

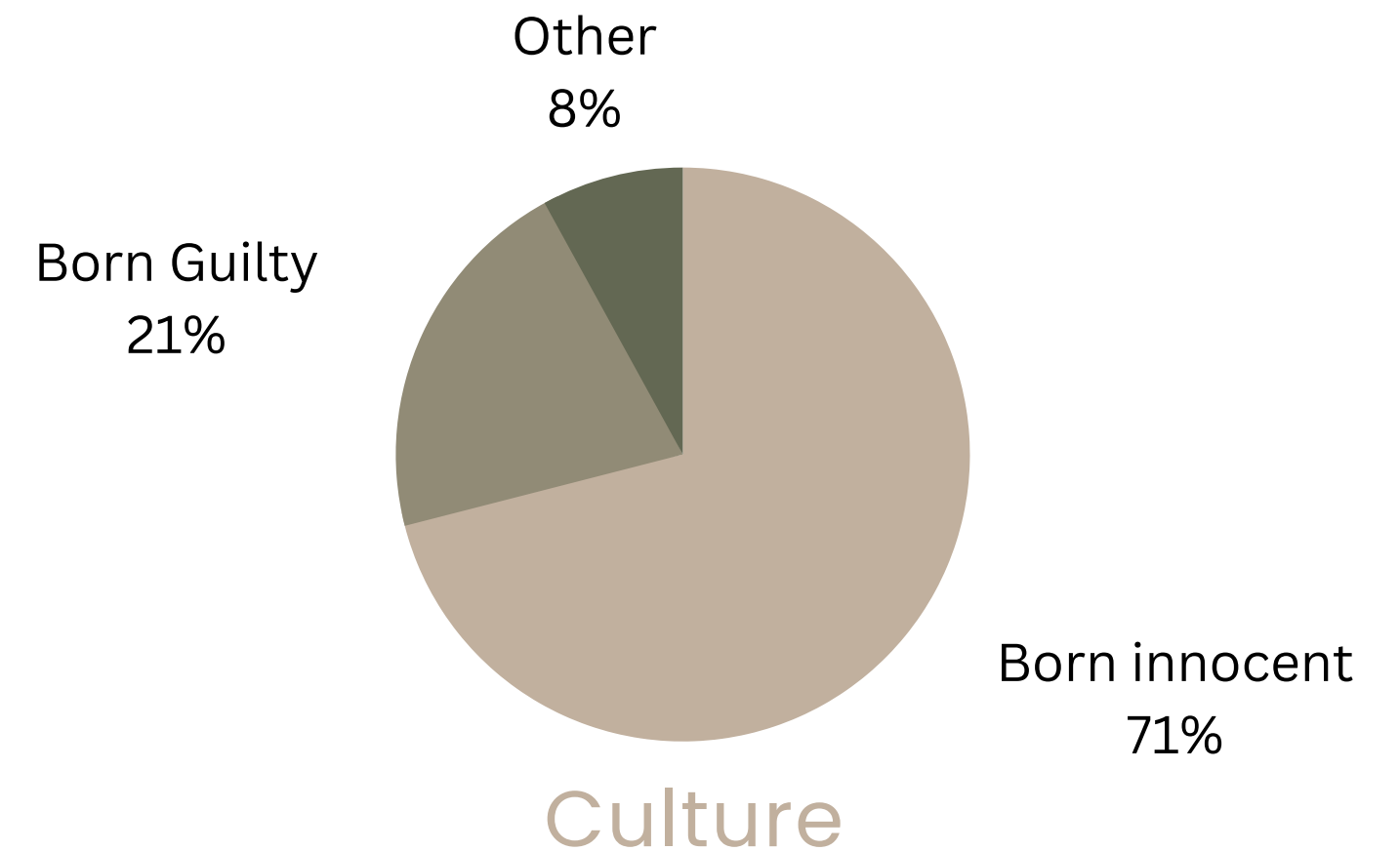
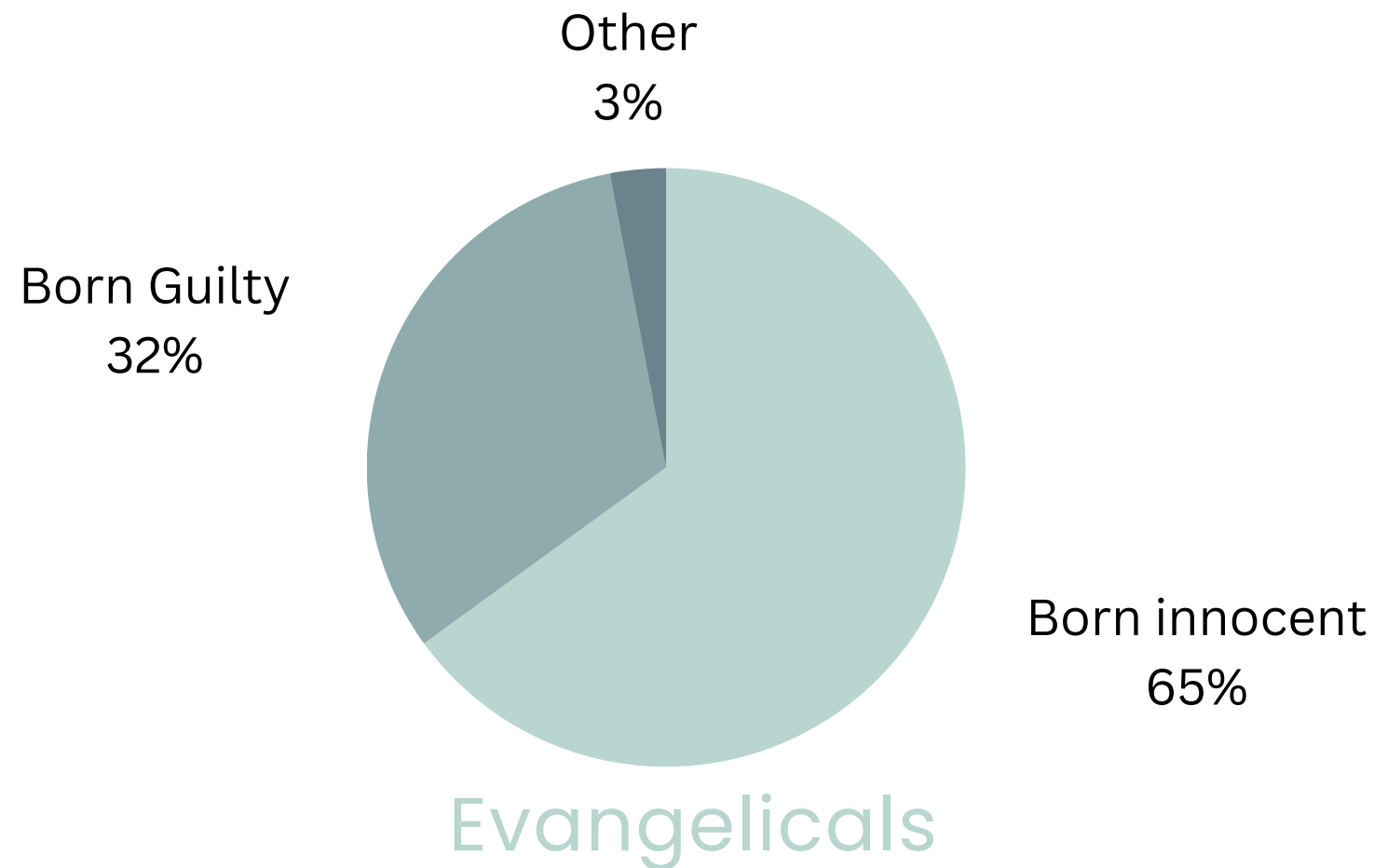


BORN GUILTY

ROMANS 5:12-21

THE STATE OF THEOLOGY

65% of "evangelicals" believe that people are born innocent in the eyes of God. This correlates to the 71% of the general population who believe the same.



"...among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind." -Ephesians 2:3

12 Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— 13 for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. 14 Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

Romans 5:12-14



ORIGINAL SIN

- Sin came through one man (Adam)
- Death came through sin.
- Even before the Law of Moses, sin and death reigned.
- Adam is a "type" of Him who was to come (Jesus)

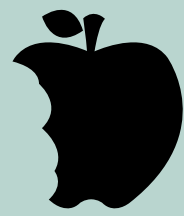
"Type" refers to an Old Testament person, practice, or thing that functions imperfectly and foreshadows the perfect version.

15 But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. 16 And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification. 17 For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:15-17

18 Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. 19 For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. 20 Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, 21 so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

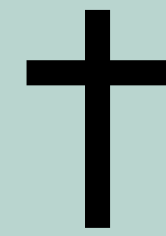
Romans 5:18-21



FIRST ADAM

WAGES OF SIN IS DEATH

- Sinned
- Brought Death
- Death Spread to All Men
- All Men in Adam Sinned
- Sin existed before the Law of Moses was given.
- Death reigned
- Trespass brings condemnation
- Adam is a type of the Jesus



SECOND ADAM

FREE GIFT IS LIFE

- Obeyed
- Brought Life
- Righteousness and Life to Believers
- All in Christ are Righteous
- The sin that abounded through the Law was covered by abounding Grace.
- Life reigns
- Grace brings righteousness and life
- Jesus is the Last Adam

Born Guilty: Original Sin

VIEWS ON HEADSHIP

How are we guilty "in Adam"? There are two views on Adam's headship: Federal Headship and Seminal Headship. Federal Headship accounts for both our guilt and our sinful nature. We hold to the federal headship view.

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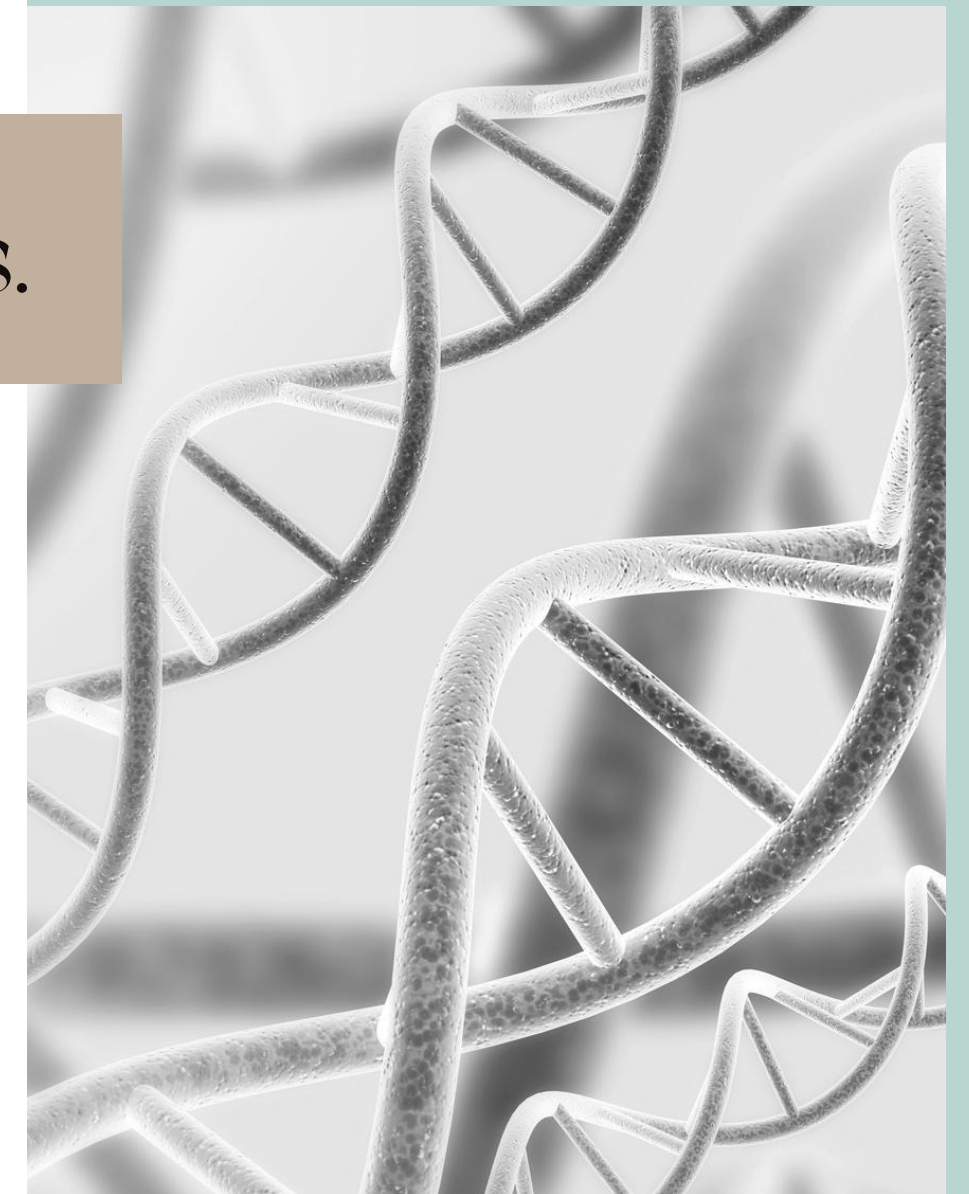
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Federal Headship

"ADAM IS OUR REPRESENTATIVE. BOTH HIS GUILT AND HIS SIN NATURE ARE PASSED TO US."

Seminal headship

"ADAM'S CORRUPTION, NOT GUILT IS PASSED DOWN TO US"



WE ARE BORN IN SIN, AND WE SIN.

- *For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.-Romans 3:23*
- *Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.-Psalm 51:5*
- *The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?-Jeremiah 17:9*
- *And you were dead in the trespasses and sins 2 in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience—3 among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.-Ephesians 2:1-3*

Original Sin

Total Depravity

Sin Nature

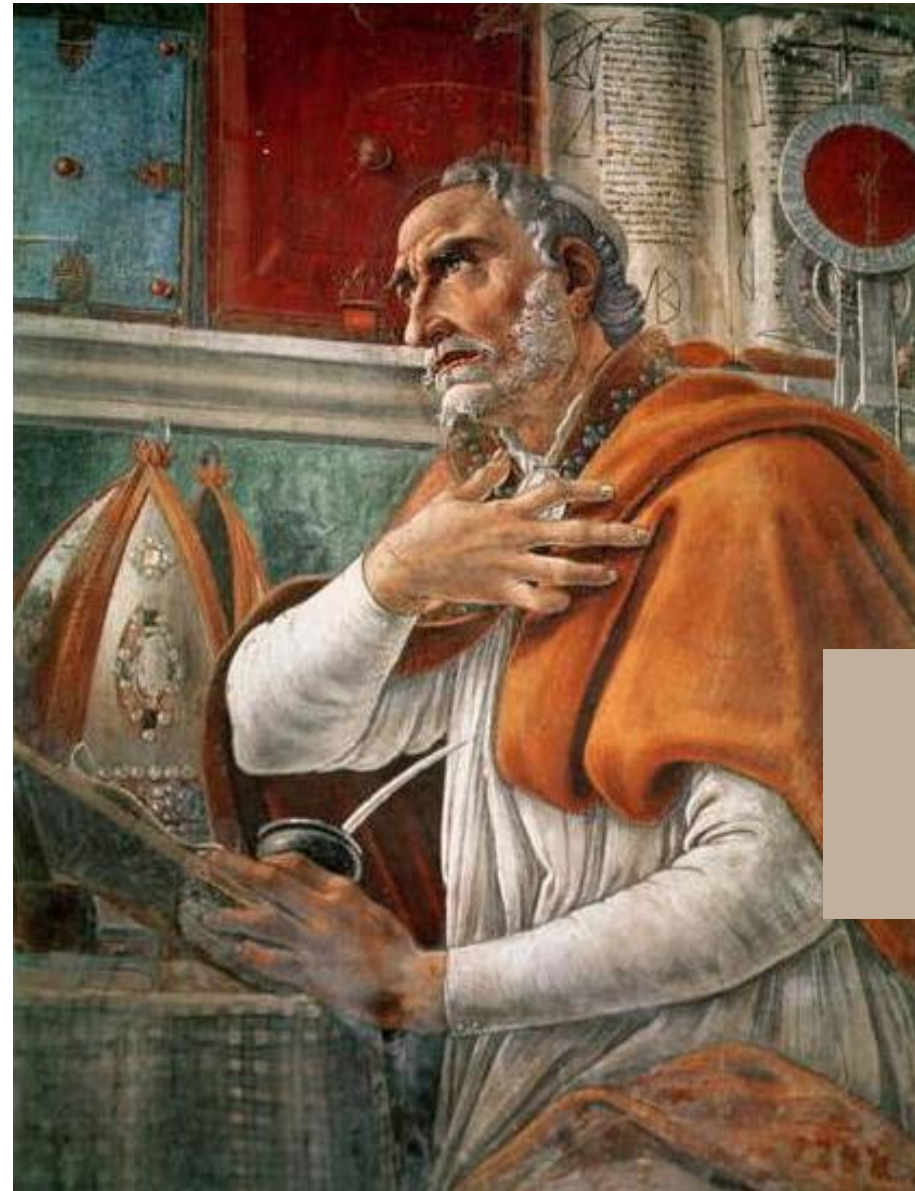


Born Guilty: Original Sin

VIEWS ON THE SIN NATURE

Augustine of Hippo (St. Augustine) coined the term "Original Sin" to describe the biblical concept that we are born in sin and that our "free will" is tainted by sin. Pelagius denied this biblical concept and claimed that people are born as "blank slates."

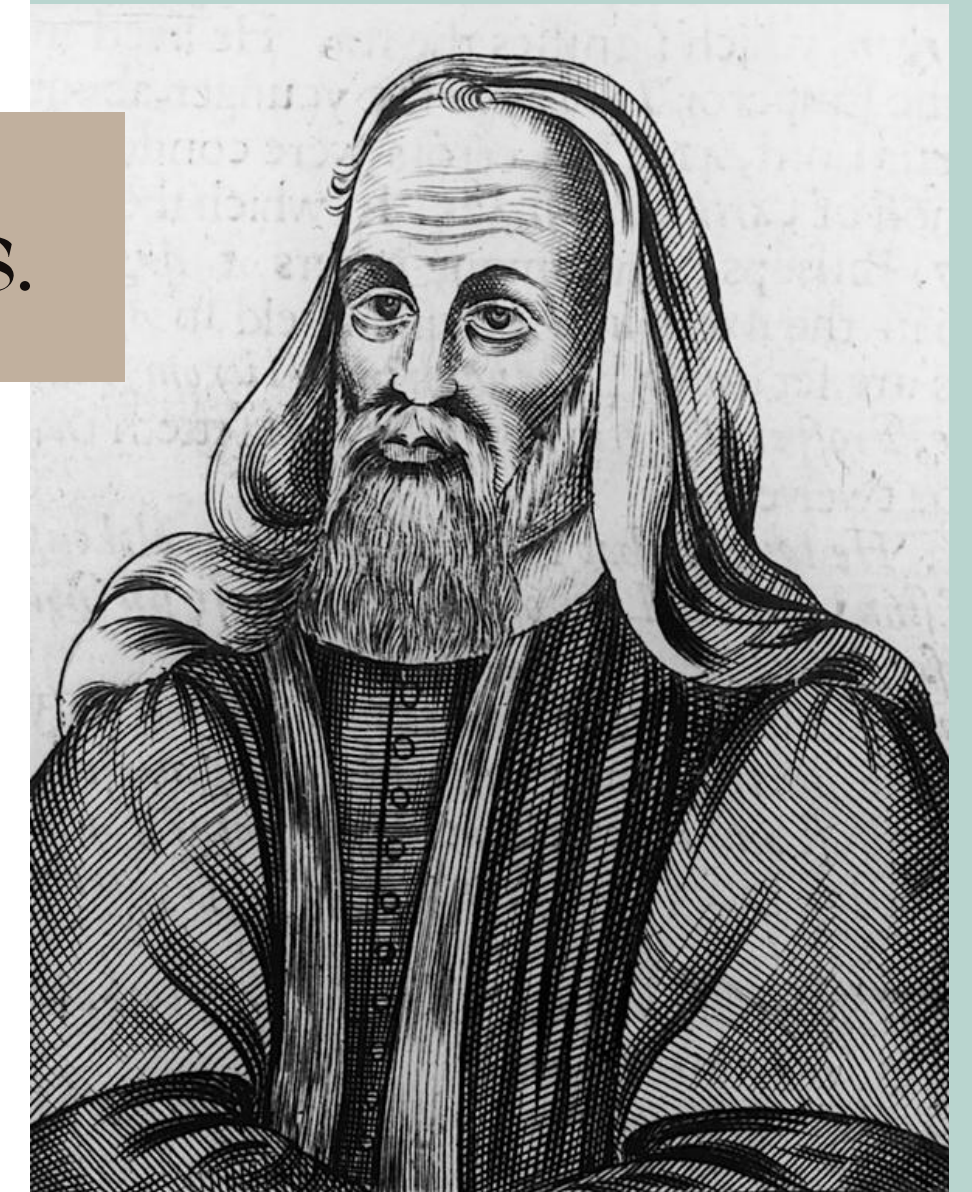
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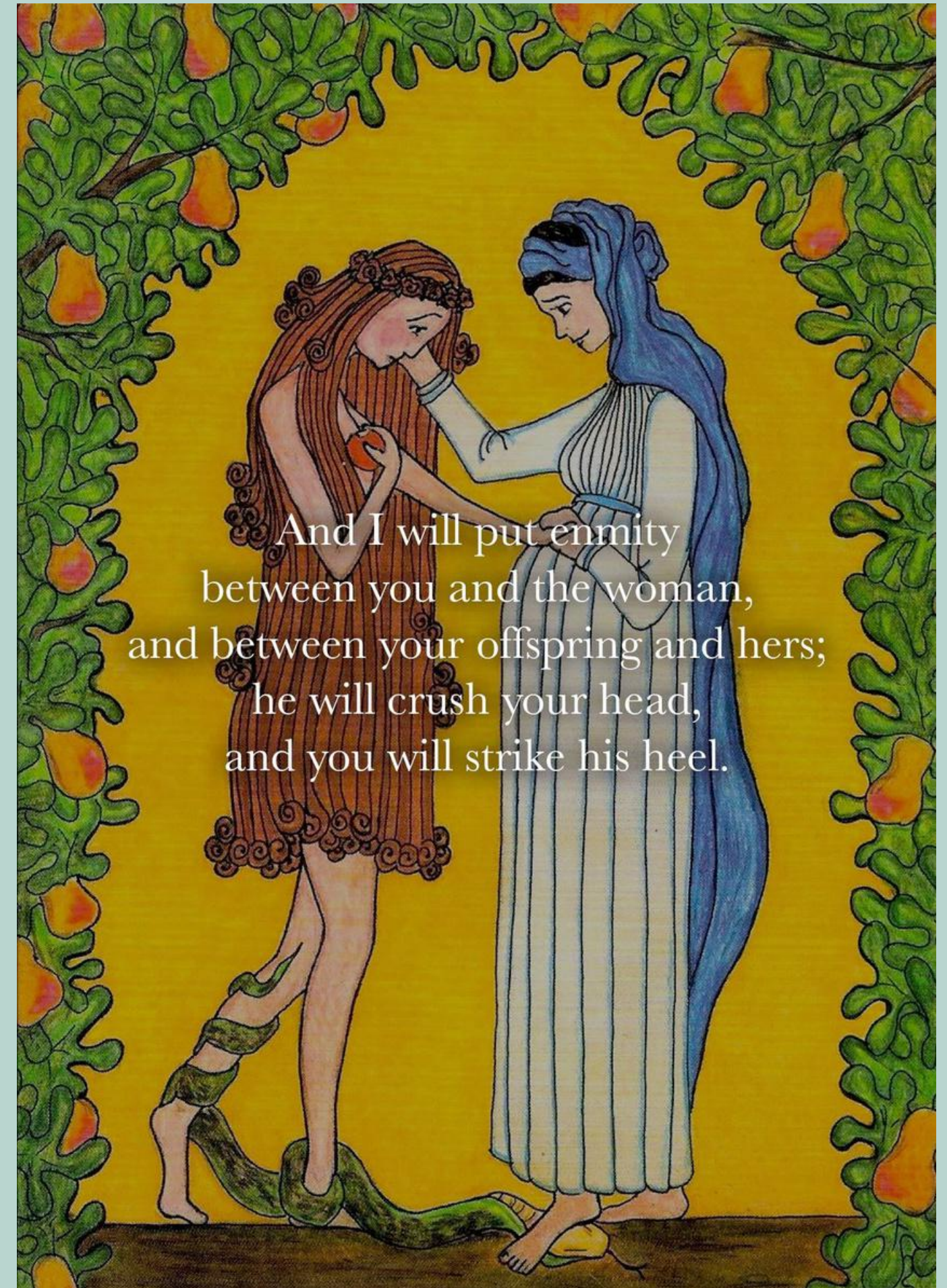
Augustine of Hippo
"ORIGINAL SIN"

Pelagius
"BLANK SLATE"



ORIGINAL SIN NECESSITATES THE VIRGIN BIRTH

- **Seed of Woman:** *I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel.* -Genesis 3:15
- **Messianic Prophecy:** *Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.* -Isaiah 7:14
- **Second/Last Adam:** Since Jesus did not have a human father, He was not "under Adam" and did not inherit original sin. Thus, Psalm 51:5 and any other passage on original sin do not apply to Him. Jesus is the "Second Adam" who is righteous instead of sinful.



And I will put enmity
between you and the woman,
and between your offspring and hers;
he will crush your head,
and you will strike his heel.

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. 19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things. 24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

Romans 1:18-25

26 For this reason God gave them up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for those that are contrary to nature; 27 and the men likewise gave up natural relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another, men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves the due penalty for their error.

28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a debased mind to do what ought not to be done. 29 They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, 30 slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, 31 foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. 32 Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

Romans 1:26-32

*10 as it is written:
"None is righteous, no, not one;
11 no one understands;
no one seeks for God.
12 All have turned aside; together they have become worthless;
no one does good,
not even one."
13 "Their throat is an open grave;
they use their tongues to deceive."
"The venom of asps is under their lips."
14 "Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness."
15 "Their feet are swift to shed blood;
16 in their paths are ruin and misery,
17 and the way of peace they have not known."
18 "There is no fear of God before their eyes."*

Romans 3:10-18



ORIGINAL SIN

Original sin accounts for why people sin and rebel against God.

"Jesus teaches us that there is something far more fundamental to our sinfulness than the actual sins we commit. Our sins do not make us sinful. Rather, we commit sins because at the very center of our lives, we are sinful. Sin has invaded the inner recesses of our personalities."

-Tom Ascol



TOTAL DEPRAVITY

Total Depravity ("utter lostness" or "total fallenness") does not mean that everyone is always doing the worst things possible. It means that man is corrupt in his heart and will not seek God apart from God regenerating him (Romans 1:18-32, 3:10-18, Ephesians 2).

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-Romans 3:10-12



TOTAL DEPRAVITY NECESSITATES UNCONDITIONAL ELECTION

Unconditional Election means that God has to choose you before you choose Him (Ephesians 1:4-6, Romans 8:28-30, Acts 13:48).

Scripture regularly uses birth and adoption language to refer to God electing (choosing) us for salvation in Christ. We will always choose sin unless God regenerates us, freeing us from the bondage of sin, and making it possible to trust in Him.

...even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us¹ for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.

-Ephesians 1:4-6

DOCTRINES OF GRACE

- **Total Depravity:** Man's sinful nature prevents him from responding positively to God (Romans 1:18ff)
- **Unconditional Election:** God adopts us according to His grace, not our merit or works (Ephesians 1)
- **Limited (Particular) Atonement:** Jesus' death is powerful enough to save everyone, but payment is made only for the believing (1 Peter 2:24).
- **Irresistible Grace:** God regenerates those who He predestined to be His children, and they willingly trust in Him (Ephesians 2)
- **Perseverance of the Saints:** God will finish the sanctifying work in His children. They will persevere in faith. (Romans 8:28-30)



ORIGINAL SIN NECESSITATES THE GOSPEL

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

-Romans 5:15



ORIGINAL SIN NECESSITATES REGENERATION

- *When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, **He made you alive together with Him**, having forgiven us all our transgressions, -Col. 2:13*
- *But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, **made us alive together with Christ** (by grace you have been saved),-Ephesians 2:4-5*
- *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has **caused us to be born again** to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, -1 Peter 1:3*

REGENERATION

RE-BIRTH, BORN AGAIN, SPIRITUAL BIRTH

- *He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit. -Titus 3:6*
- *And I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit I will put within you. And I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. -Ezekiel 36:23*
- *Do not marvel that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' -John 3:7*
- *Since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; -1 Peter 1:23*
- *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. -2 Corinthians 5:17*
- *But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved. -Ephesians 2:4-5.*

16 From now on, therefore, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we once regarded Christ according to the flesh, we regard him thus no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 18 All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; 19 that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation. 20 Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. 21 For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

2 Corinthians 5:16-21



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During and after religious persecution and civil war under Charles I and Charles II, Presbyterians and Baptists produced statements of faith to summarize Scriptural beliefs, communicate distinctions, and establish unity. The Westminster Confession of Faith became the statement adopted by Presbyterians. The London Baptist Confession of 1689 was modeled after the Westminster Confession, sharing the same essentials while providing clarity on a few baptist distinctives. We hold to the LBC 1689, though the differences between it and WCF are small.

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CHAPTER 6, OF THE FALL OF MAN, OF SIN, AND OF THE PUNISHMENT THEREOF

Although God created man upright and perfect, and gave him a righteous law, which had been unto life had he kept it, and threatened death upon the breach thereof, yet he did not long abide in this honor; Satan using the subtlety of the serpent to subdue Eve, then by her seducing Adam, who, without any compulsion, did willfully transgress the law of their creation, and the command given to them, in eating the forbidden fruit, which God was pleased, according to His wise and holy counsel to permit, having purposed to order it to His own glory. (Genesis 2:16-17, Gen. 3:12-13; 2 Cor. 11:3)

Paragraph 1

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CHAPTER 6, OF THE FALL OF MAN, OF SIN, AND OF THE PUNISHMENT THEREOF

Our first parents, by this sin, fell from their original righteousness and communion with God, and we in them whereby death came upon all: all becoming dead in sin, and wholly defiled in all the faculties and parts of soul and body.

(Rom. 3:23, Rom 5:12ff, Titus 1:15; Gen. 6:5; Jer. 17:9; Rom. 3:10–19)

Paragraph 2

LBC 1689

CHAPTER 6, OF THE FALL OF MAN, OF SIN, AND OF THE PUNISHMENT THEREOF

They being the root, and by God's appointment, standing in the room and stead of all mankind, the guilt of the sin was imputed, and corrupted nature conveyed, to all their posterity descending from them by ordinary generation, being now conceived in sin, and by nature children of wrath, the servants of sin, the subjects of death, and all other miseries, spiritual, temporal, and eternal, unless the Lord Jesus set them free.

(Rom. 5:12–19; 1 Cor. 15:21–22,45,49, Ps. 51:5; Job 14:4, Eph. 2:3, Rom. 6:20, 5:12, Heb. 2:14–15; 1 Thess. 1:10)

Paragraph 3

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From this original corruption, whereby we are utterly indisposed, disabled, and made opposite to all good, and wholly inclined to all evil, do proceed all actual transgressions.

(Rom. 8:7; Col. 1:21, James 1:14–15; Matt. 15:19)

Paragraph 4

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The corruption of nature, during this life, does remain in those that are regenerated; and although it be through Christ pardoned and mortified, yet both itself, and the first motions thereof, are truly and properly sin.

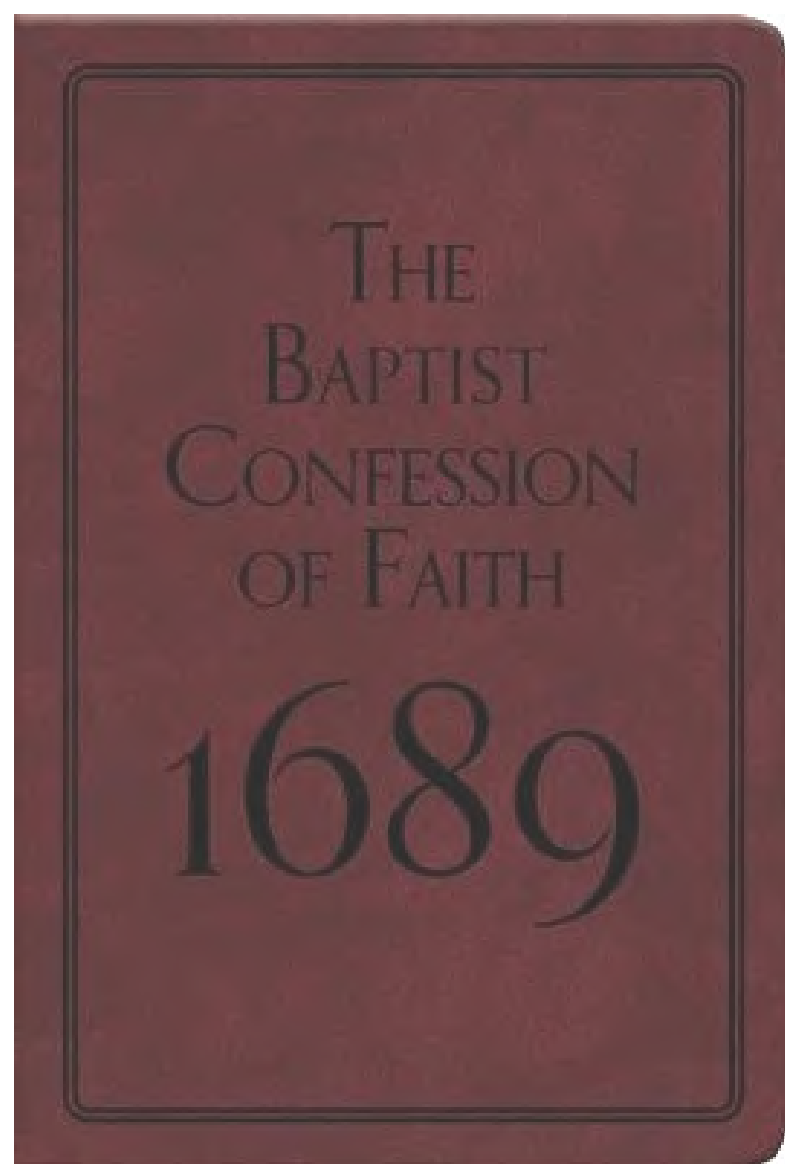
(Rom. 7:18,23; Eccles. 7:20; 1 John 1:8, Rom. 7:23–25; Gal. 5:17)

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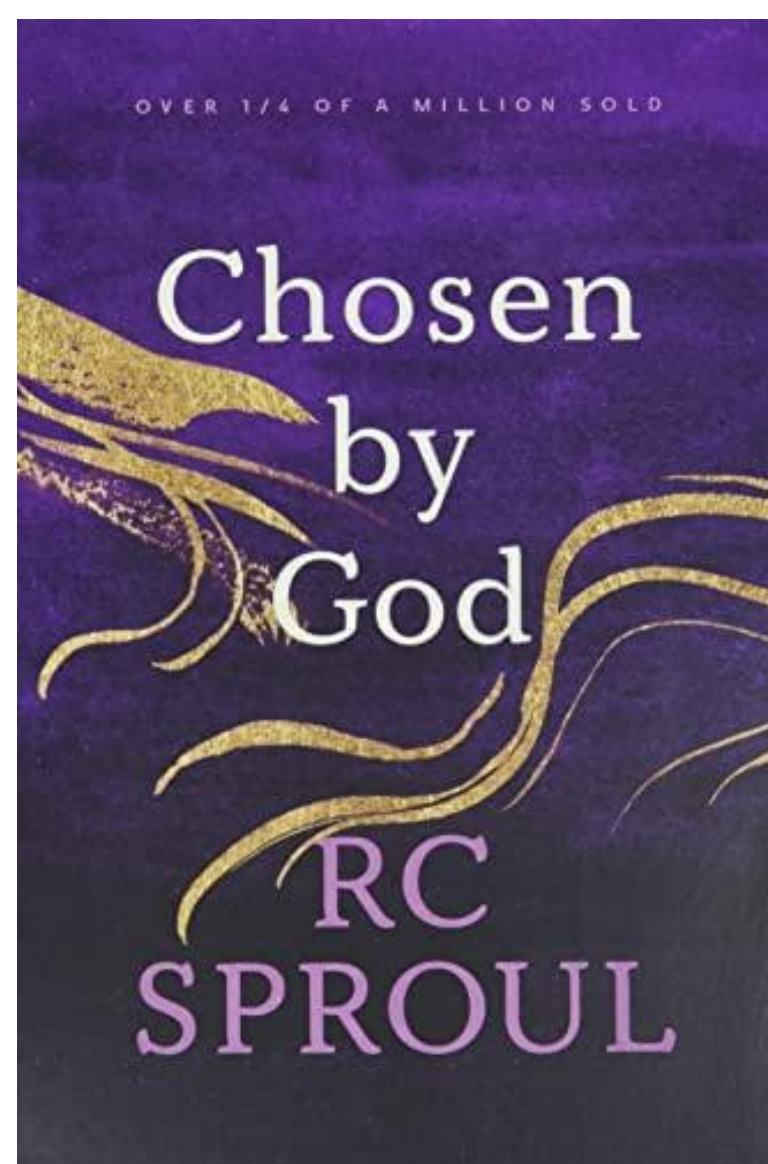
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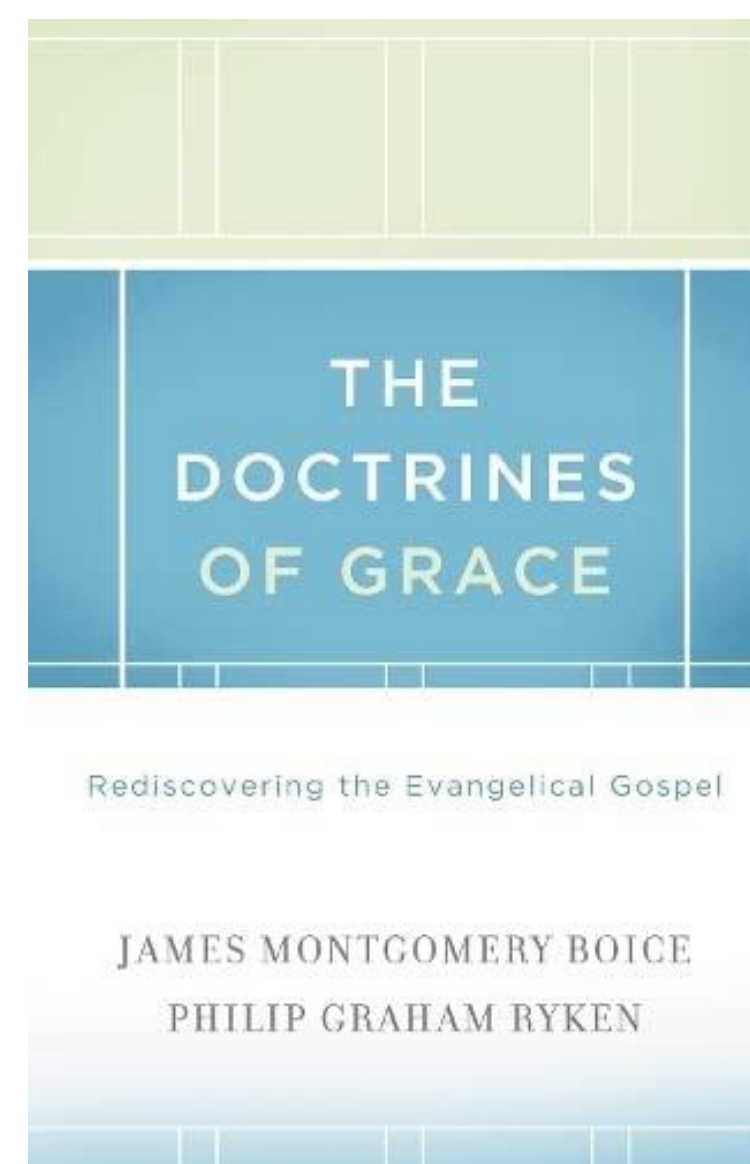
Recommended reading: Books related to the Law and its use in the present age.



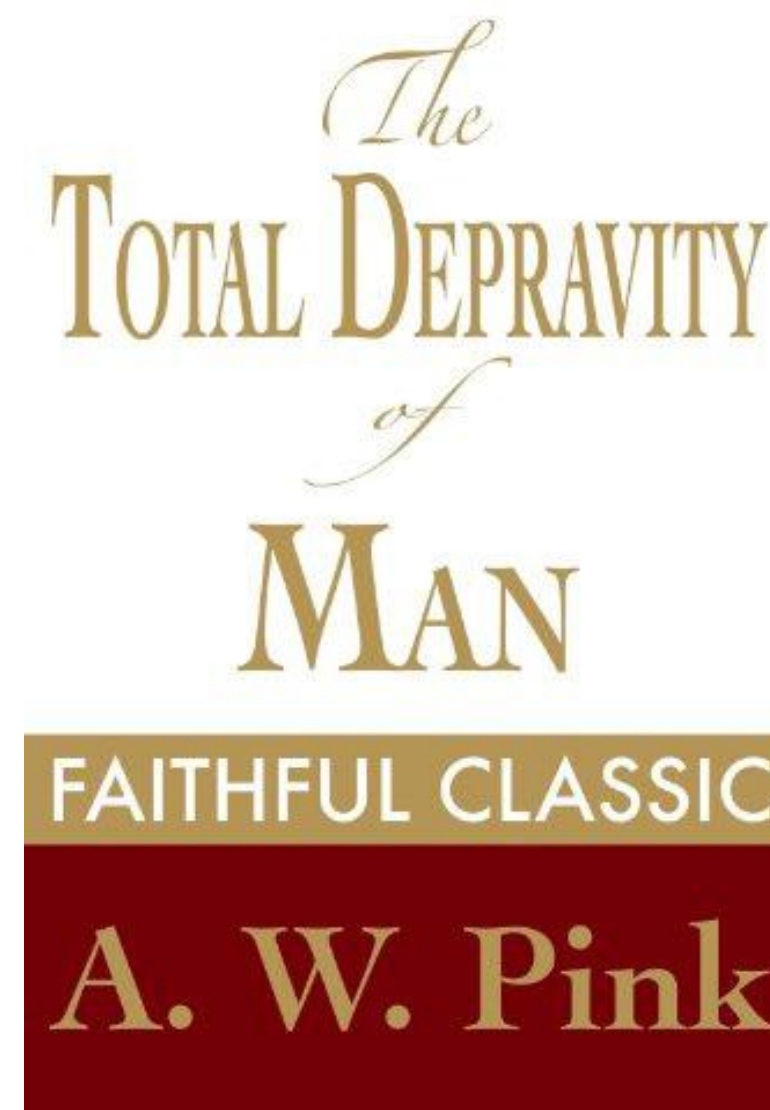
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