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The Heart of the Christian
Faith is a **Person**



Jesus 101 Review

The Unavoidable Jesus

The Jesus-Centrality of Jesus

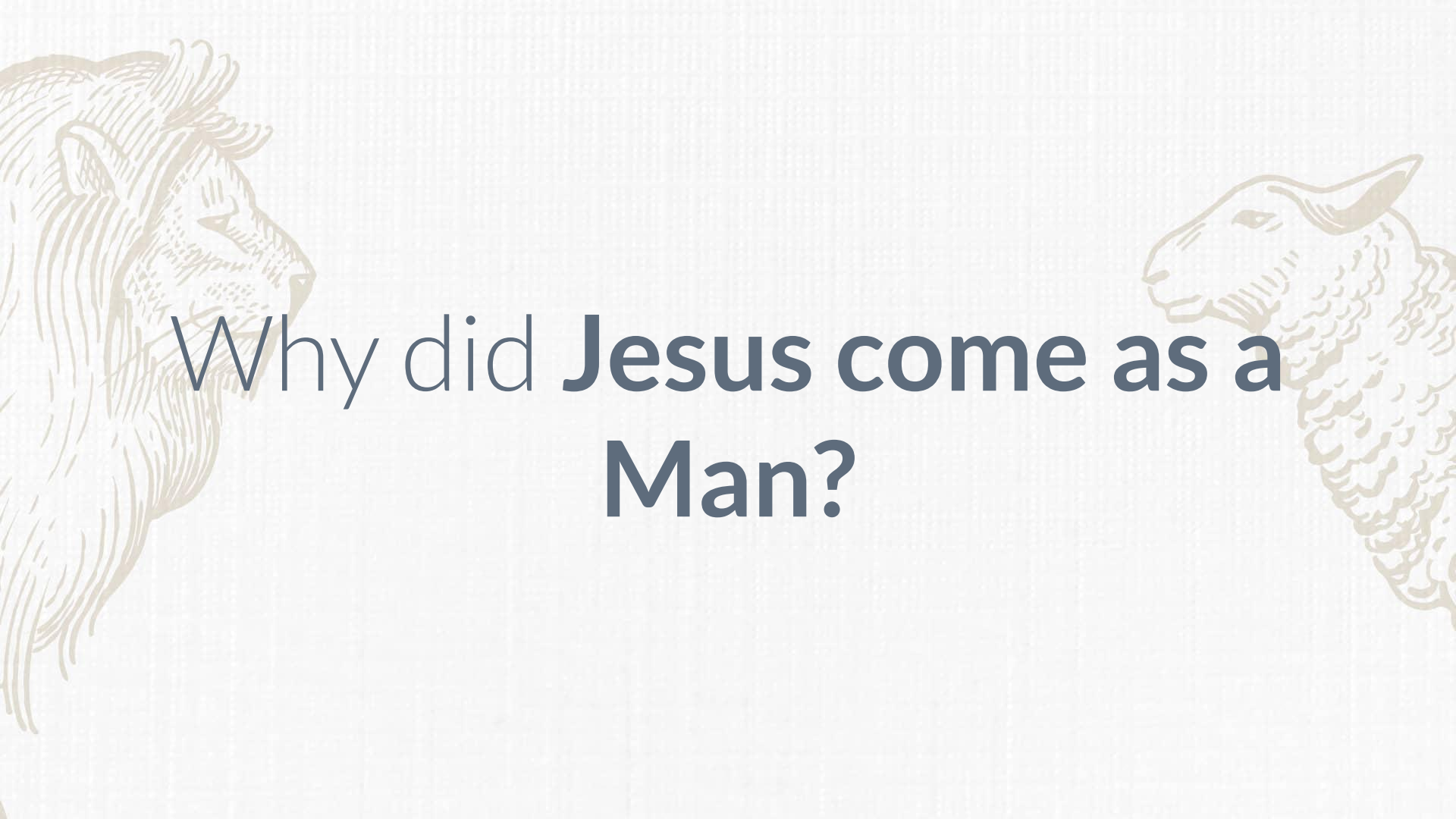
The Challenge of Jesus

The Divinity of Jesus

Jesus is a Member of the Trinity

Jesus is Fully God and Fully Man





Why did **Jesus come as a
Man?**



Why was Jesus incarnate?

"She will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and they shall call his name Immanuel" (which means, God with us).

Matthew 1:21-23.



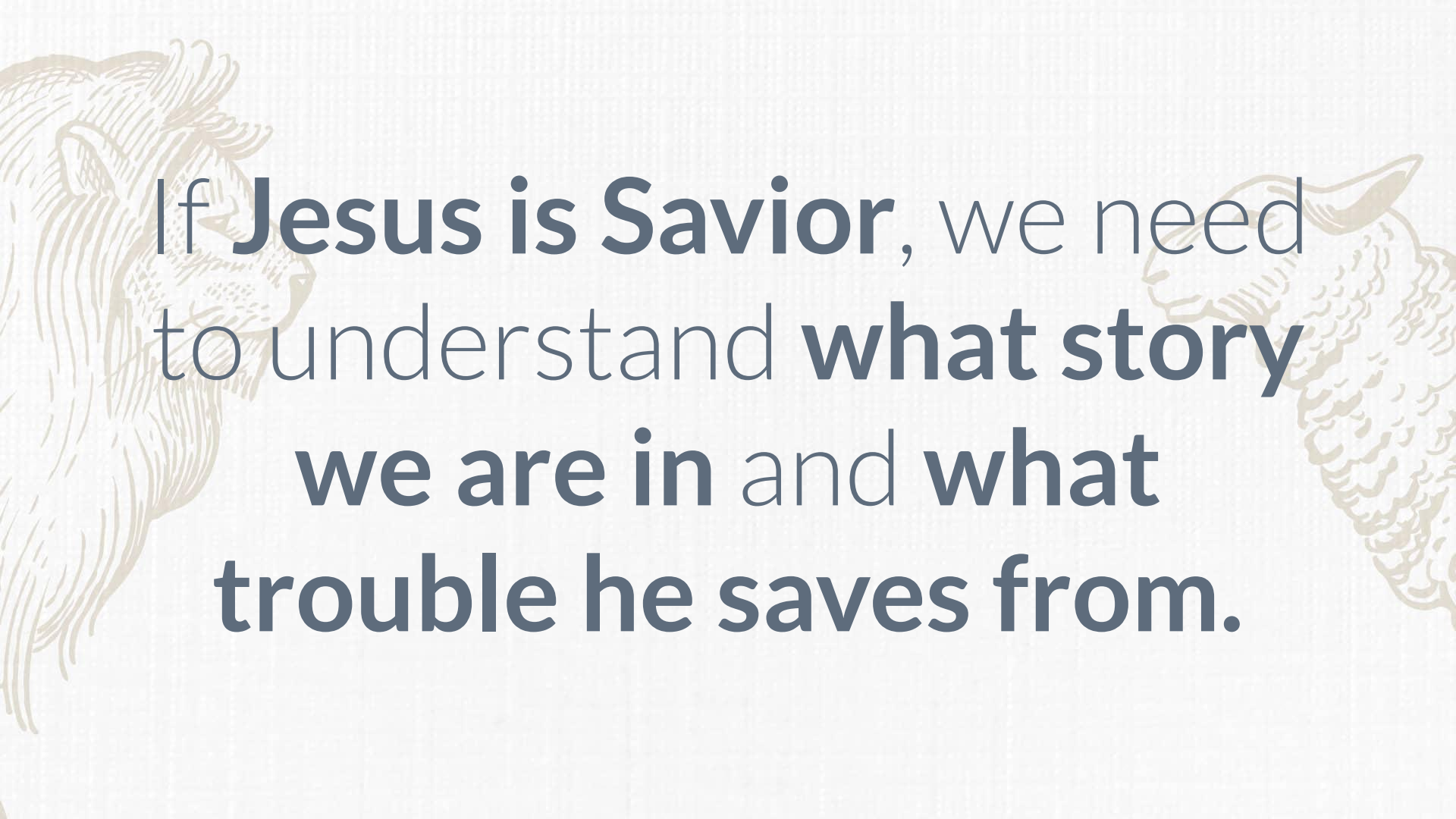
Jesus is God Incarnate
Savior



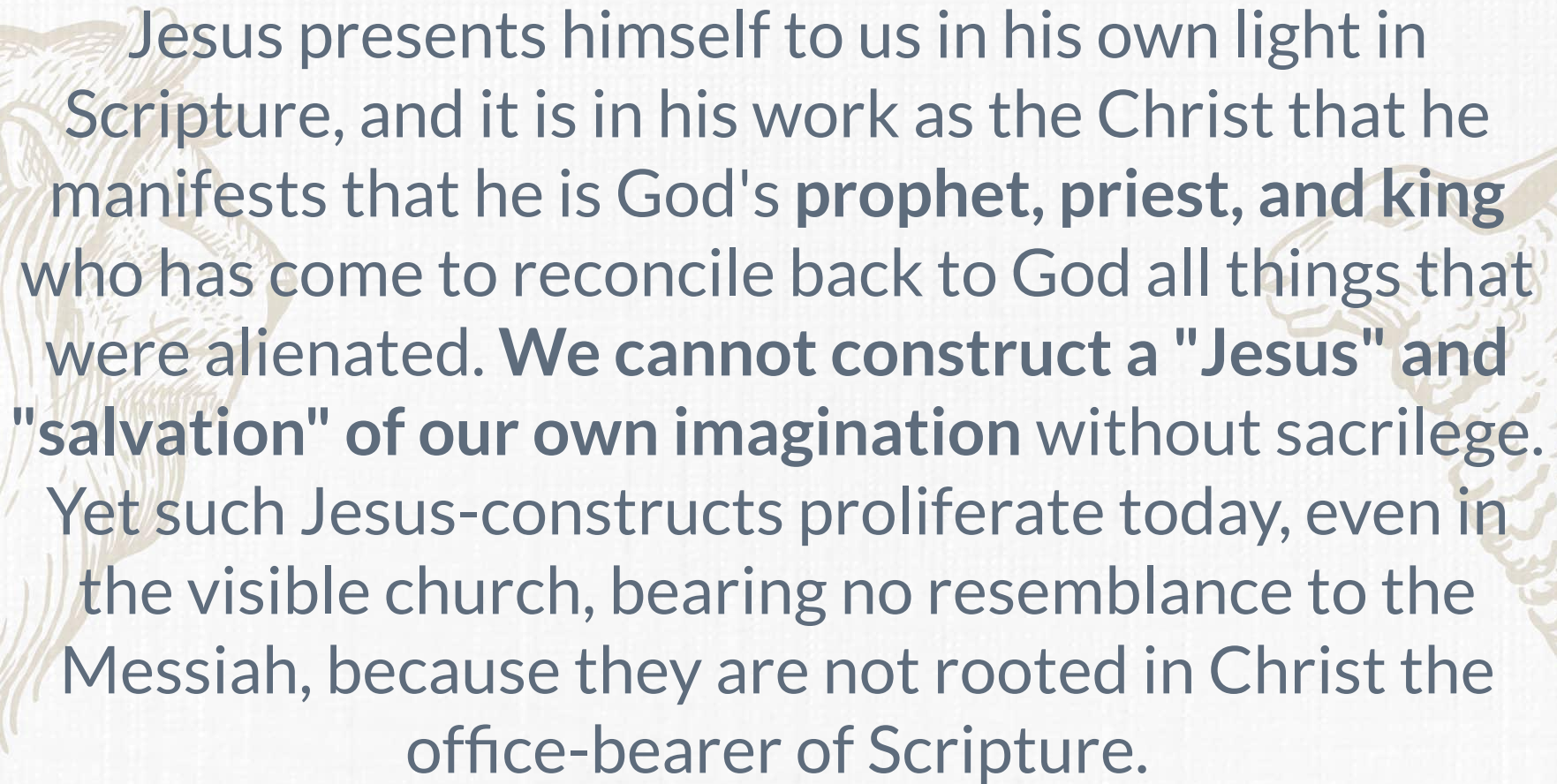
What does the word
Salvation mean?



What does the word
Salvation assume?



If **Jesus is Savior**, we need
to understand **what story**
we are in and **what**
trouble he saves from.



Jesus presents himself to us in his own light in Scripture, and it is in his work as the Christ that he manifests that he is God's **prophet, priest, and king** who has come to reconcile back to God all things that were alienated. **We cannot construct a "Jesus" and "salvation" of our own imagination** without sacrilege. Yet such Jesus-constructs proliferate today, even in the visible church, bearing no resemblance to the Messiah, because they are not rooted in Christ the office-bearer of Scripture.

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Unbiblical Conceptions

The Platonist Savior

The Prosperity Savior

The Life Coach Savior

The Self-Esteem Savior

The Technological Savior

The Marxist Savior



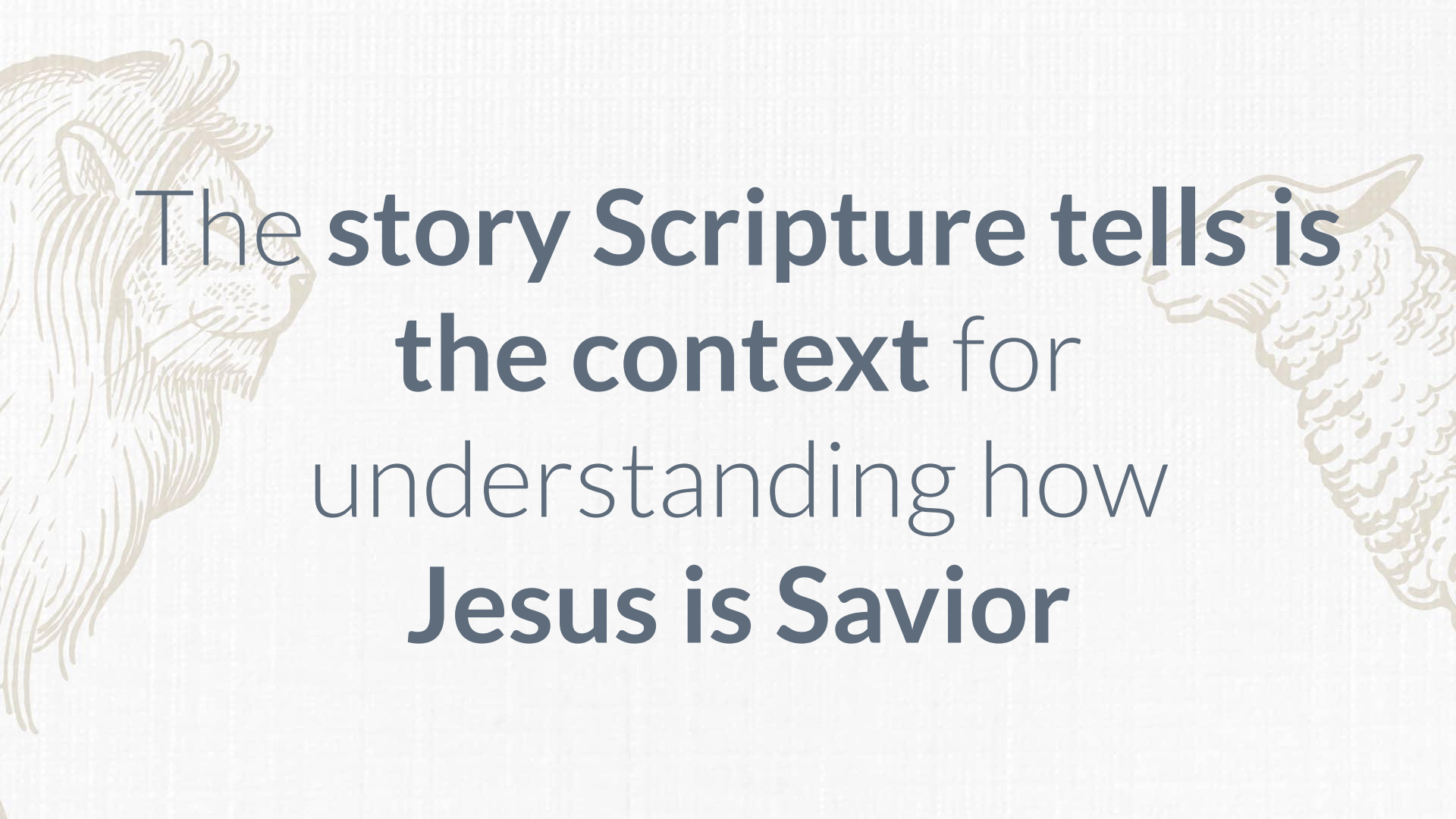


Why so many conceptions of Savior?

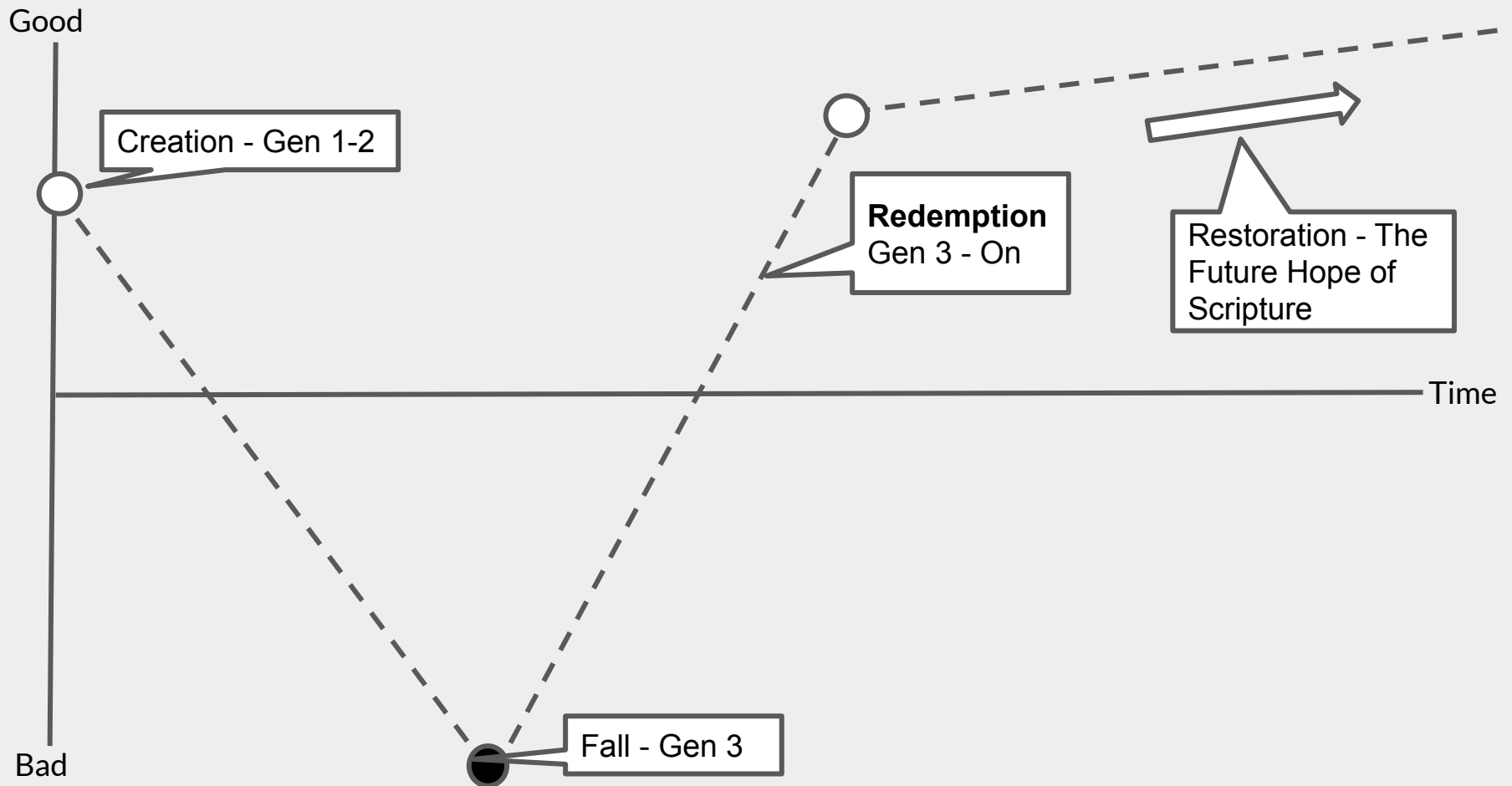
“man’s nature is a perpetual factory of idols”

John Calvin





The **story Scripture tells is**
the context for
understanding how
Jesus is Savior





Creation

“...God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be
fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it,
and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over
the birds of the heavens and over every living thing
that moves on the earth.”

Genesis 1:27-31



Creation

And God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.”

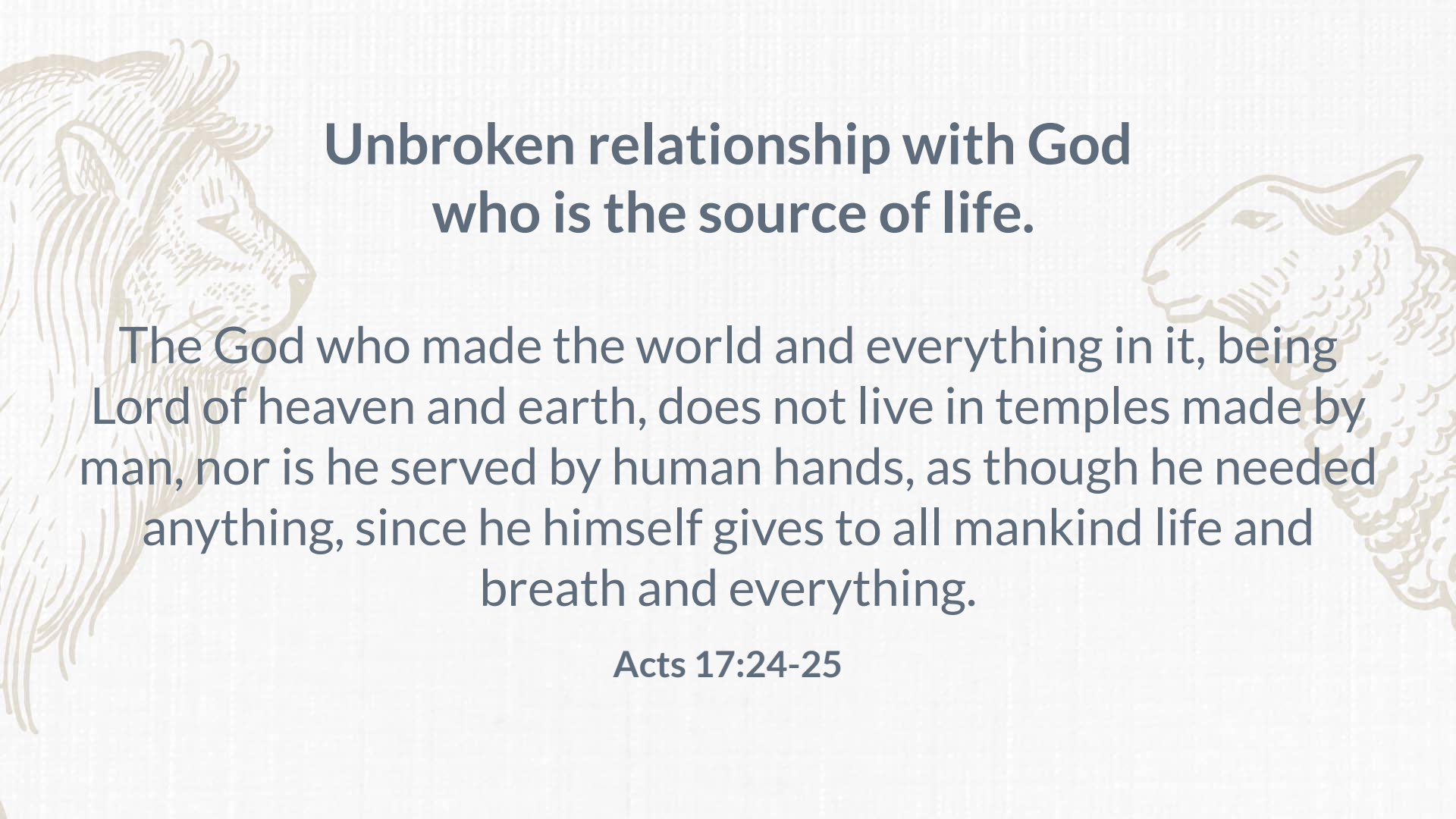
Genesis 1:27-31



What does this passage
teach us about **the
beginning of humanity?**

Creation

True Knowledge of God	Man made in the image of God - knows God in truth - receives the word of God and called to reflect him in truth
Life in Communion with God	Man made to live upon God. God is the source of his life and blessing. Humanity lived in unbroken communion with him in his presence with holiness. Adam called to guard and keep the garden.
Living under Rule and Reign of God	Man made to display and reflect the loving generosity of God in unbroken relationship with one another and in caring dominion over creation.



Unbroken relationship with God who is the source of life.

The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything.

Acts 17:24-25

Fall

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, “**Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden’?**” And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, but God said, You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.” But the serpent said to the woman, “**You will not surely die.**

Genesis 3:1-8



Fall

For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, **she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate.** Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

Genesis 3:1-8



Fall

And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Genesis 3:1-8



What does this passage
teach us about **the Fall of
humanity?**

Fall

True Knowledge of God	True Knowledge of God exchanged for a lie
Life in Communion with God	Life exchanged for death. Holiness is exchanged for sin. Communion and presence of God exchanged for separation from God and the wrath of God (ie. Hell).
Living under Rule and Reign of God	Stewardship of God's rule and dominion exchanged for rebellion - relationships broken and creation subjected to futility and curse.



Fall

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth....For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools, and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

Romans 1:18, 21-25



Fall

Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Romans 1:18, 21-25

Fall & Original Sin

Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—

Romans 3:23

Fall & Original Sin

...As it is written: “None is righteous, no, not one; no one understands; no one seeks for God. All have turned aside; together they have become worthless; no one does good, not even one.” “Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to deceive.” “The venom of asps is under their lips.” “Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness.” “Their feet are swift to shed blood; in their paths are ruin and misery, and the way of peace they have not known.” “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Romans 2:10-18

Fall & Original Sin

for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of
God

Romans 3:23





The Fall is the **Bad News** that
makes the **Good News** so good



Redemption & the Proto-Gospel

The LORD God said to the serpent...
I will put enmity between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and her offspring;
he shall bruise your head,
and you shall bruise his heel.”

Genesis 3:14a,15



What does this passage
teach us about the
Redemption of humanity?



God has a Plan to Save Sinners

this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

Acts 2:23-24

Redemption - Foreshadowed in all the OT

True Knowledge of God	Prophet - Speaks the true word of God, makes God known. ie. Moses bringing the law down from Mt. Sinai
Life in Communion with God	Priest - mediates the presence of God through the sacrificial system whereby sins are covered, God's people are fed, and sinners are reconciled to God, who is their life. ie. The Priesthood of Aaron
Living under Rule and Reign of God	King - Rules in submission to God's law, reigns with wisdom, defeats the people's enemies, leads the people in righteousness and praise to God. ie. King David



Jesus is the Second Adam, who
fulfills the offices of **Prophet,**
Priest, & King




Jesus is the Second Adam

For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.


Romans 5:17

Redemption - Fulfilled in Jesus

True Knowledge of God	Jesus fulfills the office of Prophet. Jesus is the true word of God made flesh. Jesus is the ultimate revelation of God. Jesus is the truth.
Life in Communion with God	Jesus fulfills the office of Priest. He is our mediator and our once-for-all sacrifice for our sin in his death on the cross. He feeds us by giving us himself. He is the bread of life. Jesus is the life.
Living under Rule and Reign of God	Jesus fulfills the office of King. Jesus submits perfectly to God's law, triumphs over the kingdom of darkness, and leads his people into righteousness and joy. Redeems Creation through his resurrection. Jesus is the way.



Jesus fulfills
redemption in his
**Crucifixion and
Resurrection**





The Cross is the Revelation of God as Savior

For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God

1 Cor 1:18



The Cross is the Revelation of God as Savior

For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

1 Cor 1:22-25



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Substitute:

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said,
“Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the
world!

John 1:29



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Substitute:

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Galatians 2:20



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Substitute:

In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

1 John 4:10



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Substitute:

For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin,
so that in him we might become the righteousness
of God.

2 Corinthians 5:21



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Victorious Deliverer:

Since therefore the children share in flesh and blood, he himself likewise partook of the same things, that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, and deliver all those who through fear of death were subject to lifelong slavery.

Hebrews 2:14-15



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Victorious Deliverer:

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

Colossians 1:13-14



The Cross Reveals Jesus as our Victorious Deliverer:

And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and put them to open shame, by triumphing over them in him.

Colossians 2:13-15



How is **the salvation of
Jesus** applied to us?



Believe in Jesus

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

John 13:16-18



Even Belief is a Gift

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—**by grace you have been saved**— and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved *through faith*. **And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God**, not a result of works, so that no one may boast.

Ephesians 2:4-9