

Neighborhood Outreach

Door to Door Ministry

Our Objective:

- To joyfully magnify Christ through God's Word *to all people* by helping people **know Christ** through sharing the gospel with those who we may never come into contact with.
- This helps us to fulfill the *all people* command in Matthew 29:19.

Our method:

- We will be distributing the “The Gospel of John” booklets.
- We are using the NIV for the sake of communication of the Word of God to the lost.
- The “booklet” will have info stickers on both inside covers. One has a greeting and info about the ministry. The other will have a map of our location.
- The booklets already have a gospel plan inside of them.

Our presentation:

- “Hi, I’m Del Ward from and I am dropping off a gift to our neighbors, something everyone should have in their home. It is, ‘The Gospel of John’ a book of the Bible. I am doing this on behalf of the people at First Baptist Church of Sterling Heights on 14 mile and Ryan Road. Would you mind if I gave you one? It’s free, no strings attached”

Presentation cont.

- Responses:
- No: Sorry to disturb you, thanks for your time.
- Yes: Here it is!
- At this point you want to ask more questions if you can. If they don't want to talk, just thank them for accepting the gift and let them know there is a message inside for them from FBC.

Have you ever read the Bible?

- No, well I would encourage you to read it, because it made a great difference in my life when I read it. If you read it I know it will do the same for you.
- Yes, that's good are you familiar with the story of the Book of John? It is all about the life of Jesus Christ. When I learned about Christ, it changed my life.
- Continue if people want to talk.

Presentation cont.

- The book of John tells people about the life of Jesus Christ and why He came to this earth. Do you know much about Jesus? In your copy of the Book of John there is a helpful study guide about Jesus Christ. It tells who He is and what He has done for every person. This study will help you understand who Jesus is and what He has done for you and me.

Presentation cont.

- Would you like me to show you how to do the study?
 - No, that's OK, but I hope you will do it. If you ever need help there is information on the inside about FBC feel free to call or drop by if you need help.
 - Yes, take them through the gospel using, "God's Bridge to Eternal Life."

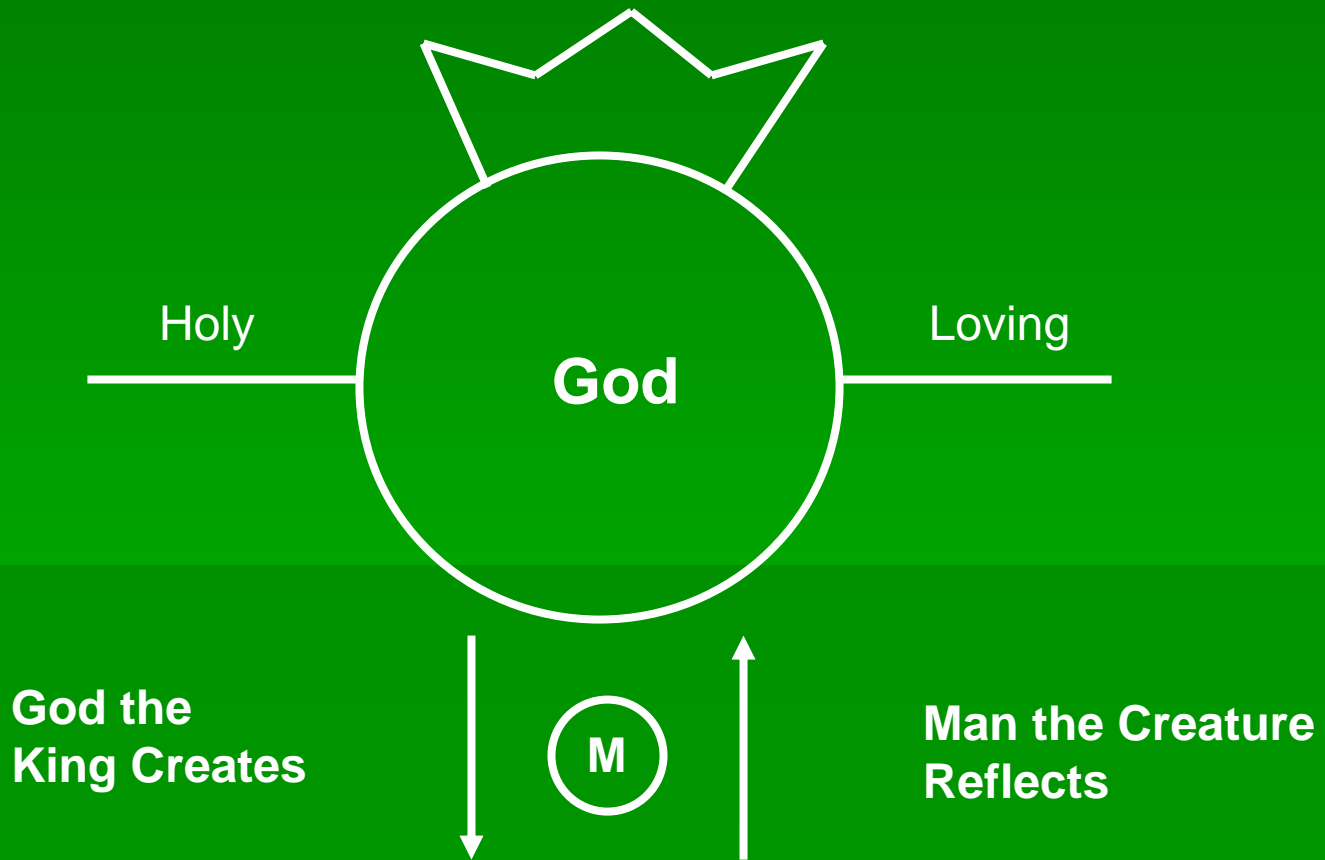
Having An Effective Personal Witness

Keeping the Gospel God-Centered

I. God is the Holy and Loving Creator

- **A. He is the Sovereign Creator** – out of his pleasure and freedom God created and sustains us.
- **B. He is the Personal Creator** – we are not impersonal machines or animals, because we are made in God's image.
- **Main point:** God has an absolute claim on our lives as our Creator. We are responsible to reflect God.

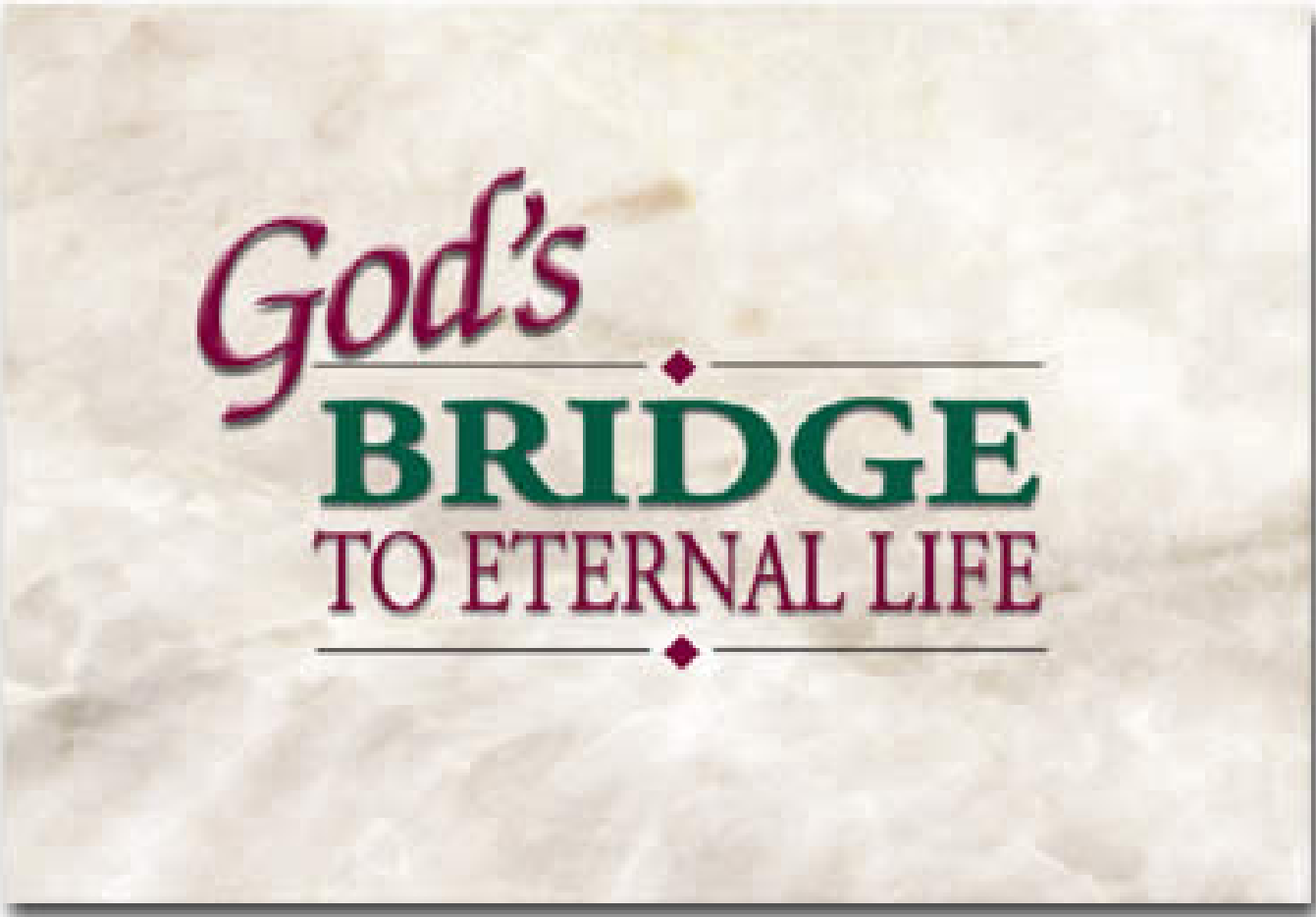
God as Creator Pictured



Key Bible Verses and Passages:

- **Psalm 100:3** *Know that the LORD Himself is God; It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves; We are His people and the sheep of His pasture.*
- **Revelation 4:11** *Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.*
- **Matthew 5:48** *Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.*
- *Ex. 19:16-20; 20:1-26; Matt. 5:17-48; Acts 17:24-31*

God's Bridge



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God's Purpose

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1

God's Purpose: Honor and Serve Him

GOD CREATED MAN TO HONOR, SERVE, AND FELLOWSHIP WITH HIM. THE BIBLE SAYS...

"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for Thou hast created all things, and for Thy pleasure they are and were created."

Revelation 4:11

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God."

I Corinthians 10:31

"Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in Thy presence is fulness of joy; at Thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."

Psalms 16:11

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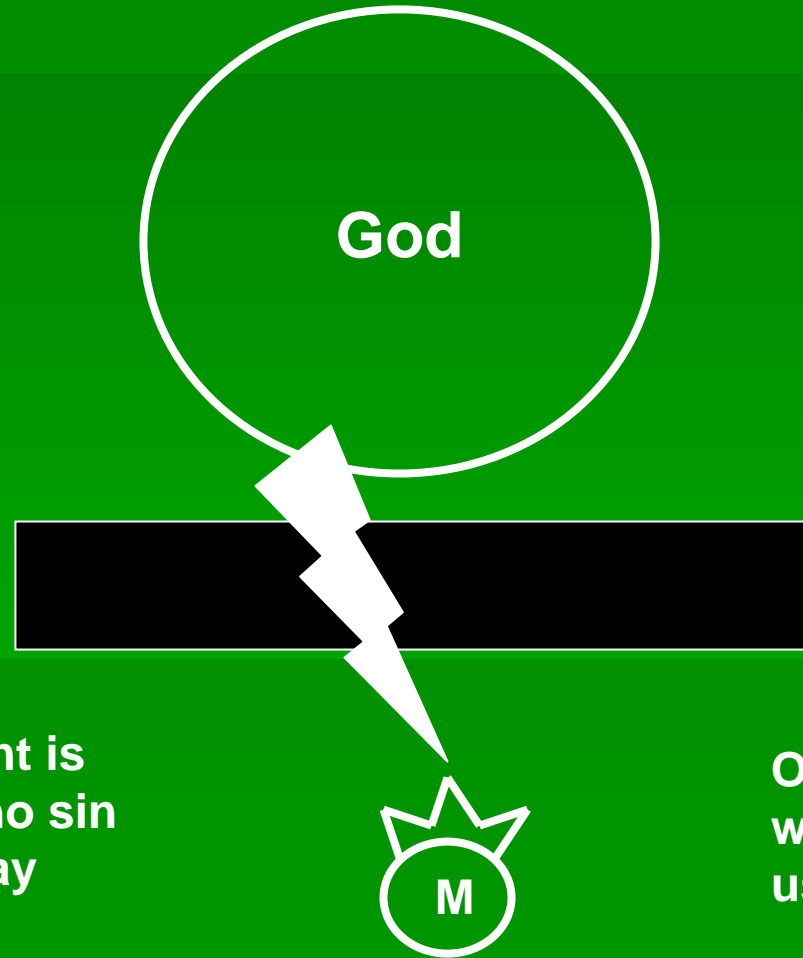


If God's purpose is for mankind to honor, serve, and fellowship with Him,
then what happened that destroyed this perfect relationship?

II. Man is a Sinful Creature

- A. Sin defined: Willful rebellion by refusing to do what God commands.
 - 1. We play God ourselves.
 - 2. Fighting God by self-sufficiency.
- B. Consequences of Sin = Death (separation)
 - 1. Spiritual death – separation from God.
 - 2. Eternal death – separation from God forever
 - 3. Physical death – separation of the immaterial from the material.
- Main Point: We are self-deceived into thinking we can live from our own resources, when we are dependent on God.

Man as Sinner Pictured



God's judgment is upon those who sin by trying to play God

Our sin blocks the way and separates us from God

Key Verses and Passages:

- **Jeremiah 17:9** *The heart is more deceitful than all else And is desperately sick; Who can understand it?*
- **Romans 3:23** *for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*
- **James 2:10** *For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.*
- Isa. 64:6-7; Rom. 1:20-25; 3:10-20; 7:7-13; Phil. 3:4-6 1 John 3:4.

Man's Problem: Sin

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Mankind's Problem: Sin

MAN CHOSE TO SIN AGAINST GOD RATHER THAN SERVE HIM.
THE BIBLE SAYS...

"For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God."

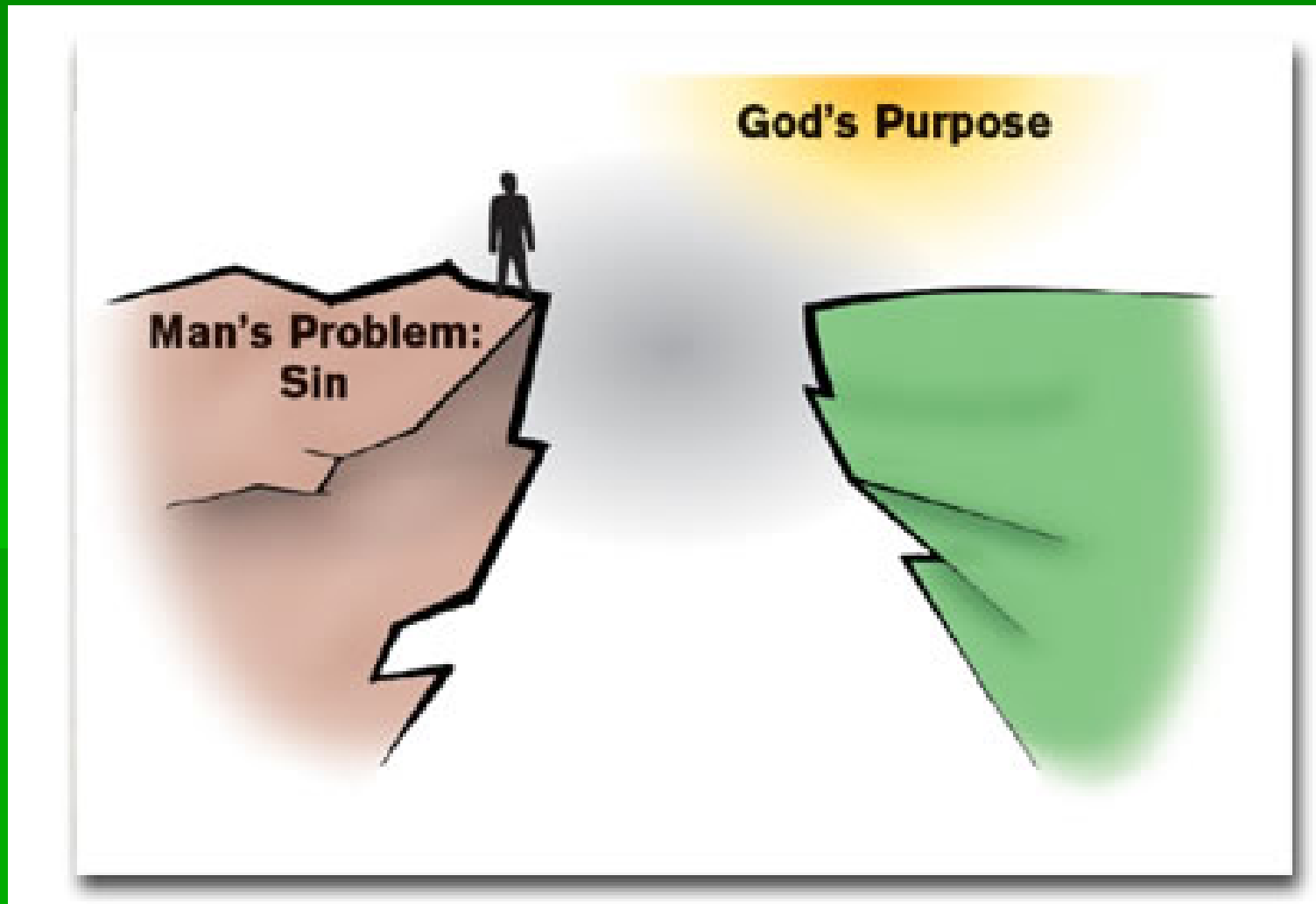
Romans 3:23

What does it mean to sin against God?

Sin is breaking God's law (1 John 3:4).

We sin by doing what God has commanded us not to do or by not doing what God has told us to do.

Man's Problem Pictured



Sin's Penalty: Death

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3 Sin's Penalty: Death

THE BIBLE SAYS...

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Romans 6:23

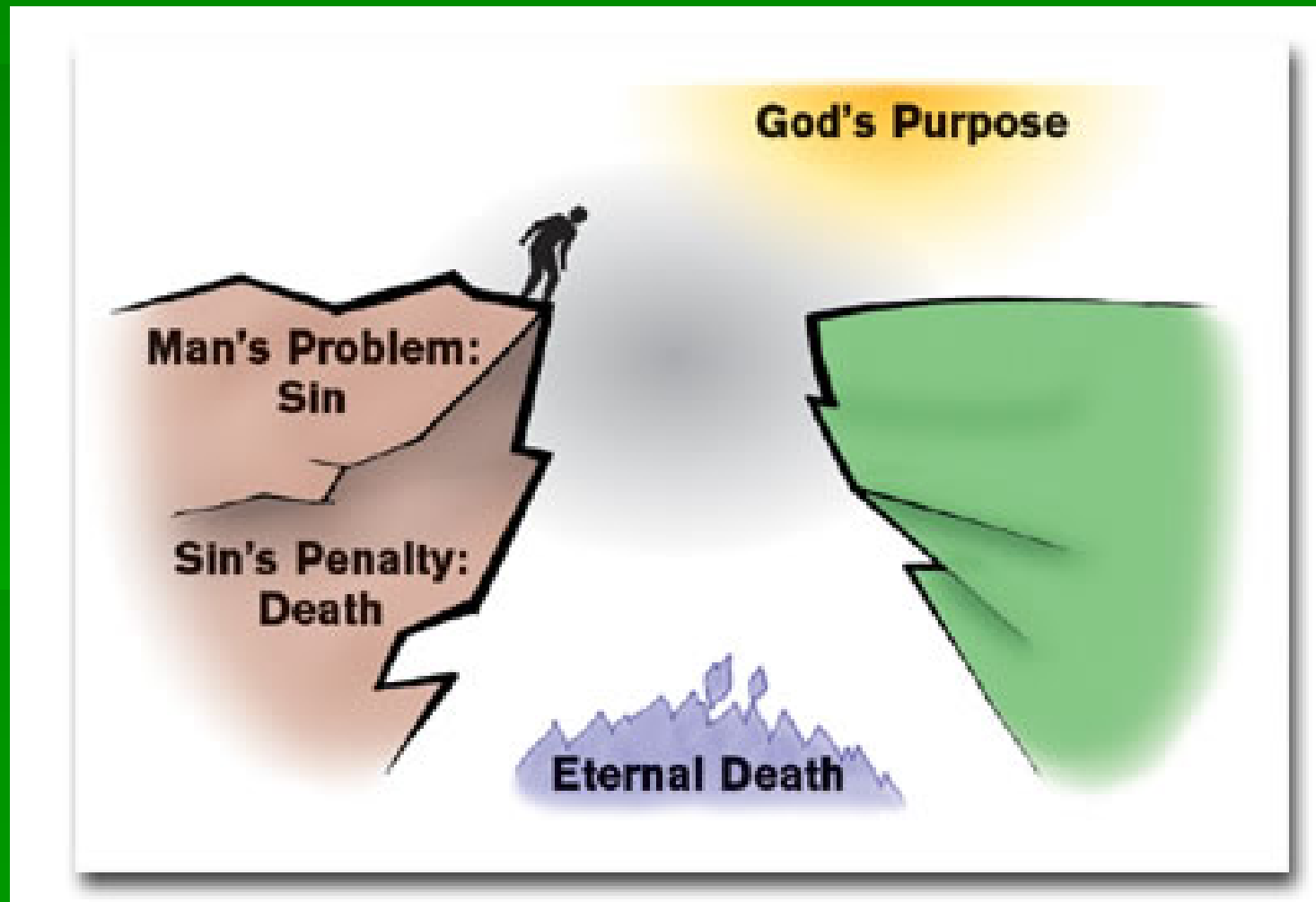
When man chose to disobey God, the result was death. The basic meaning of death is separation. The Bible teaches that there are three types of death, or separation, that result from sin.

Spiritual death separates a person from the life of God (Ephesians 2:1).

Physical death separates a person's soul from his or her body (Hebrews 9:27).

Eternal death separates a person, both soul and body, from God forever in Hell (Revelation 20:15).

Sin's Penalty Pictured



How can we have eternal life?

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4 Then how can we ever have eternal life?

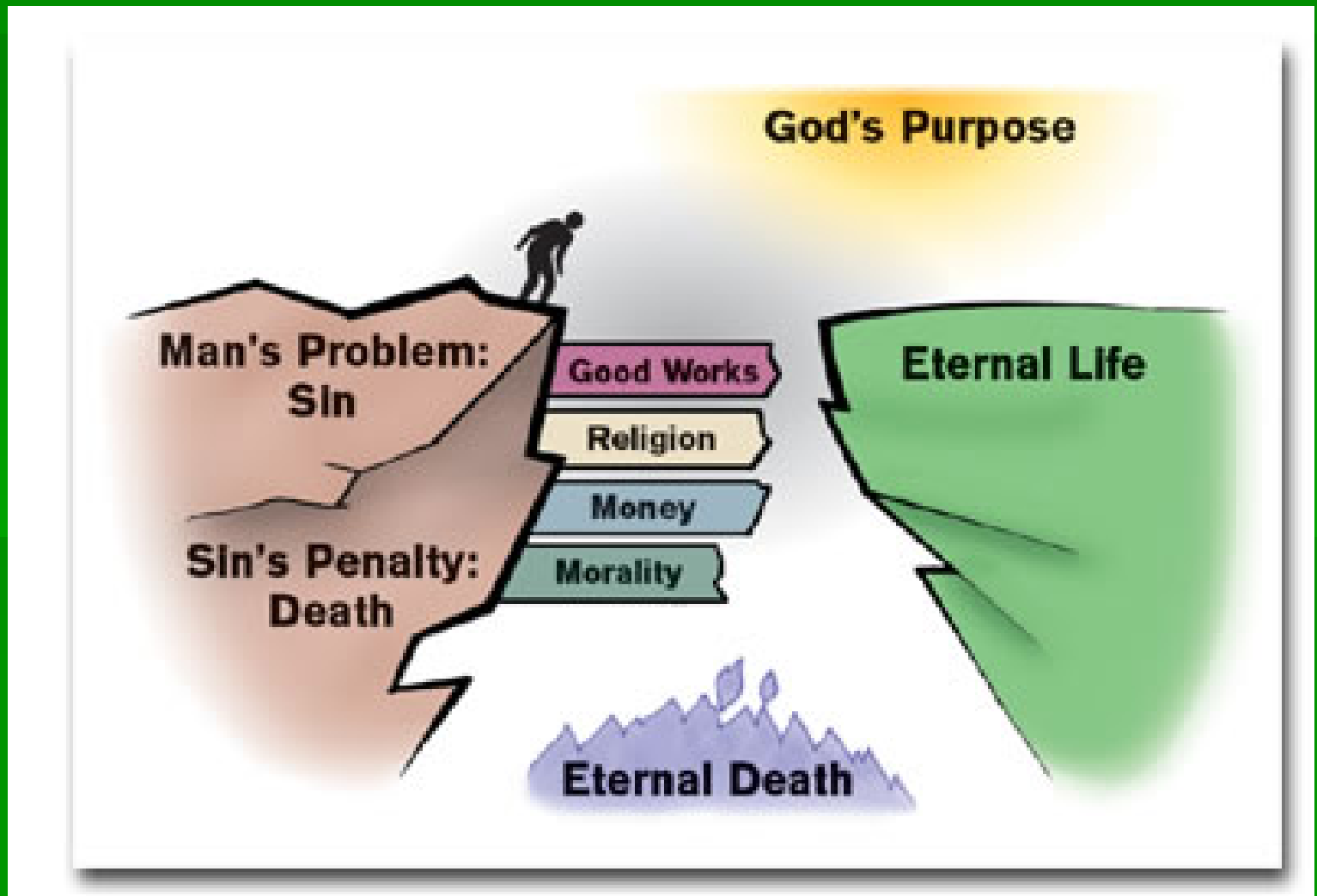
THROUGHOUT HISTORY INDIVIDUALS HAVE TRIED MANY WAYS TO GAIN OR EARN ETERNAL LIFE, BUT EVERY ATTEMPT HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL. THE BIBLE SAYS...

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death."
Proverbs 14:12

"Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us,"
Titus 3:5a

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast."
Ephesians 2:8, 9

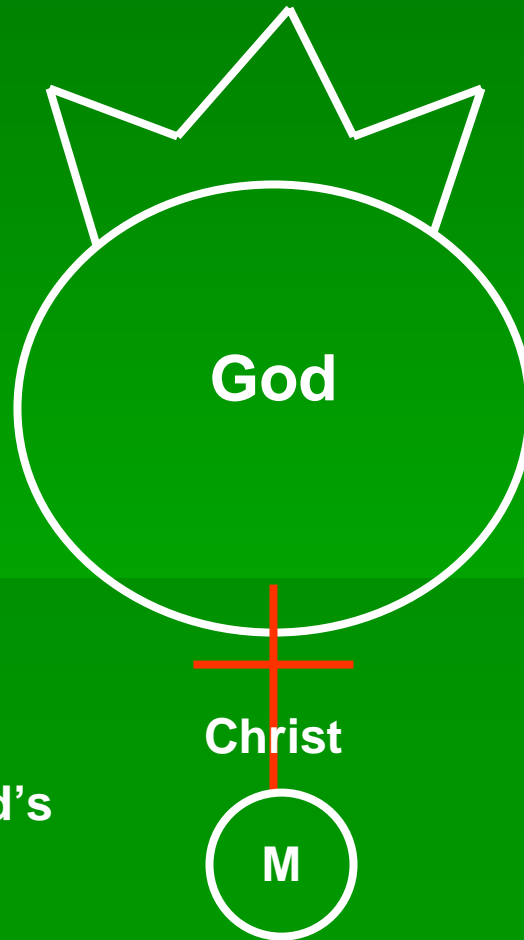
Ways we are not saved pictured.



III. Christ the Merciful Redeemer.

- A. Teacher – Christ's words reveal the nature of God.
- B. Sin-bearer – He offered Himself as the innocent Substitutionary sacrifice for sins.
- C. King – He rose from the dead and conquered sin and death.
- Main Point: Jesus as the God-man is the only way to life-by His death and resurrection as Redeemer.

Redemption Pictured



We are forgiven
because Christ on
the cross bore God's
judgment

God in Christ
redeems sinful
people

Key verses and Passages:

- **Isaiah 53:5** *But He was pierced through for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities; The chastening for our well-being fell upon Him, And by His scourging we are healed.*
- **Mark 10:45** *For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.*
- **Ephesians 1:7** *In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace*
- **Isaiah 53:1-11; 43:25; Mark 10:33-34; Acts 2:22-24, 36**

Christ's Payment

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5 Christ's Payment: Our Sinless Substitute

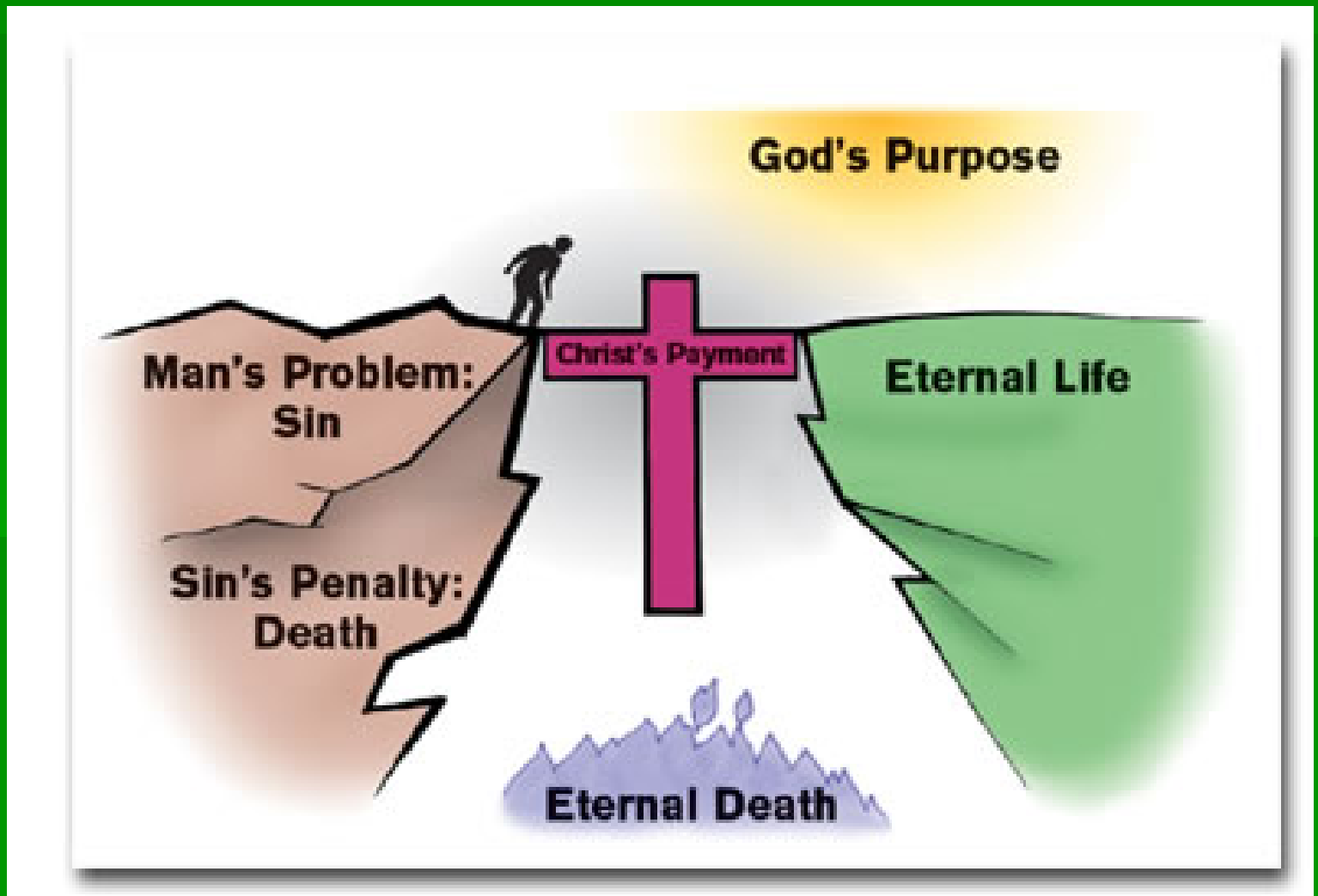
JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S SINLESS SON, WAS SENT BY THE FATHER TO PAY THE PENALTY FOR OUR SINS BY DYING ON THE CROSS IN OUR PLACE. THE BIBLE SAYS...

"But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

"For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God." 1 Peter 3:18a

THEN HOW DO WE CROSS THE BRIDGE TO ETERNAL LIFE?

Christ's Payment Pictured



IV. Our Necessary Response to be United With Christ.

- A. Turn from our rebellion to Christ as Lord - Repentance
 - 1. Minds: Agree with God we have wronged Him and deserve judgment and repent.
 - 2. Emotions: Despise our sin and sinfulness.
 - 3. Wills: Determine to turn from our rebellion to serve our creator and redeemer.
- Key verses and passages: Isa. 55:11; Luke 13:3, 5; 1 Thess 1:9-10.

IV. Our Necessary Response to be United With Christ.

- B. Trust in nothing we can do, but only in the person and finished work of Christ.
 - 1. Mind: Recognize Christ as the necessary and sufficient payment for sin.
 - 2. Emotions: Long for Christ and rejoice in His love for the undeserving.
 - 3. Will: commit our lives to Christ by casting ourselves on Him as our only hope for reconciliation with God.
- Verses and passages: John 1:12; Rom 3:21-26; John 3:16-18.

IV. Our Necessary Response to be United With Christ.

- Key Point: A person can only become a Christian by turning from a sinful life to Christ and by trusting in Him as Savior and Lord.

Our Pardon: Turn and Trust:

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6 Our Pardon: Turn and Trust

HOW DO WE CROSS THE BRIDGE TO ETERNAL LIFE? WE MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS OUR LORD AND SAVIOR. JESUS HIMSELF SAID,

"I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by Me."

John 14:6

IN ORDER TO RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS LORD, YOU MUST REPENT OF YOUR SINS AND PUT YOUR TRUST IN JESUS CHRIST ALONE AS THE ONLY HOPE OF ETERNAL LIFE. THE BIBLE SAYS...

"Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out."

Acts 3:19a

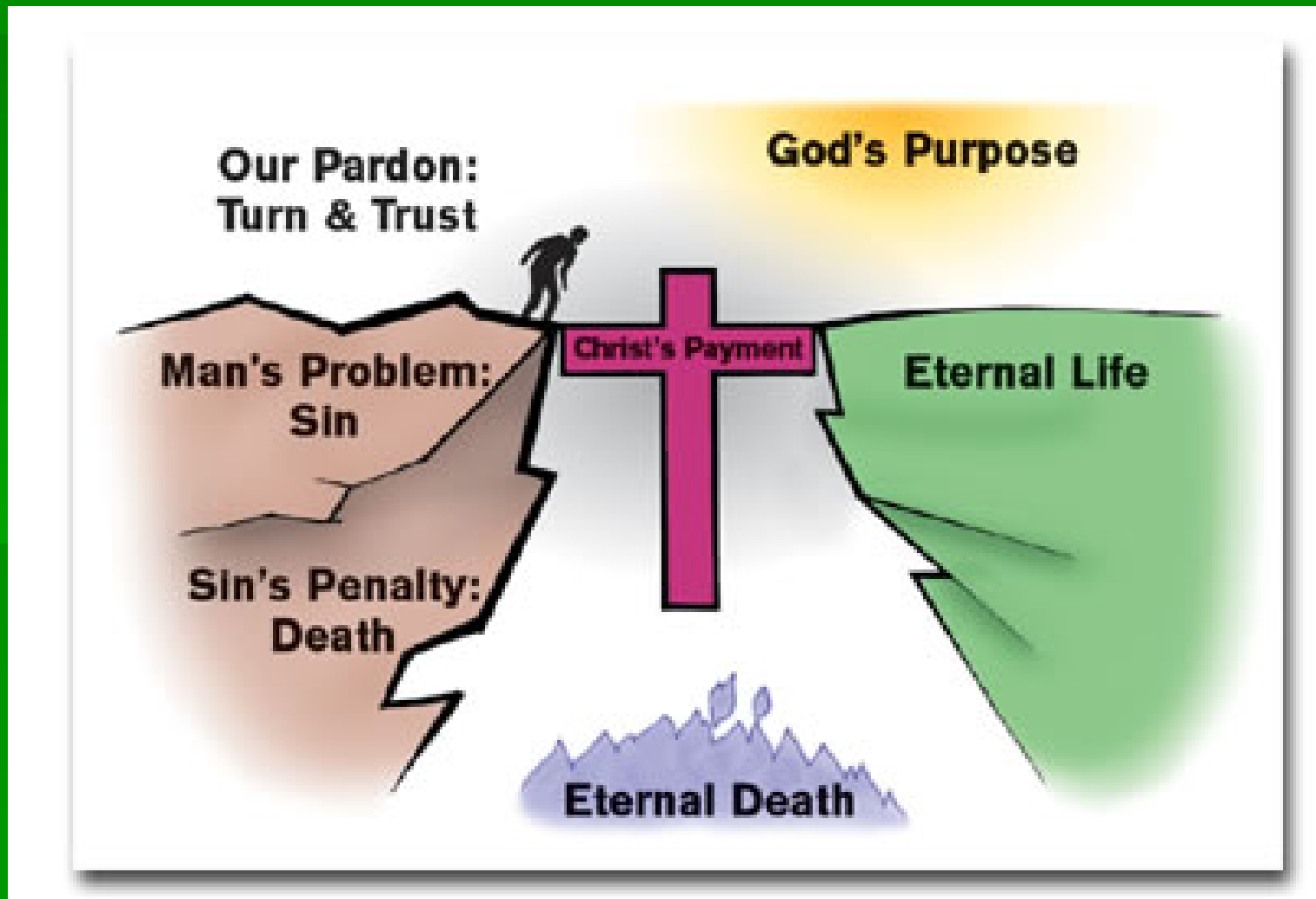
"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved,"

Acts 16:31a

"For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

Romans 10:13

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God's Promise:

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7 God's Promise: Eternal Life

JESUS CHRIST SAID,

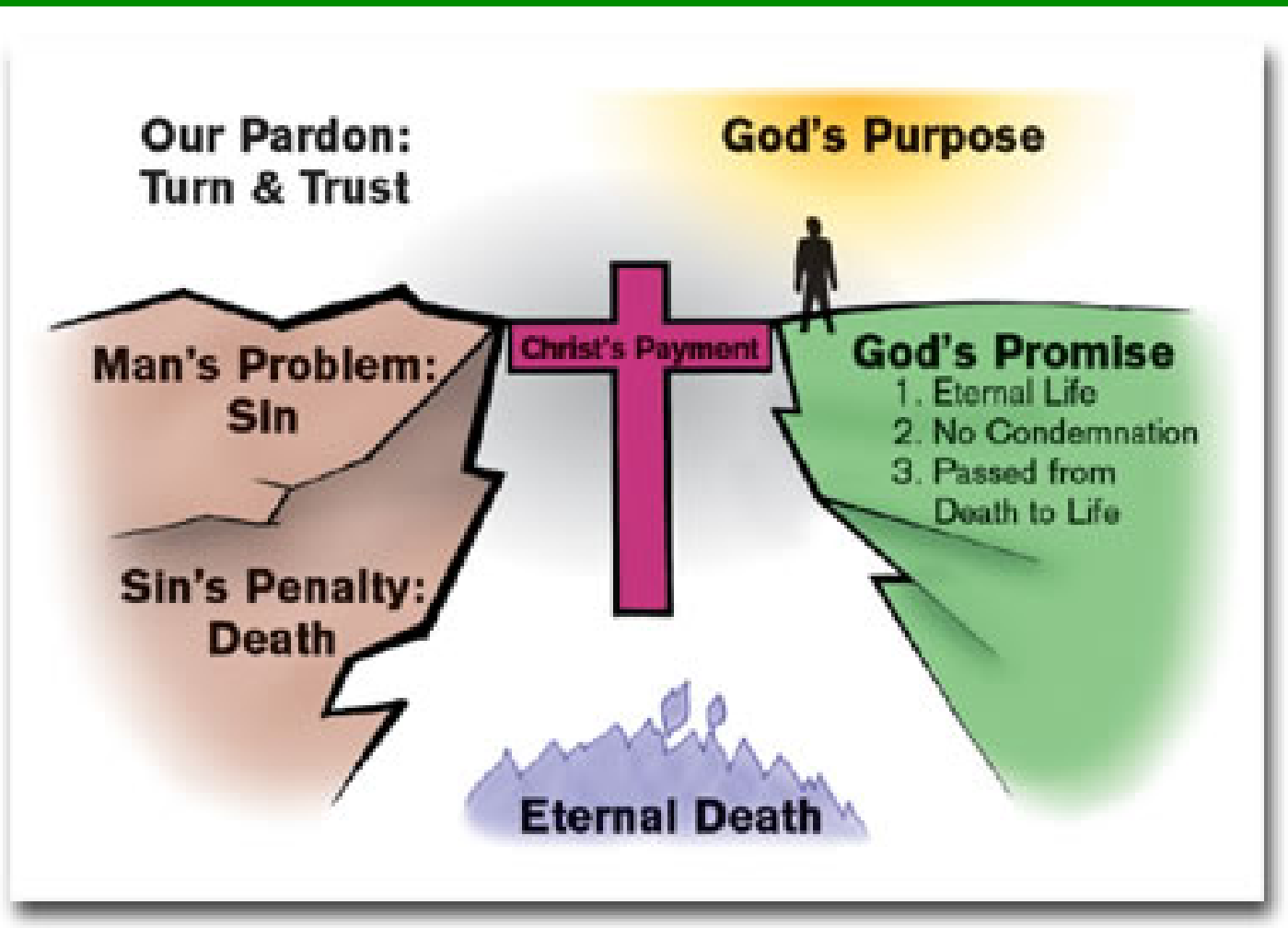
"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth My word, and believeth on Him that sent Me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24

THIS VERSE HAS ONE PROMISE WITH THREE PARTS.

The person who believes:

1. Has eternal life
2. Does not come into judgment
3. Has passed out of death into life.

God's Promise Pictured



Decision

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Will you receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior today?

TO DO SO YOU MUST...

1. Admit that you have sinned against God and ask Him for forgiveness.
2. Believe that the Lord Jesus Christ is the Son of God Who died for you on the cross, rose from the dead, and is Lord.
3. Call upon Jesus Christ to be your Lord and Savior.

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Let's Realize the Urgency:

- Get some *God's Bridge* Tracts and begin to use them!
 - Hand them out. Commit to giving out 5 a week.
 - Use them to share the gospel with a lost person.
 - Urge them to turn to Christ.
- **2 Corinthians 5:20** *Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were making an appeal through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.*