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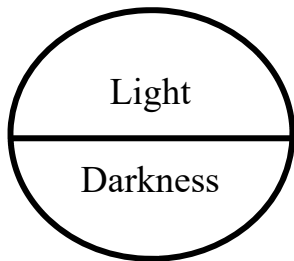
In the Beginning God Genesis 1:1

Created the heavens and the earth

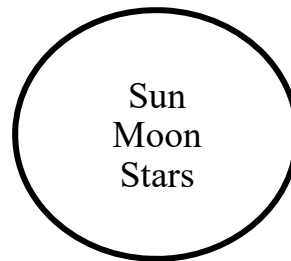
The first three days
God divided

The second three days
God filled

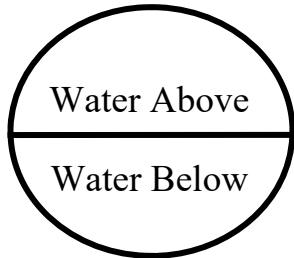
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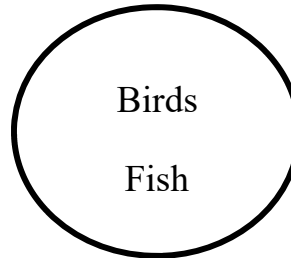
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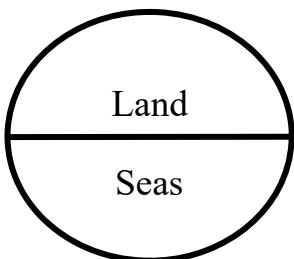
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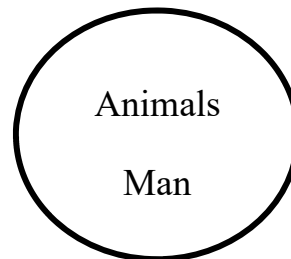
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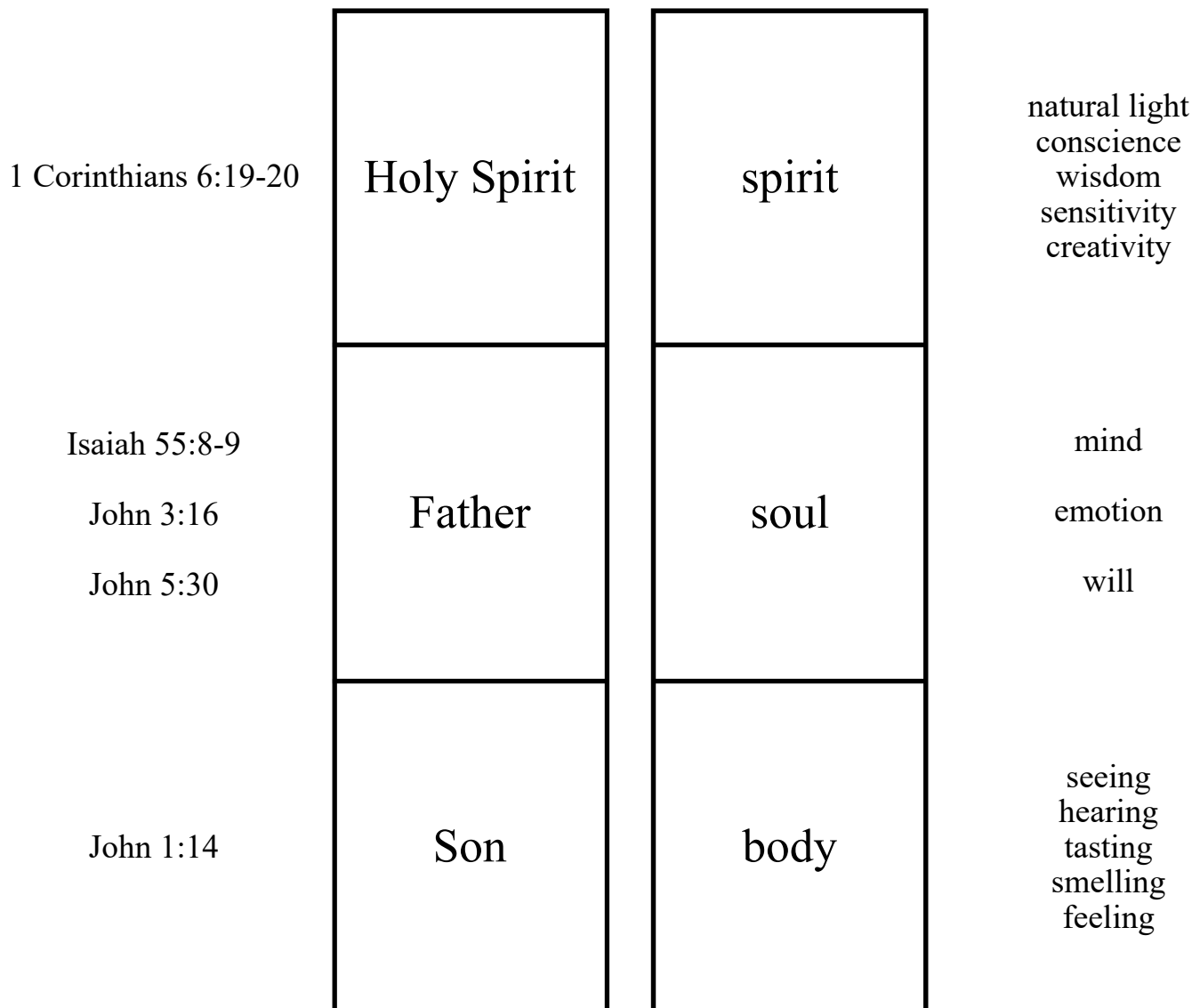


“Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed *it was* very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day.” Genesis 1:31

Created in the Image of God

Genesis 1:26

“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. ’”



Man's Choice

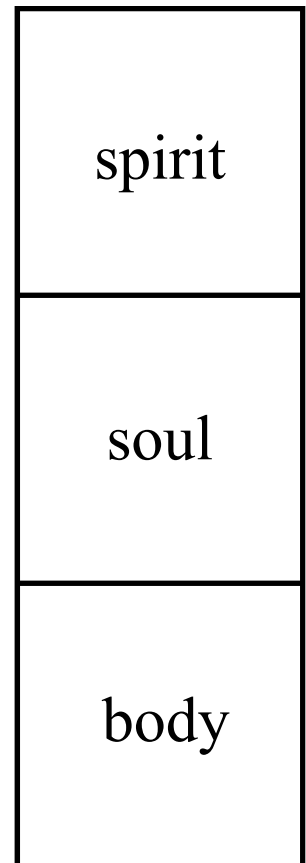
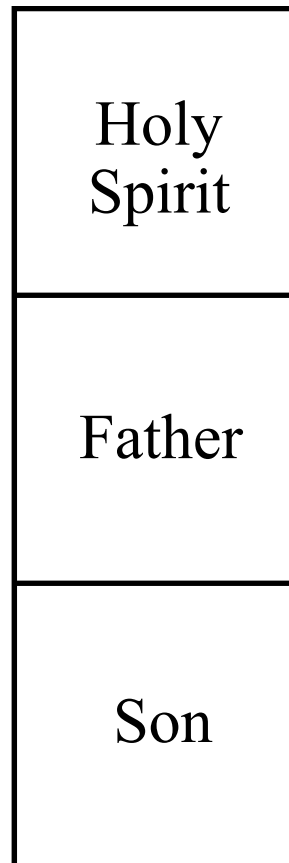
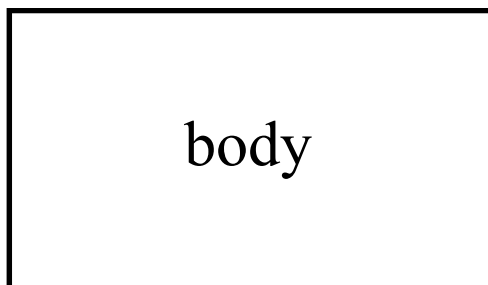
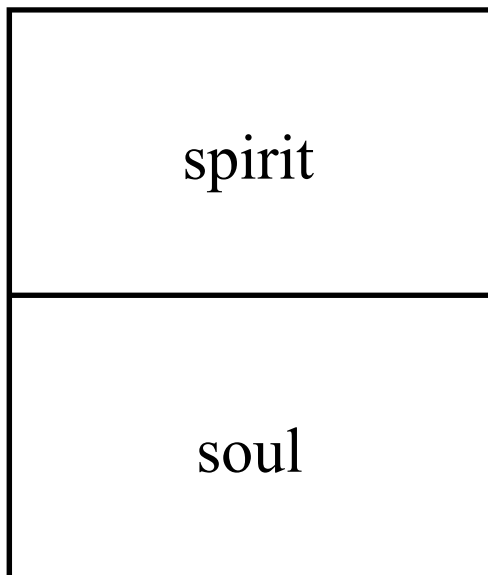
Genesis 2:16-17

Obey and Live
Disobey and Die

Kinds of Death

Physical Death:
Separation of the Body
from the Soul and Spirit

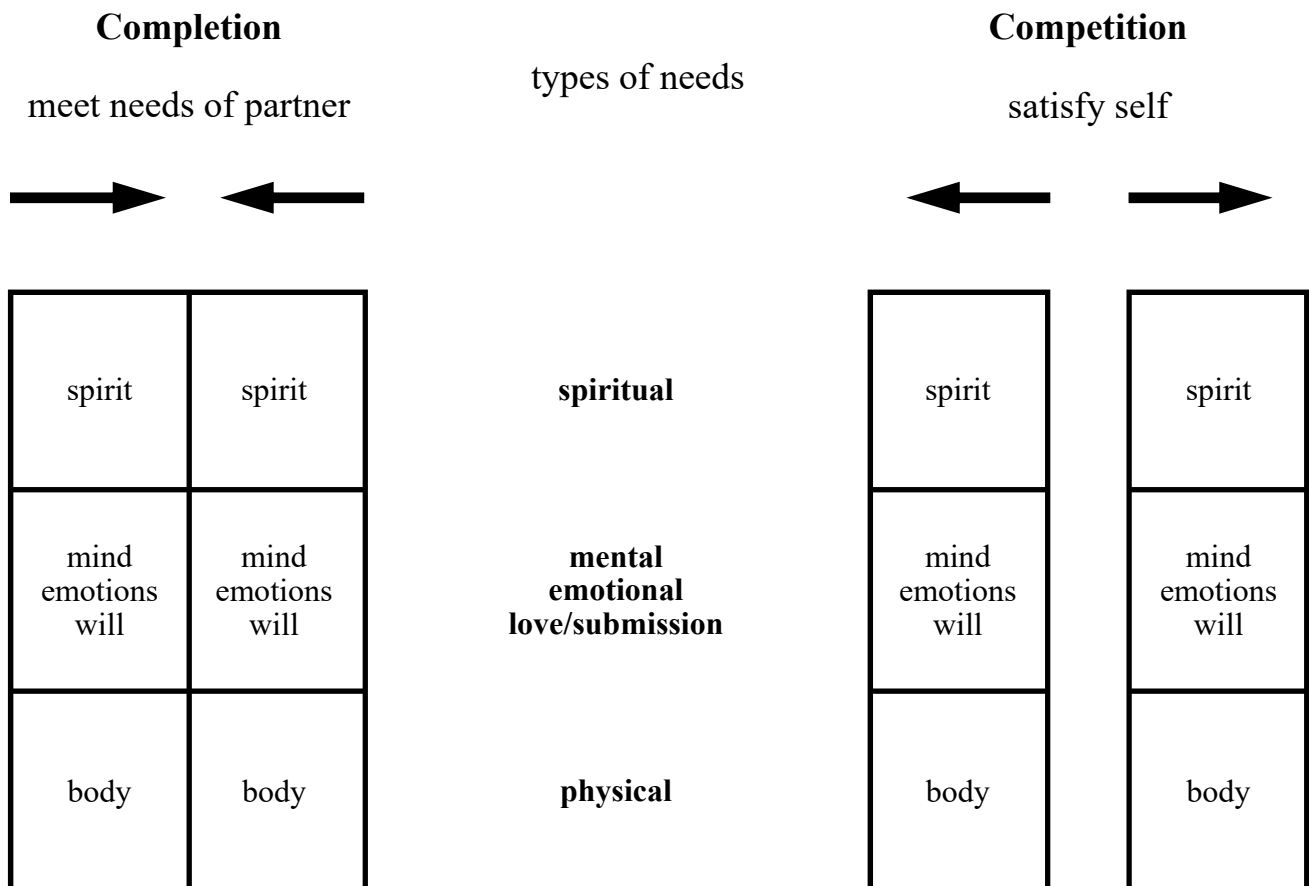
Spiritual Death:
Separation of Man
from God



Building a Godly Marriage

Genesis 2:18-25

God's recognition of man's need	2:18-20
God's response to man's need	2:21-22
Man's response to God's provision	2:23
Man's responsibility in view of God's provision	2:24
Leave - to leave behind utterly	
Join - to join fast together (used primarily of metals)	
Become one - learn to meet one another's needs	
Man's rest when following God's plan	2:25



And Sin Entered

Genesis 3:1-7

Satan's Attacks

He questioned the Word of God
He called God a liar

1 John 2:15-17

“Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. For all that is in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.”

Three ways we are tempted
Genesis 3:6

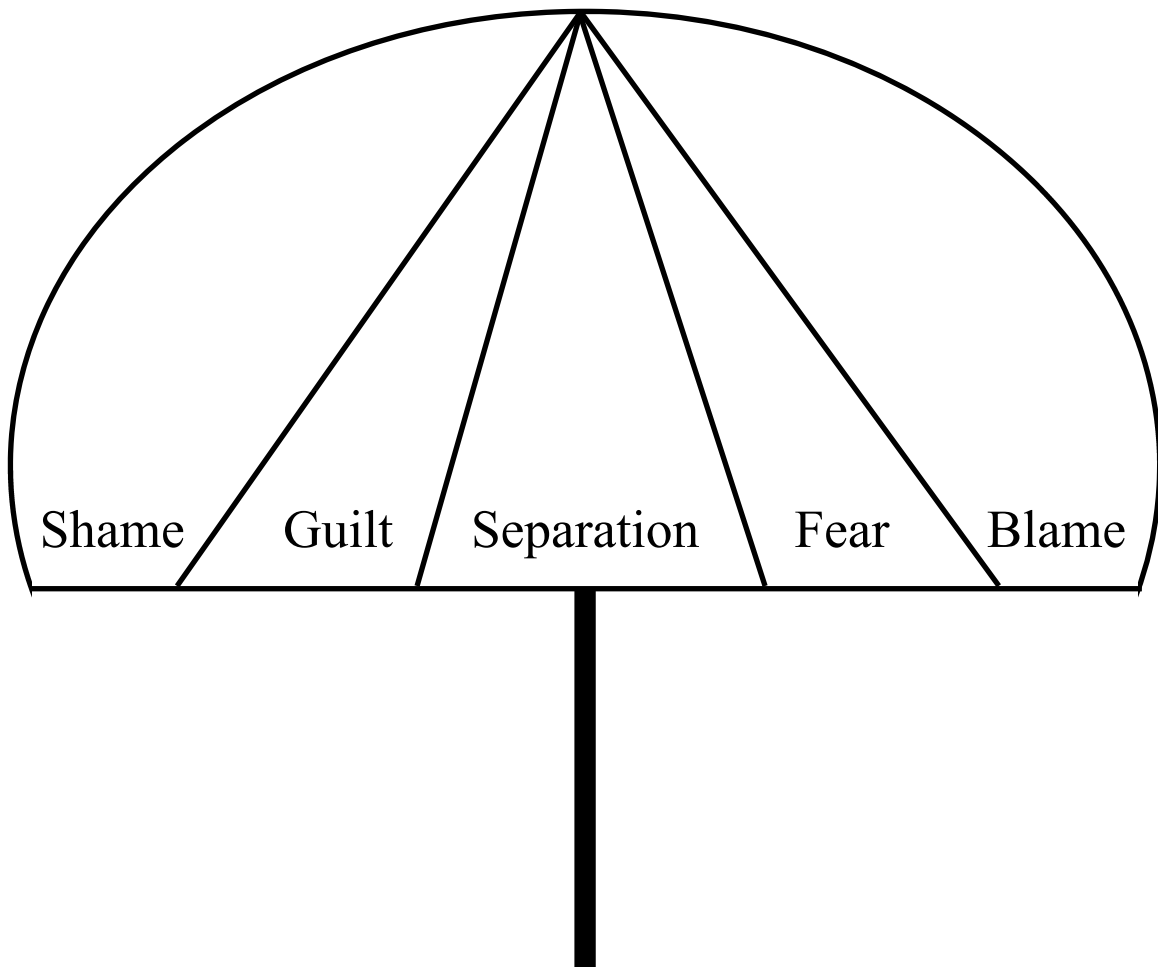
- 1. the lust of the flesh**
the woman saw that the tree was good for food
- 2. the lust of the eyes**
it was pleasant to the eyes
- 3. the pride of life**
a tree desirable to make one wise

“So when the woman saw that the tree *was* good for food, that it *was* pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make *one* wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves coverings.” Genesis 3:6-7

Sin Caused us to Abandon God

Genesis 3:7-13

We abandoned God as a result of sin

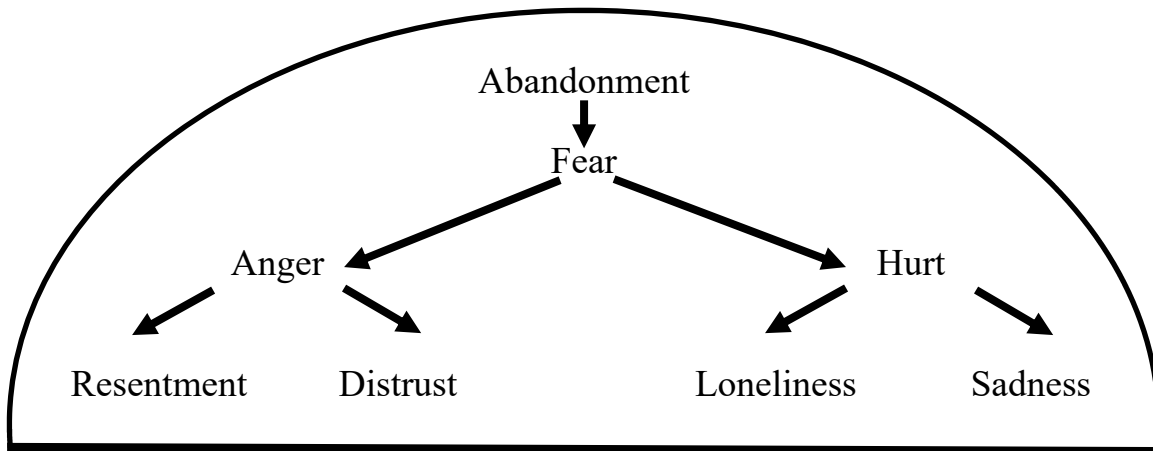


“And they heard the sound of the Lord God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the Lord God among the trees of the garden. Then the Lord God called to Adam and said to him, ‘Where are you?’ So he said, ‘I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.’” Genesis 3:8-10

Sin Causes us to Abandon Others

Genesis 3:7-13

Christ experienced total abandonment in order to set us free
 from the effects of our abandonment
 Matthew 27:46; Isaiah 53:12



physical abandonment	no one was there to be with us because of: absence abuse addictions
mental abandonment	no one was there to answer our questions
social abandonment	no one was there to show us how to develop good relationships with others
emotional abandonment	no one was there to listen and to understand us
spiritual abandonment	no one was there to lead us back to God

The Immediate Consequences of Sin

Genesis 3:14-24

The Consequences for the Snake

He was forced to crawl on the ground

The Consequences for Satan

He was told his head would be crushed

The Consequences for Man and Woman

Immediate spiritual death

Genesis 3:8-10

Sorrow and pain in childbearing

Man was given headship

The ground was cursed

Man would survive through hard work

Future physical death

Genesis 3:19

Animals were killed to provide a covering

**Adam and Eve were removed from the garden
to keep them from living in sin forever**

The Continuing Results of Sin

Romans 1:19-32

Once sin entered into the world, it immediately began to affect man in every part of his being. Because the spirit was separated from the Spirit of God, it was like the light had been turned out and this caused spiritual darkness to take control.

spirit	natural light conscience wisdom sensitivity creativity	Romans 1:19-20 Romans 1:21 Romans 1:22 Romans 1:23 Romans 1:24-25
soul	mind emotion will	Romans 1:26-28
body	lifestyle	Romans 1:29-32

But God Gave Hope

Genesis 3:15

“And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”

Future Conflict was Promised

This conflict was between the seed of the woman (Christ) and Satan.

Satan would bruise the heel of Christ - this spoke of the fact that Christ would die on the cross.

Christ would bruise the head of Satan - this spoke of the fact that Christ would totally defeat Satan and evil by His resurrection from the dead.

Future Victory Was Assured

John 3:16-18

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved. He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”

Choices and Consequences

Genesis 4:1-15

The Choice of Abel

Abel offered a blood sacrifice as a covering for sin.

“And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and without shedding of blood there is no remission.” Hebrews 9:22

The Choice of Cain

Cain offered a sacrifice of his own efforts

“And in the process of time it came to pass that Cain brought an offering of the fruit of the ground to the Lord.”
Genesis 4:3

The Consequences

“And the Lord respected Abel and his offering...” Genesis 4:4

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

The Consequences

“...but He did not respect unto Cain and his offering.”
Genesis 4:5

Cain killed his brother which caused him to experience the immediate consequences in this chapter. In addition, he also experienced eternal separation from God. Genesis 4:6-15

The Development of Civilization

Genesis 4:16-5:32

The Ungodly Line Genesis 4:16-24

This line experienced many firsts

Verse 17 - the first city

Verse 19 - the first man with
two wives

Verse 20 - the first cattleman

Verse 21 - the first musician

Verse 22 - the first craftsman

Verse 23 - the first multiple
murderer

Verse 23 - the first to murder
for revenge

The Godly Line Genesis 4:25-5:32

This line followed God

With Seth, men began to call
on the name of God -
Genesis 4:26

In spite of following God, this
line also experienced physical
death.

Only one man in this line did
not die.

“And Enoch walked with God,
and he was not, for God took
him.” - Genesis 5:24

The father of Noah said that
Noah would bring comfort.
Genesis 5:29

The Decline of Civilization

Genesis 6:1-8

The decline of the godly line

“...the sons of God saw the daughters of men, that they *were* beautiful; and they took wives for themselves of all whom they chose.” Genesis 6:2

The warning that men had only 120 years to repent
Genesis 6:3

The reasons why God promised to bring judgment Genesis 6:4-5

1. The people became giants and were known for their great evil.
2. The people on the earth became more and more wicked.
3. The imaginations and thoughts of men became only evil continually.

God still chose to show grace

Genesis 6:8
“But Noah found grace in the eyes of the Lord.”

The Destruction of Civilization

Genesis 6:9-8:19

The Lord told Noah to build an ark

The ark was to be:
made of gopher wood
covered with pitch on the inside and outside
450 feet long
75 feet wide
45 feet high

The Lord took Noah through the flood

“By faith Noah, being divinely warned of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household, by which he condemned the world and became heir of the righteousness which is according to faith.” Hebrews 11:7

The Lord preserved Noah and his family

“So Noah went out, and his sons and his wife and his sons' wives with him. Every animal, every creeping thing, every bird, and whatever creeps on the earth, according to their families, went out of the ark.” Genesis 8:18-19

The Response of Noah

Genesis 8:20-9:19

Noah built an altar and offered sacrifices to God

Genesis 8:20-21

“Then Noah built an altar to the Lord, and took of every clean animal and of every clean bird, and offered burnt offerings on the altar. And the Lord smelled a soothing aroma. Then the Lord said in His heart, ‘I will never again curse the ground for man's sake, although the imagination of man's heart *is* evil from his youth; nor will I again destroy every living thing as I have done.’”

The Response of God

1. God said He would never again destroy all mankind as long as the earth remained.
2. God told Noah to be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the earth.
3. God gave the animals as well as the plants to man for food.
4. God gave the rainbow as a sign of His promise that He would never destroy the earth by a flood again.
5. God said that every time He looked at the rainbow, He would remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature that is upon the earth.

The Reminder that we are Created in the Image of God

Genesis 9:6

“Whoever sheds man's blood, By man his blood shall be shed;
For in the image of God He made man.”

The Family of Noah

Genesis 9:20-10:32

Sin was still present

1. Noah became drunk and exposed himself.
2. Ham and Canaan showed disrespect to Noah.
3. Shem and Japheth showed respect to their father.
4. Noah said that the descendents of Canaan (but not Ham) would be cursed.
5. Noah said that Shem and Japheth would be blessed.

The Family of Noah is Summarized

The Lord gives us a summary of each of the families that came from Japheth, Ham and Shem.

One Desendent is Emphasized

Genesis 10:9-10

“He was a mighty hunter before the Lord; therefore it is said, ‘Like Nimrod the mighty hunter before the Lord.’ And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel...”

And Mankind Rebelled Again

Genesis 11:1-9

The Command of God

Genesis 9:1

“...‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth.’”

The Rebellion of Man

Genesis 11:4

“And they said, ‘Come, let us build ourselves a city, and a tower whose top *is* in the heavens; let us make a name for ourselves, lest we be scattered abroad over the face of the whole earth.’”

The things that made this Rebellion Possible

1. the people had an effective communication system. - Genesis 11:1, 6
2. the people had a commitment to work on a goal. - Genesis 11:3-4
3. the people had a spirit of unity. - Genesis 11:6

The Consequences of this Rebellion

Genesis 11:7-8

“‘Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech.’ So the Lord scattered them abroad from there over the face of all the earth, and they ceased building the city.”

And God Gave Hope Again

Genesis 11:10-12:3

The Family Line of Abraham (Abram)
Genesis 11:10-32

God Gave Promises to Abraham
Genesis 12:1-3

1. Abraham was promised a land
“...Get out of your country, From your family And from your father's house, To a land that I will show you.” (vs. 1)
2. Abraham was promised a great nation
“I will make you a great nation...” (vs. 2)
3. Abraham was promised personal blessing
“...I will bless you And make your name great; And you shall be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, And I will curse him who curses you...” (vs.2-3)

God promised blessing through Abraham
Genesis 12:3b

“...And in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed.”

Hebrews 9:27-28

“And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.”

And What is this Hope Promised in Genesis 12:3?

God Sent Christ to Die for our Sins

1 Corinthians 15:3-6

“For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.”

What is Our Choice?

We Can Choose to Accept What Christ has Provided

Christ said

John 5:24

“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life”

We Can Choose to Reject What Christ has Provided

Christ said

John 3:36

“He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abides on him.”

How do we Make the Choice to Accept Christ?

Acts 20:21 Says

“Testifying both to the Jews, and also to Greeks, repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.”

What is Repentance?

1 Thessalonians 1:9

“...you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God.”

What is Faith?

Romans 10:9-10

“That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.”

What does God Promise?

Romans 10:13

“For ‘whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.’”