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INTRODUCTION

The four questions of life that define meaning.

ORIGIN

Choose to live according to Gods purpose for our life.

Genesis 3:4, 5. 4 And the serpent said unto the woman[Eve], Ye shall not surely die: 5 For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

Instead of knowing the continual goodness of God, mankind as gods are able to create alternate manufactured "good". We live in a world where goodness outside of God's goodness and purpose has been created. Mankind being separated or loosed from the pier of his creator does not have a compass or a ruder that would give direction or parameters to his own alternate goodness. Thus alternate realities, that is alternate from God's truth, created by little gods go bobbing about and collide into one another. Goodness without God's guidance is evil. Morality without God's guidance is immorality.

John 8:31-36. 31 Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; 32 And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. 33 They answered him, We be Abrahams seed, and were never in bondage to any man: how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free? [they are asking, "What do you mean?"] 34 Jesus answered them, Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. 35 And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever. [What house is he talking about here?] 36 If the Son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.

John 8:44-47. 44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it. 45 And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not. 46 Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? 47 He that is of God heareth Gods words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

MEANING

Wonder. We can enjoy a childlike wonder of His presence.

We stand in awe of thee

Holy God to whom all praise is due

We stand in awe of you.

Truth. We can enjoy the truth of His reality.

The truth of God's reality shall make us free. Free from bondage, free from sin, free from being seduced by the alternate realities created by false gods.

John 16:12-14. 12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. 14 He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you.

Love. We can enjoy the love of our relationship.

“I speak that which I have seen with my Father”

Matthew 22:36-40. 36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law? 37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. 38 This is the first and great commandment. 39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Security. We can enjoy and the security of His shalom. “the Son abideth ever”

John 10:27-29. 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: 28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. 29 My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Fathers hand.

MORALITY

Evil compared to what?

Immoral compared to what?

When the roots of our origin are severed we have no moral compass or rudder.

DESTINY

He that is of God heareth God's words:

Our destiny is to abide in God's house forever.