

# YOU AND GOD

Fundamentals of a Very Personal, Meaningful and  
Productive Relationship with God

## ***Fundamental 1***

The Great Rejection: God is Real, but why so unpopular?

PART 5

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# The Great Rejection: God is Real, but why so Unpopular?

## Primary insights

God's wrath/judgement revealed against all ungodliness & unrighteousness of men, who:

- Suppress the truth of God in unrighteousness
- Reject His revelation through conscience and creation
- Do not honor Him as God
- Are not thankful to God: Do not acknowledge their dependence upon Him

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### The Great Rejection: God is Real, but why so Unpopular?

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- Became vain in their imaginations
- Their foolish heart was darkened
- Declared they were wise but became fools
- Changed God's glory into man made images
- Changed the truth of God into a lie
- Worshipped and served the creature vs. Creator
- Did not like to retain God in their knowledge
- Knowing God's judgement, do same, pleasure in

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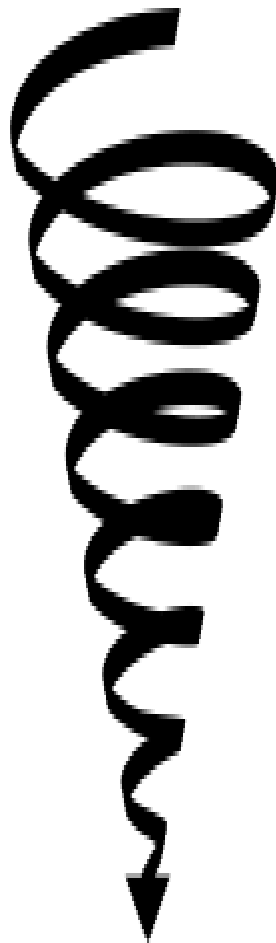
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But when did this happen?

- Genesis 1-3: Sin nature, conflict and power struggle in marriage
- Genesis 4: Tragic disruption to the family; Cain & Abel
- Genesis 6: Entire human race corrupted
- Genesis 10-11: Human Government; rejected God and declared their independence from God (Ro.1)

# The Downward Spiral of Society



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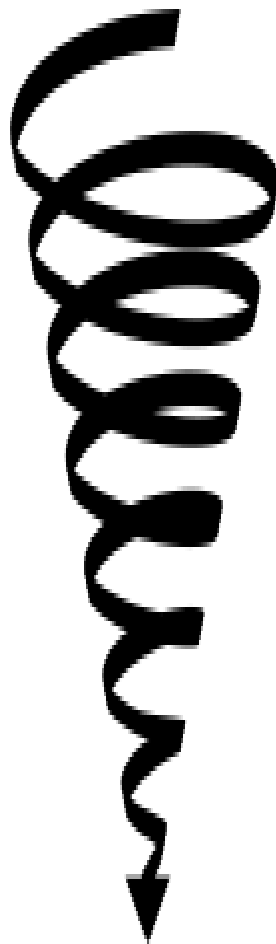
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- Full of envy
- Bad character/maliciousness
- Doing wrong to others
- Disobedient to parents
- Wickedness
- Murder
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- Proud/better > others
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# Does this not describe what we're seeing in society today!?

- Not only in our beloved United States, but globally
  - Where right is wrong, and wrong is right
  - Where truth is error, and error is truth
  - Where we're redefining terms and regressive behavior is now defined as progressive
  - Where killing the unborn is now identified as women's health
  - Where law-breaking illegal immigrants got defined as undocumented immigrants, and have now become "newcomers"
  - Where lawlessness is now lawful
  - Where victims are shamed, and criminals are victims
  - Where men are identifying as women, and women as men
- ...And so goes the downward spiral. And we're in trouble!

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## ***Fundamental 2***

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## **The Self-righteous Judge**

“I look at The Great Rejection of fundamental 1, and...

- I'm not like them! I believe in God!! And I'm OK!!!
- I don't actively and purposely commit those sins
- I'm active in my faith and live my life honorably
- I'm doing quite well, comparatively speaking”
- But that is a misnomer: Romans 2:1
- God's judgement is according to truth: Romans 2:1

The Great Deception: I Believe in God and I'm OK with Him  
Why do we see ourselves that way?

- Wrong view of God, and how HE sees us

## **The Wonderful Attributes of God and how these relate to us**

1. God is Holy: In a class all His own, no flaws, no evil
2. God is Righteous: Inherently right in every way
3. God is Just: Inherently fair and lawful
4. God is All-Knowing and Wise: Possesses perfect and full knowledge, and is absolutely wise

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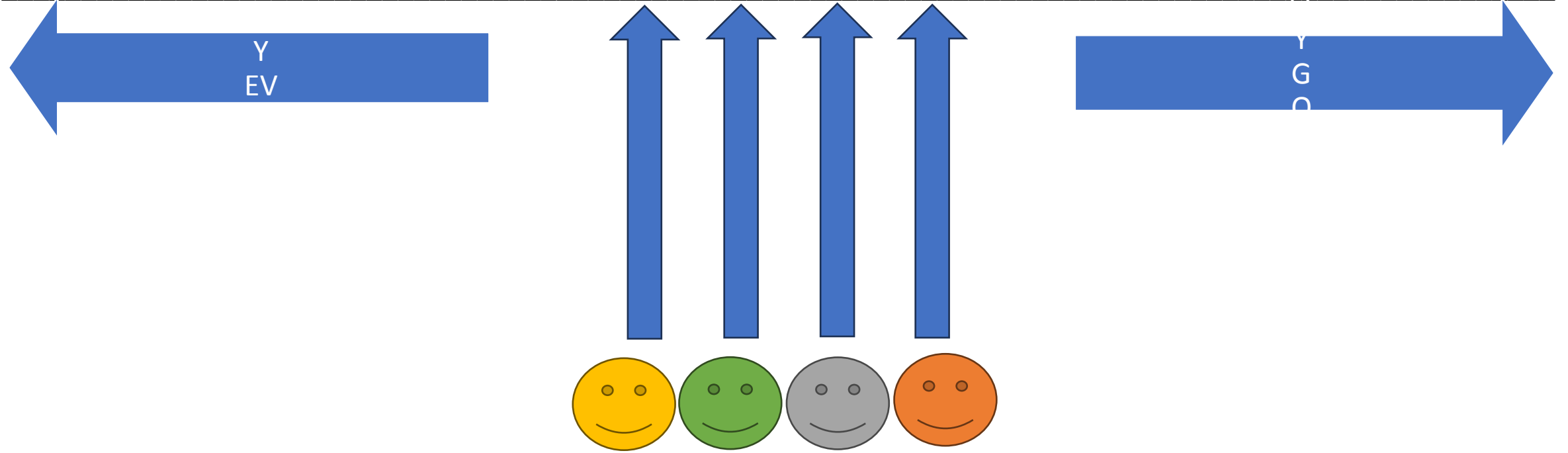
5. God is All-Powerful: His power has no limit or restriction; strong, mighty, able
6. God is Everywhere Present: Not confined by time and space
7. God is Unchanging: He in His very essence never changes, always remains constant and reliable
8. God is Love: Unconditional, sacrificial love
9. God is longsuffering: Waiting long to impose deserved judgement

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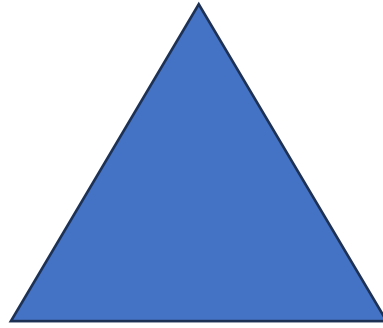
10. God is Kind: It is unwarranted and undeserved kindness
11. God is merciful: Withholding the judgement we deserve
12. God is Gracious: God giving to us what we do not deserve

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RELATIVE RIGHTEOUSNESS

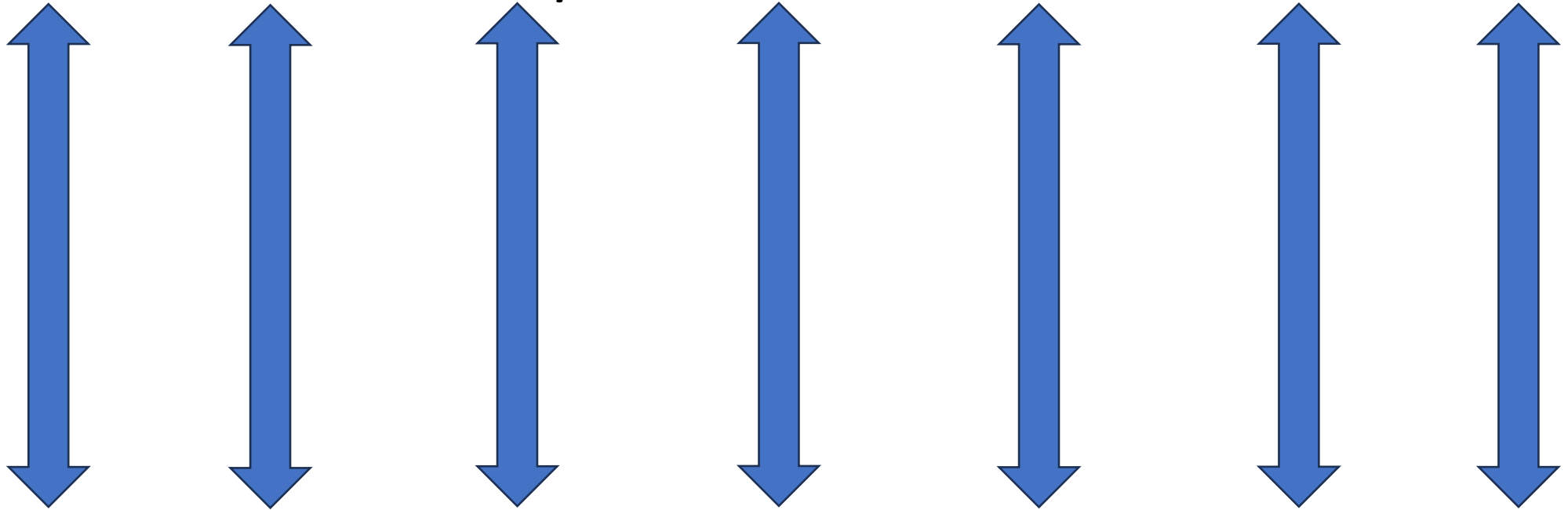


# THE TRIUNE GOD: God the Father, Son & Holy Spirit



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GOD'S PERFECT/ABSOLUTE RIGHTEOUSNESS



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EXTREMELY EVIL PEOPLE

EXTREMELY GOOD PEOPLE