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I. Our Creation

I Cor. 2:14

1. Lost are not likely to understand much about man's beginnings
2. Saved can and should know

Heb. 11:3

1. Creation can only be understood by faith (not by science, reason, study, etc.)
2. Creation was witnessed by no one but God
3. God has given us an account. Will we believe it?

Rev. 4:11

1. Creation is both a past and present activity.
2. All creation is for the pleasure of the Lord!

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Heb. 2:6-8

1. Mankind was made/created
2. Mankind was crowned with glory and honor
3. Mankind set over all else in creation

Gen. 1:1, 2

1. Original Creation
2. Chaos appears – result of judgment

Gen. 1:26-28

1. Man made in God's image
2. Man in dominion over the rest of creation
3. Mankind made male and female
4. God's blessing given
 - a) be fruitful
 - b) multiply
 - c) replenish
 - d) subdue
 - e) have dominion

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Gen. 1:29-30

1. Man originally a vegetarian
2. Animals were vegetarians

Gen. 2:7-9

1. Man formed by God
2. God gave us life
3. God made us a soul
4. God planted the Garden of Eden
5. God placed man where He wanted him

Gen. 2:15-17

1. God put man to work
2. Man originally without sin
3. Man warned – put on probation with a chance to exercise his will

Gen. 2:18-20

1. Man needed a helpmeet

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2. Man showed great intellect in naming all the animals in less than a day
3. Man's superiority shown in that no animal was qualified to be a helpmeet

Gen. 2:21-14

1. Eve made from a rib of Adam
2. Picture of marriage – from the beginning

Eccl. 7:29

- Man made perfect but chose sin

Eccl. 12:7

- Dust and spirit separate at death and go in different directions

Matt. 10:28

- Body and soul are different

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Matt. 25:46

1. Part of man is everlasting
2. This is true for both the saved and the lost

I Thess. 5:23

1. Man is a three part being
2. Each area is capable of sin and is to be kept blameless

II. Our Fall

- It is unknown how long man remained in a perfect condition before he fell into sin

Rom. 5:12-21

1. One Man (Adam) brought sin into the world
2. One man thus made us all sinners and brought death on the human race
3. We sin because we are sinners
 - not sinners because we sin

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- it is our inherited nature
- 4. Problem of sin is inside us and works its way out into sinful actions
- 5. Since one man made all sinners, one man can thus save all.

(Answer to: How can Jesus save more than one?)

Gen. 3:1

1. Satan appears as/or in a serpent.
2. Satan had already sinned
(Isa. 14:9-17, Ezek. 28:11-19).
3. He now moves to draw mankind into sin with him.
4. He chose the woman as his target.
 - the warning had been given to her husband
 - she should have remained under her husband's authority and protection

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5. She listens to a creature which was supposed to be in subjection to her
 - likely near the forbidden tree
6. Satan casts doubt on God's Word, "***Hath God said?***"
7. Satan questions God's justice, love
 - magnified the "don't"
 - minimized the "do"
 - Satan's concept of freedom

Gen. 3:2, 3

1. Woman holds conversation with the enemy of herself, her husband, and God
2. She discusses the principles of God's Word to the neglect of the precise literal statements.
3. She tampers with God's Word
 - left out – "every" and "freely"
 - added – neither shalt thou touch it
 - softened – the issue of death

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Gen. 3:4, 5

1. Satan denies that God will punish sin
2. Satan accuses God of selfishness, jealousy
3. Satan offers opportunity to become like the gods (demons)
4. Satan appeals to pride
5. Eve's compromise on the Scripture opens the door to greater attacks by Satan

Gen. 3:6-11

1. Eve chose to believe Satan and thus disbelieved God
 - **I John 2:16**
 - a) lust of the flesh – good for food
 - b) lust of the eyes – pleasant to the eyes
 - c) pride of life – desired to make one wise
2. She was deceived and ate
 - **I Tim. 2:14**
 - gave to her husband (no longer temptation)

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- Adam sins

3. Death comes nine ways

- a) **Spiritual** – Eph. 2:1 – immediate separation from God and His fellowship
Gen. 3:8.
- b) **Physical** – began immediately through depraved natures
Gen. 3:7, 10, 11; Titus 1:15
- c) **Second Death** – final eternal separation from God in torment
Rev. 20:14, 15
- d) **Economic** – separated from garden, easy living, and forced to labor hard
Gen. 3:17-19, 23, 24
- e) **Equality** – man to rule over the woman and she to suffer in childbirth
Gen. 3:16; 1 Tim. 2:15

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- f) **Mental** – man's mind began to deteriorate with age and generationally
 - learning ability is still decreasing
- g) **Moral** – showed in son Cain as a murderer
 - showed in son Cain as he argued with God
 - shame at nakedness
 - sodomy etc., gradually came ... a decreasing moral level generationally
- h) **Environmental** – put out of the garden and never permitted to return
 - exiled
- i) **Conscience** – no repentance
 - shift of blame
 - hid from god etc...

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III. Sin

A. Nature

Psm. 51:4

- Sin is an act against a Holy God

Luke 15:18

- Sin may also be against other people

Gal. 5:16-21

1. Sin is the result of the flesh nature at work
2. The Holy Spirit would fight against the flesh
3. Sin involves specific acts called "*works of the flesh*" – just acting according to our unchanged nature we were born with

Rom. 7:14

1. Paul is God's Biblical example of carnality

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2. Adam (head of the race) sold us out to sin
3. By nature sin rules over us

B. Definition of Sin (14 different Biblical ones)

1) James 4:17

1. Knowing what to do and that it is good places a requirement on us.
2. Not doing good is sin.

2) Jer. 14:7

1. Backsliding is sin
2. Any gap between us and God
3. We are to maintain close fellowship

3) Prov. 14:21

1. Despising your neighbor is sin
2. We are commanded to love our neighbors

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4) Prov. 21:4

1. Pride is sin
2. We are commanded to be humble

5) Prov. 24:9

1. The thought of foolishness is sin
2. We are to be sober minded

6) Num. 21:7

1. Speaking against the Lord or His servant
(leader of the people) is sin
2. We are to submit ourselves to God and His
authority
3. God can easily deal with His servants

7 & 8) I Sam 15:23

1. Rebellion is sin – as is witchcraft
2. Similar in heart nature
3. Stubbornness is sin – as is iniquity and
idolatry

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4. We are to worship God only and without physical aids

9) Jer. 3:25

1. Not obeying the Lord is sin
2. God as creator has the right to expect our obedience

10) John 16:8, 9

1. Not believing on Jesus is sin
2. Repentance, Faith, being Born Again are requirements of God
3. He demands that we rest in faith on Jesus

11) Rom. 14:23

1. Anything not of faith is sin
2. God ordained that we should live by faith

12) I John 3:4

1. Transgression of the law is sin

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2. God's law is to be obeyed

13) Jas. 2:9

1. Favoritism is sin
2. We are not to have respect of persons

14) I John 5:17

1. All unrighteousness is sin
2. We are expected to live righteously
3. **I Cor. 6:9-10** – various gross forms of sin of the lost
4. **Gal. 5:19-21** – various works of the flesh (sin)
5. **Eph 4:30, 31** – various ways of sinning (grieving) against the Holy Spirit
6. **Rev. 21:8** – various sins of those who will be lost for all eternity

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IV. Progression of Sin

Rom. 1:18

1. God's wrath is against all sin
2. Men hold whatever truth they have in unrighteousness

Rom. 1:19-23

1. God has revealed truth
2. Man chooses to not give God glory
3. Men weren't thankful
4. Men's imagination and hearts affected
5. God's glory turned to religious imagery

Rom. 1:24-25

1. God then gives them up to uncleanness
2. Man goes into sin deeper

Rom. 1:26-27

1. God gives them up to vileness

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2. Men move on to sexual perversion, sodomy, lesbianism, etc.

Rom. 1:28-32

1. God gives them over to a reprobate mind
2. Man goes into all types of sin, even sins worthy of death
3. They sin and enjoy those who are also as sinful as they are

V. Result of Sin

Rom. 8:22 – Creation groans in pain

God – Creator

- a) Angels
- b) Mankind
- c) Animal Kingdom
- d) Plant Kingdom
- e) Mineral Kingdom

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Man was created a little lower than the angels
(**Heb. 2:6, 7**)

- a) **Jude 6** – angels (sinning) already judged
- b) **Eccles. 7:20** – polluted the whole human race
- c) **Rom. 3:10, 19, 23** – all are guilty before God
– depraved – rebels
Gen. 9:1-3 – Animal Kingdom suffered
- d) & e) **Gen. 3:17, 18** – Vegetable and Mineral
(ground) Kingdoms suffered

Rom. 8:22

- Man's sin affected all generations that followed, the whole race
- Man's sin affected all of the rest of creation (except for the Angelic)



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