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THEME 1 - AUTHORITY, REBELLION, AND JUDGEMENT

Great Themes

(Nines)

of Scripture The angels rebelled so God created the Earth to demonstrate His invisible qualities and divine nature. Man has a fallen nature and without God's help man spirals hopelessly down to destruction.

Great Truths	1st: Beginnings		2nd: Divisions		3rd: Authorities				
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HEAVEN IS PERFECT - BUT ANGELS REBEL

The Bible testifies that an all-powerful, all-knowing, eternal being called God used infinite wisdom to construct an unseen realm of angels, called Heaven, and a visible realm of creatures and man called Earth. Angels are organized by hierarchy. The top angels, guardian cherubs, each rule over a third of the angels. At one time all the angels lived in harmony and occupied themselves with their duties obediently. One of the top angels was found to be wicked and was driven by God out of the holy mount (Eze. 28). The sin of Lucifer was he wanted to be like God. His desire was to rule over all Heaven and "raise my throne above the stars of God", to receive worship from all and rule as God over all (Isaiah 14:13).

PARADISE IS PERFECT - BUT MAN REBELS

Adam and Eve, the first man and woman, dwelt in the Garden of Eden and were without sin. Adam had a high responsibility of ruling over God's visible creation and he walked in fellowship with God in the Garden. God warned Adam and Eve not to eat the fruit of the tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil or they would die. One sad day they tarried near that tree and had a conversation with the occupant, who was the Serpent. They believed the lie, ate the fruit, recognized they had sinned, and hid from God. As a result of their sin, God placed curses on the Serpent, the man, the woman, and the ground. Life now ends in death. The tree of Life was also in the Garden, but Adam and Eve were driven out before they could eat of it.

NATURE OF MAN - A SLAVE TO SIN - POWERLESS TO SAVE HIMSELF

Man was made in the image of God (Genesis 1:26) but man has broken his relationship with God: he is fallen. Man has a conscience, an internal guide that says some things are right to do and other things wrong to do. Man knows he is a sinner because he does things his own conscience tells him are wrong to do. Man feels guilty for those transgressions, and man knows punishment is in store for him.

Man is not angry that he will be punished, he is angry at God for making him accountable in the first place. Man's tendency to continue to do things that are wrong leads eventually to a lifestyle of wrong-doing. He becomes a slave to sin, in bondage to his desires. Over time the conscience becomes weaker to the point there is no longer any internal constraint to do evil, only the risk of social punishment restrains behavior. When society at large continues on this downward tendency, the risk of social punishment is removed, and evil immoral behavior destroys the foundation of peaceful and respectful community. It is the end.

END OF SIN - DEATH

As God accurately foretold, the consequence of broken relationship with Him is death. This is the first death, death of the physical body, which returns to dust. The soul passes into the hereafter to face judgement.

PERSONAL APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Have you seen a moral decline in others?

In society and culture?

Do you experience Fear? Anger? Depression?

Do these emotions make you stronger or weaker?

In your own life?

Do you ever feel you are in a spiral downward?

Does what the Bible says about the power of sin ring true in your experience?

Is it time in your life to confess your sins to God, and seek to restore fellowship with Him?

The Bible says "there is joy in Heaven over every sinner that repents"

Jesus says "come unto Me all ye who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest"

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APPENDIX - NUMBER MEANINGS

- Genesis 1:1 "In the BEGINNING (1) God..." God pre-exists all created things. John 1:3 "Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made" Deut 6:4 "...the Lord is ONE (1)!" There is absolute one-ness: UNITY in the God head. Deut. 4:39 "...there is no other" God is also FIRST (1), in the sense He is before all things, there is no other God. Our conclusion is (1) means "UNITY, BEGINNINGS, ORIGIN".
- When anything is DIVIDED (2) it has two (2) parts. Something divided in two parts may be called BROKEN (2).

 Two parts contrast each other; they OPPOSE (2) each other. Comparing two parts with each other allows us to DISCERN (2) between them. In a moral sense, with discernment man must CHOOSE (2) the desireable part.

 Our conclusion is (2) means "DIVISION, BROKEN, OPPOSE, CHOOSE, DISCERN". [1st Bad Number]
- GOD is tri-unity (3). A triangle is strong (stable), all sides are equal, and eternal (in the sense the line has no starting point and no ending point). The Bible says the THIRD person of the trinity is the Spirit of TRUTH (John 16:13). All TRUTH (3) is ABSOLUTE (3), BINDING (3), and comes from GOD (3). All lies come from the Devil (John 8:44). TRUTH (3) is the definining characteristic of GOD (3).
- On the FOURTH (4) day of creation, God made the sun, the moon, and the stars. From our vantage point, all these heavenly bodies MOVE (4) through the sky. The fourth book of the BIBLE is Numbers, which is the story of God's people WANDERING (4) in the desert. Whereas God (3) is eternal, everlasting, and immovable, all created things in the WORLD (4) are adrift from moorings, fleeting, moving. This is a MESSAGE (4) to us.
- On the FIFTH (5) day of creation, God gave the GIFT (5) of LIFE (5) to all the living creatures. He BLESSED (5) them. The fifth book of the Bible is Deuteronomy, where God sets before man BLESSINGS (5) and CURSES (5). LIFE (5) is WEAK (5). When you divide 5 into 2 + 3, one part is lessor and therefore weaker. All life is weak and relies on God's GRACE (5) to survive. Should He take His hand away, we perish quickly (Acts 12:23)
- On the SIXTH (6) day of creation, God made MAN (6) in His Image (3). But man rebelled against God's commands and so the Image was broken (2). (6 = 3 x 2). MAN (6) has a CONSCIENCE (6): a witness in his soul by which he DISCERNS (2) moral TRUTH (3). In this way fallen MAN (6) is convicted of SIN (6). But MAN (6) is dust, dead to spiritual life, and cannot save himself. MAN (6) is DIVIDED (2) from GOD (3). [2nd bad number]
- On the (7)TH day of creation, God rested, as if to say "take note", the SET TIME (7) has been FULFILLED (7).

 The number 7 is the 4th prime. The number 4 relates to motion. SEVEN relates to the motion of events.

 God measures TIME (7) in multiples of SEVEN (7). The Sabbath is the 7th day. The Jubilee is the 7th year.

 God SETS THE APPOINTED TIME for all things. Since the Flood, the years of man shall be 70 years.

 Jesus came 77 generations after Adam, and 70 generations after Enoch, who walked with God then was not.

 From Adam to the Flood was 1656 years = 1656 x 365.242 = 7 x 84,600 days. (See note)

 God created the world in 7 days and destroyed the world in 7 x 86,400 days.

 From the time of the Exodus (1491 BC) to the judgement of the Northern Kingdom (721 BC) was 770 years.

 From the time of the fall of the Northern Kingdom to the fall of Jerusalen (70 AD) was 770 years.

 Daniel's prophecy of 70 x 7 years pinpointed the time the Messiah would be cut-off.

 And of course, the Revelation details the time and order of future events, all in groups of 7.

 Just as God speaks TRUTH in triplets, God organizes TIME in septuplets.

Note: A full day has 86,400 seconds: 24 x 60 x 60. The remainder is 40.8; it rained for forty days (Gen 7:4) until the whole earth was destroyed.

From nature, the gestation of all mammals is a multiple of 7 weeks. God sets the time for fulfillment of labor.

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- God keeps RECORDS (10). A RECORD (10) DIVIDES (2) LIFE (5) or DISCERNS (2) LIFE (5). So, 10 = 2 x 5.

 God makes LAWS (10). All our thoughts and deeds are recorded by God and judged by God's law.

 There are ten COMMANDMENTS (10). Genesis 10 is the RECORD (10) of all the sons of Shem.

 LAW (10) is a GIFT (5) that DIVIDES (2). Psalm 19:7 "precepts of the Lord...make wise the simple"
- There were ELEVEN (11) curtains of goat hair for the tent over the tabernacle. The purpose of the curtains was to HIDE (11) the holy things from worldly eyes (Exo 26:7). ELEVEN (11) also means FEARS (11) and DOUBTS (11). The ELEVEN (11) apostles HID (11) inside, FEARING (11) the Jews and DOUBTING (11) the resurrection (Lu 24:9-11). [11 is the 3rd bad number, 5th prime. 5=weakness]
- God establishes GOVERNMENT (12) (Rom 13:1). It is His AUTHORITY (3) over the WORLD (4). 12=3x4

 Jesus had TWELVE (12) apostles and they RULED (12) over spiritual matters in the church (Acts 15:2).

 Jacob had TWELVE (12) sons and they RULED (12) over the TWELVE (12) tribes of Israel (Gen 49:28).

 GOVERNMENT (12) DIVIDES (2) the power of MEN (6). 12=2x6. Without order men would go wild.
- Man's response to government (12) is REBELLION (13). Anyone who has had children knows this.

 "For twelve (12) years they had been subject to Kedorlaomer, but in the THIRTEENTH (13) year they REBELLED (13)." Gen 14:4 [13 is the 6th prime. 6=Man. The rebellious way is deep in man]

 MAN (6) may obey God outwardly, but inwardly be a REBEL (13). Isa. 1:10-23. [13 is 6th prime]
- MAN (6) is so rebellious, GOD (3) places him in BONDAGE (18) or SLAVERY (18). 18 = 6 X 3.

 Every slave has a master. When we disobey God, sin takes mastery over us (Gen 4:7).

 BONDAGE (18) is the DIVISION (2) of the SPIRIT (9). 18 = 2 x 9. It weakens our body and spirit.

 [18 is the 5th bad number. 5=weakness, which is the condition of our life as a slave]
- The end of BONDAGE (18) is moral decay and DEPRAVITY (21). 21 = END (7) of GOD's IMAGE (3).

 Man becomes an animal, a beast, ruled only be animal instincts. Genesis 21 is the account of Hagar, "that SLAVE (18) woman", and Ishmael her son. "He will be a WILD DONKEY (21) of a man, his hand will be against everyone... in hostility toward all his brothers" Gen 16:12 [6th bad number]
- The wages of sin is DEATH (23) (Rom 3:23). Genesis 23 is the account of the DEATH (23) of Sarah. Psalm 23 deals with the valley of DEATH (23). The 23rd Book of the Bible, Isaiah, deals with the DEATH (23) of the Messiah (Isa. 53). Isaiah starts his ministry at the DEATH (23) of King Uzziah. [21 is the 7th bad number. In the fullness of time (7) we are judged by God (7) for our sin.]