

Foundations 1: Essential Teachings of the Christian Faith

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Humanity & the Doctrine of Sin

Today's opening question:

What is something you are looking forward to being different/glorified/changed about YOUR BODY in heaven?

Review/last week's Opening Discussion:

Best kids' message you've heard on what God is like

Attributes

Creation

- I. Creator
 - a. Free
 - b. voluntary
- II. Creation
 - a. Orderly
 - b. Ultimate end: glory
 - c. Rev. 4:11
 - d. Jer. 32:17
- III. Rest

Humanity & Sin

Genesis 1 & 2: Creation

The garden of Eden=garden of delightful pleasure

Created body & soul

Psalm 139:14

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

Soul:

Immortal, living, spiritual

Acts 20:1, 10

Dichotomy

Trichotomy

Our primeval state:

Original: “very good”

Physical condition pre-fall: perfect

Spiritual relationship to God: perfection

Mutual human relationships: ideal

Because of the fall:

Loss of image of God

No longer holy but guilty

No more innocence

Relationships changed: humans & God; humans to neighbors

Mental & physically weakened & imperfect

Sin

“No need word, thought, or desire are in themselves sin, but become sin by being at variance with the Law of God.” -Koehler, A Summary of Christian Doctrine, p 62

Bible verses:

Romans 5:12-19

Psalm 51:5

Genesis 2:17

Romans 7:18

1 Cor. 15:22

John 2:25

Sin

External	Internal
Commission	Omission
Known	Unknown
Voluntary	Involuntary
Venial	Mortal

Against conscience

Of offense:

Bible verses:

1 Cor. 10:32

Romans 14:13

Matt. 18:6

Romans 2:23-24

Closing prayer:

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Forgive us our sins as well forgive those who sin against us. Amen.