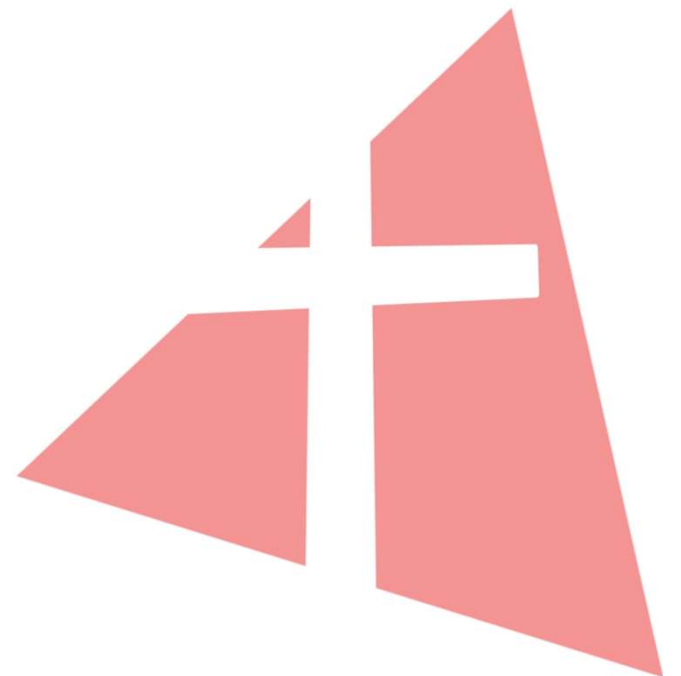


WHO AM I?

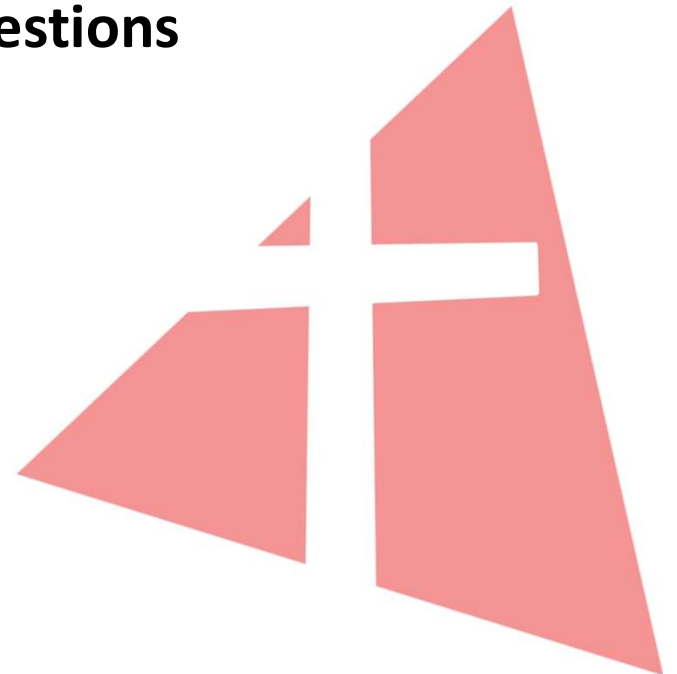
Part 1: Creation and Fall

March 18th 2018



QUICK SUMMARY

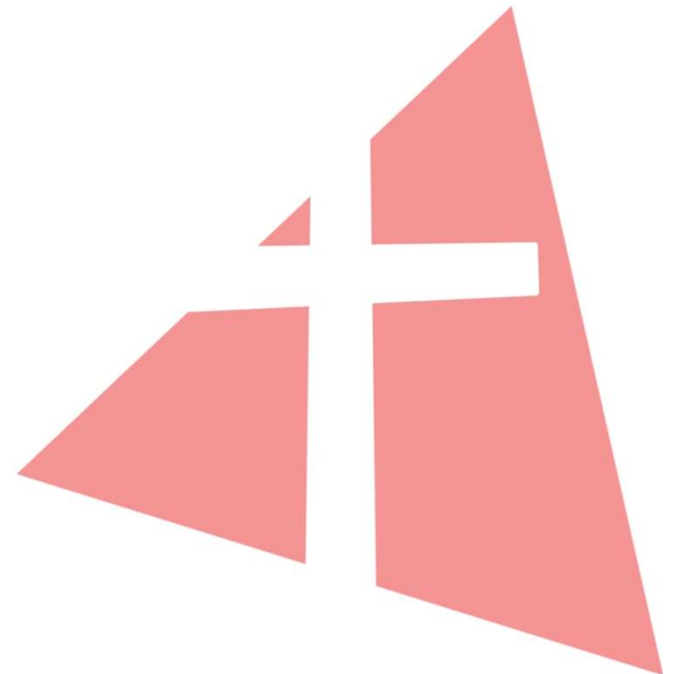
- **We live our lives out of how we answer 2 questions**
 - Who is God?
 - Who am I?



QUICK SUMMARY

○ Who is God?

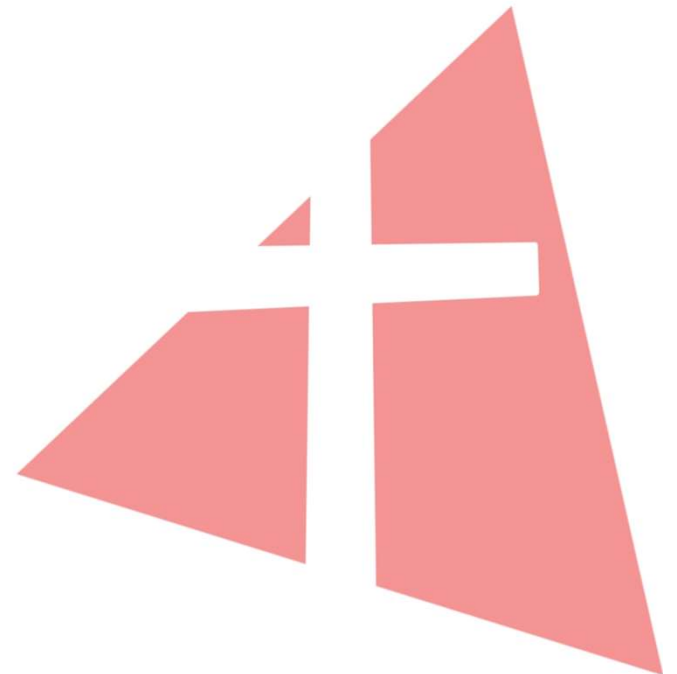
- The attributes of God
- Jesus is God
- The Names of God



NEXT THREE SERMONS

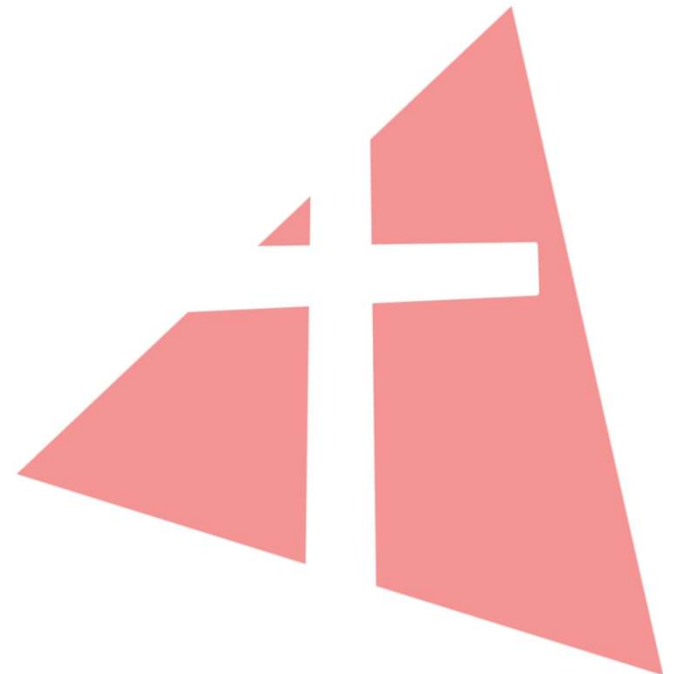
○ Who am I?

- Creation and Fall
- Restoration in Christ
- Embracing God's Truth



TODAY'S SERMON

- **Today we can only cover half the story**
- **Make sure you listen to Part 2 as well!**



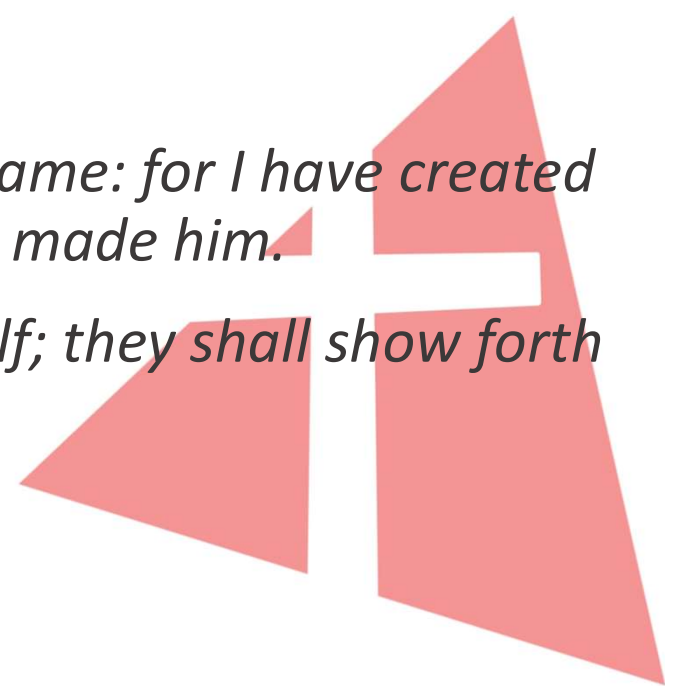
WHY DID GOD CREATE YOU?

- **For His glory**

- Worship
- Love Relationship

Isaiah 43:7 Even everyone that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Isaiah 43:21 This people have I formed for myself; they shall show forth my praise.



WHY DID GOD CREATE YOU?

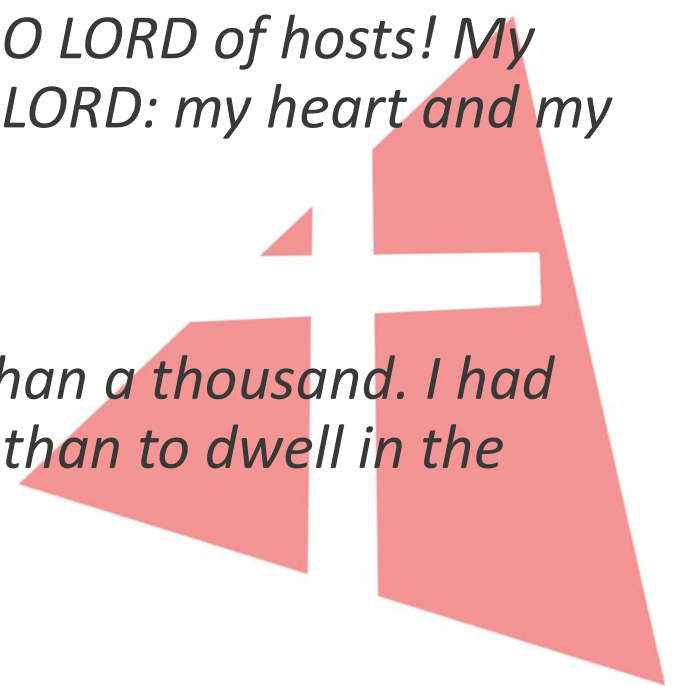
○ For His glory

- Worship
- Love Relationship

Psalms 84:1-2 How lovely are your tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yea, even faints for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

...

Psalms 84:10 For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.



WHY DID GOD CREATE YOU?

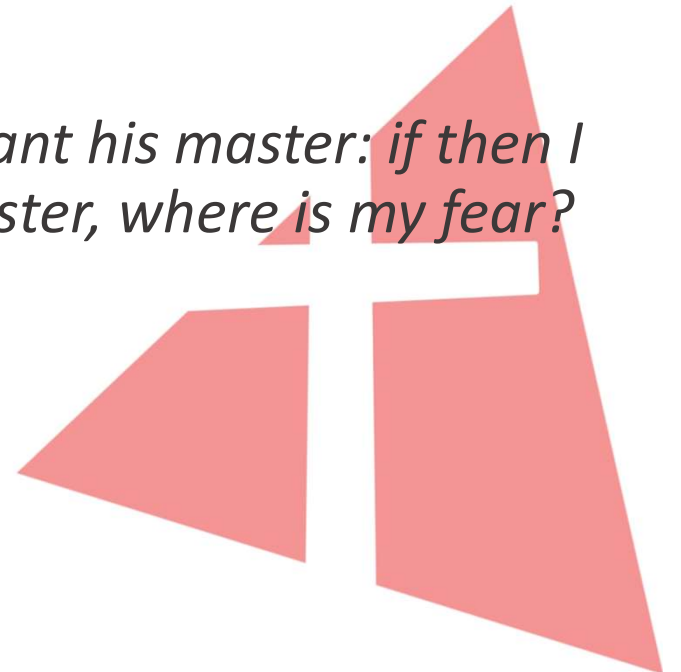
- He created us as His children

Malachi 2:10 Have we not all one father? has not one God created us?

...

Malachi 1:6 A son honors his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is my honor? and if I be a master, where is my fear? says the LORD of hosts unto you, ...

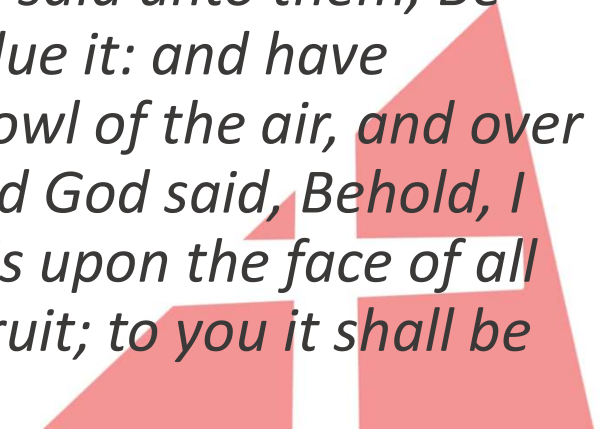
- Aim: Grow us, become like Him



WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

- He created us to rule

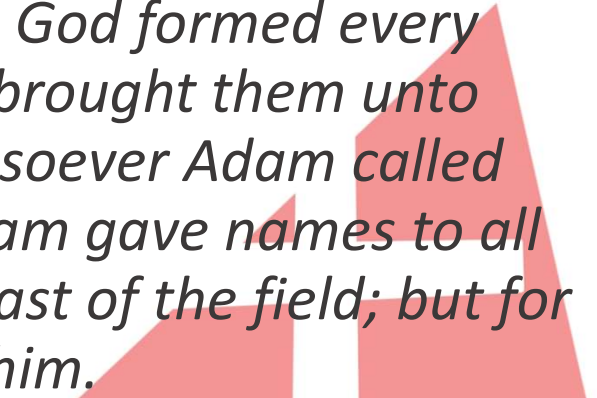
Genesis 1:28-29 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth. And God said, Behold, I have given you every plant bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, which has seed in its fruit; to you it shall be for food.

A decorative graphic consisting of several overlapping, semi-transparent red triangles of various sizes and orientations, located in the bottom right corner of the slide.

WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

- He created us for good works

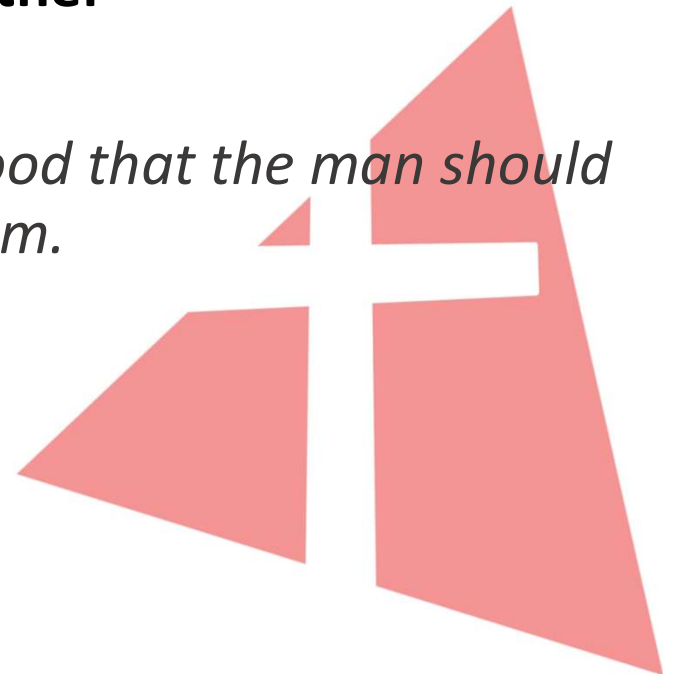
Genesis 2:19-20 And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was its name. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him.

Two large, semi-transparent red triangles are positioned in the bottom right corner of the slide, overlapping each other and the text area.

WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

- He created us for relationships with one another

Genesis 2:18 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.



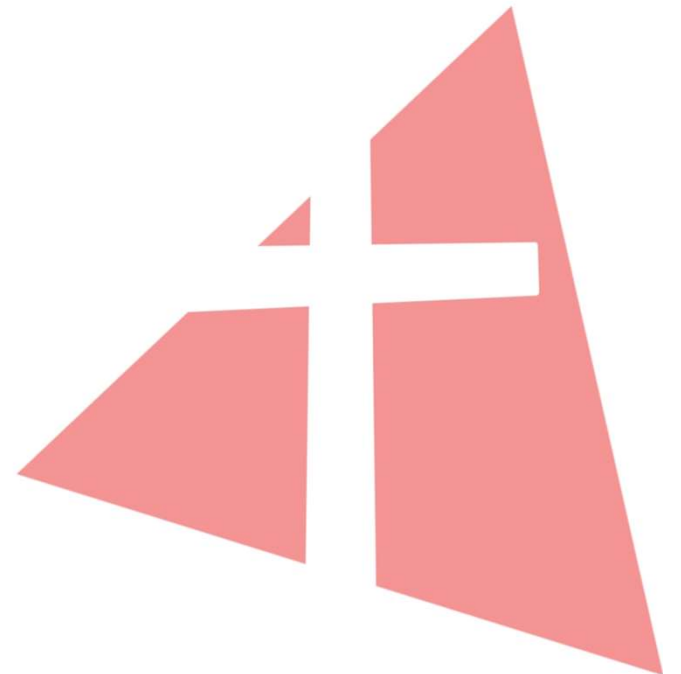
WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

- **He created us in His image**
 - To reflect who He is

Genesis 1:26-27 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

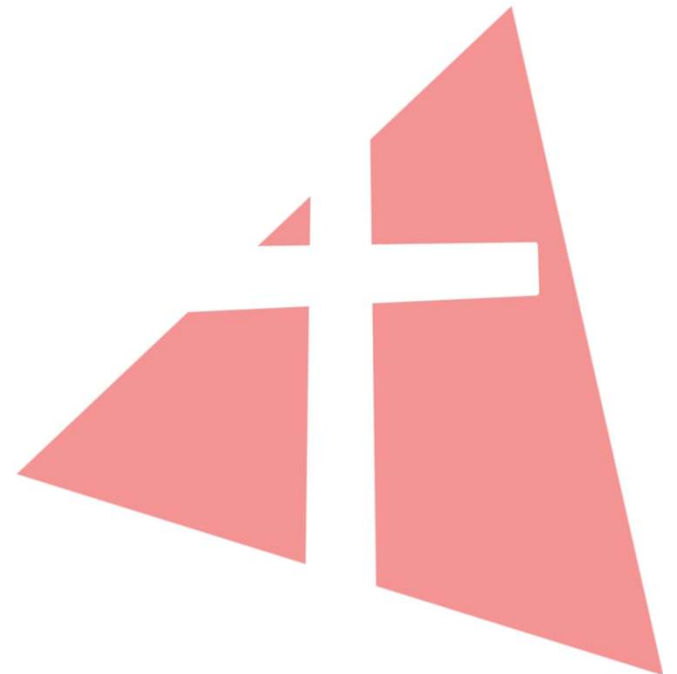
- **Safety and security**



WHAT WAS GOD'S INTENTION?

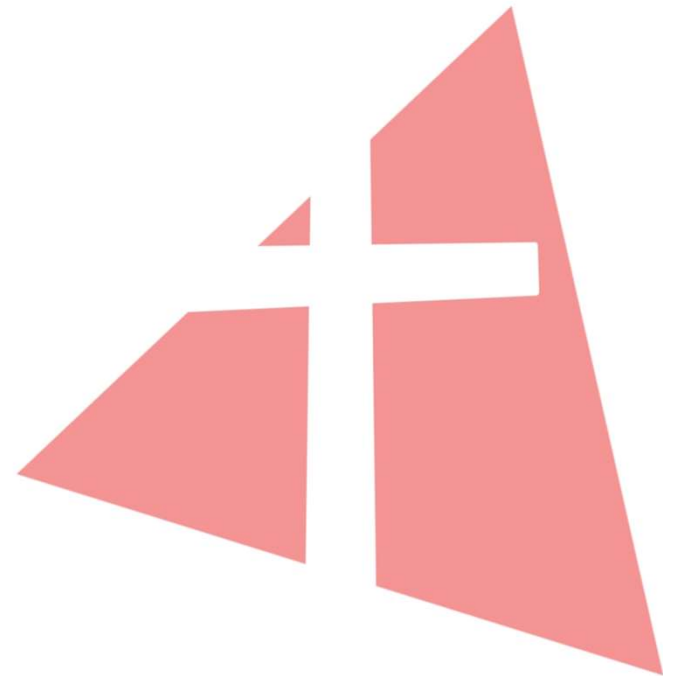
○ **Destiny**

- Become fully like God's Son
- Live in the full presence of God



THE TURNING POINT

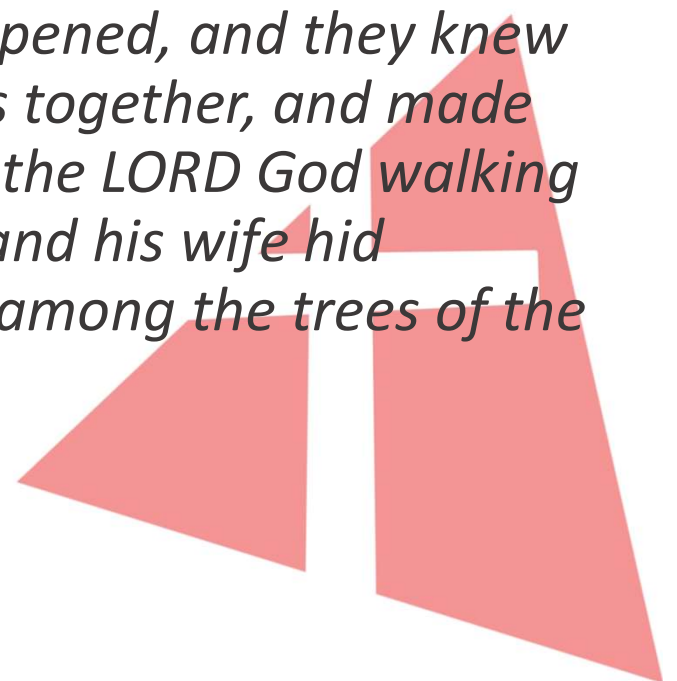
- Adam and Eve sinned



WHAT HAPPENED?

- **Worship and intimate relationship turned into fear**

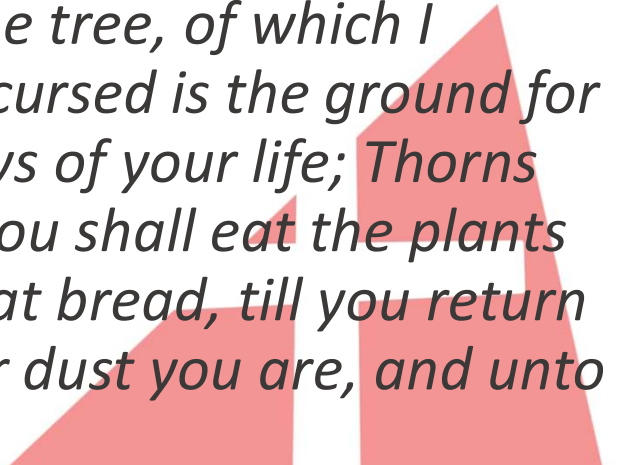
Genesis 3:7-8 And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons. And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.



WHAT HAPPENED?

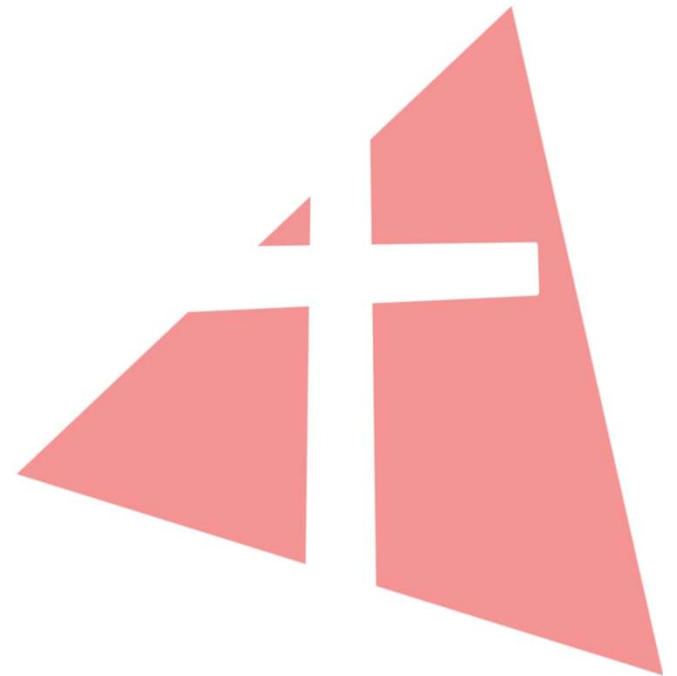
- **Work became a burden**

Genesis 3:17-19 And unto Adam he said, Because you have listened unto the voice of your wife, and have eaten of the tree, of which I commanded you, saying, You shall not eat of it: cursed is the ground for your sake; in sorrow shall you eat of it all the days of your life; Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to you; and you shall eat the plants of the field; In the sweat of your face shall you eat bread, till you return unto the ground; for out of it were you taken: for dust you are, and unto dust shall you return.



WHAT HAPPENED?

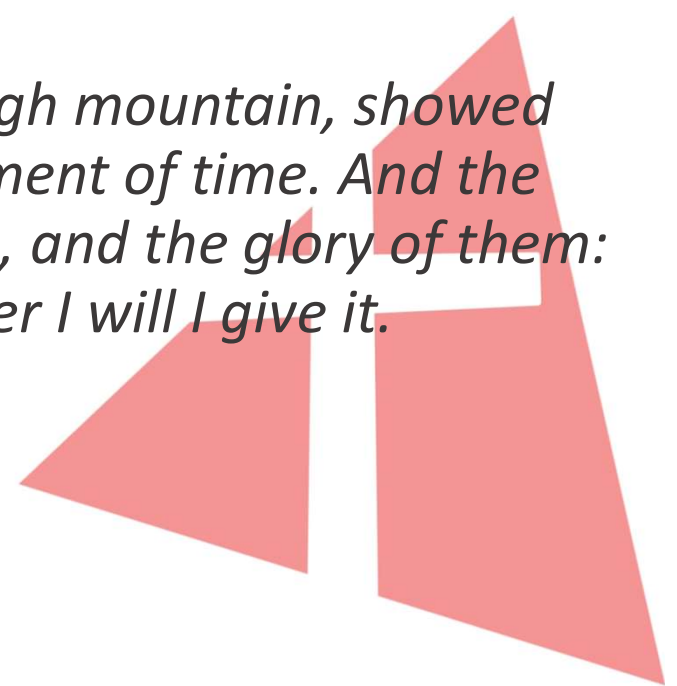
- **Our Security got lost**



WHAT HAPPENED?

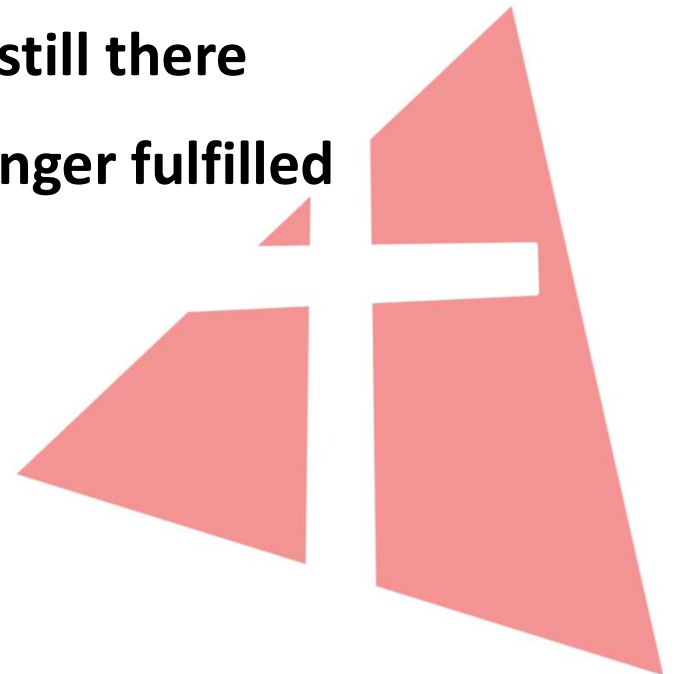
- **We lost our authority**

Luke 4:5-6 And the devil, taking him up into a high mountain, showed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give you, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it.



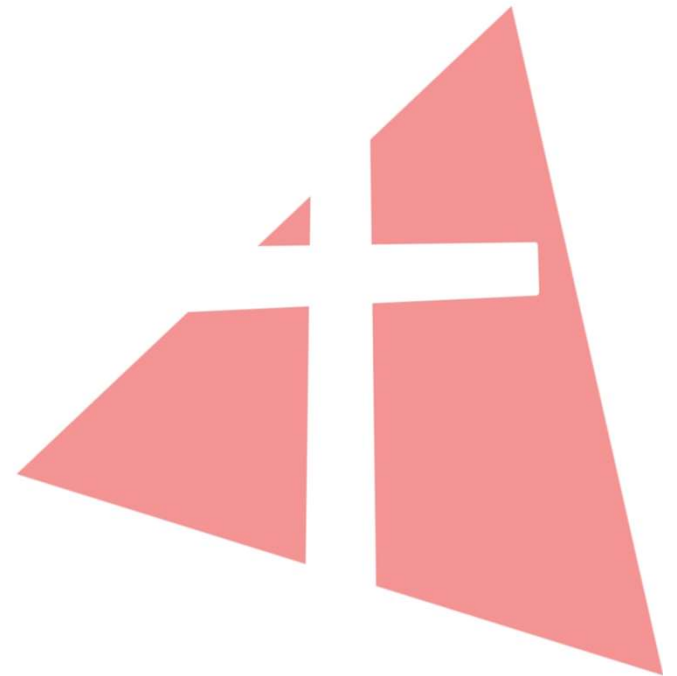
WHAT HAPPENED?

- **The desires God has given us at creation are still there**
- **But: Because of sin, these desires are now longer fulfilled**



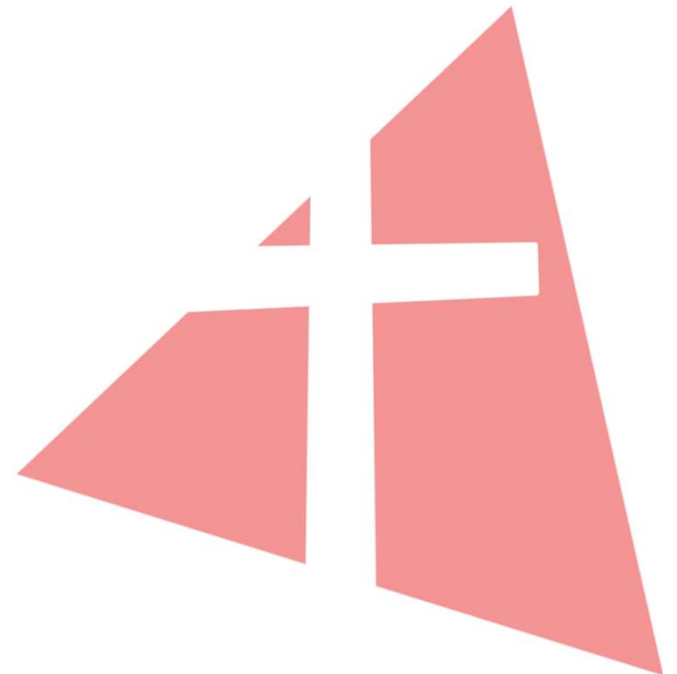
THE RESULT, WITHOUT GOD

- **Striving for fulfillment**



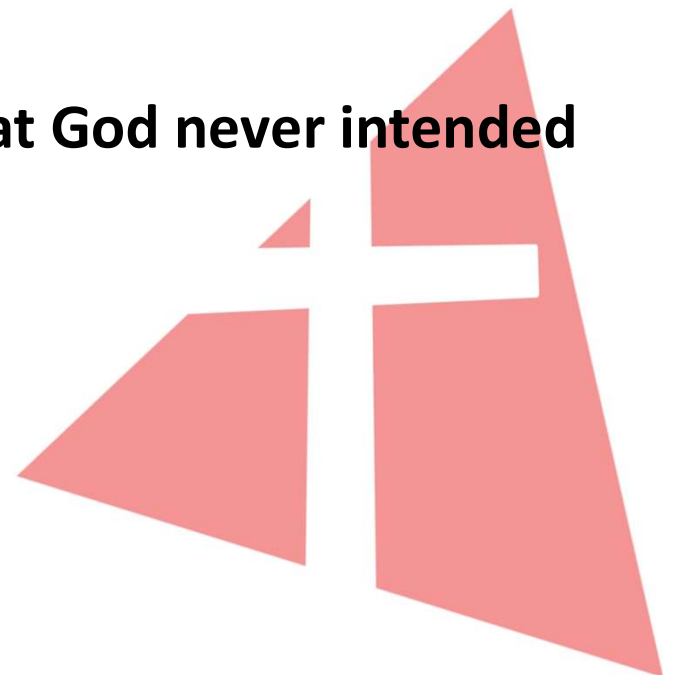
FACING REALITY

- Many people see sin as “something external”
- Reality is: Every sin harms



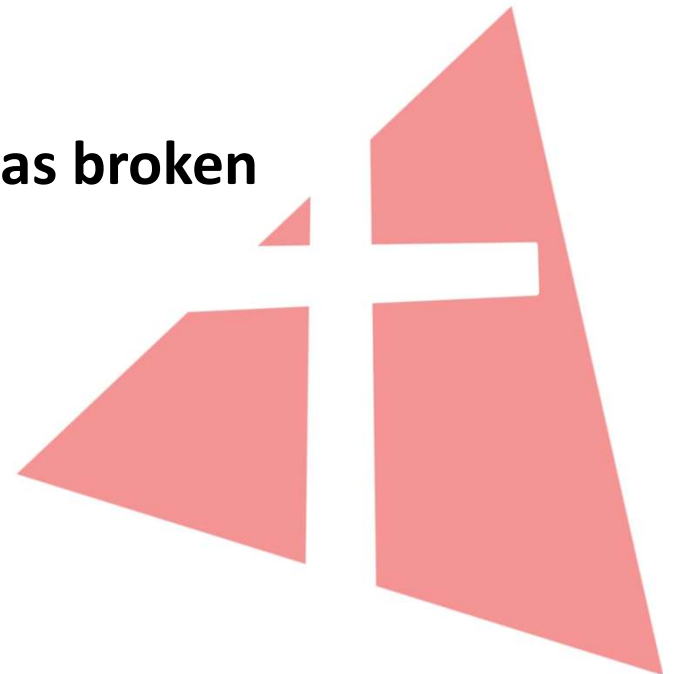
THE RESULT

- **God's design isn't completely destroyed**
- **But we now have to deal with distortions that God never intended for us to face**



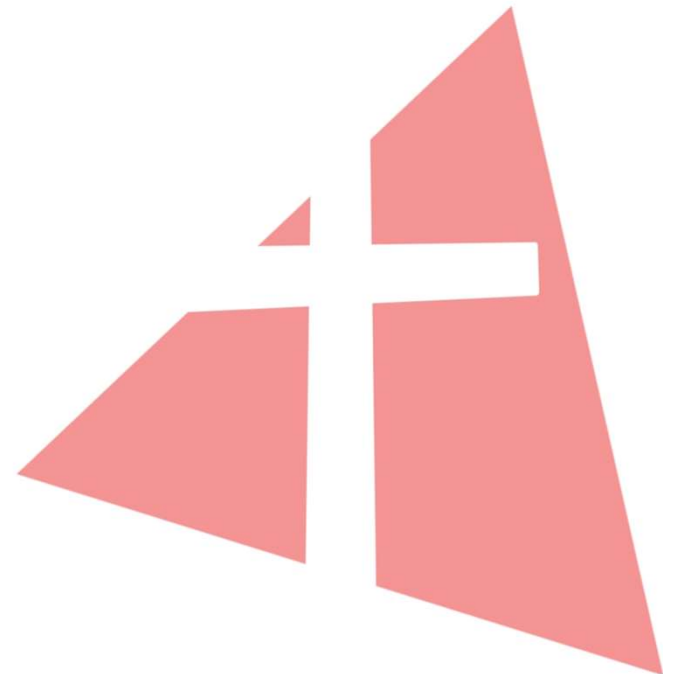
IS THAT THE END OF THE STORY?

- **No!**
- **Jesus has already restored everything that was broken**



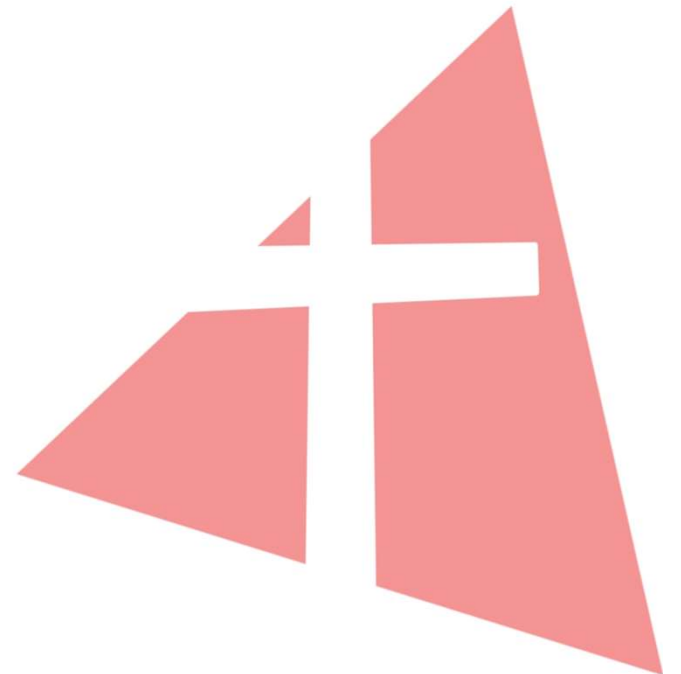
WE HAVE A CHOICE

- **We can live in God's recreation**
- **We can live in our own brokenness**



WE HAVE A CHOICE

- It's not just about "having a good life now"
- Eternity is at stake



IN CONCLUSION

- **To really be in love with God, we have to realize who we are without Jesus**
- **Receive Jesus, and find everything you have ever been looking for**

