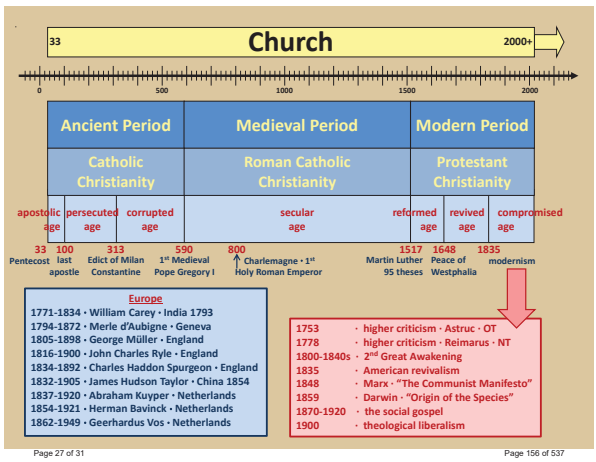

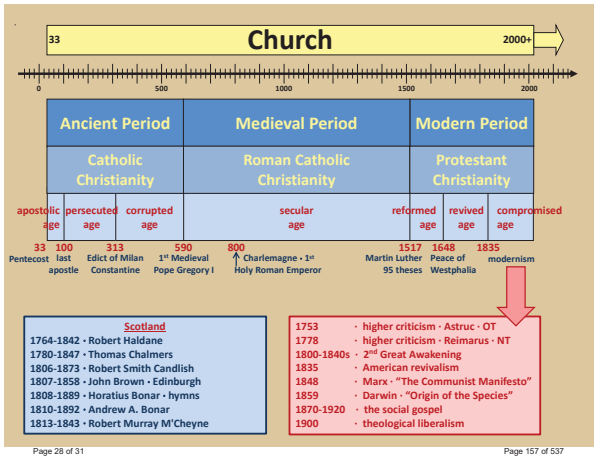

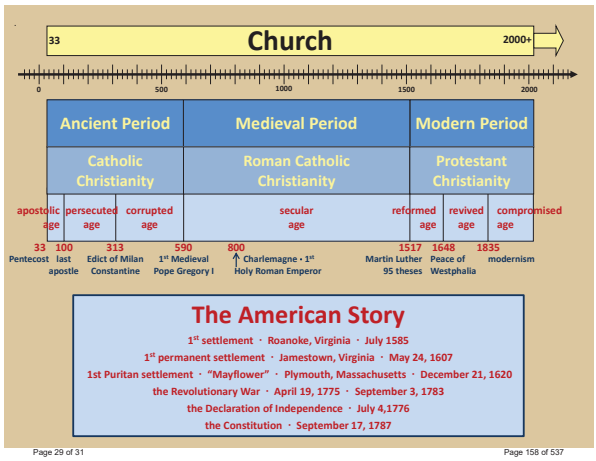

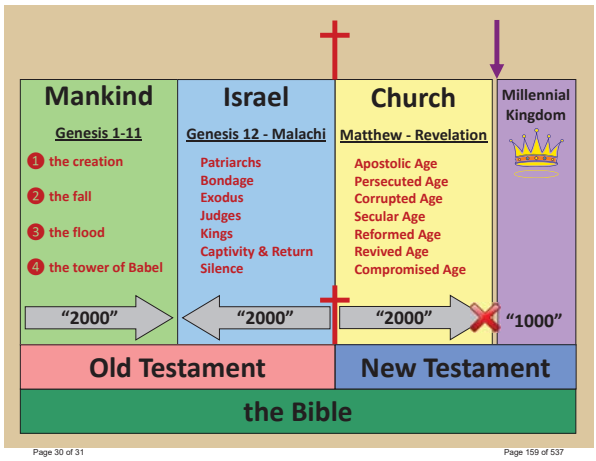

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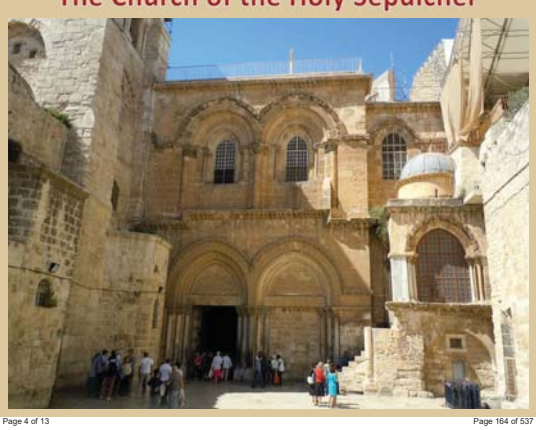

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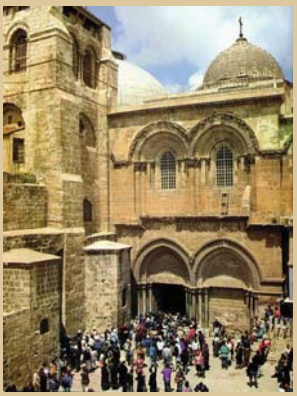

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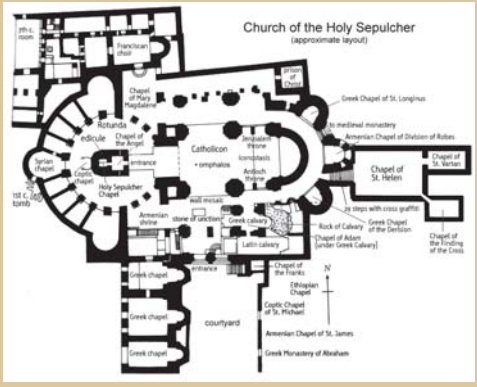

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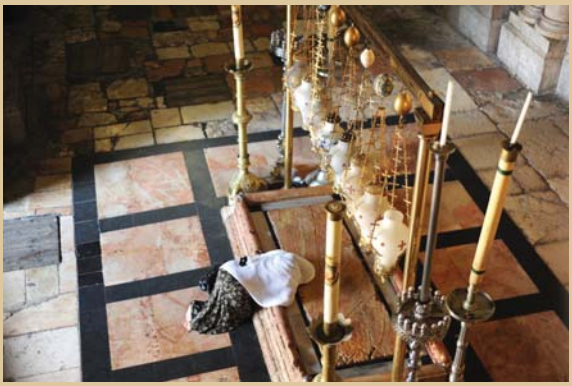

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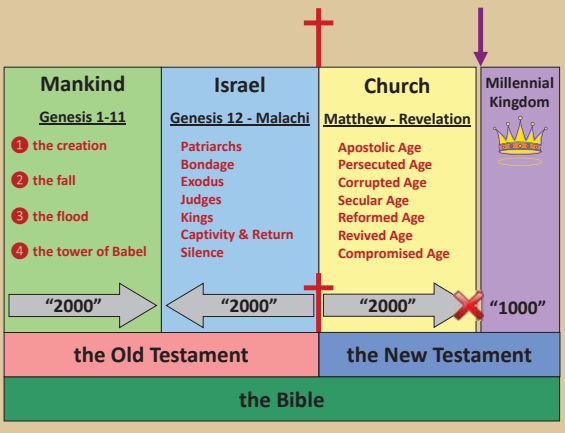


Biblical Theology
Theological Systems

1 Covenant Theology → soteriology = the doctrine of salvation
Dutch theologian – Johannes Cocceius (1609-1669)
The Doctrine of the Covenant and Testament of God – 1648
Summa doctrinae de foedere et testamento dei – 1648

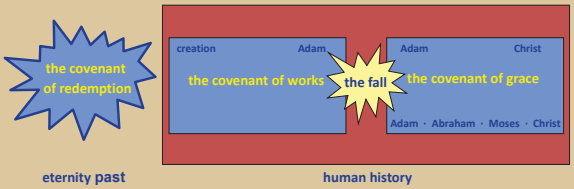
2 Dispensational Theology → anthropology = the doctrine of man
Church of Scotland minister – Rev. Edward Irving (1792-1834)
Plymouth Brethren founder – John Nelson Darby (1800-1882)
Scofield Reference Bible (1909) – Cyrus Ingerson Scofield (1843-1921)

3 Promise Theology → Christology = the doctrine of Christ
The Promise-Plan of God – Walter C. Kaiser Jr. (1933-)

ALL three of these theological systems address the doctrines of God, Christ, man, sin and salvation.
ALL three are orthodox – right doctrine.
ALL three are doxological – seeing the divine purpose as the glory of God.
But each ONE emphasizes a unique biblical theme – soteriology, anthropology or Christology.

Biblical Theology
Covenant Theology

COVENANT THEOLOGY ➡ a reformed theological system which views the covenant · a pledge between two parties bound by an oath · as the overarching theme in biblical revelation



the Bible · covenant theology · soteriology

Biblical Theology
Dispensational Theology

"A dispensation is a period of time during which man is tested in respect of obedience to some specific revelation of the will of God" · C. I. Scofield

"A dispensation is a distinguishable economy in the outworking of God's purpose – including distinctive revelation, testing, failure and judgment." · Charles Ryrie

seven stewardships of time

innocence	conscience	government	promise	Law	grace	kingdom
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Adam	fall	Noah	Abraham	Moses	Christ Savior	Christ King judgment

the Bible · dispensational theology · anthropology

Biblical Theology
Promise Theology

PROMISE THEOLOGY ➡ a system which views the promise of the seed (the Messiah · the Christ) as the unifying theme of Scripture revealing the true knowledge of God in the provision of Jesus Christ as Savior and King.

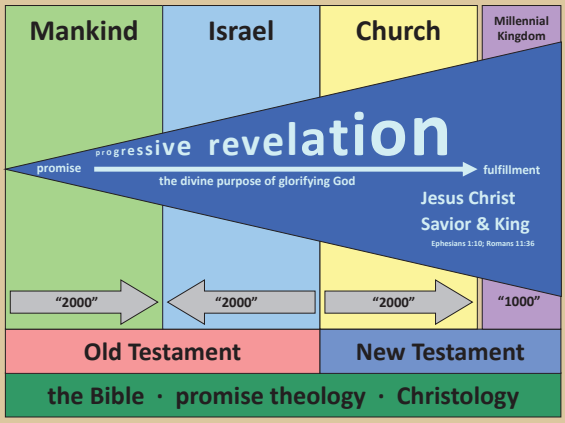
Edenic promise	Noahic covenant	Abrahamic covenant	Mosaic covenant	Davidic covenant	New covenant phase #1 church	New covenant phase #2 kingdom
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
"the seed"	"the seed"	"the seed"		"the seed"	Jesus Christ · Savior & King	

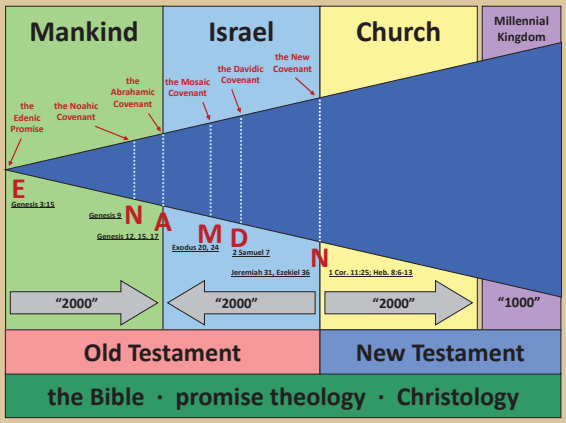
the Bible · promise theology · Christology

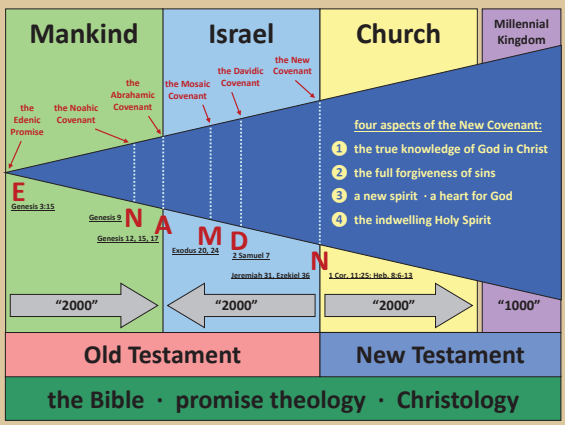
Biblical Theology
definition of a covenant

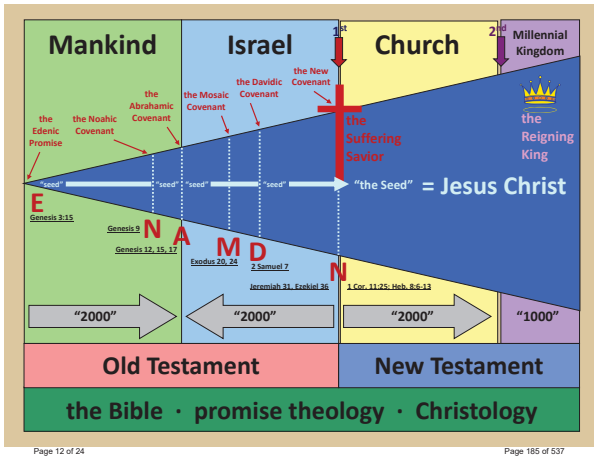
covenant = a binding promise sealed with a solemn oath

1 purpose	near & far human & divine
2 promise	blessing cursing
3 seal	sacrifice sign
4 response	conditional · faith & obedience unconditional · faith & obedience
5 provision	the fulfillment the glory of God





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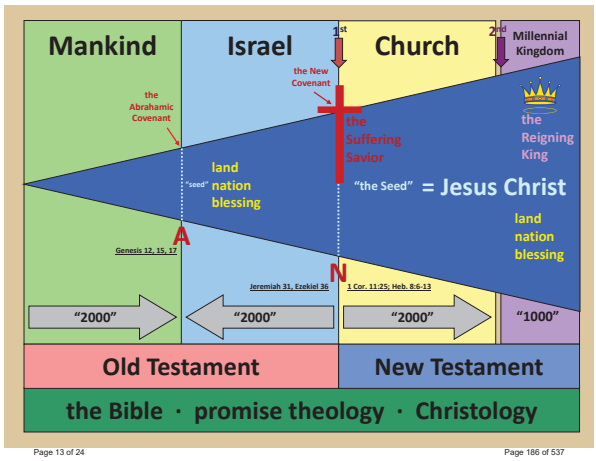
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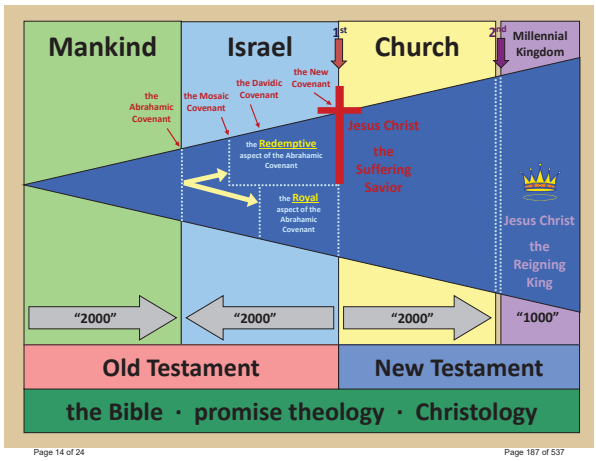
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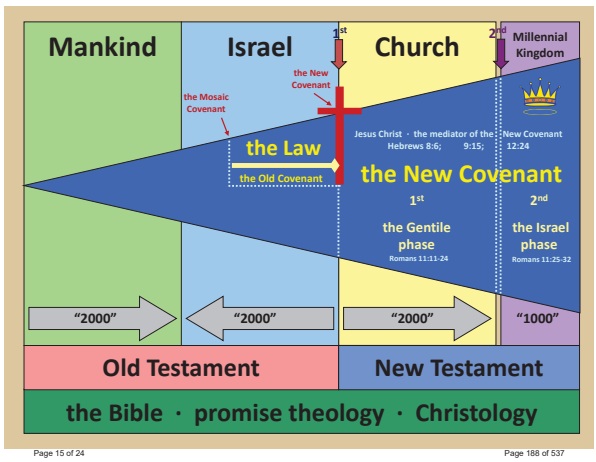
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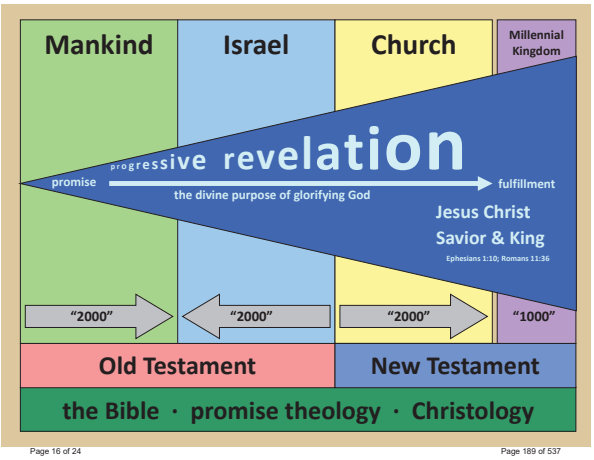
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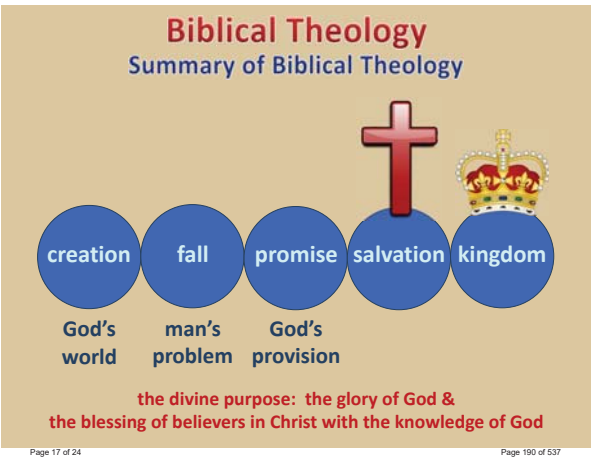
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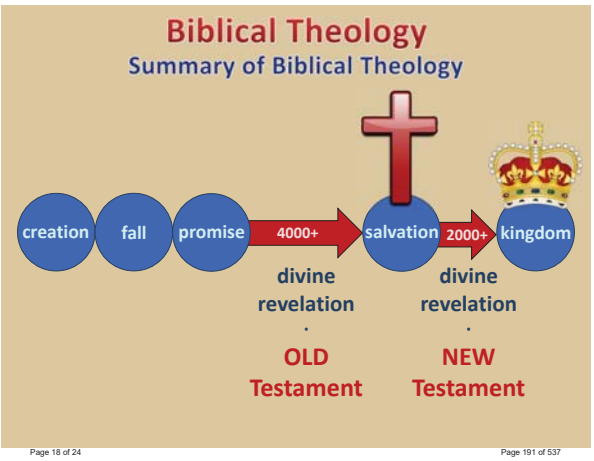
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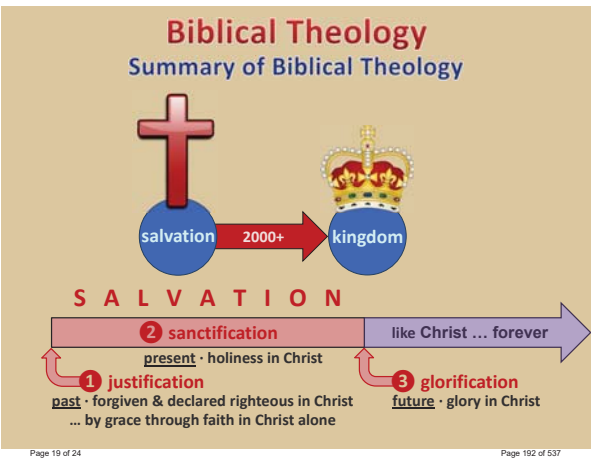
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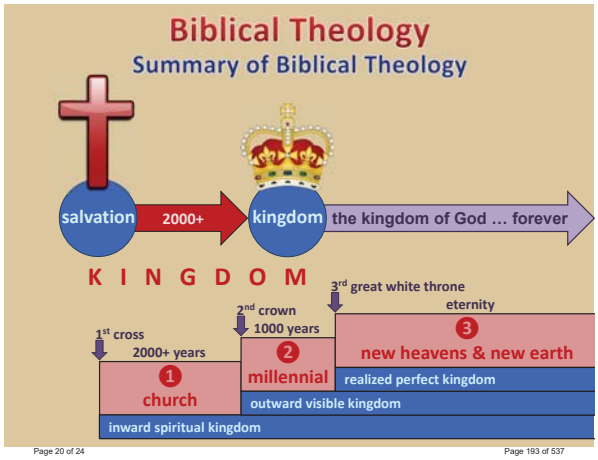
past · forgiven & declared righteous in Christ
… by grace through faith in Christ alone
3 glorification
future · glory in Christ



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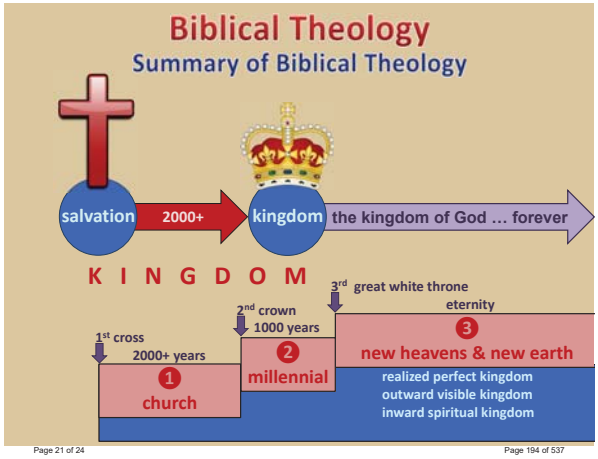

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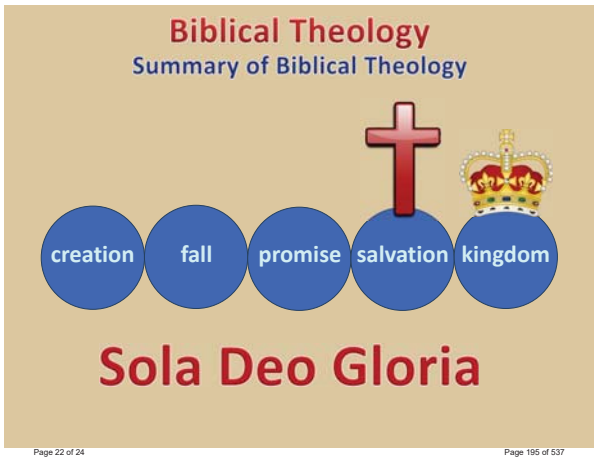

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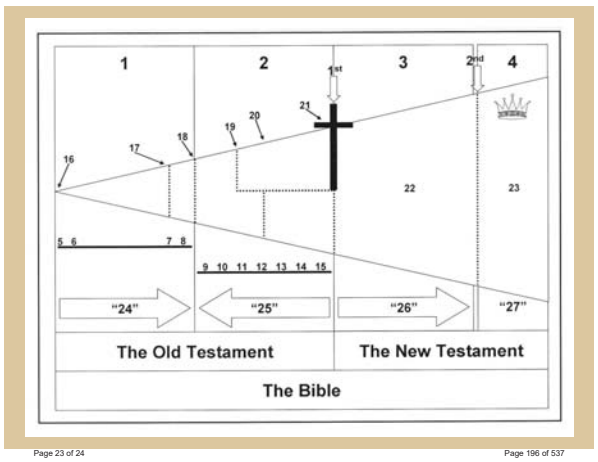

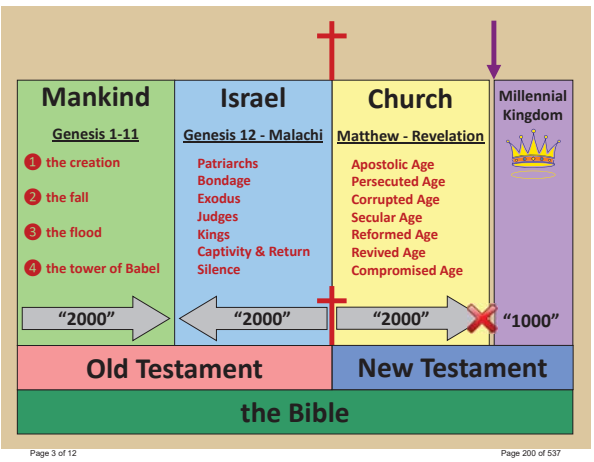

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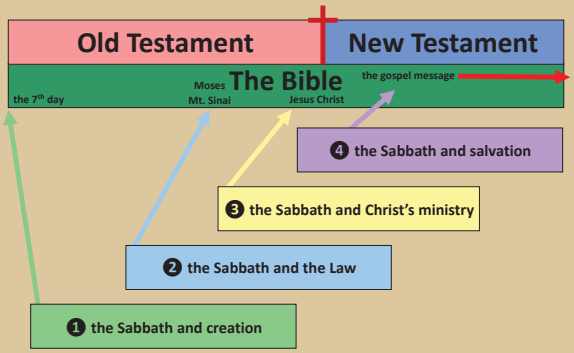

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and the Manna

Manna
in the wilderness
Exodus 16:1-36

Jesus Christ

"I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst" (John 6:35).

"I am the living bread which comes down out of heaven; if anyone eats of this bread, he shall live forever; …" (John 6:51).

1st day Sunday 1 omer	2nd day Monday 1 omer	3rd day Tuesday 1 omer	4th day Wednesday 1 omer	5th day Thursday 1 omer	6th day Friday 2 omers	7th day Saturday 0

a Sabbath rest · a holy Sabbath
no go · no gather · no Manna

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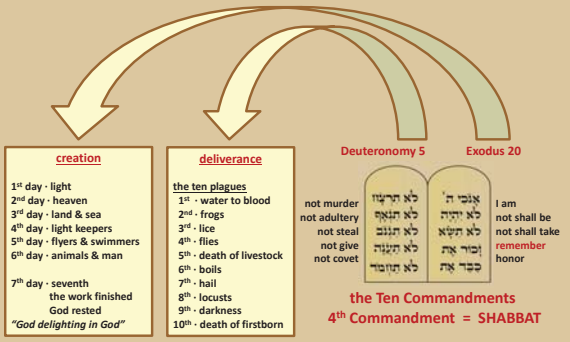

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and the Sign

Sabbath → sign → Israel

"… that you may know that I am the LORD who sanctifies you"

And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, "But as for you, speak to the sons of Israel, saying, 'You shall surely observe My Sabbaths; for this is a sign between Me and you throughout your generations, that you may know that I am the LORD who sanctifies you. Therefore you are to observe the Sabbath, for it is holy to you. Everyone who profanes it shall surely be put to death; for whoever does any work on it, that person shall be cut off from among his people. For six days work may be done, but on the seventh day there is a Sabbath of complete rest, holy to the LORD: whoever does any work on the Sabbath day shall surely be put to death. So the sons of Israel shall observe the Sabbath, to celebrate the Sabbath throughout their generations as a perpetual covenant.' It is a sign between Me and the sons of Israel forever; for in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, but on the seventh day He ceased from labor, and was refreshed" (Exodus 31:12-17).

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and the Rabbis

The Rabbis observed that the work prohibited on the Sabbath is the same as the work of creating the tabernacle in the wilderness. Therefore following actions were prohibited to "remember" ZAKHOR and "observe" SHAMOR the Sabbath. – Mishnah, Shabbat 7.2

1. BREAD: planting · sowing
2. plowing
3. reaping
4. binding sheaves
5. threshing
6. winnowing
7. sorting · purification
8. grinding
9. sifting
10. kneading
11. cooking · baking
12. GARMENTS: shearing
13. washing
14. combing · beating
15. dyeing
16. spinning
17. weaving
18. making two loops
19. weaving two threads
20. separating two threads
21. tying
22. untying
23. sewing two stitches
24. tearing
25. HIDES: trapping
26. slaughtering
27. skinning · flaying
28. salting · tanning · curing · preserving
29. scraping · smoothing
30. scoring · cutting up
31. measured cutting
32. CONSTRUCTION: writing two letters
33. erasing two letters
34. building
35. demolition · tearing down a building
36. extinguishing a fire
37. kindling a fire
38. applying the finishing touch
39. taking an object from the private domain to the public, or transporting an object in the public domain

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and Work

Jesus Christ

seven Sabbath miracles

1. man demon possessed · the synagogue [Capernaum] Mark 1:21-28 · Luke 4:31-37.
2. Peter's mother-in-law with fever · [Capernaum] Matthew 8:14-15 · Mark 1:29-31 · Luke 4:38-39.
3. man with withered hand · [Capernaum] Matthew 12:9-14 · Mark 3:1-6 · Luke 6:6-11.
4. man paralyzed thirty-eight years · [Jerusalem] John 5:1-18 · 7:23-24.
5. woman with eighteen years infirmity · [Judea] Luke 13:10-17.
6. man with dropsy · [Judea] Luke 14:1-5.
7. man born blind · [Jerusalem] John 9:1-41

"work"

4 man paralyzed 38 years · John 5:1-18
"My Father is working until now, and I Myself am working" (John 5:17).
"Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing; and greater works than these will He show Him that you may marvel" (John 5:19-20).
"But the witness which I have is greater than that of John; for the works which the Father has given Me to accomplish, the very works that I do, bear witness of Me that the Father has sent me" (John 5:36).

7 man born blind · John 9:1-41
"It was neither that this man sinned, nor his parents; but it was in order that the works of God might be displayed in him. We must work the works of Him who sent Me, as long as it is day; night is coming , when no man can work" (John 9:3-4).

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and Rest

Jesus Christ

death → **burial** → **resurrection**

Matthew 27:57-61
Mark 15:42-47
Luke 23:50-56
John 19:38-42

Matthew 28:1-7
Mark 16:1
Luke 24:1-12
John 20:1-9

9:00 am – 3:00 pm

6th day	7th day	1st day
Friday	Saturday	Sunday

the Sabbath · **SHABBAT**

Matthew 28:1 · Mark 15:42; 16:1
Luke 23:54, 56 · John 19:31

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and entrance into rest

Jesus Christ said:

"Come to Me, all who are weary and heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you, and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart; and you shall find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My load is light" (Matthew 11:28-10).

Good news! Good news!

Hebrews reveals:

"There remains *[after Joshua → after David in Psalm 95:7]* therefore a Sabbath rest for the people of God. For the one who has entered His rest has himself also rested from his works, as God did from His. Let us therefore be diligent to enter that rest, lest anyone fall through following the same example of disobedience *[Israel failing to enter the Promised Land]*" (Hebrews 4:9-11).

the gospel message

Jesus Christ · the Son of God · the Savior
Jesus died to save us from sin and death
salvation is by grace through faith in Christ alone
salvation is God's work · believers enter into His rest

A Truth in Scripture
the Sabbath and Jesus Christ

Sabbath
SHABBAT
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→ Jesus Christ

Old Testament → **New Testament**

the LORD works · not man
Israel was to rest · not work
"It is the LORD who sanctifies you."

salvation is the work of God · not man
salvation is by grace · not merit
salvation is through faith · not works
salvation is in Christ

come to Christ · believe in Him · He will give you rest

The Four States of Man

the state of goodness	the state of depravity	the state of spiritual life	the state of eternal life
creation	the fall	salvation	the second coming	eternity
the good man — good nature — man after creation	the natural man — old nature — man after the fall	the spiritual man — new nature — man after salvation	the glorified man — glorified nature — man after Christ's return
Adam & Eve	all mankind	all in Christ after salvation	all in Christ after the resurrection
posse peccare — able to sin	*non posse non peccare* — not able not to sin	*posse non peccare* — able not to sin	*non posse peccare* — not able to sin

old nature

Christian World View
The Four States of Man
The Divine Purpose

The Four States of Man

creation

the good man — good nature — man after creation

the fall

the state of goodness

the state of depravity

birth → life → death

the natural man — old nature — man after the fall

resurrection

Jesus Christ

final judgment

eternal judgment

all in Adam

The Divine Purpose
God's Purpose for Man

God → (the glory of God) → God

Jesus Christ

creation

the knowledge of God

provision

King

Son of God

Savior

promise

Son of Man

fall

"... summing up all things in Christ" – Ephesians 1:10

The Four States of Man

Jesus Christ

the state of spiritual life

the spiritual man

1 Justification

2 sanctification

3 glorification

resurrection

new nature — man after salvation

old nature

the glorified man — glorified nature — man after Christ's return

the state of eternal life

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"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be glory forever. Amen." – Romans 11:36

The Four States of Man

Jesus Christ

Savior

King

Judge

The Four States of Man

1st · the state of goodness

Adam & Eve

posse peccare

able to sin

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2nd · the state of depravity

all mankind

non posse non peccare

not able not to sin

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3rd · the state of spiritual life

all in Christ · after salvation

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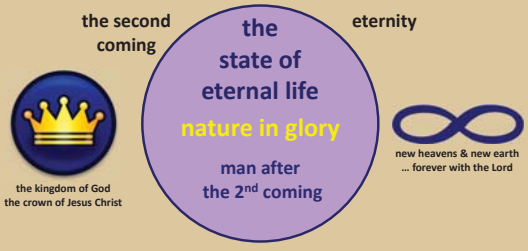
4th · the state of glory



all in Christ · after the resurrection

non posse peccare

not able to sin

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the state of goodness	the state of depravity	the state of spiritual life	the state of eternal life
creation	the fall	salvation	the second coming	eternity
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The Four States of Man

1st · The Good Man

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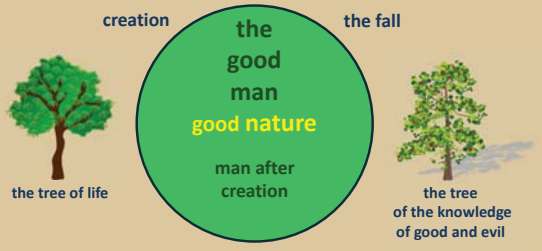
1st · the state of goodness



Adam & Eve

posse peccare

able to sin

The Four States of Man
Christian World View

every world view has a beginning,
a belief system, and an ending.

a Christian world view derives its origin,
belief system, and destination in God

"... For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen." – Romans 11:36

from Him = God is the origin
through Him = God is the means
to Him = God is the end

The Four States of Man
creation by the Word of God

Day 1 the domain of light (2-5)
formless & void · darkness · the Spirit of God
separate light & darkness
light "day" & darkness "night"
1st→ "God saw that it was good" (4)

Day 2 the domain of heaven (6-8)
separate waters below & waters above
firmament = "heaven"

Day 3 the domain of land & sea (9-13)
separate waters & dry land
dry land = "earth" & waters = "sea"
2nd→ "God saw that it was good" (10)
grass, herb/seed, & tree/fruit after its kind
3rd→ "God saw that it was good" (12)

Day 4 the light bearers (14-19)
separate day/light & night/darkness
signs & seasons · days & years
greater light/rule day · lesser light/rule night
"... the stars also"
4th→ "God saw that it was good" (18)

Day 5 swimmers & fliers (20-23)
sea creatures after its kind
winged birds after its kind
5th→ "God saw that it was good"
"Be fruitful & multiply & fill"

Day 6 animals & man (24-31)
animals after its kind
6th→ "God saw that it was good" (25)
man in the image and likeness of God
7th→ "God saw that it was very good" (31)
"Be fruitful & multiply & fill · subdue & rule"

The Four States of Man
creation with order and design

Day 1 (2-5) the domain of light
Day 2 (6-8) the domain of heaven
Day 3 (9-13) the domain of land & sea
Day 4 (14-19) light bearers
Day 5 (20-23) swimmers & fliers
Day 6 (24-31) animals & man

Day 7 the heavens & earth were finished
ended · done 2x · rested 2x · created · made blessed & sanctified the day

The Four States of Man
the God of creation

the biblical revelation
God created the universe
God created by His Word
God created in six days
God created with design
God created in a state of goodness
God created in a finished state

the biblical arguments for a six day creation
the perspicuity of Scripture · the normal reading of the narrative text · "God created"
the power of the spoken word of God · *"Let all the earth fear the LORD; let all the inhabitants of the earth stand in awe of Him. For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded and it stood fast" (Psalm 33:8-9).*
the time references · "evening" · "morning" · "day" · "night" · "seasons" · "years"
the design · days 1-3 domain · days 4-6 fill · design impossible by chance
the absence of death · death begins with the fall in Genesis 3
the seventh day summary · "finished / ended His work / rested" · Genesis 2:1-3
the life span of Adam · 930 years · Genesis 5:5
the federal head · Adam as the representative of the human race · Romans 5:12-21

The Four States of Man
man was created by God

God is the sovereign Creator ➡ man is the responsible creature

- man made by God ➡ Genesis 1:26
  "Let us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."
- man blessed by God ➡ Genesis 1:28
  "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."
- man commanded by God ➡ Genesis 2:16-17
  "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for on the day that you eat from it you shall surely die."
- man sustained by God ➡ Genesis 2:29-30
  "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, *I have given* every green plant for food."

The Four States of Man
man was created for God

"Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:23).

trichotomy = to divide in three parts · the one nature of man
spirit = it is the highest part of man that lays hold of the deep things of God
it is the spiritual place of faith and the truth of God
it is designed to give spiritual direction to the soul and the body
soul = it is life giving life to the body and works through the body
it comprehends what reason can know and understand about life
it is designed to give direction to the body
body = it is the physical dwelling place of spirit and soul
it carries out what the spirit believes and the soul knows

dichotomy = to divide in two parts · the one nature of man
flesh = the fallen part of man · its influence is for depravity
spirit = the redeemed part of man · its influence is for godliness
flesh and spirit impact the spirit, soul and body for evil or good

The Four States of Man
man was created like God

"And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them." – Genesis 1:27

created in the image and likeness of God
"image" = statue · idol · figure ➡ representation
"likeness" = model · shape ➡ resemblance

created in a state of goodness
the goodness of God
the good nature · inclined to goodness
before the fall of man · no sin · no death · no evil

created with great responsibility
the head of the creation = man was designated to rule the creation
the federal head = Adam was designated to represent mankind
all mankind was in Adam
what happens to Adam happens to all

The Four States of Man
man was created like God

immanence — transcendence
personal — is — God — is — infinite
communicable attributes — incommunicable attributes
man

THE GREAT DIVIDE

animals	man
plants & trees	animals
matter	plants & trees
	matter

The Four States of Man
the image and likeness of God

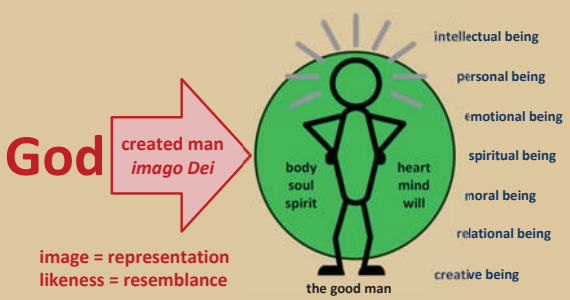
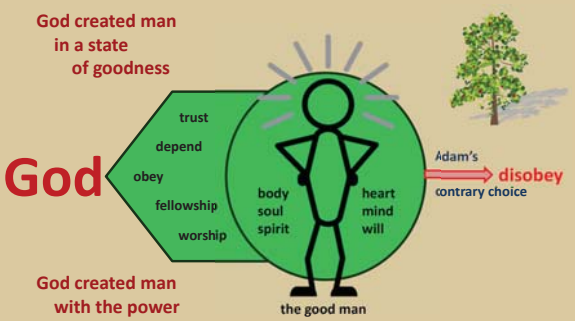


image = representation
likeness = resemblance

The Four States of Man
the nature of man

God created man
in a state
of goodness



God created man
with the power
of contrary choice

The Four States of Man
the problem of evil

<u>the argument for the logical impossibility of God the presence of evil:</u>

"If God is "all-powerful" – then He cannot be "all-good".
"If God is "all good" – then He cannot be "all-powerful".

<u>dualism</u>
the eternal
existence
of good and evil
in God

<u>dualism</u>
unbiblical
heresy

The Four States of Man
the origin of evil

God

God is good · evil cannot exist in God
· evil is the opposite of God · a logical impossibility
God created <u>angels</u> in a state of goodness
· with the power of contrary choice
God created <u>man</u> in a state of goodness
· with the power of contrary choice

angels

some of the angels remained faithful to God
some of the angels chose to disobey God
· Lucifer "HELEL" star of the morning → Satan
Isaiah 14:12-15 / Babylon · Ezekiel 28:11-19 / Tyre
· fallen angels → demons
Satan is the responsible origin of sin in the creation

man

God appointed Adam as the "federal head"
Adam chose to disobey God
Adam is the responsible origin of sin in mankind
all mankind are sinners in Adam

The Four States of Man
the origin of evil

God designed and allowed the departure from Him · *evil*
as the best way to reveal His attributes for His glory.

The Four States of Man
the function of the will

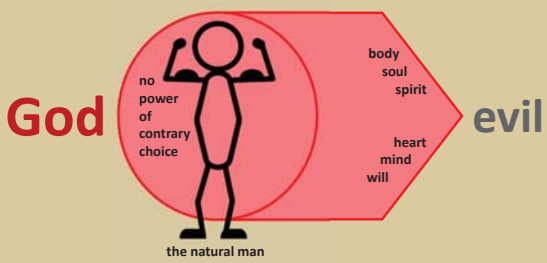
1. The will is a <u>function</u> of the nature.
man's nature was created by God · in a state of goodness
(+) was made in the image of God · like God
(+) was made secondary to God · less than God

2. The will is <u>bound</u> by the nature.
man was created with volition · a will
(–) is NEVER free to act independently of his nature
(–) is NEVER free to act independently of God

3. The will is <u>free</u> to act according to the nature.
man was created with "free agency"
(+) is FULLY responsible for the function of his will

the biblical mystery
the sovereignty of God ⟺ the responsibility of man

The Four States of Man
the fallen state of man



sin · death · the curse
the nature of the natural man
non posse non peccare
not able not to sin

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1st · The Good Man

Creation

Creation
six day creation

days 1-3 · created the domain → days 4-6 · filled the domain

1 — good
light
separated light / darkness
light = day / darkness = night

2
firmament
separated waters↓ / waters↑
expanse = heaven

3 — good good
earth & sea
gathered waters↓ / dry land
dry land = earth / waters = sea
grass · plants · trees
"after its kind"

4 — good
sun · moon · stars
separated day / night
two great lights/ stars
signs · seasons · days · years

5 — good
sea creatures · birds
water creatures / flying birds
"be fruitful · multiply · fill"
"after its kind"

6 — good very good
creatures & man
living creatures / man
"after its kind"
man – "be fruitful · multiply · fill · subdue · rule"
green plants for food

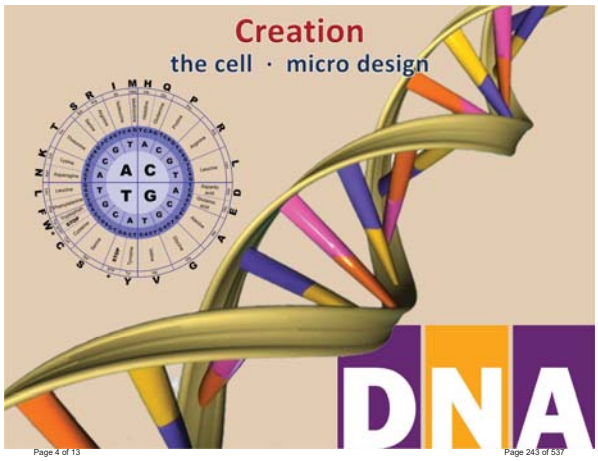
Creation
power & wisdom

the enormity of the creation reveals the power of God
divine sovereignty · divine providence
God created everything out of nothing
God spoke everything into existence
God holds everything in place

the precision of the creation reveals the wisdom of God
divine wisdom
God created everything with design
God knows every detail of the design in His mind
Every particle of the creation bears the order and design of God

the small-scale micro & the large-scope macro
reveal and declare the glory of God

Creation
the cell · micro design



Creation
the cell · micro design

cell > nucleus > chromosome > DNA > gene > genetic code > protein

cell = the structural, functional and biological unit of all organisms

nucleus = the control center for the cell
* the nucleus of human cells contains 23 pairs of chromosomes

chromosome = one whole strand of DNA that is encoded with genes
* 23 pairs of chromosomes = 46 chromosomes
* one pair = XX · female -or- XY · male

DNA = deoxyribonucleic acid = "the king of molecules"
* an extremely long molecule consisting of two polynucleotide chains in the form of a double helix … 1 skin cell contains 2 meters of DNA
* it transmits hereditary characteristics from parents to offspring

genes = segments of DNA containing genetic code

genetic code = controls cell activity and the production of proteins which determine the characteristics of specialized cells and organisms

proteins = "the building blocks" = fundamental components of all living cells

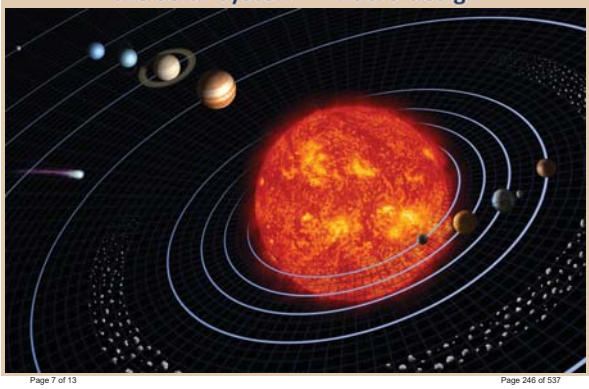
Creation
the cell · micro design

the genetic code = the instructions a cell needs to develop, live and reproduce

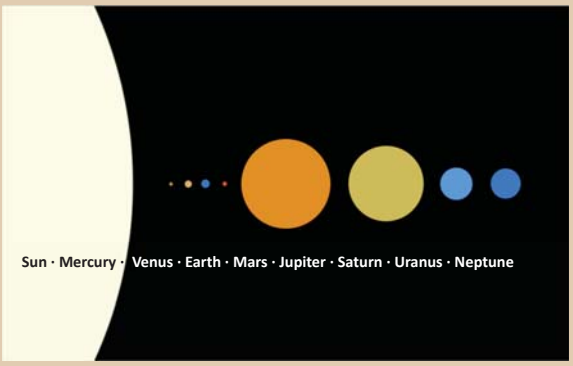
one cell · the genetic code = 1000 books · 500 pages · small print

the genetic code controls the function of cells:
① self-sustaining
② self-repairing
③ self-reproducing

Creation
the solar system · macro design



Creation
the solar system · macro design



Creation
the solar system · macro design

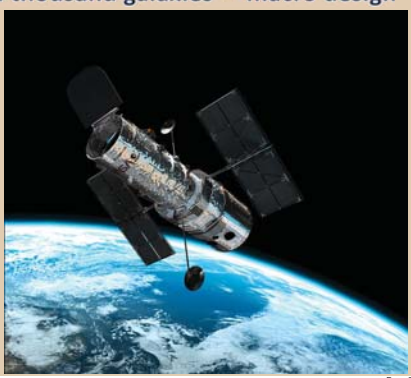
Creation
the milky way · macro design

Creation
the milky way · macro design

Creation
ten thousand galaxies · macro design

Hubble space telescope

24 April 1990
Discovery shuttle mission SDS-31



Creation
ten thousand galaxies · macro design

Hubble Space Telescope

ultraviolet light

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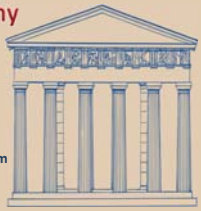
Evolution
Greek philosophy



Anaximander of Miletus (c. 610 – 546 BC)
"man sprang from a different animal"
the first living things developed from water ·
from a fish which at first man resembled

Protagoras (c. 490 – c. 420 BC) Sophists · "wisdom"
"man is the measure of all things" · materialism · skepticism

Plato (c. 428/7 – 348/7 BC)
the assumption of two realms:
① form – the upper level of eternal forms · perfect ideas · universal truths
② matter – the lower level of imperfect matter · temporal · physical
the real eternal forms stamp themselves on shadow individual objects

Aristotle (c. 384 – 322 BC)
the forms are the real existences · working in matter but eternally remaining the same
the forms are simultaneously the motive cause and the effectual end of all things
life forms sprang spontaneously from inorganic matter
"the father of scientific method" · empiricism
the ape is an intermediate form of man · man is a rational animal

Evolution
Charles Darwin · England

THE ORIGIN OF SPECIES

"The Origin of Species" in 1859

Charles Darwin in 1854
(1819-1885)

Evolution
Charles Darwin · England

Charles Darwin
excerpts from a letter
to Thomas Henry Huxley
"Darwin's Bulldog"
about a critique of
The Origin of the Species
by Louis Agassiz (1807-1873)
a Swiss-American biologist
in "The American Journal
of Science and Arts"
commonly called
"Silliman's Journal"

8 August 1860

Have you seen Agassiz's weak metaphysical and theological attack on the "Origin" in the last Silliman?

My good and kind agent for the propagation of the Gospel – i.e., the devil's gospel.

Ever Yours,
Charles Darwin

The Life and Letters of Charles Darwin, edited by his son Francis Darwin, vol. 11, pp. 123-4, 1959

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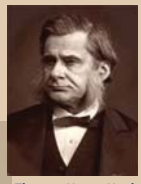
Charles Darwin · England
Oxford Evolution Debate · June 30, 1860

Samuel Wilberforce
1805 – 1873
Bishop of Oxford
Church of England
son of William
Wilberforce,
abolitionist

"an animated discussion"
at the time both sides
claimed victory
1890's · deemed "a key moment
in the acceptance of evolution"



Thomas Henry Huxley
1825 – 1895
photo · 1880 circa
"Darwin's Bulldog"

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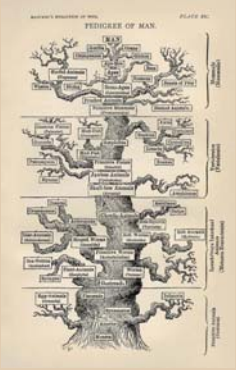
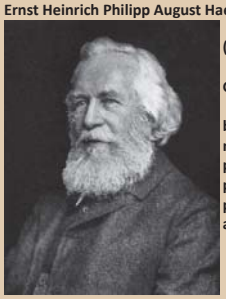
Ernst Haeckel · Germany



Ernst Heinrich Philipp August Haeckel



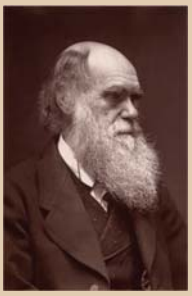
(1834-1919)

German

biologist
naturalist
philosopher
physician
professor
artist

1879 · The Evolution of Man · "The Tree of Life"

Evolution
Charles Darwin · England



"man is but a worm" cartoon
by Edward Linley Sambourne
for Punch's Almanac 1882

Evolution
Scopes Monkey Trial · Tennessee

The Butler Law · Public Acts of the State of Tennessee passed by the 64th General Assembly · 1925 · Chapter No. 27 · House Bill No. 185 · by Mr. Butler

An Act prohibiting the teaching of the Evolution Theory in all the Universities, Normals and all other public schools of Tennessee, which are supported in whole or in part by the public school funds of the State, and to provide penalties for the violations thereof.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Tennessee, that it shall be unlawful for any teacher in any of the Universities, Normals and all other public schools of the State which are supported in whole or in part by the public school funds of the State, to teach any theory that denies the story of the Divine Creation of man as taught in the Bible, and to teach instead that man has descended from a lower order of animals.

Section 2. Be it further enacted, that any teacher found guilty of the violation of this Act, Shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction, shall be fined not less than One Hundred ($100.00) Dollars nor more than Five Hundred ($ 500.00) Dollars for each offense.

Section 3. Be it further enacted, that this Act take effect from and after its passage, the public welfare requiring it.

Passed March 13, 1925 — W. F. Barry, Speaker of the House of Representatives
L. D. Hill, Speaker of the Senate
Approved March 21, 1925 — Austin Peay, Governor

Evolution
Scopes Monkey Trial · Tennessee

John Thomas Scopes
Dayton, Tennessee
substitute teacher
high school
math & science

William Jennings Bryan · 1902
Politician · Presbyterian

Clarence Seward Darrow
ACLU lawyer · ca. 1922

Darrow and Bryan at the Scopes Monkey Trial · 1925

Evolution
Scopes II Trial · Arkansas

State of Arkansas · 73rd General Assembly Regular Session · 1981
Act 590

"Balanced Treatment for Creation-Science and Evolution-Science Act"

"An act to require balanced treatment of creation-science and evolution-science in public schools;
"... to protect academic freedom by providing student choice;
"... to ensure freedom of religious exercise;
"... to guarantee freedom of belief and speech;
"... to prevent establishment of religion;
"... to prohibit religious instruction concerning origins;
"... to bar discrimination on the basis of creationists or evolutionist belief;
"... to provide definitions and clarifications;
"... to declare the legislative purpose and legislative findings of fact;
"... to provide for severability of provisions;
"... to provide for repeal of contrary laws;
"... to set forth an effective date."

Evolution
Scopes II Trial · Arkansas

Mclean vs. Arkansas
The Scopes II Trial
December 7th – 17th
Little Rock, Arkansas

Act 590 declared "unconstitutional"
January 5, 1982
Judge William Ray Overton

"Since creation science is not science, the conclusion is inescapable that the only real effect of Act 590 is the advancement of religion."
– Judge William Ray Overton, 1982

"For God's sake, let the children have their minds kept open – close no doors to their knowledge; shut no door from them. Make a distinction between theology and science. Let them have both. Let them both be taught. Let them both live." – Clarence Darrow, 1925

Evolution
"March to Progress" · America

Rudolph Zallinger · "fifteen primate figures" · Time Life Books – Early Man · 1965

1	22 – 12 million years old	Pliopithecus
2	21 – 9 million years old	Proconsul
3	15 – 8 million years old	Dryopithecus
4	15 – 8 million years old	Oreopithecus
5	13 – 8 million years old	Ramapithecus
6	2 – 3 million years old	Australopithecus
7	1.8 – 0.8 million years old	Paranthropus
8	1.8 – 0.7 million years old	Advanced Australopithecus
9	700,000 – 400,000 years old	Homo erectus
10	300,000 – 200,000 years old	Early Homo sapiens
11	100,000 – 50,000 years old	Solo Man
12	50,000 – 30,000 years old	Rhodesian Man
13	100,000 – 40,000 years old	Neanderthal Man
14	40,000 – 5,000 years old	Cro-Magnon Man
15	40,000 years to present	Modern Man

Rudolph Zallinger · Time Life Books – Early Man · 1965

the dates are from the original graphic and no longer reflect current scientific theory

1 · Pliopithecus · 22 – 12 million year old · "ancestor of the gibbon line"
2 · Proconsul · 21 – 9 million year old · primate which may or may not have qualified as an ape
3 · Dryopithecus · 15 – 8 million year old · fossil ape found 1856 · probable ancestor of modern apes
4 · Oreopithecus · 15 – 8 million years old
5 · Ramapithecus · 13 – 8 million year old · ape and possible ancestor of modern orangutans
6 · Australopithecus · 2 – 3 million years old
7 · Paranthropus · 1.8 – 0.8 million years old
8 · Advanced Australopithecus · 1.8 – 0.7 million year old
9 · Homo erectus · 700,000 – 400,000 years old
10 · Early Homo sapiens · 300,000 – 200,000 years old · from Swanscombe, Steinheim, Montmaurin
11 · Solo Man · 100,000 – 50,000 years old · an extinct Asian "race" of Homo sapiens
12 · Rhodesian Man · 50,000 – 30,000 years old · an extinct African "race" of Homo sapiens
13 · Neanderthal Man · 100,000 – 40,000 years old
14 · Cro-Magnon Man · 40,000 – 5,000 years old
15 · Modern Man · 40,000 years to present

Evolution

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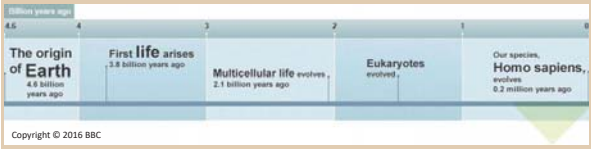
Geological Timetable-1
4.6 billion years



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600 million years

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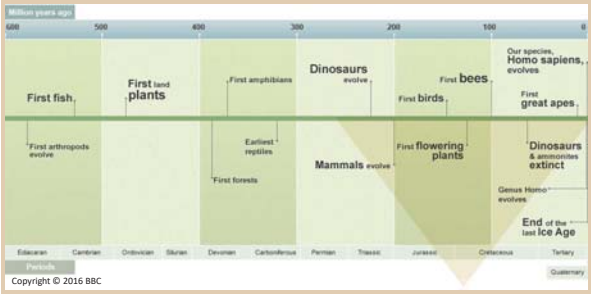
Geological Timetable-2 · 600 million years



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250 million years

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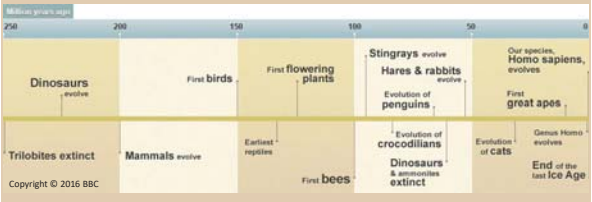
Geological Timetable-3
250 million years



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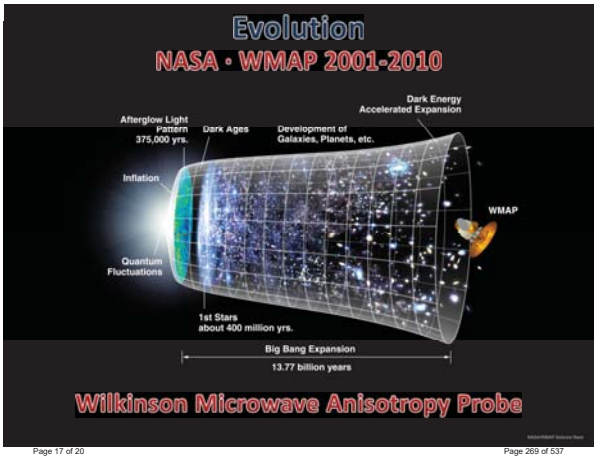


Evolution

"the missing link"

The natural man is not a neutral and unbiased observer of the natural world.

Romans 3:10-18 · all without excuse · all under sin · all under death

**There is none righteous, not even one;
there is none who understands, there is none who seeks for God;
all have turned aside, together they have become useless;
there is none who does good, there is not even one."**

**Their throat is an open grave, with their tongues they keep deceiving,
the poison of asps is under their lips; whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness;
their feet are swift to shed blood, destruction and misery are in their paths,
and the path of peace they have not known.**

There is no fear of God before their eyes.

The natural man neither understands nor seeks the God of creation.

Evolution

Charles Darwin · "non-evolving" state

statue by Sir Joseph Boehm in the main hall of London, Natural History Museum

Evolution

pointing to creation

Herbert Spencer · Social Darwinism
"the five manifestations of natural phenomenon"

**all natural phenomena are interactions
between five fundamental manifestations:**

1 time	→	in the beginning
2 force	→	God
3 motion/action	→	created
4 space	→	the heavens
5 matter	→	the earth

**the Biblical revelation
Genesis 1:1**

Christian World View

The Four States of Man

2nd · The Natural Man

The Four States of Man

the state of goodness | the state of depravity | the state of spiritual life | the state of eternal life

creation | the fall | salvation | the second coming | eternity

the good man	the natural man	the spiritual man	the glorified man
good nature	old nature	new nature	glorified nature
man after creation	man after the fall	man after salvation	man after Christ's return
		~~old nature~~	
Adam & Eve	all mankind	all in Christ after salvation	all in Christ after the resurrection
posse peccare able to sin	*non posse non peccare* not able not to sin	*posse non peccare* able not to sin	*non posse peccare* not able to sin

The Four States of Man

2nd · the state of depravity

the fall | salvation

the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

the tree of the knowledge of good and evil

the tree of salvation
the cross of Christ

all mankind

non posse non peccare
not able not to sin

The Four States of Man

goodness to depravity

the state of goodness | the fall | the state of depravity

unique creation
· image of God
· good nature
· federal head

responsible creation

free creation
· free agency
· mystery

dependent creation

the good man	the natural man
good nature	old nature
man after creation	man after the fall
Adam & Eve	all mankind

The Four States of Man

the fall of man

Adam & Eve in the Garden of Eden

the test → obedience

the failure → disobedience
temptation
lust
sin

the judgment → death
spiritual
physical
eternal

"…the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan…"
Revelation 12:9 · 20:2

The Four States of Man

the judgment of man

Adam → sin → Adam

state of goodness mankind

state of depravity mankind

natural head = Adam is the father of the human race by generation
federal head = Adam is the representative of the human race by divine appointment and divine imputation

The Four States of Man

the judgment of man

God → the fall → God

designated Adam as the federal head
the representative of the race
"all in Adam"

imputed Adam's sin to "all in Adam"
sin & death
judgment & condemnation

the two federal heads:
1. Adam → all in Adam
2. Christ → all in Christ

imputation = "to charge to the account of one what rightly belongs to another"

the three imputations:

1 God imputed	· at the fall	· Adam's sin	· to mankind
2 God imputed	· at the cross	· sinners' sin	· to Christ
3 God imputes	· at salvation	· Christ's righteousness	· to believers

The Four States of Man

the natural man

Adam → sin & death → Adam

state of goodness mankind

state of depravity mankind

image of God	~~image of God~~
body · soul · spirit	body · soul · (------)
"the good man"	"the soul man"

The Four States of Man
the nature · the natural man

the state of depravity

the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

all mankind

the description of the nature:

1. **"lost"** = spiritually · astray unto destruction
   - · word: "wholly" + "destroy"
   - · "lost" = to be deprived of something
   - · "perish" = to be ruined completely
2. **"blind"** = spiritually · no visual perception
   - · to be without spiritual perception
   - · to be unable to understand God's truth
3. **"dead"** = spiritually · separated from life
   - · to be without spiritual life
   - · to be incapable of making alive

The Four States of Man
the nature · the walking dead

the state of depravity

the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

all mankind

the walk of the nature:

1. **total corruption** · every part of man's nature is corrupted by sin and death
2. **total alienation** · every part of man's nature is estranged from God
3. **total hostility** · every part of man's nature is angry with God
4. **total rebellion** · every part of man's nature is defiant of the authority of God
5. **total bondage** · every part of man's nature is enslaved to sin and death

"total" = always every part · not always evidenced · not always expressed fully

The Four States of Man
the perspectives of God & man

God

the holy God looking at sinful man
the biblical perspective · theology
Psalm 14 · Psalm 53 · Romans 3:10-18

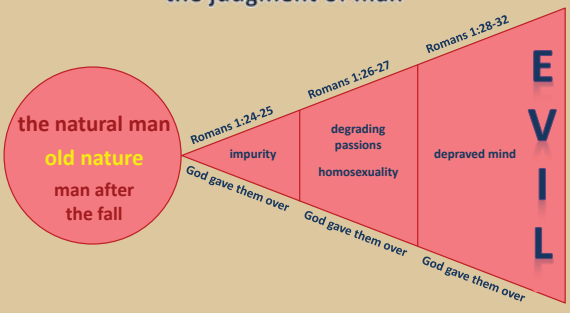
the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

sinners looking at sinners

the human perspective
psychology

the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

The Four States of Man
the judgment of man



The Four States of Man
the plight of the natural man

all under sin

"There is none righteous, no, not one; there is none who understands; there is none who seeks after God; they have all gone out of the way; they have together become unprofitable; there is none who does good, no, not one" (Romans 3:10-12).

"For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23).

all without excuse

the witness of God to every heart:

Romans 1:18-21 → the knowledge of God
→ "suppress"
Romans 2:13-15 → the knowledge of right & wrong
→ "conscience"
Romans 1:31 → the knowledge of the judgment to come
→ "know but approve"

all under the curse

"the curse" · Genesis 3 · land, life & labor
the situation is helpless and hopeless
there is no hope in man · Ecclesiastes 1-12

the state of depravity
the old nature
all mankind after the fall

The Four States of Man
the condition of the natural man

the sinful state
sinners in Adam
sinners by nature
sinners by choice

the spiritual state
spiritually lost
spiritually blind
spiritually dead

the state · standing before God
total corruption
total alienation
total hostility
total rebellion
total bondage

the state · witnessed by God
knowledge of God
knowledge of right and wrong
knowledge of the judgment to come

The Four States of Man
the hope of the natural man

hope in man

expectations:
- · meaningless life
- · sin and death
- · judgment of God
  - in hell
  - in the lake of fire
- · forever …

hope in God

expectations:
- · salvation is of the LORD
- · salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone!
- · full forgiveness
- · full righteousness
- · the blessing of God
  - in heaven
  - in the new heavens & the new earth
- · forever with the Lord

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Ecclesiastes

The Old Testament
the wisdom literature

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon

The Old Testament
the wisdom trilogy

1 Proverbs	2 Ecclesiastes	3 Job
wisdom for life	**the natural man**	**the spiritual man**
· lady wisdom calls · lady folly calls "Solomon" = "375" 375 proverbs proverb = "truism" wise counsel general life truths obey → blessing disobey → judgment true wisdom which requires wisdom	commentary on life under the curse life is meaningless no advantage = nothing is left over after life	commentary on the life of the righteous life is perplexing no explanation = always trust God

The Book of Ecclesiastes
a commentary on the curse of man

the life of Adam

created by God ➡ Genesis 1:26
made in the image and likeness of God to rule over the creation
blessed by God ➡ Genesis 1:28
be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it; and rule over it
commanded by God ➡ Genesis 2:16-17
the tree of the knowledge of good and evil
sustained by God ➡ Genesis 2:29-30
every plant and every tree for food

the sin of Adam

man was tempted ➡ Genesis 3:1-5
man was disobedient ➡ Genesis 3:6-7
man was cursed ➡ Genesis 3:17-19
land is cursed — nature is cursed
labor is cursed — sorrow and sweat all your days
life is cursed — until you return to the ground – dust to dust

spiritual death – Genesis 2:16-17 · physical death – Genesis 3:19 · eternal death – Genesis 3:22-24

The Book of Ecclesiastes
a commentary on the curse of man

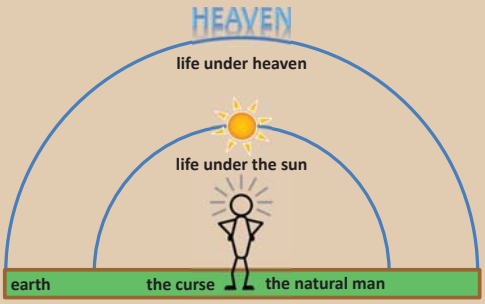
the author = King Solomon
"preacher" ➡ Hebrew · "QOHELET" = one who addresses an assembly from QAHAL = assembly
Greek · EKKLESIASTES from EKKLESIA
Latin · ECCLESIASTES

the theme = *"Vanity of vanities, vanity of vanities, all is vanity"* (1:2).
"vanity" ➡ "HEBEL" (Hebrew) = vapor · breath · "meaningless"
emptiness · no substance · no value · no permanence · no significance
"vanity" = used 37x in the book

the argument = *"What advantage does man have in all his work which is done under the sun"* (1:3)?
a rhetorical question · expecting the answer ➡ *"no advantage!"*
"advantage" ➡ "YITRON" (Hebrew) = profit · gain · leftover
"advantage" = used 10x in the book

the realm = life on earth
"under the sun" ➡ day to day life without reference to God
"under heaven" ➡ day to day life acknowledging God

The Book of Ecclesiastes
a commentary on the curse of man



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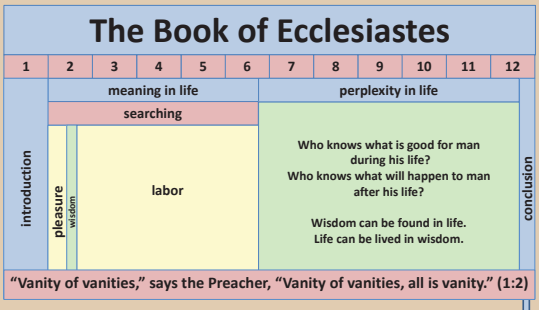
a commentary on the curse of man

the pursuits = the areas of life examined
1 pleasure ➡ Ecclesiastes 2:1-11 11 verses
2 wisdom ➡ Ecclesiastes 2:12-17 6 verses
3 labor ➡ Ecclesiastes 2:18 – 6:9 76 verses

the perplexity = the things about life that defy understanding
Ecclesiastes 6:10 – 12:8
"Who knows what is good for man during his life?
"Who knows what will happen to man after his life?
wisdom can be found · wisdom can be lived · all is vanity

the conclusion = the most that the natural man can know about life
Ecclesiastes 12:9-14 ↔ the same truth ↔ Romans 1-3
1 "fear God"
➡ Romans 1:18-20 ➡ the knowledge of God
2 "keep His commandments"
➡ Romans 2:14-16 ➡ the knowledge of right and wrong
3 "God will bring every act to judgment"
➡ Romans 1:32 ➡ the knowledge of the judgment to come
God witnesses these truths to every heart making all "without excuse"

The Book of Ecclesiastes
a commentary on the curse of man



fear God · obey God · know that God will judge (12:13-14)

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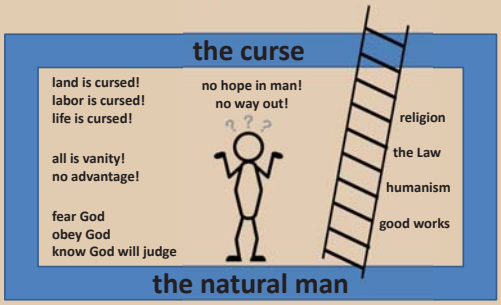

The Good News

the promise of the Messiah

"He (God) made Him (Christ) who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Corinthians 5:21).

"Christ 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' – in order that in Christ Jesus the blessings of Abraham might come to the Gentiles, so that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith" (Galatians 3:13-14).

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The Four States of Man

Salvation

The Four States of Man

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posse peccare	*non posse non peccare*	*posse non peccare*	*non posse peccare*
able to sin	not able not to sin	able not to sin	not able to sin

The Doctrine of Salvation

The History of the Doctrine of Salvation

Anthropology · the doctrine of man
- Pelagius · Pelagianism
- Augustine (354-430)
  - original sin · human inability · the necessity of grace
- John Cassian · Semi-Pelagianism = Arminianism (after 1610)

Christology · the doctrine of Christ
- Anselm of Canterbury (c.1033-1109)
  - substitutionary atonement
- Thomas Aquinas (1224-1274)

Soteriology · the doctrine of salvation
- Martin Luther (1483-1546)
- John Calvin (1509-1564)
  - the doctrine of justification

sola Scriptura · *sola gratia* · *sola fides* · *sola Christus* · *sola Deo gloria*

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The History of the Doctrine of Salvation

the Remonstrance / "protest" (1610) · the Dutch Reformed Church

Jacob Arminius (1560-1609)
1. conditional election
2. general atonement
3. depravity
4. resistible grace
5. conditional perseverance

the Synod of Dort / Dortrecht (Nov 1618 – May 1619)
- the Belgic Confession (1561)
- the Heidelberg Confession (1563)

The Five Points of Calvinism
1. T · total depravity
2. U · unconditional election
3. L · limited atonement
4. I · irresistible grace
5. P · perseverance of the saints

The Doctrine of Salvation

The History of the Doctrine of Salvation

1 T · total depravity	⟷ the natural man
2 U · unconditional election	⟷ God the Father
3 L · limited atonement	⟷ God the Son
4 I · irresistible grace	⟷ God the Holy Spirit
5 P · perseverance of the saints	⟷ the spiritual man

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God

God-centered theology
the biblical revelation of God
mystery · the sovereignty of God and the responsibility of man

man-centered theology

man ⟷ **man**

the human experience

synergism · God and man working together

The God of Salvation

God the Father → **ARRANGING** the plan of salvation
- foreknowledge · election · predestination

God the Son → **ACCOMPLISHING** the plan of salvation
- the way: representation · substitution · imputation
- the work: propitiation · reconciliation · redemption

God the Holy Spirit → **APPLYING** the plan of salvation
- proclamation · regeneration · transformation

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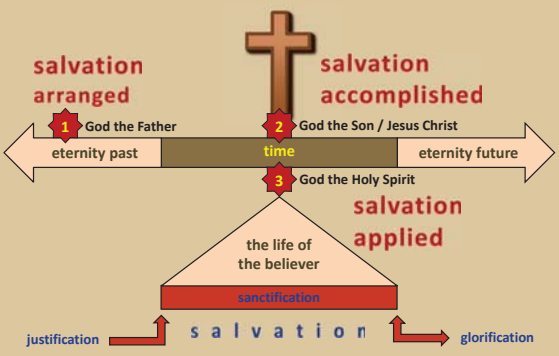

The God of Salvation

God the Father · salvation arranged in eternity past

God the Father → ARRANGING the plan of salvation

foreknowledge

election

predestination

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God the Father · Salvation Arranged in Eternity Past

foreknowledge προγινόσκω = "before" + "to know"

God knows before creation those whom He will save.
forethought · planning in advance to acting

election ἐκλέγομαι = "to pick out"

God chooses before creation those whom He will save.

predestination προορίζω = "before" + "to decide"

God determines / decrees before creation those whom He will save.

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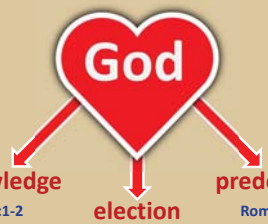
God the Father · Salvation Arranged in Eternity Past



foreknowledge
1 Peter 1:1-2
Romans 8:29-30

election
Ephesians 1:3-4
2 Timothy 2:10

predestination
Romans 8:29-30
Ephesians 1:5,11

"We love Him because He first loved us" · I John 4:19

The God of Salvation

God the Father → ARRANGING the plan of salvation

foreknowledge election predestination

God the Son → ACCOMPLISHING the plan of salvation

the way: voluntary representation substitution imputation

the work: propitiation reconciliation redemption

The Doctrine of Salvation

God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

1. the person of the cross
   Who was necessary for the work?
2. the way of the cross
   How was the work accomplished?
3. the work of the cross
   What work was accomplished?
4. the timing of the cross
   When was the work accomplished?

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God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

1 the person of the cross

Who was necessary for the work? → 1 Timothy 2:5-6

the Son of God
fully God = perfect God
eternally begotten = God from God

the Son of Man
fully man = perfect man
"… yet without sin" · Hebrews 4:15

IXΘΥΣ = fish → "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior"
IXΘΥΣ · Ἰησοῦς = Jesus
IXΘΥΣ · Χριστός = Christ · Messiah · anointed
IXΘΥΣ · Θεοῦ = God's · Θεός
IXΘΥΣ · Υἱὸς = Son · υἱὸς
IXΘΥΣ · Σωτὴρ = Savior · σωτὴρ

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God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

2 the way of the cross

How was the work accomplished?

voluntary *"He gave Himself for us"*
the free act of giving
the expression of God's love

representation *"He represented us"*
the appointed representative
the federal head

substitution *"He took our place"*
to take the place of another

imputation *"He took our sin"*
to charge · credit to the account of one
what rightly belongs to another

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God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

3 the work of the cross

What work was accomplished?

propitiation → Godward
satisfaction of wrath
from wrath to favor

reconciliation → manward
enmity to friendship
from wrath to peace

redemption → sinward
payment of the ransom
from bondage to freedom

The Doctrine of Salvation

God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

1 the person of the cross

Who was necessary for the work?
Jesus Christ · Son of God & Son of Man

2 the way of the cross

How was the work accomplished?
voluntary · representation · substitution · imputation = the 2nd imputation

3 the work of the cross

What work was accomplished?
propitiation · reconciliation · redemption

4 the timing of the cross

When was the work accomplished?
accomplished when Christ died · "It is finished!"
applied when sinners believe · justification · imputation = the 3rd imputation

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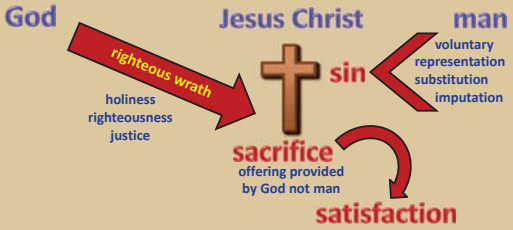
propitiation · Godward



propitiation (Godward) = satisfaction of God's wrath
by Christ's atoning sacrifice
from wrath to favor · perfect justice
expiation (sinward) = removing sin and guilt
covering · cleansing · forgiving
propitiation includes expiation

The Doctrine of Salvation

God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

What is the difference between provision and a transaction ???

cups of coffee

a provision
offered equally to all
secured individually for none
take it – or – leave it

a transaction
an agreement of exchange
from one to another
effectively accomplished
undone by reverse action only

the sale of land

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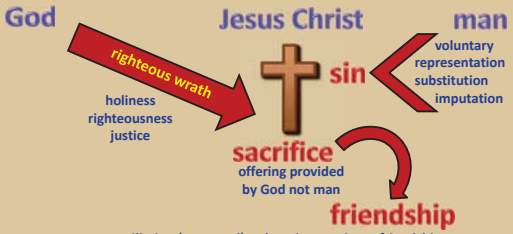
reconciliation · manward



reconciliation (manward) = changing enmity to friendship
God was the offended party · man is the offending party
God initiated reconciliation with sinful man
God provided restitution and restoration by Christ's atoning sacrifice
God exchanged enmity for friendship
God is at peace toward all who are in Christ · perfect peace

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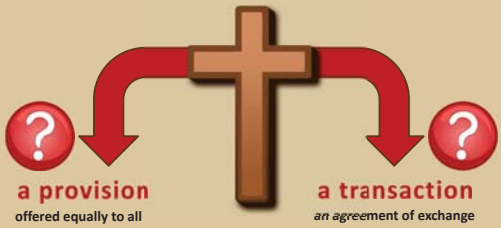
God the Son · Salvation Accomplished at the Cross

Is the cross a provision or a transaction ???



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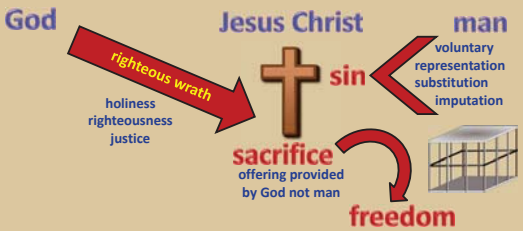
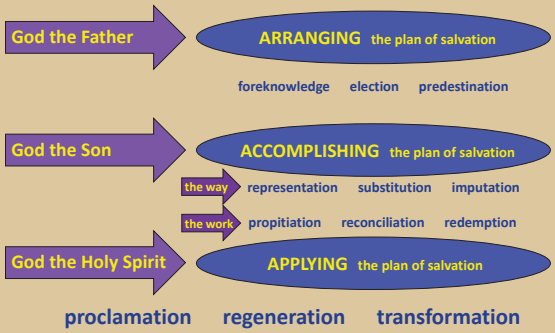
redemption · sinward



redemption (sinward) = freedom by payment of a ransom
fallen man is held captive and enslaved by sin and death
God received the ransom payment of Christ's atoning sacrifice
God frees sinners from the penalty, power, and presence of sin and death
perfect freedom

The God of Salvation



The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · the order of salvation

God-centered "order of salvation" = *"ordo salutis"*

Father	1	foreknowledge · election · predestination
Son	2	atonement
HS	3	outward call · the gospel
HS	4	inward call · effectual
HS	5	regeneration · new birth
HS	6	conversion · repentance and faith
HS	7	justification · declared righteous
HS	8	sanctification · set apart
HS	9	glorification · glory forever

man-centered "order of salvation" = *"ordo salutis"*

man	1	outward call · the gospel
man	2	faith · man believing = election · God choosing
man	3	repentance
God	4	regeneration · new life
God	5	justification
man	6	perseverance · continuing in faith
God	7	glorification

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · the logical order of salvation

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Father	1	foreknowledge · election · predestination
Son	2	propitiation · reconciliation · redemption
HS	3	proclamation = the gospel call
HS	4	conviction = the effectual call
HS	5	regeneration = the new birth
HS	6	conversion = faith in Christ
HS	7	justification = declared righteous in Christ
HS	8	sanctification = set apart to Christ
HS	9	glorification = conformed to Christ

man-centered "order of salvation" = *"ordo salutis"*

man	1	proclamation = the gospel call
man	2	conversion = faith in Christ [divine election]
man	3	repentance = turning from sin
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The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · evangelism

the commission — the divine command

the message — the gospel of Jesus Christ

the messenger — the life · the word · prayer

the power — the power of God

the salvation — the grace of God

the glory of God

the evangelist

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · the gospel & the natural man

Jesus Christ
Son of God · Son of Man
the Savior · the King

salvation
propitiation · reconciliation
redemption

the gospel message

the natural man
old nature
man after the fall

sinners by nature:
1. spiritually lost
2. spiritually blind
3. spiritually dead

sinners in life:
1. total corruption
2. total alienation
3. total hostility
4. total rebellion
5. total bondage

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · the gospel & the spiritual man

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salvation
propitiation · reconciliation
redemption

the gospel message

the ministry of the Holy Spirit

the power of God

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · PROCLAMATION

PROCLAMATION
the Word of God
the gospel message

Good news! Good news!

the universal call
truth in the ear

the Holy Spirit
the power of God

the effectual call
truth in the heart

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · REGENERATION

REGENERATION = born again · born from above
John 3:1-21 · "to see" (3) · "to enter" (5)

the Holy Spirit

the power of God

the new birth

repentance

faith

salvation

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · TRANSFORMATION

TRANSFORMATION
the Word of God
the power of God

the new birth

Holy Spirit
new spiritual life
a heart for God

Spirit baptism

the body of Christ

union in Christ
"I am in God"

indwelt by the Spirit
"God is in me"

sealed with the Holy Spirit

be filled with the Holy Spirit

The Doctrine of Salvation

the Holy Spirit · TRANSFORMATION

union — the responsibility · the necessity — **abide**

in union with God
"I am in God."
"God is in me."

abiding in Christ
abide = to remain in your present state
to continue in union in Christ
abide = conscious awareness
continual dependence

abide in Christ

1. His presence
2. His pardon · daily forgiveness
3. His principles:
   - precepts = the Bible = Word of God
   - prayer
4. His perfections · divine attributes
5. His power
6. His purposes = fruitfulness in life for God
7. His protection
8. His praise

The God of Salvation

God the Father — ARRANGING the plan of salvation
foreknowledge election predestination

God the Son — ACCOMPLISHING the plan of salvation
the way: representation substitution imputation
the work: propitiation reconciliation redemption

God the Holy Spirit — APPLYING the plan of salvation
proclamation regeneration transformation

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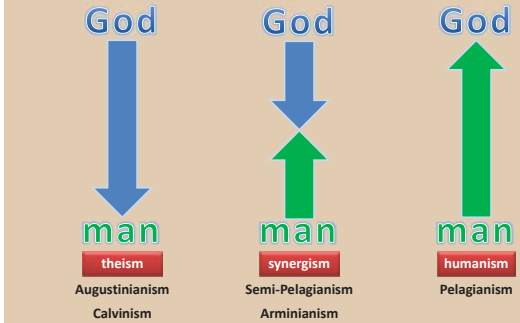
Salvation

Grace and Works

The Way of Salvation

Grace and Works



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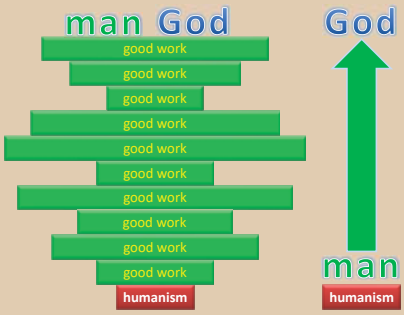
Salvation by Works



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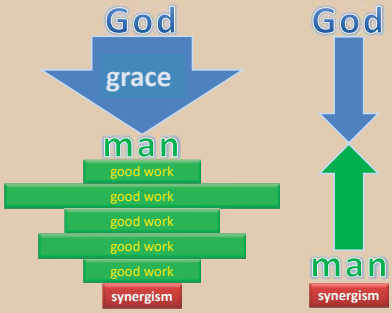

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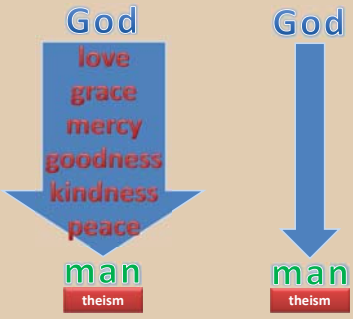

The Way of Salvation

Salvation by Grace

For we also once were foolish ourselves, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures, spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out upon us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, that being justified by His grace we might be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Titus 3:3-7

The Way of Salvation
Salvation by Grace

**For by grace you have been saved through faith;
and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;
not as a result of works, that no one should boast.**

**For we are His workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus for good works,
which God prepared beforehand,
that we should walk in them.**

Ephesians 2:8-10

The Way of Salvation
The Good Works that Work

good works never save!

**"For just as the body without the spirit is dead,
so also faith without works is dead." · James 2:26**

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Salvation

Imputation

The Doctrine of Imputation

Imputation ➡ to consider, to count, to credit
to attribute or ascribe something to someone
to reckon to one what rightly belongs to another

Divine Imputation:

the subject	God · divine power and authority
the action	a transaction crediting the account
the object	a principle or quality
the individuals	vicariously from one to another

The Doctrine of Imputation
The Three Biblical Imputations

❶st imputation = Adam's sin to all mankind
Romans 5:12-21 · 1 Corinthians 15:21-22
"Therefore, just as through one man (Adam) sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to al l men, because all sinned –" (Romans 5:12).

❷nd imputation = the chosen's sin to Christ on the cross
Isaiah 53:6 · Galatians 3:13 · 2 Corinthians 5:21 · 1 Peter 2:24
"He (God) made Him (Christ) who knew no sin to be sin on our behalf, that (purpose) we might become the righteousness of God in Him" (2 Corinthians 5:21).

❸rd imputation = Christ's righteousness to believers in Him
Romans 4:1-12; 22-25 · 2 Corinthians 5:21 · Romans 3:24-26
"Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to Him as righteousness"
(Romans 4:3, Galatians 3:6, James 2:23). ➡ Genesis 15:6

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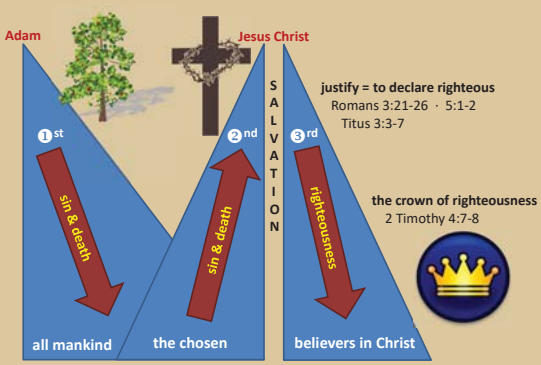

justify = to declare righteous
Romans 3:21-26 · 5:1-2
Titus 3:3-7

the crown of righteousness
2 Timothy 4:7-8

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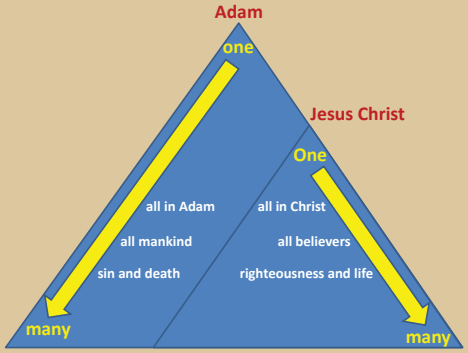
Romans 5:12-21



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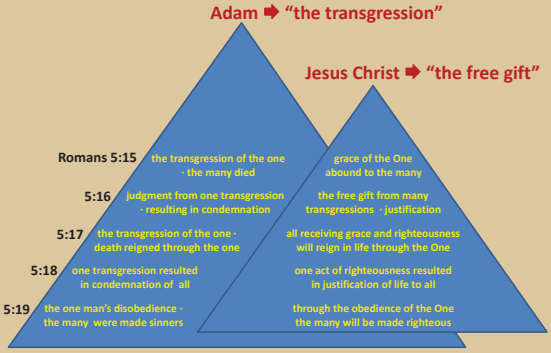
Romans 5:12-21
Adam ➡ "the transgression"
Jesus Christ ➡ "the free gift"



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imputed righteousness ⬅ versus ➡ infused righteousness

The Latin Vulgate

iustificare = Latin (present active, infinitive) = **to make righteous**
iustus = righteousness, justice + **ficare** = to make, to shape, to do
iustifico = Latin (present active) root
1. act justly toward, do justice to
2. forgive, pardon
3. justify, make just
4. vindicate

Roman Catholic view: infused righteousness | cooperative work of God and man
Man needs grace, faith, and Christ to help make him righteous
and then God will pronounce him righteous.
Augustine: *When God rewards our merits, He crowns nothing but his own gifts.*

The Greek New Testament

dikaiosune = Greek (noun) = **to declare righteous**

The Reformation view:
Martin Luther: **iustia alienum** = Latin = **alien righteousness**
righteousness outside of self & apart from self
➡ the righteousness of Christ (*sola* = alone)

Christian World View

Sovereignty & Responsibility

Salvation

The Doctrine of Salvation

God's sovereignty and man's responsibility

the sovereignty of God
- God's absolute authority and control over all over all His creation
- God accomplishes all things according His will
- nothing ever happens apart from the will of God

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- a truth that requires further revelation from God to be known

EXAMPLE: "the church" · Ephesians 3:1-13

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God-centered vs. man-centered theology

God

God-centered theology
the biblical revelation of God
mystery · the sovereignty of God and the responsibility of man

man-centered theology

man ⟷ **man**

the human experience

synergism · God and man working together

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Romans 9 · sovereignty and responsibility

the epistle to the Romans															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
the gospel · explained								defended			applied				

the CONTEXT of Romans 9-11 · the love of God never fails

Romans 8:18-39 · the promise of glorification

Romans 8:35 · *"Who can separate us from the love of Christ?"*

Romans 8:35 · *"For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."*

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What happened to Israel ???

? Jeremiah 31:3 · the LORD to Israel: *"I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have drawn you with lovingkindness."*

Did God's love for Israel fail ??? Will God's love for the church fail ???

1. Romans 9 · God's love is according to God's will
2. Romans 10 · prayer to God for the salvation of Israel
3. Romans 11 · God's will is for the restoration of Israel

God's will is always accomplished !!! God's love never fails !!!

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Romans 9 · sovereignty and responsibility

the three key statements

Romans 9:1-5 · the Apostle's sorrow and grief for Israel

1. Romans 9: 6-13
   (6) It is not as though the word of God has failed.
2. Romans 9:14-18
   (14) There is no injustice with God, is there?
3. Romans 9:19-24
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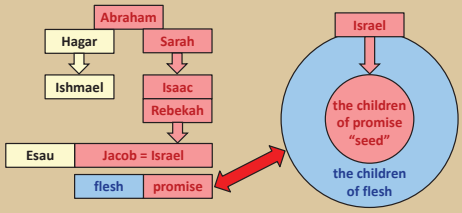

God's will · God's choice · God's word

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Romans 9 · sovereignty and responsibility

the 1st key statement

1 **Romans 9: 6-13**

(6) It is not as though the word of God has failed.

God's word (call) is according to God's will (choice)

(8) It is not the children of flesh who are children of God, but the children of the promise are regarded as descendants/seed.

God's word (call) is not according to man's person or works

(11-13) this is a word of promise (9) … for though *the twins* were not yet born, and had not done anything good or bad, in order that God's purpose according to *His* choice might stand, not because of works, but because of Him who calls, it was said to her, "The older will serve the younger" (Genesis 25:23). Just as it is written, "Jacob have I loved, but Esau I hated" (Malachi 1:21).

God's word is always true · God always keeps His word

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God's will · God's desire · God's word

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God's word is not according to man's will or action

(15-16) For He says to Moses, "I will have mercy on whom I have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion" (Ex. 33:19). So then it *does* not *depend* upon the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy.

God's word is according to God's will (desire)

(17-18) For the Scripture says to Pharaoh, "For this very purpose I raised you up, to demonstrate My power in you, and that My name might be proclaimed throughout the whole earth" (Ex. 9:16). So then He has mercy on whom He desires and He hardens whom He desires.

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God's authority · God's will · God's word

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God's word is authoritative · God is not answerable to man

(20) On the contrary, who are you, O man, who answers back to God? The thing molded will not say to the molder, "Why did you make me like this, will it?"

God's word is according to God's will (purpose)

(22-24) What if God, although willing to demonstrate His wrath and to make His power known, endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction? And *He did so* in order that He might make known the riches of His glory upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared before hand for glory, even us, whom He also called … [Gentiles].

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(10:1) Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for their salvation.

(10:11) For the Scripture says, "Whoever believes in Him will not be disappointed" (Isaiah 28:16).

(10:13) … for "Whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved" (Joel 2:32).

(10:14-15) How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring glad tiding of good things" (Isaiah 52:7).

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The Four States of Man

3rd · The Spiritual Man

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the state of goodness	the state of depravity	the state of spiritual life	the state of eternal life
creation	the fall	salvation	the second coming · eternity
the good man · good nature · man after creation	the natural man · old nature · man after the fall	the spiritual man · new nature · man after salvation · ~~old nature~~	the glorified man · glorified nature · man after Christ's return
Adam & Eve	all mankind	all in Christ after salvation	all in Christ after the resurrection
posse peccare · able to sin	*non posse non peccare* · not able not to sin	*posse non peccare* · able not to sin	*non posse peccare* · not able to sin

The Four States of Man

3rd · the state of spiritual life

all in Christ · after salvation

posse non peccare

able not to sin

The Four States of Man

the new nature

the *OLD* nature

1. old in time = ἀρχαῖος = ARCHAIOS = ancient
2. old in quality = παλαιός = PALAIOS = worn out

the *NEW* nature

1. new in time = νέος = NEOS = another of the same kind
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   recent in existence · young · reproduction
   another of the same kind
2. new in quality = καινός = KAINOS
   new and improved · superior innovations
   another of a different kind
   new covenant · new heavens & new earth

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2 Corinthians 5:17 · "Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new (in quality) creature; the old (in time) things passed away, new (in quality) things have come."

old in quality = παλαιός new in time = νέος

Ephesians 4:20-24 · "(22) … you lay aside the old (in quality) man, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, and that you be renewed (again in time) in the spirit of your mind, and put on the new (in time) man, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth."

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the defeat of the old nature

the penalty of sin	the power of sin	the presence of sin
paid in full	broken	removed
past	present	future

The Four States of Man

the spiritual struggle

spiritual formulas

the old ↔ the new

the old = defeated but powerful

the old > the new

the old < the new + Holy Spirit

The Four States of Man

the spiritual struggle

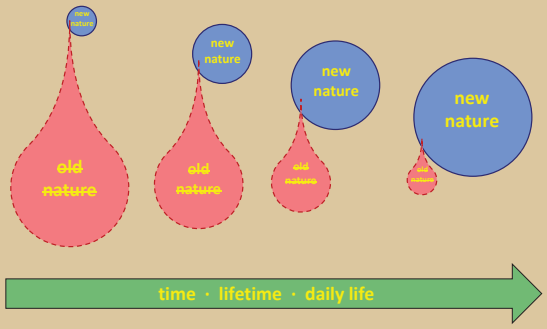
the cross of Christ

"Preach the gospel to your heart every day."

1. position
   know who you are in Christ
2. power
   depend upon the Lord
3. presentation
   obey · put off and put on

The Four States of Man

the spiritual experience · anticipated



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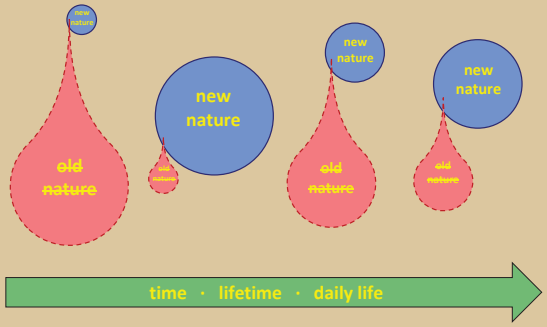
the spiritual experience · actual



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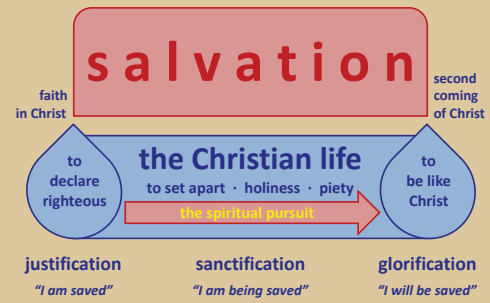
the spiritual pursuit



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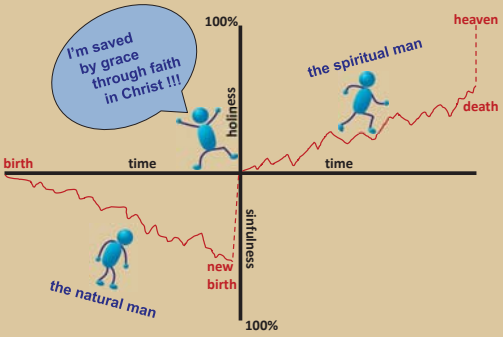

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the spiritual warfare

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the spiritual warfare

the world → conform !!!

the attack 1 John 2:15-17

the defense Romans 12:1-2

(–) stop being conformed (+) be transformed · renewing the mind

the flesh → follow your desire !!!

the attack 1 Peter 2:11-12

the defense 2 Timothy 2:22

(–) flee sinful lusts (+) pursue righteousness

the devil → question the Word !!! · doubt God !!! · depart from God !!!

the attack 1 Peter 5:8-11

the defense James 4:7-10

(–) resist the devil (+) stand firm in the faith

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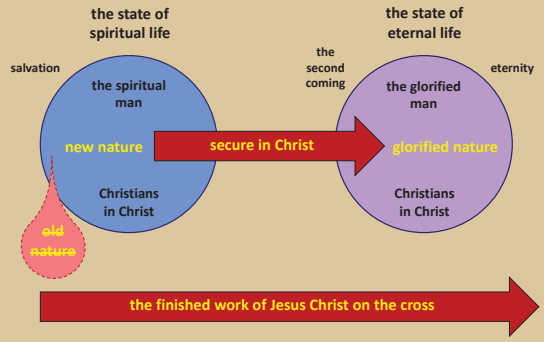
the spiritual assurance



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3rd · The Spiritual Man

Spiritual Life

Romans 12:1-2

The Spiritual Life

Presentation to God · Romans 12:1-2

The Gospel Message – The Promise of Salvation in Christ

the judgment of man Romans 1:1-3:20	the gospel of Christ Romans 3:21-8:39

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "But the righteous man shall live by faith" (Romans 1:16-17)

all under sin all without excuse	salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone **justification ➡ sanctification ➡ glorification**	
	justification	sanctification	glory
	3:21-4:25	5:1-8:17	8:18-39

"Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God though our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we also have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in the hope of the glory of God" (Romans 5:1-2).

The Romans Road
the pathway to glory – **Romans 1-11** – the sovereignty of God
walking on the pathway – **Romans 12-16** – the responsibility of Christians

The Spiritual Life

Presentation to God · Romans 12:1-2

"I urge you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship" (Romans 12:1).

The Call to Worship God in All of Life

context ➡ the gospel ➡ Romans 1-8

call ➡ apostolic urging ➡ Christians

power ➡ the mercies of God

action ➡ priestly presentation
"living" · "holy" · "well-pleasing" ➡ sacrifice

purpose ➡ spiritual service of worship

The Spiritual Life

Presentation to God · Romans 12:1-2

"And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect" (Romans 12:2).

The Way to Worship God in All of Life

meaning ➡ transformed ➡ "change of condition" + "to form"
metamorphosis · internal · inward to outward

action ➡ (+) be transformed ➡ continuous action in life
a passive command · action by God · positioning self

pursuit ➡ renewal of mind ➡ "back again" + "new different"
realign the mind to think according to Scripture | to God

result ➡ prove the will of God ➡ approve by testing
morally good · well-pleasing · perfect | reaches the goal

The Spiritual Life

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The Way to Worship God in All of Life

meaning ➡ conformed ➡ "together with" + "to fashion"
pressing into a mold · external · outward to inward

action ➡ (–) be conformed ➡ stop the action in progress
the world is active fashioning your values and actions

object ➡ the world ➡ "age" · the times
the world with reference to time

Christian World View

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3rd · The Spiritual Man

Spiritual Growth

2 Peter 1:1-11

The Spiritual Growth

Adding to Faith · 2 Peter 1:1-11

"Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the *true*-knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord, seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the *true*-knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence virtue. For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, in order that by them you might become partakers of *the* divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust" (2 Peter 1:2-4).

knowledge ➡ the "true-knowledge"

power ➡ the "divine power"

piety ➡ the "life and godliness"

glory ➡ the "divine nature"

The Spiritual Growth

Adding to Faith · 2 Peter 1:1-11

"Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in your moral excellence, knowledge, and in your knowledge, self control, and in your self-control, perseverance, and in your perseverance, godliness; and in your godliness, brotherly kindness, and in your brotherly kindness, love." (2 Peter 1:5-7).

- context → "this very reason"
- pursuit → "applying all diligence" to bring alongside every effort.
- action → " supply" to provide in addition to outfit completely

The Spiritual Growth

Adding to Faith · 2 Peter 1:1-11

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Adding to Faith · 2 Peter 1:1-11

"For if these *qualities* are yours and are increasing, they render you neither useless nor unfruitful in the true-knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. For he who lacks these *qualities* is blind or shortsighted, having forgotten *his* purification from his former sins. Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you." (2 Peter 1:8-11).

- promise → "if these qualities are yours"
- warning → "he who lacks these qualities"
- promise → "practice ➡ never stumble"
- promise → "practice ➡ kingdom entrance"

The Spiritual Growth

Adding to Faith · 2 Peter 1:1-11

The Conclusion

The Final Word of Encouragement

"… but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
To Him be the glory both now and forever.
Amen"
(2 Peter 3:18).

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Romans 6:1-14

The Spiritual Man

the spiritual life · Romans

the epistle to the Romans															
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
the gospel · explained								defended			applied				

the gospel · explained · salvation

the need of salvation · the problem of sin and death

Romans 1:16 – 3:20 · all under sin · all without excuse

the way of salvation · by grace through faith in Christ

Romans 3:21 – 4:25 ❶ justification

☆ Romans 5:1 – 8:17 ❷ sanctification

Romans 8:18 – 8:39 ❸ glorification

The Spiritual Man

the spiritual life · Romans 6

☆ **the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14**

the question · Shall we go on sinning (~) that grace may increase?

❶ Romans 6:1-10 · the position · baptism & union

❷ Romans 6:11 · the power · imputation

❸ Romans 6:12-14 · the presentation · put off & put on

the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:15-23

the question · Is one act of sin (X) permissible?

only two masters · two slaves · two presentations · two outcomes

① presentations to sin → impurity & lawlessness
the wages of sin = death

② presentations to obedience → righteousness · sanctification
the gift of God = eternal life

The Spiritual Man

the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

☆ ❶ **the position · Romans 6:1-10**
"who you are!"

❷ **the power · Romans 6:11**
"what you tell yourself!"

❸ **the presentation · Romans 6:12-14**
"what you do!"

The Spiritual Man
the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

☆ 1 the position · Romans 6:1-10 · *"who you are!"*

principle (2): since we died to sin · then we no longer live in sin

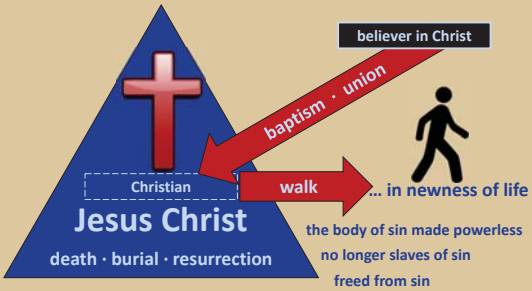
baptism (3-4): all baptized into Christ's death · we were buried with Christ
all baptized into Christ's resurrection · we were raised with Christ
» to walk in newness of life

union (5-7): we have become united with Christ in the likeness of His death
we have become united with Christ in the likeness of His resurrection
truth → our old man was crucified with Christ (6)
purpose → that our body of sin might be done away with (6)
purpose → that we should not longer be slaves of sin (6)
truth → he who has died is freed from sin (7)

principle (8-10): since we died with Christ · then we shall live with Christ
the resurrected Christ is never to die again
death no longer is master over Christ
the death that Christ died · He died to sin · once for all
but · the life that Christ lives · He lives to God

The Spiritual Man
the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

☆ 1 the position · Romans 6:1-10 · *"who you are!"*



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the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

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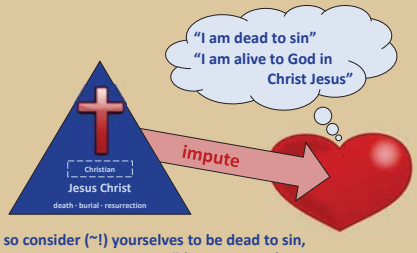

"Even so consider (~!) yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus" (Romans 6:11).

The Spiritual Man
the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

1 the position · Romans 6:1-10 · *"who you are!"*

2 the power · Romans 6:11 · *"what you tell yourself!"*

☆ 3 the presentation · Romans 6:12-14 · *"what you do!"*

STOP the reign of sin as king in your life!

"Therefore do not let sin reign (~!–) in your mortal body that you should obey its lusts, ..." (Romans 6:12).

STOP setting yourself alongside! ➡ DECISIVELY set yourself alongside!

"... and do not go on presenting (~!–) the members of your body to sin as instruments of unrighteousness; but present (X!) yourselves to God as those alive from the dead, and your members as instruments of righteousness to God" (Romans 6:13).

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the spiritual strategy · Romans 6:1-14

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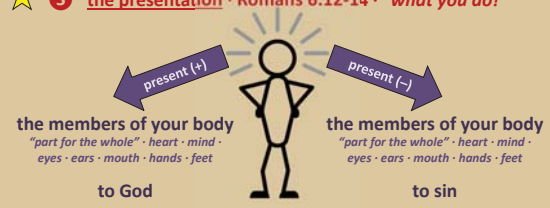

the members of your body
"part for the whole" · heart · mind · eyes · ears · mouth · hands · feet
to God
as instruments (tools) of righteousness

the members of your body
"part for the whole" · heart · mind · eyes · ears · mouth · hands · feet
to sin
as instruments (tools) of unrighteousness

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"what you do!"

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The Four States of Man

3rd · The Spiritual Man

Spiritual Life

Assurance of Salvation

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

Christian assurance
"How do I know that I am saved?"

1 Christian assurance
· the promise of the Word

2 Christian assurance
· the witness of the Holy Spirit

3 Christian assurance
· the evidence of spiritual life

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

1 Christian assurance
· the promise of the Word

Jesus said, "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life" (John 3:16).
God's promise · (my response) I believe the Word of God.
God's provision · (my response) I believe the God of the Word.

the gospel according to the power of God · 2 Timothy 1:8
"For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day" (2 Timothy 1:12).
God's promise · I have believed.
God's power · I am convinced that He is able to guard.

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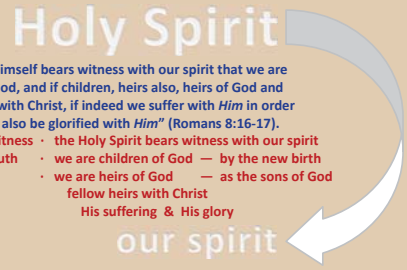
assurance of salvation

2 Christian assurance
· the witness of the Holy Spirit



"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him* in order that we may also be glorified with *Him*" (Romans 8:16-17).
God's witness · the Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirit
God's truth · we are children of God — by the new birth
· we are heirs of God — as the sons of God
fellow heirs with Christ
His suffering & His glory

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

3 Christian assurance
· the evidence of spiritual life

The First Epistle of John
three evidences of spiritual life
① the test of obedience
② the test of love
③ the test of faith

"These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, in order that you may know that you have eternal life" (1 John 5:13).

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

The First Epistle of John
three evidences of spiritual life
① the test of obedience

(+) the "obedience" statement
"And by this we know that we have come to know Him, if we keep His commandments" (1 John 2:3).

(–) the "liar" statement:
"The one who says, 'I have come to know Him,' and does not keep His commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him; but whoever keeps His word, in him the love of God has truly been perfected" (1 John 2:4-5a).

(+) "By this we know that we are in Him: the one who says he abides in Him ought himself to walk in the same manner as He walked" (1 John 2:5b-6).

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assurance of salvation

The First Epistle of John
three evidences of spiritual life
② the test of love

(+) the "love" statement
"We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love abides in death" (1 John 3:14)

(–) the "liar" statement:
"If someone says, 'I love God,' and hates his brother, he is a liar, for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen" (1 John 4:20).

(+) "And this commandment we have from Him, that the one who loves God should love his brother also" (1 John 4:21).

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

The First Epistle of John
three evidences of spiritual life
③ the test of faith

(+) the "faith" statement
"As for you, let that abide in you which you heard from the beginning. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will abide in the Son and in the Father" (1 John 3:24)

(–) the "liar" statement:
"I have not written to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it, and because no lie is of the truth. Who is the liar but the one who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, the one who denies the Father and the Son (1 John 2:21-22).

(+) "Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God" (1 John 4:15).

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assurance of salvation

Jesus said, "Beware of the false prophet, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves. You will know them by their fruits. Grapes are not gathered from thorn bushes, nor figs from thistles, are they? Even so, every good tree bears good fruit; but the bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. So then, you will know them by their fruits" (Matthew 7:15-20).

What does the fruit of your life reveal about you?

The Spiritual Man
assurance of salvation

Holy Spirit

Christian World View

The Four States of Man

4th · The Glorified Man

The Four States of Man

the state of goodness | the state of depravity | the state of spiritual life | the state of eternal life

creation | the fall | salvation | the second coming | eternity

the good man	the natural man	the spiritual man	the glorified man
good nature	old nature	new nature	glorified nature
man after creation	man after the fall	man after salvation	man after Christ's return
		~~old nature~~	
Adam & Eve	all mankind	all in Christ after salvation	all in Christ after the resurrection
posse peccare	*non posse non peccare*	*posse non peccare*	*non posse peccare*
able to sin	not able not to sin	able not to sin	not able to sin

The Four States of Man

4th · the state of glory

the second coming | eternity

the state of eternal life

nature in glory

man after the 2nd coming

the kingdom of God
the crown of Jesus Christ

new heavens & new earth
... forever with the Lord

all in Christ · after the resurrection

non posse peccare

not able to sin

The Four States of Man

life · the first state of man

the life of God in man

mankind
created in the image & likeness of God
the good man
fellowship with God
body + soul + spirit

The Four States of Man

death · the first separation

sin & death in man

the fall of man
corruption of nature
the natural man
separation from God
body + soul | ~~spirit~~
1

The Four States of Man

death is separation

death is separation

1 spiritual death = separation of the spirit of man from God ... in life

2 physical death = separation of the soul from the body ... after life

3 eternal death = separation of the body + soul · ~~spirit~~ from God ... forever

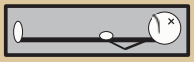
The Four States of Man

death · the second separation

body + soul + spirit

body ↔ soul | ~~spirit~~
2 1

body



The Four States of Man

death · the second separation

death

physical death

Heaven

place of comfort
soul & spirit

spiritual man

natural man

Old Testament
SHEOL
the intermediate (in-between) place of immaterial man (soul-spirit)
the grave

body

soul & ~~spirit~~
place of misery

The Four States of Man
death · the second separation

death
physical death

Heaven

rest & blessing for the saved
soul & spirit
New Testament
HADES

spiritual man

natural man

the intermediate (in-between) place of immaterial man (soul-spirit)

soul & ~~spirit~~
darkness & misery for the lost

body

The Four States of Man
the procession · the spiritual man

Christ's
procession

Heaven
paradise
soul & spirit

Old Testament saints

Ephesians 4:8-10

soul & spirit
rest & blessing for the saved

Old Testament · New Testament
SHEOL · HADES

body

The Four States of Man
death · the interim state today

death
physical death

Heaven · paradise
soul & spirit

2 Corinthians 5:6-10
absent from the body = home with the Lord

soul & ~~spirit~~
darkness & misery for the lost

Old Testament · New Testament
SHEOL · HADES

body

The Four States of Man
resurrection · the glorified man

Christ's
coming

Heaven
paradise
soul & spirit

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

1st

body

glorified

body + soul + spirit
glorified

The Four States of Man
resurrection · the glorified man

Christ's
coming

Heaven
paradise
soul & spirit

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

2nd

glorified

living Christians

body + soul + spirit
glorified

The Four States of Man
resurrection · the glorified man

Christ's
coming

Heaven

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
"caught up" = rapture

3rd

glorified saints
body + soul + spirit

The Four States of Man
heaven · the glorified man

Old Testament
Hebrew
SHĀ·MĂ·YIM

Heaven

New Testament
Greek
OURANOS

Heaven
the place of everlasting rest for the glorified man

3rd Heaven · glory / paradise · the domain of God & angels
2nd Heaven · space / the universe · the domain of stars & galaxies
1st Heaven · sky / atmosphere · the domain of birds, animals & man

1. the intermediate (in-between) place of immaterial believers after the cross
2. the final place of glorified believers after the second coming of Christ

The Four States of Man
new heavens & new earth · the glorified man

the great white throne judgment

Revelation 20:11-15

2 Peter 3:10-13
Revelation 20:11 & 21:1

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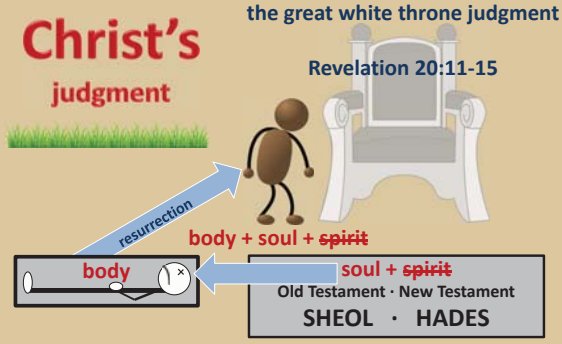
resurrection · the natural man

Christ's judgment

the great white throne judgment

Revelation 20:11-15



The Four States of Man

Hell · the natural man

Old Testament · New Testament
SHEOL · HADES

Hell = GEHENNA

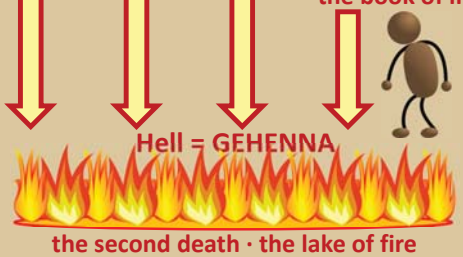
the place of eternal punishment for the natural man
a place of darkness and fiery torment
named after the valley of Hennom south of Jerusalem
a place of idolatry and the burning of waste

the second death · the lake of fire

The Four States of Man

Hell · the natural man

devil demons · death · SHEOL HADES · anyone not listed in the book of life



the second death · the lake of fire

The Four States of Man

Hell · the natural man

<u>the biblical descriptions of Hell</u>

"the outer darkness"
"the blackness of darkness forever"
"the unquenchable fire"
"the furnace of fire"
"the lake of fire and brimstone"
"the worm does not die"

the second death · the lake of fire

The Four States of Man

Hell · the natural man

<u>the biblical experience of Hell</u>

"the blackness of darkness forever"
"burning with fire and brimstone"
"there will be weeping, wailing, and gnashing of teeth"
"undergoing the punishment"
"no rest day or night"
"torment day and night forever and ever"

the second death · the lake of fire

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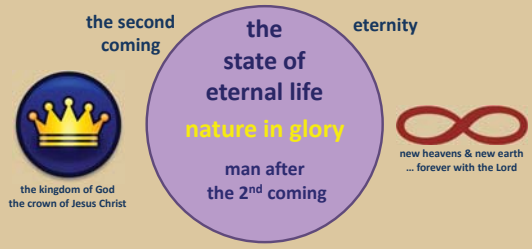
4th · the state of glory



all in Christ · after the resurrection

non posse peccare
not able to sin

The Four States of Man

the body of Christ · the state of glory

the Lord Jesus Christ · the only One in glorified body today
"the first fruits of those who are asleep" · 1 Corinthians 15:20, 23
<u>the transfiguration · the resurrection from the tomb</u>

Jesus Christ

1. seeing and being recognized
2. speaking and hearing
3. touching and being touched
4. vanishing
5. appearing
6. eating
7. ascending

"Beloved, now we are children of God,
and it has not appeared as yet what we will be.
We know that when He appears, we will be like Him,
because we will see Him just as He is." · 1 John 3:1-3 (2)

The Four States of Man

the body described · the state of glory

"How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?"
1 Corinthians 15:20, 23

the Bible

1	perishable	→ imperishable
2	dishonor	→ glory
3	weakness	→ power
4	natural body	→ spiritual body
5	earthly image	→ heavenly image
6	mortal	→ immortal
7	mortal	→ eternal · life

"Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed – in 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" · 1 Corinthians 15:51-52

The Four States of Man

4th · the state of glory

the state of eternal life

the glorified nature

all in Christ after the resurrection

ARE YOU READY?

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life" · John 3:16

The Four States of Man

the curse & the victory

Jesus Christ

the curse declared	· the fall	· Genesis 3:17-19 (17)
the curse defined	· the Law	· Deuteronomy 27:26 Galatians 3:10
the curse defeated	· the cross	· Deuteronomy 21:23 Galatians 3:13
the curse delayed	· the creation	· Romans 8:20-22
the curse diminished	· the kingdom	· Isaiah 11:1-16 Revelation 20:4-6
the curse deleted	· the NH & NE	· Revelation 22:3

The Four States of Man

summing up all things in Christ

Jesus Christ

the five Solas of the Reformation:

sola Scriptura = Scripture alone

sola gratia = grace alone

sola fide = faith alone

solus Christus = Christ alone

soli Deo gloria = glory to God alone

Scripture alone: salvation is by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone. To the glory of God alone.

The Four States of Man

the glory of God

Jesus Christ

"For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever. Amen."
Romans 11:36

Jesus Christ is · the origin · the means · the end · of all things
Glory be to God!

"Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, and you shall be saved …"
Acts 16:31

Jesus Christ is …
the Son of God · the Messiah · the Lord · the Savior · the King

Christian World View

The Things to Come

Eschatology

The Things to Come

Old Testament Eschatology

Eschatology → DEFINITION

Greek · ἔσχατος = ESCHATOS → "last"
Greek · λόγος = LOGOS → "to speak"
LOGOS = a word conceived & a word spoken

ESCHATOS + LOGOS → "last" + "saying"
to speak of last things
to speak of end times
to speak of things to come

The Things to Come

Old Testament Eschatology

Eschatology → KEY HISTORICAL DEVELOPMENTS

creation · the fall · the promise
1. "the seed" promise · a glorious victory · salvation & dominion

the covenants:
2. Noahic
3. Abrahamic · land, nation, blessing
4. Mosaic · the Law = the seed will save
5. Davidic · the king = the seed will rule
6. new · the triumphant salvation & kingdom
   - 1st phase = the church
   - 2nd phase = the millennial kingdom

The Things to Come

Old Testament Eschatology

Old Testament "promise" → the new covenant → New Testament "provision"

the Seed · Genesis 3:15

Jesus Christ

Edenic promise
Noahic covenant
Abrahamic covenant
Mosaic covenant
Davidic covenant

The Things to Come
Old Testament Eschatology

Old Testament "promise" → New Testament "provision"

Jesus Christ

the Seed · Genesis 3:15

Messiah · Daniel 9:25-26
only 2x OT references of "Messiah"
Son of Man · Son of God
Prophet · Priest · King
Suffering Servant · Reigning Lord

The Things to Come
Old Testament Eschatology

Old Testament "promise" → New Testament "provision"

Jesus Christ

salvation · kingdom
the presence of the Messiah
the restoration of Israel
the resurrection
final judgment · final salvation
the new heavens and new earth

The Things to Come
New Testament Eschatology

Eschatology → DEFINITION

Greek · ἔσχατος = ESCHATOS → "last"
Greek · λόγος = LOGOS → "to speak"
LOGOS = a word conceived & a word spoken
ESCHATOS + LOGOS → "last" + "saying"
to speak of last things · the end times · the things to come

Eschatology → KEY DISTINCTIONS

the relationship of the covenants:
- "the Old Covenant" to "the New Covenant"

the relationship of "Israel" to the "church":
- progressive theology -vs- replacement theology

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Eschatology → KEY DEVELOPMENTS

1. the rapture = "caught up"
   pre-trib./ beginning · mid-trib./ middle · post-trib./ ending
2. the resurrection
   NT saints · OT saints · trib. martyrs · mill. saints · the lost dead
3. the tribulation
   preterist/ 70 AD · historicist/ church history · futurist/ things to come
4. second coming
   1st coming as the Savior · 2nd coming as the King
5. the kingdom
   pre-millennial · a-millennial · post-millennial
6. the judgment
   judgment seat of Christ · separation of sheep and goats · great white throne judgment
7. the new heavens and the new earth

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Eschatology → three systems

1. pre·millennialism
2. a·millennialism
3. post·millennialism

Eschatology → the parts of the whole

1st coming · Savior	2nd coming · King
church	Israel
resurrection	tribulation
rapture	restoration
judgment	kingdom
	new heavens & new earth

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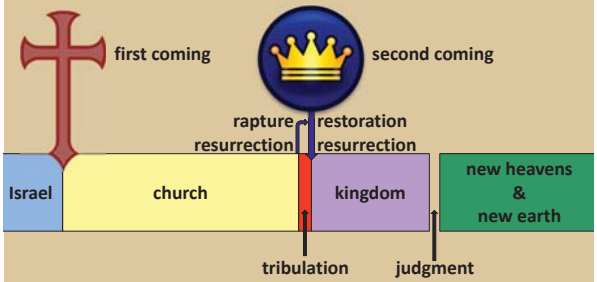
millennial views
pre·millennialism



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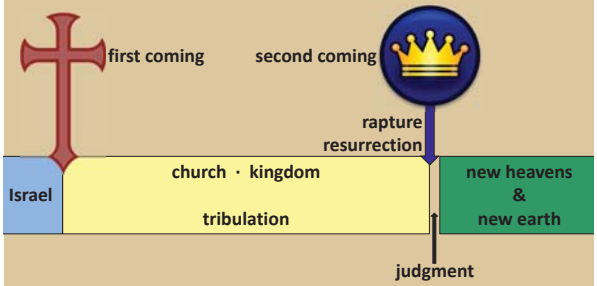

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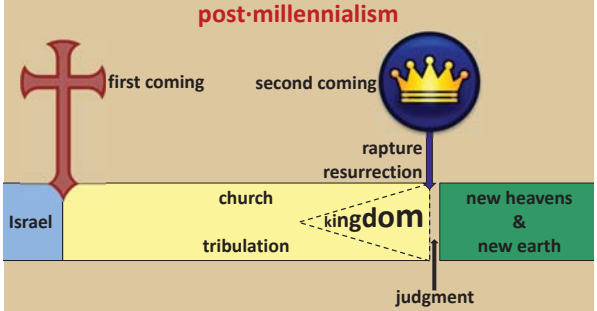

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The Seed Promise
- the victory

The Messianic Promise
- Son of Man – Son of God
- Suffering Servant – Reigning King
- Savior – Ruler

The Fulfillment of the Promise
- restoration – resurrection – salvation
- coming, presence and dominion of the Messiah
- judgment of the wicked
- kingdom – outpouring of the Spirit of God
- new covenant

Messiah (Hebrew) = the anointed one, the chosen one, "Christ" (Greek)
Consecrating someone / setting them apart for a divinely appointed role.

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New Testament Eschatology → Revelation

Views of the Book of Revelation:
1. Futurist – events at the end of the age
2. Preterist – events at the 70 AD destruction of Jerusalem
3. Historicist – events throughout church history
4. Idealist – symbolic of the struggles leading to the final victor

Christian World View
The Things to Come
Daniel

Daniel

Daniel = "God is my judge" — 6th century BC / 600-500 BC

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
History						Prophecy					
Nebuchadnezzar				Bel.	Darius	Belshazzar		Darius	Cyrus		
Heb.	Aramaic					Hebrew					
Jew	Gentile					Gen.		Jew	Gentile		Jew
the king's food	the four kingdoms - the statue	the fiery furnace	the king's tree	the writing on the wall	the lion's den	the four kingdoms - the beasts		the ram & the goat	the seventy weeks	the kingdoms of Medo-Persia and Greece		the distress

humble ③ ↔ ③ humble
deliver ② ↔ ② deliver
empires ① ↔ ① empires

biblical chiasm

Gentile Kingdoms

Babylon . . . . . gold . . . . . lion . . . . . 626-539 BC
Medo-Persia . . silver . . . . . bear . . . . . ram . . 539-330 BC
Greece . . . . . bronze . . . . leopard . . goat . . 330-63 BC
Rome . . . . . iron/ clay . . beast . . . . . 63 BC– 476

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Old Testament Eschatology → Daniel

The Kingdom of God

Romans · 27 BC – AD 476 … — Messiah
Greeks · 330-63 BC
Medes & Persians · 539-330 BC
Babylon · 626-539 BC — Daniel
Assyria · 911-612 BC
Egypt · 3100-332 BC

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Old Testament Eschatology → Daniel

Daniel 9:1-19 · the 70 prayer
- the confession of sin – the righteousness of God (7, 16)
- the curse written in the Law of Moses (11)
- the mercy and forgiveness of God (9)

"Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate. O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies. O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God , for your city and Your people are called by your name" (Daniel 9:17-19).

Daniel 9:20-23 · the provision
- the angel Gabriel

Daniel 9:24-27 · the 70 x 7 prophecy
- the seventy weeks

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Judah · Babylonian captivity

Jeremiah 25:11-12; 29:10 → "70 years" ← Daniel 9:2

"seventy weeks" = "seventy sevens"

שבעים = SHAVUIM = sevens

70 x 7 = 490 years

"… have been decreed for …"

"your people" · "your holy city"

Daniel 9:24 → "490 years"

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70 weeks · 70 sevens

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God's decree for Israel & for Jerusalem …

1. to finish the transgression
2. to make an end of sin
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5. to seal up vision and prophecy
6. to anoint the most holy *place*

The Things to Come

Old Testament Eschatology → Daniel

God's decree for Israel & for Jerusalem …

1. to finish the "transgression" = the violation of law
   (–) "finish" = to bring to an end → the final covering
2. to make an end of "sin" = the act · feeling · thought of the forbidden
   (–) "end" = to seal up → the final removal
3. to make atonement for "iniquity" = the act of the perverted
   (–) "atonement" = to expiate → the final cleansing
4. to bring in everlasting "righteousness" = the demand of a standard
   (+) "bring" = to cause to happen → the final presence
5. to seal up "vision and prophecy" = the inspired revelation
   (+) "end" = to seal up → the final completion
6. to anoint the most holy *place* = the temple or the Messiah
   (+) "anoint" = to administer oil → the final blessing

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God's decree for Israel & for Jerusalem …

Daniel — 70 weeks = 490 years, 4 empires → the Messiah, the Kingdom of God (1, 2 3, 4 5 6)

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70 weeks · 70 sevens

7 | 62 | 1

Jerusalem rebuilt ??? · 49 years

the decrees to rebuild Jerusalem:

1. Cyrus · 539-8 BC · temple · Ezra 1:1-11
2. Darius · 519-8 BC · temple · Ezra 5:3-6:13
3. Artaxerxes · 458-7 BC · temple · Ezra 7:11-26
4. Artaxerxes · 445-4 BC · city & wall · Nehemiah 2:1-8

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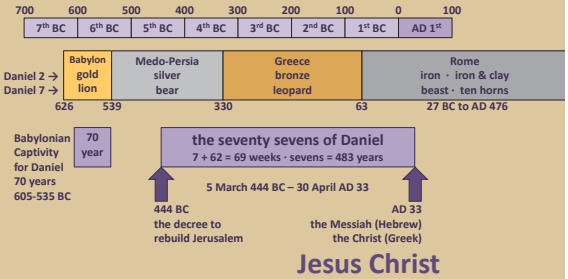

Jesus Christ

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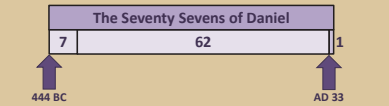

444 BC
the decree to rebuild Jerusalem

AD 33
the Messiah (Hebrew)
the Christ (Greek)

Robert Anderson
7 + 62 = 69 sevens
69 x 7 = 483 years
483 years x 360 days in the ancient calendar = 173,880 days
173,880 days / 365¼ days Gregorian 1582 calendar = 476 years
476 years = 14 March 445 BC → 6 April AD 32

*Harold Hoehner
476 years = 1 Nisan / 5 March 444 BC → 10 Nisan / 30 March AD 33
Artaxerxes's decree → Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem
14 Nisan / April 3 AD 33 – Christ was crucified

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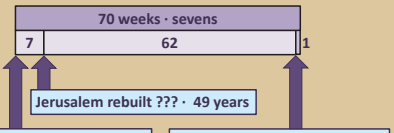

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Artaxerxes · 445-4 BC
Nehemiah 2:1-8 · city & wall

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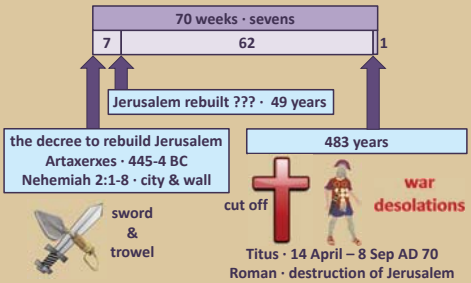

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Titus · 14 April – 8 Sep AD 70
Roman · destruction of Jerusalem

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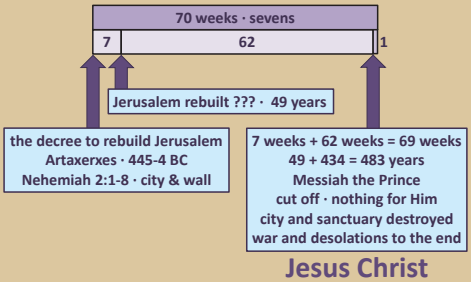

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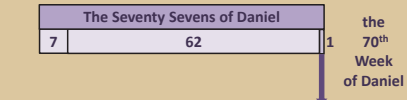

① the anti-Christ
the prince comes
one week → the prince will make a covenant
mid-week → the prince will end sacrifice and grain offering

② the great tribulation
one who makes desolate comes
on the wings of abominations
· a complete destruction · a decreed destruction
· poured out on the one who makes desolate

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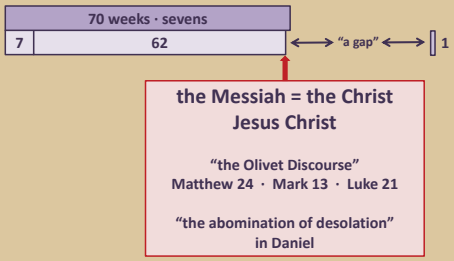
New Testament Eschatology → Messiah



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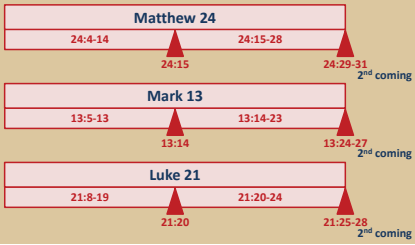
Jesus Christ · "the Olivet Discourse"

"When will the stones of the temple be torn down?"
"What will be the sign of the second coming and the end of the age?"



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Jesus Christ · "the Olivet Discourse"

"Therefore when you see the Abomination of Desolation which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains; let him who is on the housetop not go down to get the things out that are in his house; and let him who is in the field not turn back to get his cloak. But woe to those who are with child and to those who nurse babes in those days! But pray that your flight may not be in the winter, nor on a Sabbath; for then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall. And unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days shall be cut short." – Matthew 24:15-22

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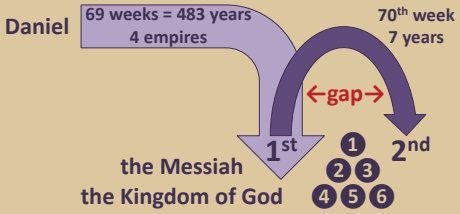
Old Testament Eschatology → Daniel

God's decree for Israel & for Jerusalem …



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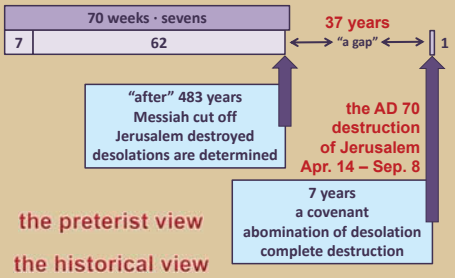

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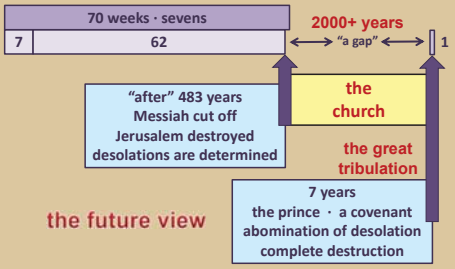

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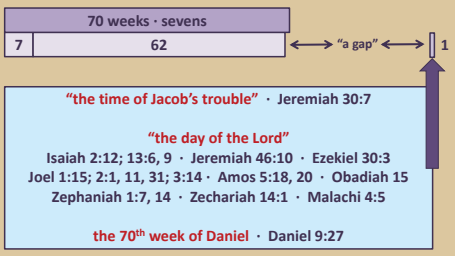

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70 weeks · sevens			
7	62	"a gap"	1

the 70th week of Daniel · the time of Jacob's trouble

"the day of the Lord"
Acts 2:20 · 1 Corinthians 5:5 · 2 Corinthians 1:14
1 Thessalonians 5:2 · 2 Peter 3:10

"the great tribulation"
Matthew 24:15-28 · Mark 13:14-23 · Luke 21:20-28
Revelation 4-19

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The Book of Revelation

the references to time:
1,290 (1260 +30) days · Daniel 12:11
1,335 (1260 +30 +45) days · Daniel 12:12
1,260 days · Revelation 11:3 · 12:6
42 months · Revelation 11:2 · 13:5
Daniel 7:25 · times, time & half a time · Revelation 12:14
… all references = 3½ years
… all references to half of seven years

the 70th week of Daniel = seven years
the great tribulation = seven years

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Old Testament Eschatology → Daniel

Daniel → Messiah
seventy sevens · 490 years

God's decree for Israel & for Jerusalem …

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Christian World View

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Revelation

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New Testament Eschatology → Revelation

REVELATION · the Revelation of Jesus Christ																					
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
the vision	seven letters seven churches		the tribulation																the millennium	new heavens new earth	

the outline of the book · Revelation 1:19

past · chapter 1 · "write … the things which you have seen …
present · chapters 2-3 · and the thing which are …
future · chapters 4-22 · and the things which shall take place after these things."

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Revelation → the vision

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the revelation of God through Jesus Christ
to John though His angel
to show His slaves
the things which must shortly take place

Jesus Christ

the vision of the Son of Man in all His glory
warning of the judgment to come

The Things to Come
Revelation → the vision

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the vision																					

Revelation 1:3-6
"Blessed is he who reads
and those who hear the words of the prophecy,
and heed the things which are written in it; for the time is near."

from Him who is, who was, and who is to come = the Father
Revelation 1:8; 4:8; 11:17; 16:5
from the seven Spirits before the throne = the Holy Spirit
from Jesus Christ = the Son

"Behold, He is coming with the clouds,
and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him;
and all the tribes of the earth will mourn over Him. Even so. Amen."

seven churches · seven golden lampstands = churches · seven stars = angels

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Revelation → 7 letters to 7 churches

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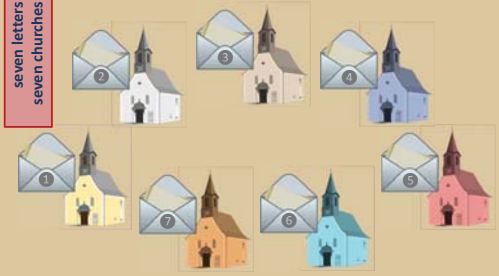

Revelation 2-3

John wrote from
the island of Patmos

seven letters to
seven churches

1. Ephesus
2. Smyrna
3. Pergamum
4. Thyatira
5. Sardis
6. Philadelphia
7. Laodicea

The Things to Come

Revelation → 7 letters to 7 churches

REVELATION · the Revelation of Jesus Christ

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seven letters seven churches

the similar form of the seven letters

1. address · the angel / messenger of the church
2. author · Jesus Christ with an attribute from the vision
3. commendation · *"I know your …"* → good works
4. concern · identifying and addressing a problem
5. counsel · a word with warning or encouragement
6. call · *"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches."*
7. promise · "He who overcomes" → a promise

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	1 Ephesus	2 Smyrna	3 Pergamum	4 Thyatira	5 Sardis	6 Philadelphia	7 Laodicea
1 address	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
2 author	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
3 commendation	X	X	X	X	X	X	
4 concern	X		X	X	X		X
5 counsel	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
6 call	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
7 promise	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

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seven letters seven churches

seven letters to seven churches

1	2:1-7	Ephesus	left your first love
2	2:8-11	Smyrna	shall suffer ten tribulations
3	2:12-17	Pergamum	compromise to stumbling
4	2:18-29	Thyatira	toleration to corruption
5	3:1-6	Sardis	alive but dead · wake up!
6	3:7-13	Philadelphia	an open door that no one can shut
7	3:14-22	Laodicea	lukewarm · open the fellowship door

✓ 1st view · confronting seven first century problems in churches in Asia minor
2nd view · addressing seven problems that appear throughout church history
3rd view · defining seven periods in church history

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seven letters seven churches

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1	2:1-7	Ephesus	problem of backsliding
2	2:8-11	Smyrna	problem of persecution
3	2:12-17	Pergamum	problem of compromise
4	2:18-29	Thyatira	problem of toleration
5	3:1-6	Sardis	problem of spiritual deadness
6	3:7-13	Philadelphia	problem of spiritual perseverance
7	3:14-22	Laodicea	problem of spiritual apathy

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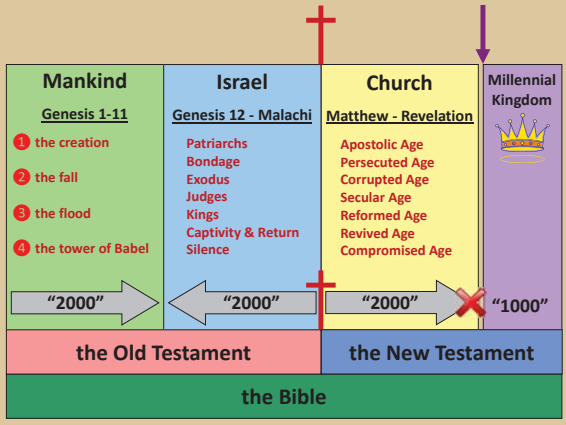

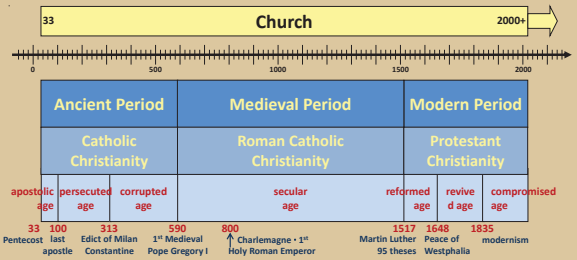

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The Things to Come

New Testament Eschatology → Revelation

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the vision	seven letters seven churches		the tribulation																the millennium	new heavens new earth	

the outline of the book · Revelation 1:19

past · chapter 1 · "write … the things which you have seen …
present · chapters 2-3 · and the thing which are …
future · chapters 4-22 · and the things which shall take place after these things."

The Things to Come

Revelation → tribulation

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	the day of the Lord the time of Jacob's trouble the 70th week of Daniel the great tribulation	
	seven years	
Daniel 7:25	times, time, and half a time	times, time, and half a time Rev. 12:14
	3 ½ years	3 ½ years
	42 months	42 months Rev. 11:2, 13:5
Daniel 12:11,12	1,260 days	1,260 days Rev. 11:3, 12:6

The Things to Come

Revelation → tribulation judgments

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the wrath of God · 21 judgments

seals
1 · 2 · 3 · 4 · 5 · 6 · 7

trumpets
1 · 2 · 3 · 4 · 5 · 6 · 7

bowls
1 · 2 · 3 · 4 · 5 · 6 · 7

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the tribulation

the Lamb 1	6:1-2	angel 1	8:7	angel 1 16:2
the Lamb 2	6:3-4	angel 2	8:8-9	angel 2 16:3
the Lamb 3	6:5-6	angel 3	8:10-11	angel 3 16:4-7
the Lamb 4	6:7-8	angel 4	8:12-13	angel 4 16:8-9
the Lamb 5	6:9-11	angel 5	9:1-12	angel 5 16:10-11
the Lamb 6	6:12-17	angel 6	9:13-21	angel 6 16:12-16
the Lamb 7	8:1-6	angel 7	11:14-19	angel 7 16:17-21

The Things to Come

Revelation → seven tribulation interludes

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the tribulation

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seven tribulation interludes

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the tribulation

7 seals

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the Lamb 2	6:3-4	
the Lamb 3	6:5-6	
the Lamb 4	6:7-8	
the Lamb 5	6:9-11	
the Lamb 6	6:12-17	
the Lamb 7	8:1-6	

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Revelation → tribulation · 7 seals

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the tribulation

7 seals

Lamb 1	1st living creature "come" · white horse & rider · bow & victor's crown · conquering to conquer
Lamb 2	2nd living creature "come" · red horse & rider · great sword · peace removed · men slay one another
Lamb 3	3rd living creature "come" · black horse & rider · pair of scales · scarcity of food
Lamb 4	4th living creature "come" · ashen horse & rider · "Death" is rider · Hades followed · authority over ¼ earth · kill with sword, famine, pestilence & wild beasts
Lamb 5	souls of martyrs · *"How long until judgment and avenging our blood?"*
Lamb 6	earthquake · sun black · moon blood · stars fall · sky splits · mountains & islands move · men hide & call for rocks to hide them from the wrath of the Lamb
Lamb 7	silence ½ hour · seven angels & seven trumpets

The Things to Come
Revelation → tribulation · 7 trumpets

REVELATION · the Revelation of Jesus Christ

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

the tribulation

7 trumpets

angel 1 8:7
angel 2 8:8-9
angel 3 8:10-11
angel 4 8:12-13
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the tribulation

7 bowls

angel 1 the mark of the beast · bad & evil sore on all worshipers of the beast
angel 2 the sea · becomes blood like dead man and everything in the sea died
angel 3 the rivers & streams & waters · become blood to drink · the martyrs
angel 4 the sun · scorches men with fire & heat · blaspheme & no repentance
angel 5 the throne of the beast · darkness & pain · blaspheme & no repentance
angel 6 the Euphrates · dried up · 3 unclean demon spirits gather kings for war
angel 7 the air · "It is done" · lightning & thunder · great earthquake · great city split-3 · cities fall · islands fled · mountains disappear · huge hailstones

The Things to Come
Revelation → tribulation · 7 trumpets

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1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22

the tribulation

7 trumpets

angel 1 hail & fire & blood thrown to the earth · ⅓ earth & trees burned · all green grass burned
angel 2 great mountain burning with fire thrown into the sea · ⅓ sea became blood
angel 3 great star fell from heaven · ⅓ rivers & springs · "Wormwood" · many died
angel 4 ⅓ sun, ⅓ moon, ⅓ stars smitten so ⅓ darkened · ⅓ day & night darkened
angel 5 1st woe → star fallen · the bottomless pit opened · smoke & locusts · scorpion sting for all w/o seal of God · torment not kill · 5 months · Abaddon / Apollyon
angel 6 2nd woe → four bound angels released at Euphrates · kill ⅓ men · 200 million horsemen · kill by fire, smoke, & brimstone · no repentance of the living
angel 7 3rd woe → the 7th angel · worship God · lightning, earthquake, hail → 7 bowls

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Revelation → tribulation

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the tribulation
7 seals
7 trumpets
7 bowls

the tribulation
view #1 7 seals ➡ 7 trumpets ➡ 7 bowls

view #2
the beginning of sorrows | the great tribulation
seals · trumpets · bowls

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Revelation → tribulation · 7 bowls

REVELATION · the Revelation of Jesus Christ

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the tribulation

7 bowls

angel 1 16:2
angel 2 16:3
angel 3 16:4-7
angel 4 16:8-9
angel 5 16:10-11
angel 6 16:12-16
angel 7 16:17-21

The Things to Come
Revelation → tribulation judgments

REVELATION · the Revelation of Jesus Christ

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the tribulation

the Lamb		angel		angel	
1	6:1-2	1	8:7	1	16:2
2	6:3-4	2	8:8-9	2	16:3
3	6:5-6	3	8:10-11	3	16:4-7
4	6:7-8	4	8:12-13	4	16:8-9
5	6:9-11	5	9:1-12	5	16:10-11
6	6:12-17	6	9:13-21	6	16:12-16
7	8:1-6	7	11:14-19	7	16:17-21

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Revelation → tribulation · 7 bowls

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the tribulation

angel 1 8:7	earth	angel 1 16:2
angel 2 8:8-9	sea	angel 2 16:3
angel 3 8:10-11	rivers & waters	angel 3 16:4-7
angel 4 8:12-13	sun	angel 4 16:8-9
angel 5 9:1-12	throne & darkness	angel 5 16:10-11
angel 6 9:13-21	Euphrates river	angel 6 16:12-16
angel 7 11:14-19	air & earthquake	angel 7 16:17-21

The Things to Come
Revelation → seven tribulation interludes

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the tribulation

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seven tribulation interludes

interlude
a pause in the narrative
to provide additional information
for a better understanding of the whole

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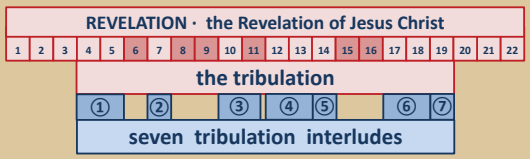

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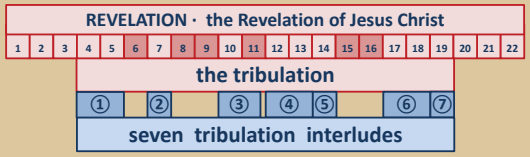

① the beginning in heaven of the tribulation on earth
② Israel 144,000 · martyred saints
③ little book · measuring rod · two witnesses
④ conflict · the kingdom of Satan
⑤ victory · the kingdom of God
⑥ the fall of Babylon · the first and the last
⑦ praise · the marriage super · the second coming

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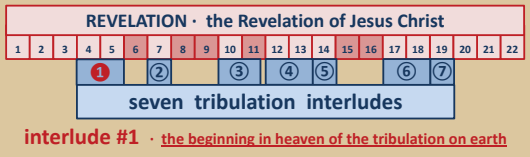

interlude #1 · the beginning in heaven of the tribulation on earth

4:1-11 · the open door in heaven · the throne
a throne · 24 thrones / 24 elders · 4 living creatures
2 songs of worship · the worship of the creatures & the elders

5:1-14 · the book / the scroll sealed with seven seals
"Who is worthy to open the scroll and to break its seals?"
the Lamb / the Lion of Judah
3 songs of worship

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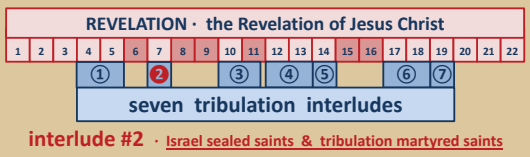

interlude #2 · Israel sealed saints & tribulation martyred saints

7:1-8 · the 144,000 of Israel
4 angels at the 4 corners of the earth · an angel with the seal of God
Israel · the 144,000 sealed → 14:1, 3 · the slaves of our God

① Judah-4	④ Asher-8	⑦ Simeon-2	⑩ Zebulon-10
② Reuben-1	⑤ Naphtali-6	⑧ Levi-3	⑪ Joseph-11
③ Gad-7	⑥ Manasseh-11a	⑨ Issachar-9	⑫ Benjamin-12

[no Dan-5 · no Ephraim-11b]

7:9-17 · the martyred saints
"Salvation to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!"
clothed in white robes · the great multitude of martyrs

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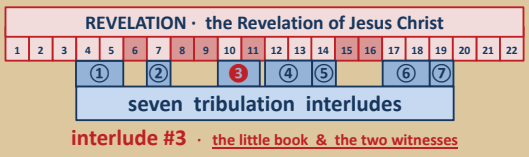

interlude #3 · the little book & the two witnesses

10:1-11 · the mighty angel & the little book
a strong angel · sealed revelation · no more delay
the mystery of God finished · a little book · eat / sweet & bitter

11:1-13 · the measuring rod & the two witnesses
measuring the temple · the holy city · 42 months / 1260 days
the witnesses / prophesying · their death · their resurrection
their entrance into heaven · a great earthquake

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interlude #4 · conflict & the kingdom of Satan

seven key characters in the tribulation

12:1-2	①	a woman = Israel
12:3-4	②	a great, fiery red dragon = Satan
12:5-6	③	a man-child = Jesus Christ
12:7-9	④	Michael = the angels
12: 10-17	⑤	Israel = the seed of the woman
13:1-10	⑥	the beast out of the sea = anti-Christ · world dictator
13:11-18	⑦	the beast out of the earth = false prophet · religious leader

The Things to Come

Revelation → seven tribulation interludes

interlude #4 · conflict & the kingdom of Satan (part 1)

12:1-17 · the warfare in heaven and on earth

1-2	①	a woman = Israel
3-4	②	a great red dragon = Satan
5-6	③	a man-child = Jesus Christ
7-9	④	Michael = the angels
10-17	⑤	Israel = the seed of the woman
10-12		the loud voice in heaven · the cry of victory and woe
13-16		the persecution of the woman = Israel
17		the persecution of the rest

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Revelation → seven tribulation interludes

interlude #4 · conflict & the kingdom of Satan (part 2)

13:1-18 · the unholy triad = Satan · the anti-Christ · the false prophet

1-10 ⑥ the beast out of the sea = anti-Christ · world dictator
a beast · the dragon · the wound · the worship ·
the blasphemy · the authority · the victorious war against the saints

11-18 ⑦ the beast out of the earth = false prophet · religious leader
the authority · worship the triad · the signs · the deception ·
the image of the beast · the mark of the beast 666

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seven tribulation interludes

interlude #5 · Victory & The Kingdom of God

14:1-5 · the Lamb standing on Mt. Zion · the 144,000 · the new song

14:6-13 · three angels flying · pronouncements of blessing

1st angel · the everlasting gospel to preach · *"Fear, glorify, and worship God for the hour of His judgment has come …"*

2nd angel · *"Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, …"*

3rd angel · the eternal warning of divine wrath to all who worship the beast and receive his mark / the voice *"Blessed"*

14:14-20 · the Son of Man · reaping in judgment

angel · the call to reap

angel & angel · the great winepress of the wrath of God → 7 bowls

The History of World Empires

Revelation 17 religious death beast worship

the tribulation

Revelation 18 political death economic death

"Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots and of the Abominations of the Earth"

Revived Roman Empire

the kingdom of Satan · the tribulation

Holy Roman Empire (800-1806)

Roman Empire (753 BC -476)

European Economic Community (EEC)
Common Market
Treaty of Rome – 1 January 1958

European Union (EU)
1 January 1993

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seven tribulation interludes

interlude #6 · the final judgment of Babylon (part 1)

17:1-18 · the judgment of the great harlot

1-6 the woman sitting on the scarlet beast · *"Mystery, Babylon the great, the mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth"*

7-18 the beast · seven heads (mountains / kingdoms) and ten horns (kings)

· the eighth king = the beast

· the ten kings …

… will give power and authority to the beast

… will make war with the Lamb

… will hate and destroy the harlot

· the woman is the great city which reigns over the kings of the earth

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seven tribulation interludes

interlude #6 · the final judgment of Babylon (part 2)

18:1-24 · the judgment of Babylon

1-3 another angel · *Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, … the mother of harlots and of the abominations of the earth*

4-20 another voice from heaven · *Come out!*

4-8 · plagues · death · mourning · famine · burned with fire

9-10 · royal lament → the kings on earth

11-19 · economic lament → merchants on earth · shipmasters · sailors

20 · rejoicing in heaven ← apostles · prophets

21-24 a mighty angel · a great millstone thrown into the sea · the final judgment of Babylon

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Mankind | Israel | Church

Egyptian Empire (3100*-30 BC) (2400* BC)

Assyrian Empire (2025-609 BC)

Babylonian Empire (605-539 BC)

Medo-Persian Empire (539-331 BC)

Greek Empire (331-146 BC)

Roman Empire (753 BC-476)

kingdom (753-509 BC) republic (509-31 BC) empire (27 BC-476)

Holy Roman Empire

Charlemagne (12-25-800 – 08-06-1806) Napoleon

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seven tribulation interludes

interlude #7 · the heavens rejoice & the second coming

19:1-6 · the four alleluia (1, 3, 4, 6) alleluia = hallelujah = praise the Lord

1-3 alleluia, alleluia ← the saints in heaven

4 alleluia ← the twenty-four elders

5-6 alleluia ← the great multitude

19:7-10 · the marriage supper of the Lamb

7-8 the supper announced 9-10 blessing upon the invited

19:11-21 · the coming of the Lord = the second coming

11-13 the description → the Lord

14-16 the procession → the armies · sword · rod · wine press

17-21 the destruction → the battle · birds · beast · false prophet

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creation flood Babel

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interlude interpretation → tribulation

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the vision | seven letters seven churches | the tribulation | the great tribulation | the millennium | new heavens new earth

#1 the throne · the scroll

#2 the 144,000 the martyrs

#3 little book · measuring rod · two witnesses

#4 seven key characters

#5 victory · pronouncements

#6 religion · Babylon fall · economic-political

#7 praise · marriage supper · second coming

interludes	the seven
#1 · 4 - 5	woman
#2 · 7	dragon
#3 · 10 - 11	man-child
#4 · 12 - 13	Michael
#5 · 14	Israel
#6 · 17 - 18	anti-Christ
#7 · 19	false prophet

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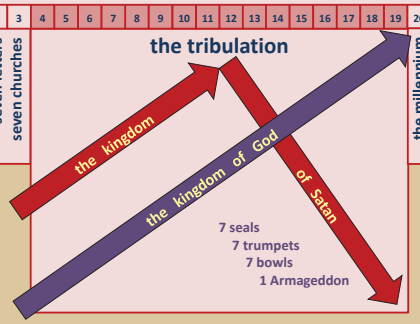

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WARNING!!!

things in progress
at the beginning of the tribulation

- 1 world religion
- 1 world economy
- 1 world government
- 1 world ruler · the anti-Christ
- 10 world kings
- 1 world city · "Babylon"

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the millennial kingdom · four events

20:1-3 · the binding of Satan
an angel · the key to the bottomless pit · a great chain
the dragon · the serpent of old · the devil · Satan
cast into the bottomless pit · shut up · sealed · 1000 years

20:4-6 · thrones and souls
tribulation martyrs · the first resurrection · reign for 1000 years
blessed · second death powerless · priests of God and Christ to reign

20:7-10 · the releasing of Satan
deceive the nations · gather for battle · surrounds the saints
devoured by fire from heaven · the devil cast in the lake of fire forever

20:11-15 · the great white throne judgment
earth and heaven fled away · resurrection of the dead · judgment
according to works · the book of life · the 2nd death · the lake of fire

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A Biblical Interlude → the Millennium

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the millennial kingdom · promises

1. the presence of the Messiah – Jesus Christ
2. the presence in Zion – in Jerusalem
3. the presence of the temple – in Jerusalem
4. the presence of all Israel – the New Covenant
5. the presence of mankind and glorified saints
6. a kingdom of the whole earth
7. a kingdom of righteousness
8. a kingdom of peace
9. a kingdom of earthly prosperity
10. a kingdom of the curse reduced

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a new heaven & a new earth

21:1-8 · the new heaven and the new earth
the holy city · the new Jerusalem · God Himself will dwell
no tears, death, sorrow, crying, pain · "I make all things new"
believers = life · unbelievers = the second death = the lake of fire

21:9-27 · the holy city · the new Jerusalem
descending from heaven · the glory of God · the light · the wall and
12 gates (12 tribes) · 12 foundations (12 apostles) · measured and
adorned · no temple · no sun or moon · no night · no defilement

22:1-5 · the throne of God and of the Lamb
water of life · tree of life · no curse · no night ·
the throne of God and of the Lamb · servants shall serve and see Him ·
His name on shall be on their foreheads · they shall reign forever and ever

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final words · "I am coming quickly" (7, 12, 13, 16, 20)

22:6-11 · the revelation
faithful and true · what must take place shortly · "*I am coming quickly*" · worship God · do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book · the time is at hand · be righteous and holy

22:12-17 · the invitation
"*I am coming quickly*" · "*I am the Alpha and the Omega*" ·
blessed are all who enter · sinners are outside · "*I am the Root and Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star*" · "Come!"

22:18-21 · the warning
no additions · no subtractions · or God will remove his part in the tree of life, the holy city, the things written in this book
"*Surely I am coming quickly*." Amen. Even so come Lord Jesus!

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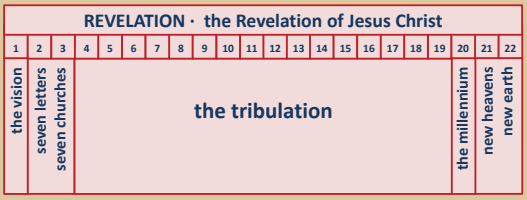

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