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- *Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." 27 So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. 28 Then God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth." Gen 1:26-28*



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## Because Jesus died to Pay for it!

- *And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God. 4 **And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away.**" 5 Then He who sat on the throne said, "Behold, I make all things new." And He said to me, "Write, for these words are true and faithful." Rev 21:3-5*



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- ALL that happens in between is a result of sin; not of God's true character or desire. Jas 1:17-18



# The World Cursed by Sin

- *And I set my heart to seek and search out by wisdom concerning all that is done under heaven; **this burdensome task God has given to the sons of man**, by which they may be exercised. 14 I have seen **all the works that are done under the sun; and indeed, all is vanity and grasping for the wind. 15 What is crooked cannot be made straight, And what is lacking cannot be numbered.** Eccl. 1:13-15*
- *13 Consider the work of God; **For who can make straight what He has made crooked?** 14 In the day of prosperity be joyful, But **in the day of adversity consider:** Surely God has appointed the one as well as the other, So that man can find out nothing that will come after him. Eccl. 7:13-14*

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- *For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us. 19 For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. 20 **For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; 21 because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God. Rom 8:18-25***

# The World Cursed by Sin and the one that isn't

- *For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. 23 Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even **we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption of our body.** 24 For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees? 25 But if we hope for what we do not see, we eagerly wait for it with perseverance. Rom. 8:18-25*



# The Terrible Consequences of Sin

- *For if God **did not spare the angels who sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved for judgment; 5 and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly; 6 and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly; 7 and delivered righteous Lot, who was oppressed by the filthy conduct of the wicked 8 (for that righteous man, dwelling among them, tormented his righteous soul from day to day by seeing and hearing their lawless deeds), 2 Peter 2:4-8***

# This World is Like a Great Parenthesis

- *Before the mountains were brought forth, Or ever You had formed the earth and the world, Even **from everlasting to everlasting, You are God.** Ps 90:1*
- World Before Sin – Perfect & Flawless
- World after sin paid for and atoned – All made New
- (world in between everlasting and everlasting)
- *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. 16 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.** 17 And **the world is passing away, and the lust of it;** but he who does the will of God abides forever. 1Jn. 2:15-17*

# In the Midst of Sin Cursed – Salvation

- *For the wages of sin is **death**, but the gift of God is **eternal life** in Christ Jesus our Lord. Rom 6:23*
- *Therefore, just as through one man **sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned ...18***  
*Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so **through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life.***  
*Rom 5:12-18*
- *consider **the goodness and severity of God**: on those **who fell, severity**; but toward you, **goodness, if you continue in His goodness.** *Rom. 11:22-23**

# The End of The Age

- The true damage of sin and the true cost of sin will be revealed.
- *when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with His mighty angels, 8 in flaming fire taking vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ. 9 These shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of His power, 10 when He comes, in that Day, to be glorified in His saints and to be admired among all those who believe, because our testimony among you was believed. 2 Thess 1:7-10*



# God's True Character

- Be Not Deceived James 1:16-20
- Every good gift
- Every perfect giving is from above
- Coming down from the Father of lights,
- With whom can be no variation,
- Neither shadow that is cast by turning.



# The Curse a Bitter foretaste

- *There were present at that season some who told Him about the Galileans whose blood Pilate had mingled with their sacrifices. 2 And Jesus answered and said to them, "Do you suppose that these Galileans were worse sinners than all other Galileans, because they suffered such things? 3 I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish. 4 Or those eighteen on whom the tower in Siloam fell and killed them, do you think that they were worse sinners than all other men who dwelt in Jerusalem? 5 I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish." Lk. 13:1-5*

# Can We simply Trust and Be Joyful?

- *2 My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials, 3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. 4 But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing. 5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask of God, who gives to all liberally and without reproach, and it will be given to him. 6 But let him ask in faith, with no doubting, for he who doubts is like a wave of the sea driven and tossed by the wind. 7 For let not that man suppose that he will receive anything from the Lord; 8 he is a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways. James 1:2-8*

# We Must Live By Faith

- *For you have need of endurance, so that after you have done the will of God, you may receive the promise: 37 "For yet a little while, And He who is coming will come and will not tarry. 38 Now the just shall live by faith; But if anyone draws back, My soul has no pleasure in him." 39 But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, but of those who believe to the saving of the soul. Heb 10:36-39*

# Sufferings will bring great benefits

- *And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us. Rom 5:3-5*

# Courage and Fortitude

- *Therefore we do not lose heart. Even though our outward man is perishing, yet the inward man is being renewed day by day. 17 For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, is working for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory, 18 while we do not look at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporary, but the things which are not seen are eternal. 2 Cor 4:16-18*