

PRAYER MEETING: **Sin** and **Righteousness**
Righteousness By Faith

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Genesis 1:26, 27

Genesis 1:26 NKJV

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."

Genesis 1:26 NKJV

Then God said, "**Let Us** *[Father, Son, Holy Spirit]*
make man in Our *[Father, Son, Holy Spirit]*
image, according to **Our** *[Father, Son, Holy Spirit]*
likeness.

Early Writings 145.1

When God said to His Son, "Let us make man in our image," Satan was jealous of Jesus. He wished to be consulted concerning the formation of man, and because he was not, he was filled with envy, jealousy, and hatred. He desired to receive the highest honors in heaven next to God.

Genesis 1:26 NKJV

Then God said, “**Let Us *[Father, Son]* make man in Our *[Father, Son]* image, according to Our *[Father, Son]* likeness.**

Genesis 1:27 NKJV

So God created man in **His** own image; in the image of God **He** created him; male and female **He** created them.

GOD

Love	-	1 John 4:8
Holy	-	1 Peter 1:15
Just	-	Deuteronomy 32:4
Good	-	Psalms 100:5
Spiritual	-	John 4:24
Righteous	-	Psalms 11:7
Right	-	Deuteronomy 32:4
Perfect	-	Matthew 5:48
Eternal	-	Deuteronomy 33:27
True	-	Deuteronomy 32:4

His Image = His Character

Genesis 3:15 NKJV

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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.

Image of God

Love

Truth

Peace

Humble

Righteous

Godly

Image of Satan

Hate

Lie

Fear

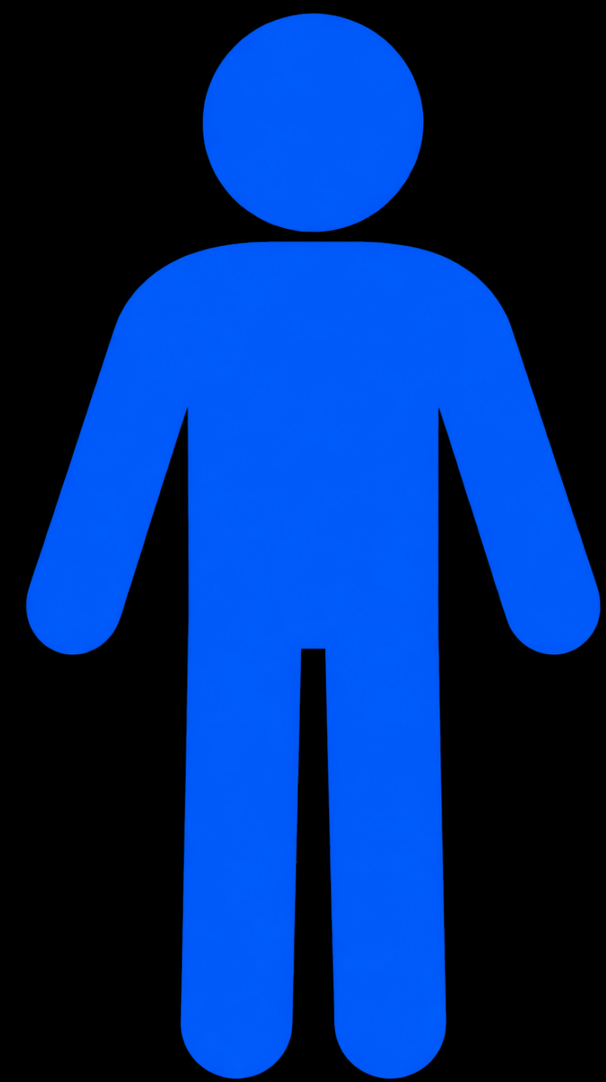
Pride

Sin

Evil

2 Opposing Sides

Image of God



Love

Truth

Peace

Humble

Righteous

Godly

Image of Satan

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Lie

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Mankind was created in the image of God

Image of God

Love

Truth

Peace

Humble

Righteous

Godly

Image of Satan

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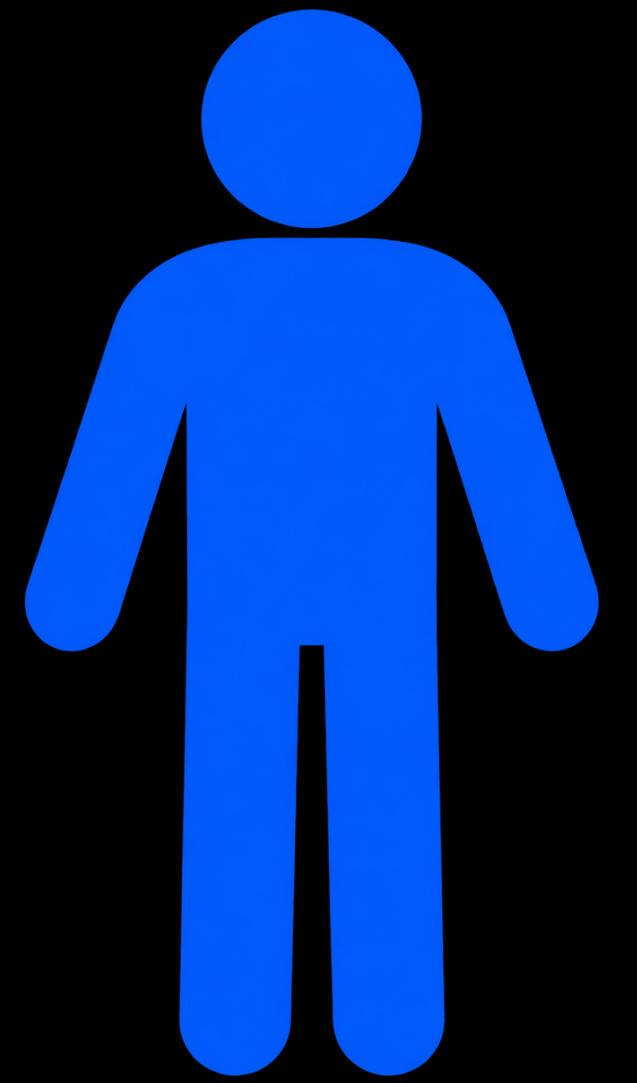
Lie

Fear

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Sin

Evil



After the Fall, mankind was changed into the image of Satan.

Image of God

Love

Truth

Peace

Humble

Righteous

Godly

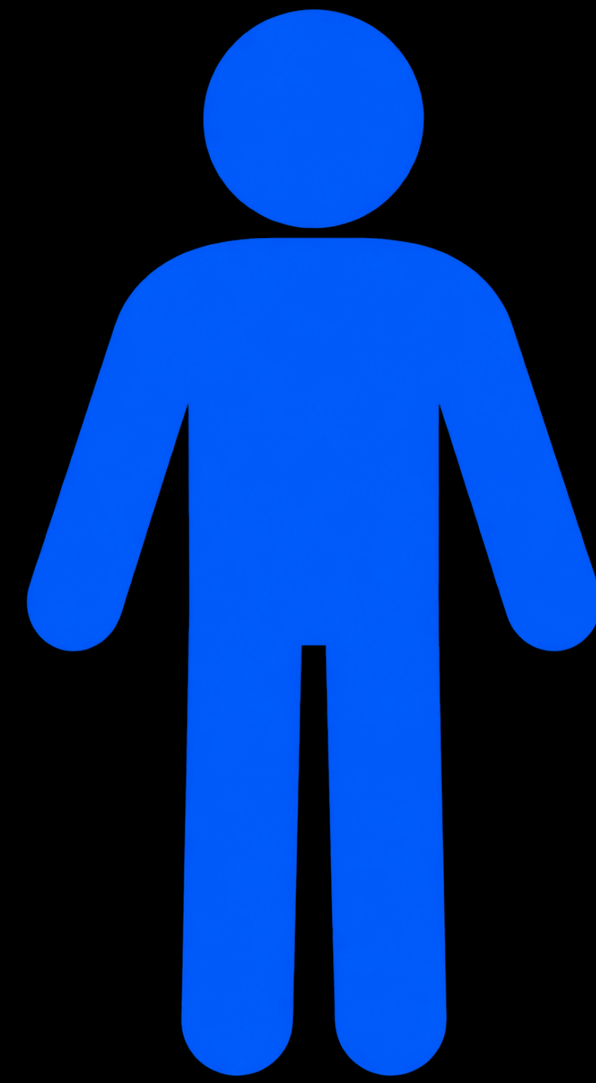


Image of Satan

Hate

Lie

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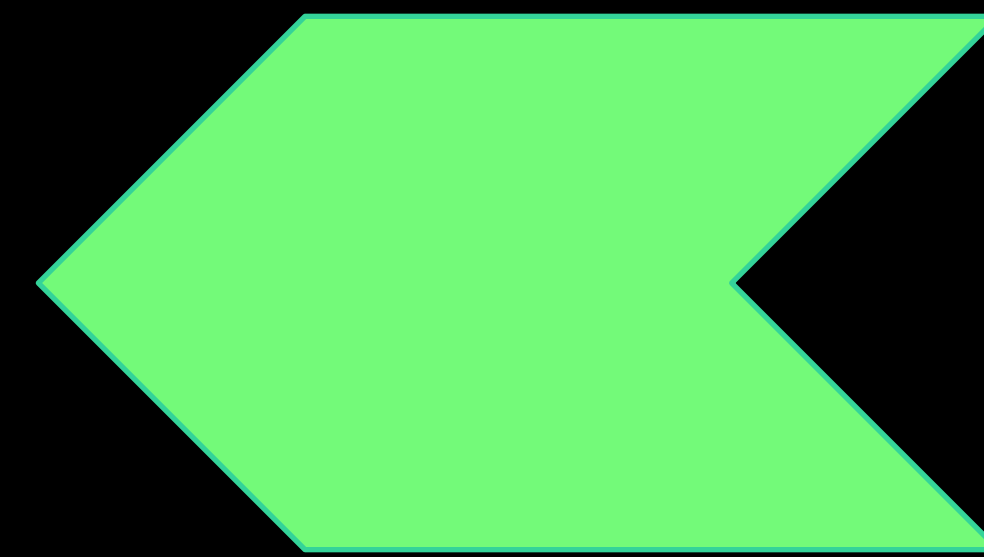
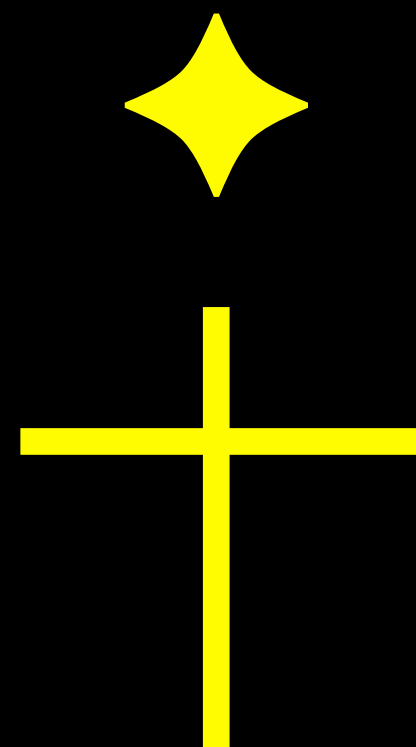
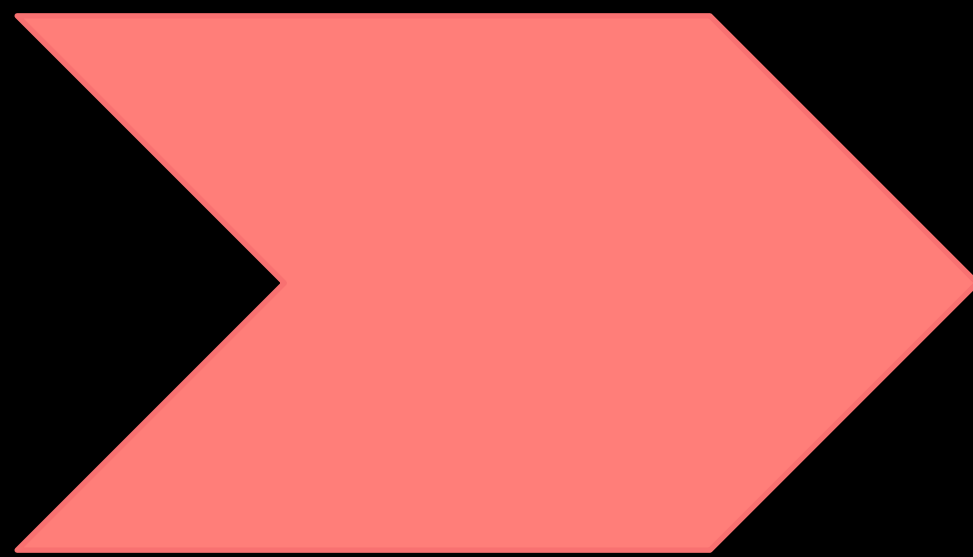
Sin

Evil

By placing enmity between mankind and Satan

Sin and Righteousness

Genesis 3:15 as the first promise of conflict, victory, and restoration



SIN

My own way

Genesis 3:15

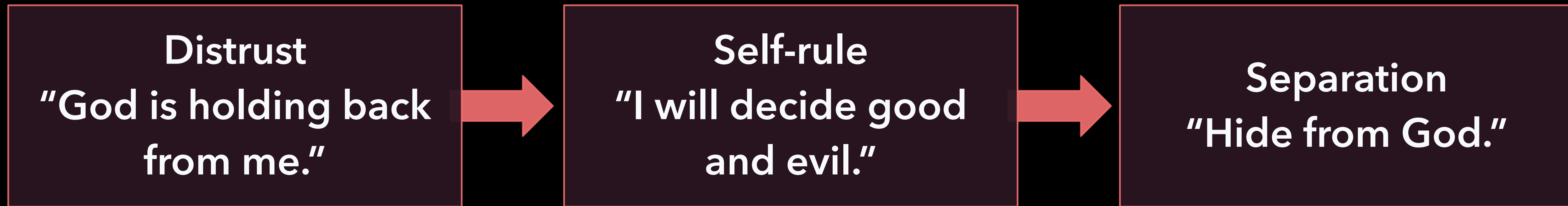
God answers sin
with a promised
Seed.

RIGHTEOUSNESS

God's right way

1) Sin is more than bad behavior

Genesis 3 shows sin as distrust, self-rule, and separation.



Simple line: Sin is rebellion against God's right way.

Not only "I made a mistake," but "I want to be my own center."

2) Righteousness is more than “not sinning”

It is being right with God and walking in His right way.



It is God restoring a person back into harmony with Himself.

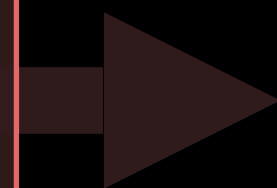
Teaching phrase: **Sin makes us wrong with God; righteousness makes us right with God.**

3) Genesis 3:15 — the promised conflict

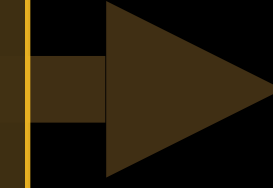
God announces a war between two seeds and promises the final victory.

“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.”

Serpent's seed
Sin, distrust,
rebellion



ENMITY
God-given
separation from sin

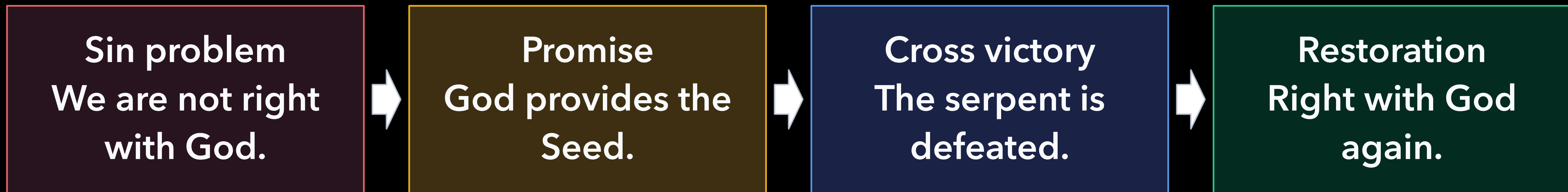


Woman's Seed
Christ, righteousness,
victory

The promise means sin will not have the last word.

4) God's answer to sin

Genesis 3:15 points forward to Christ, the Seed who defeats sin.



More specific than "opposite": Righteousness is God making us right with Himself through Christ – then teaching us to walk in His right way.

Closing question: **Am I choosing my own way, or receiving God's promised way?**