THE TRUTH ABOUT MAN

Point:1

Man is created in the <u>image of God</u>

Psalms 8:5-6 (NIV)

You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:

Genesis 1:26 (NIV)

(Gen 1:26 NIV) Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

Genesis 2:7 (NIV)

(Gen 2:7 NIV) the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

Genesis 1:6 (NIV)

The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.

Repercussions

- Abortion, the killing of unborn children is wrong.
- Taking a human life is a serious matter.
- Although we love animals we do not place their value above man's
- God's favor rests on man.

Point : 2 Man is <u>sinful</u>.

Psalms 8:2 (NIV)

From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

Col 1:21 (NIV)

Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

Rom 5:12 (NIV)

Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned--

Genesis 6:5 (NIV)

The LORD saw how great man's wickedness on the earth had become, and that every inclination of the thoughts of his heart was only evil all the time.

Rom 1:18 (NIV)

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who suppress the truth by their wickedness,

Hebrews 9:27 (NIV)

Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment,

Rev 20:15 (NIV)

If anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire

Repercussions

Man is not basically good

- The origin of evil in the world lies with man
- Children are not born with a clean slate
- Man will be judged for His sin

Point : 3 Man is <u>loved</u>

Psalm 8:4 (NIV)

what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?

John 3:16 (NIV)

(John 3:16 NIV) "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Gal 1:3-4 (NIV)

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father,

2 Cor 5:17 (NIV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; **the old has gone**, the new has come!

Gal 5:16-17 (NIV)

So I say, live by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the sinful nature. For the sinful nature desires what is contrary to the Spirit, and the Spirit what is contrary to the sinful nature. They are in conflict with each other, so that you do not do what you want.

Acts 17:28 (NIV)

'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.'

Repercussions

- God's love for Man is evidenced in Jesus' sacrifice
- In saved people there is an internal battle
- In saved people there must be fruit

Conclusion