

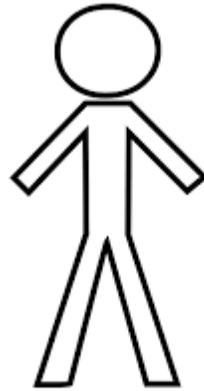
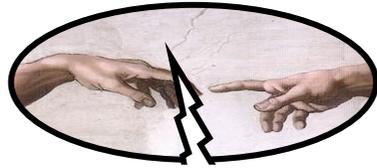
Roaming through ROMANS

Devotions and Studies for
Lent 2021



“The Law”

“Law of the Spirit”



Jeremiah 31

31 “The days are coming,” declares the Lord,
“when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah.

32 It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,” declares the Lord.

33 “This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time,” declares the Lord. **“I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.**

I will be their God, and they will be my people.

34 No longer will they teach their neighbor, or say to one another, ‘Know the Lord,’ because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,”

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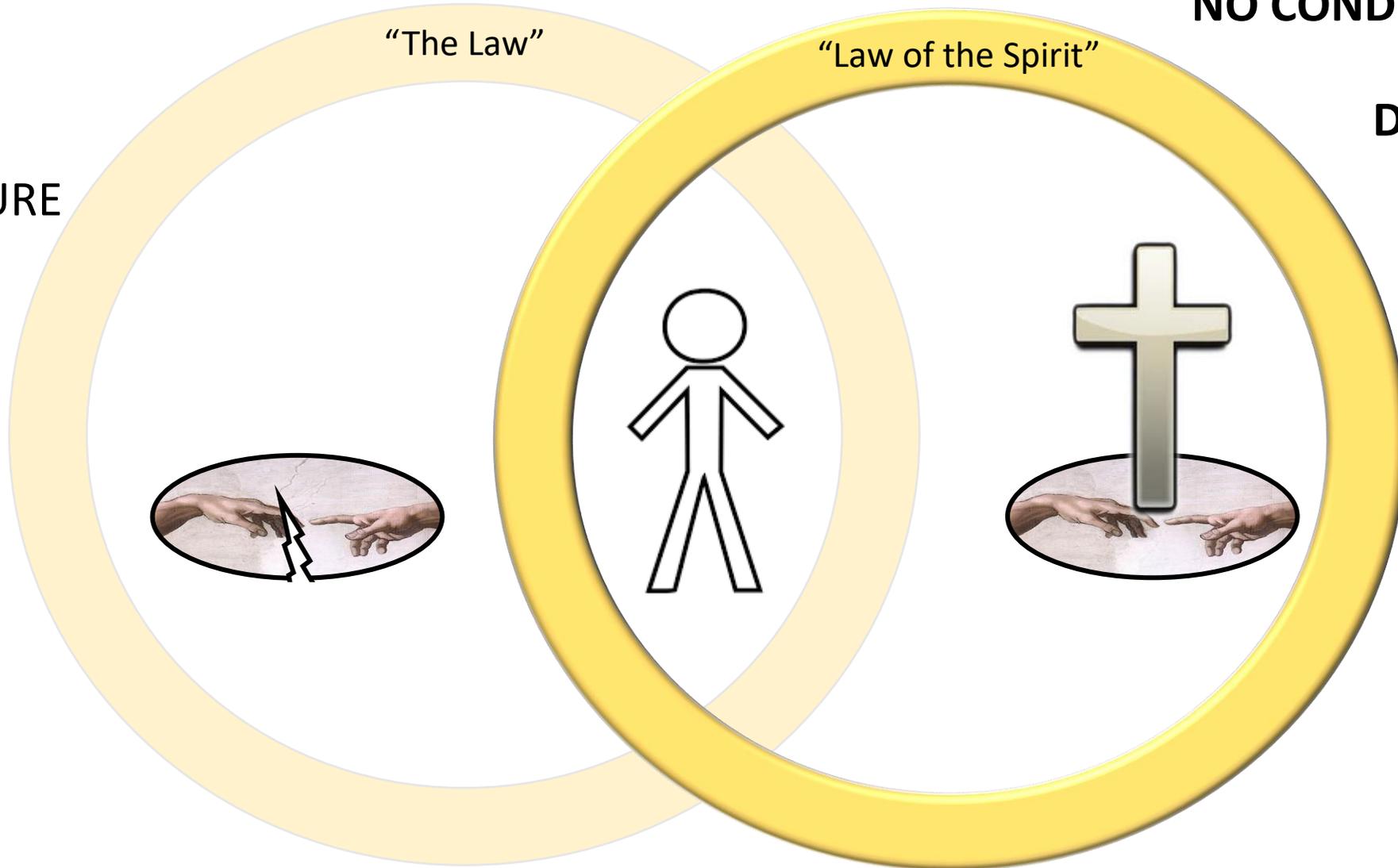
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Who lives in you?

“the Spirit” (verse 9)

“the Spirit of God” (verse 9)

“the Spirit of Christ” (verse 9)

“Christ” (verse 10)

“the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead” (i.e. the Spirit of the Father) (verse 11)

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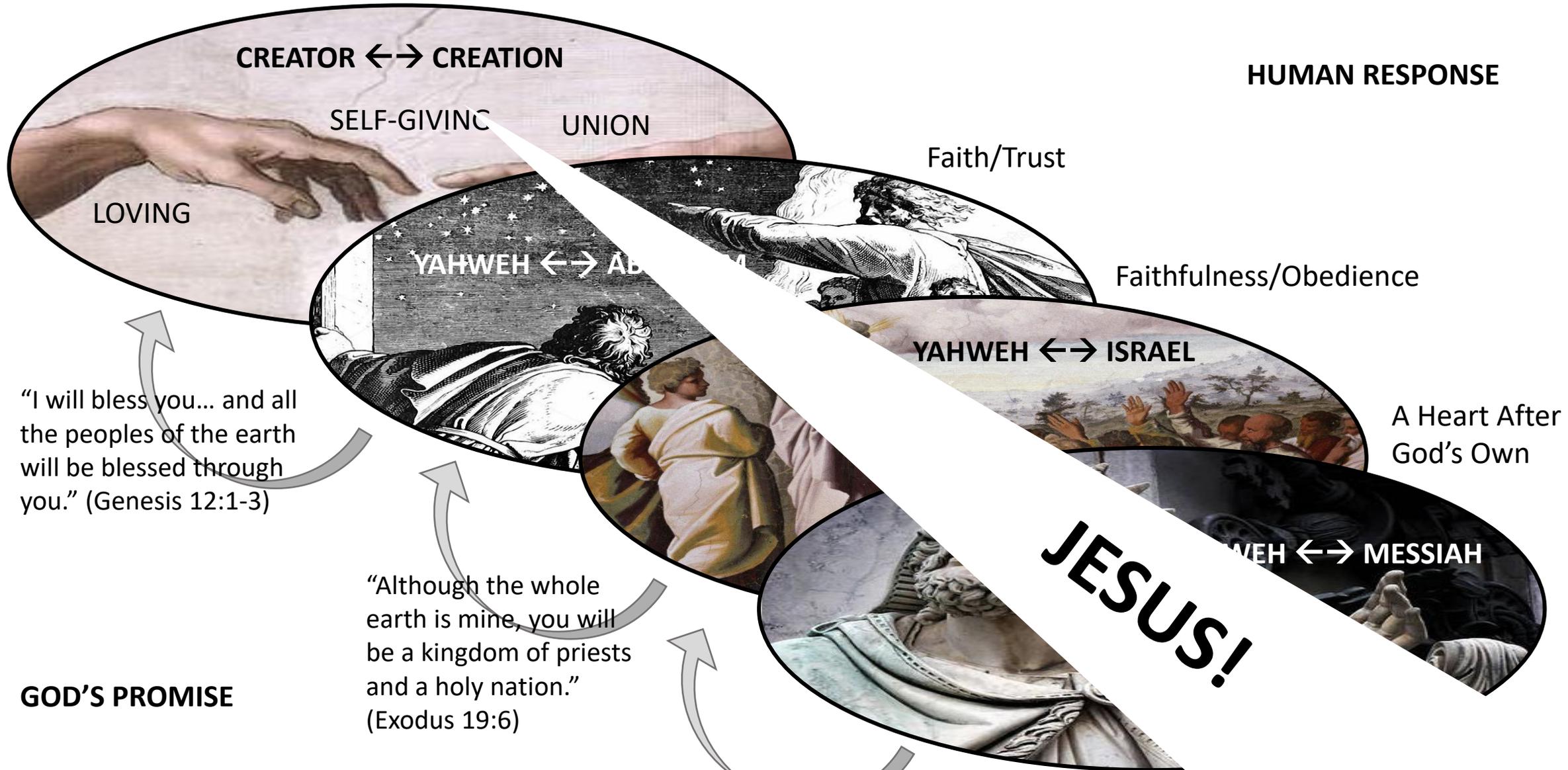


HOSTILE
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TO FEAR

CHILDREN

HEIRS (~~SONS~~) OF GOD!



"I will bless you... and all the peoples of the earth will be blessed through you." (Genesis 12:1-3)

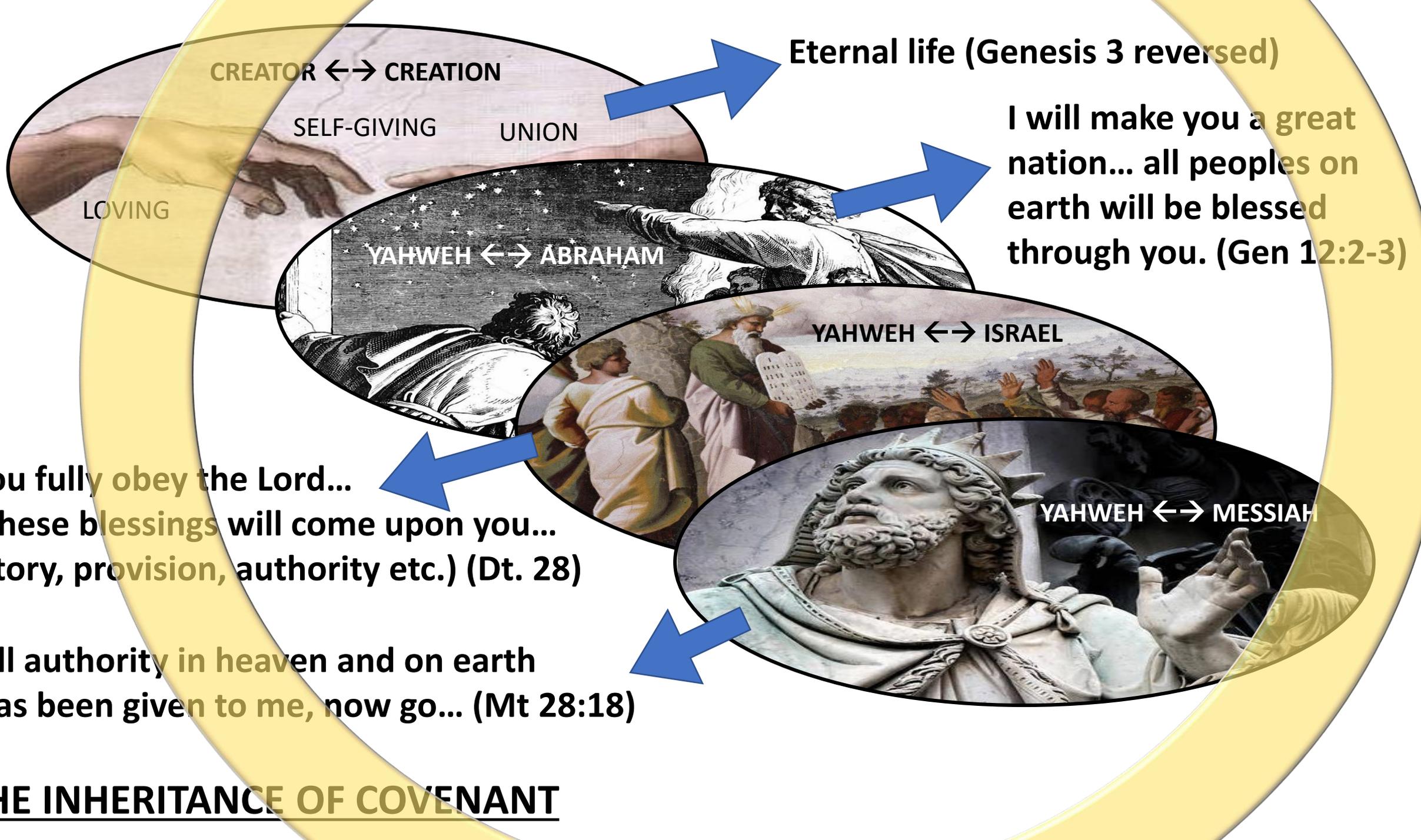
"Although the whole earth is mine, you will be a kingdom of priests and a holy nation." (Exodus 19:6)

"I will establish the throne of his kingdom forever. I will be his father, and he will be my son..." (2 Samuel 7:13-14)

GOD'S PROMISE

HUMAN RESPONSE

A COVENANT-MAKING GOD



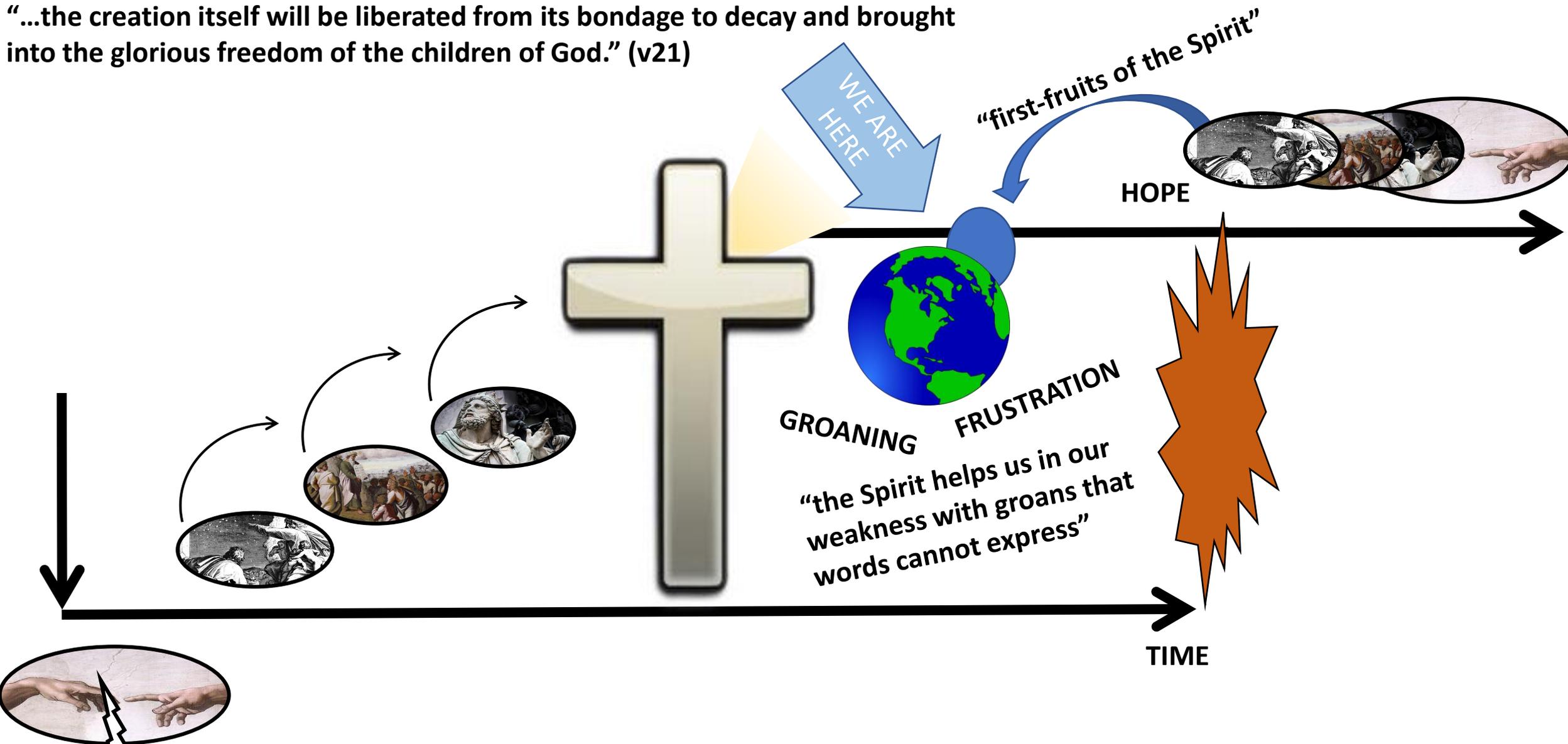
THE INHERITANCE OF COVENANT

DISCUSSION TIME #1

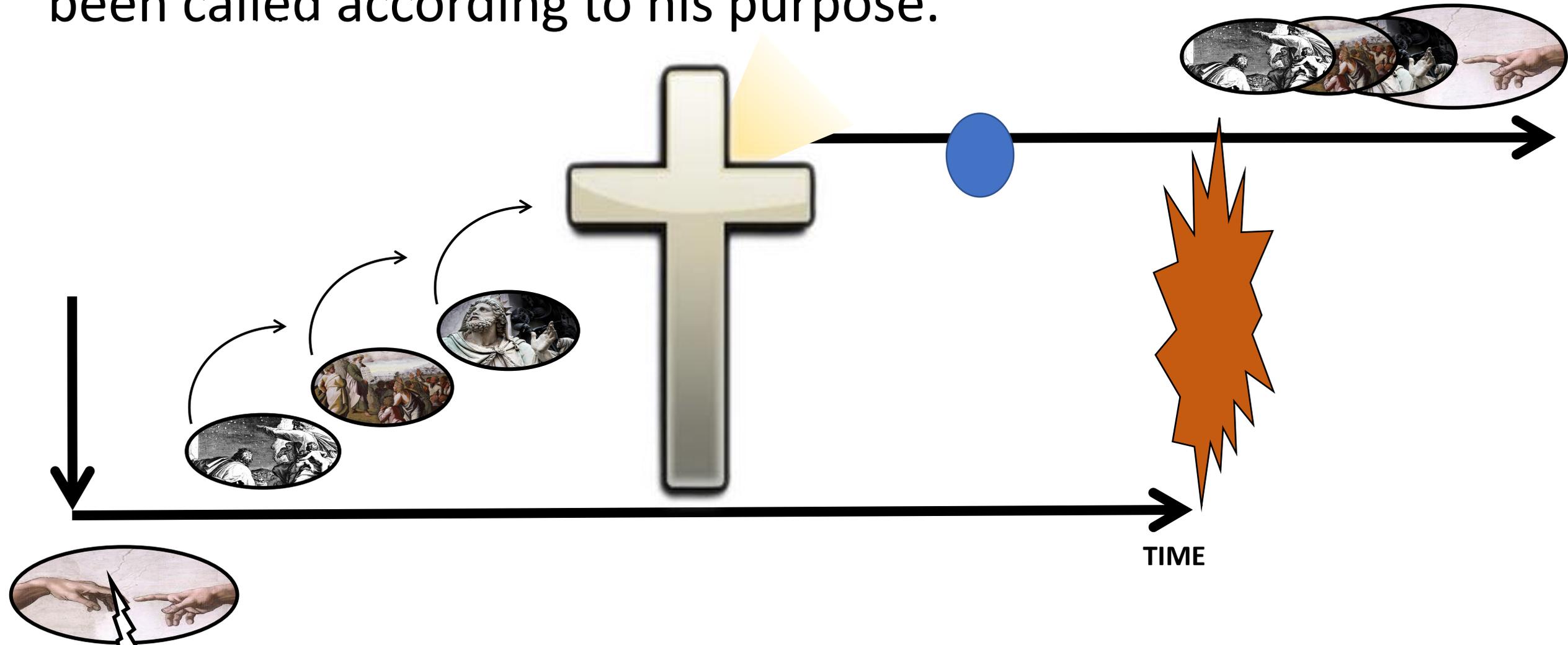
How do you imagine God in your life?

If you were asked to describe a “word picture” of who God is, and how you relate to him, what would your response be?

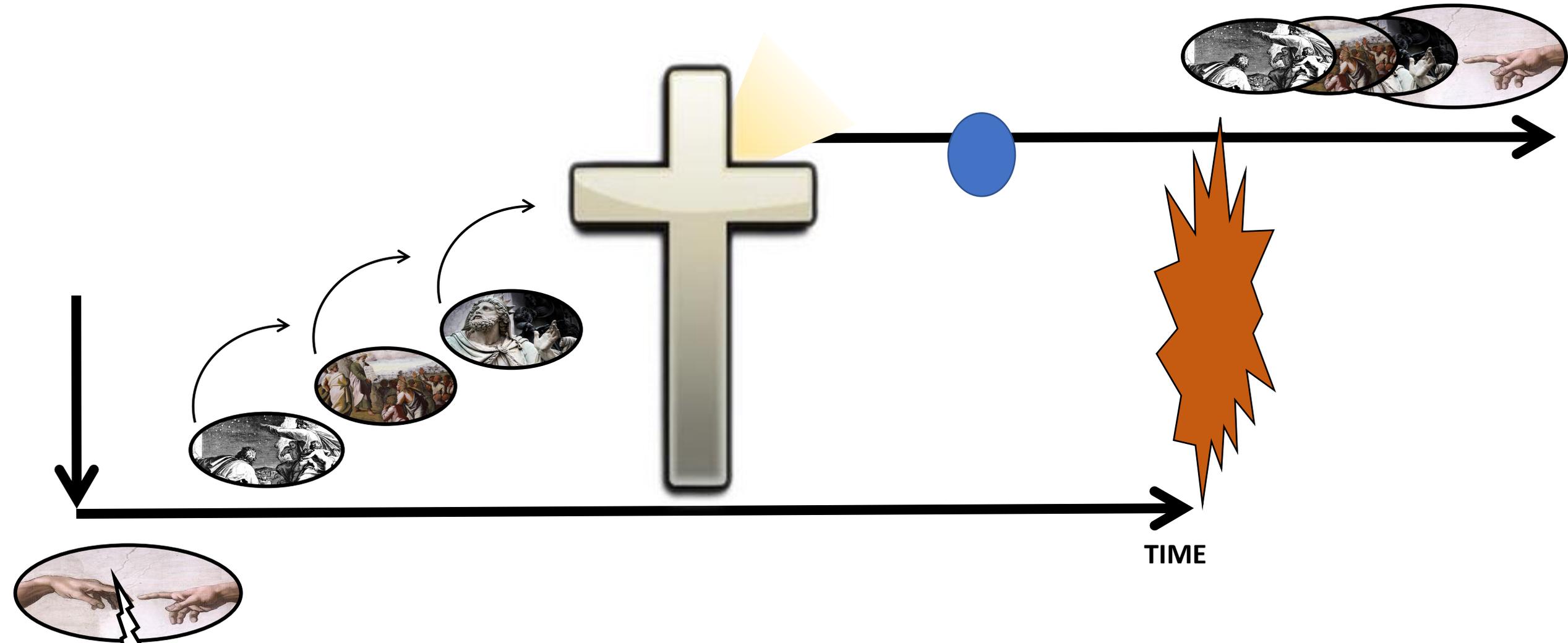
“...the glory that will be revealed in us.” (v18)
“...the children (heirs) of God are revealed.” (v19)
“...our adoption as heirs, the redemption of our bodies” (v20)
“...the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.” (v21)



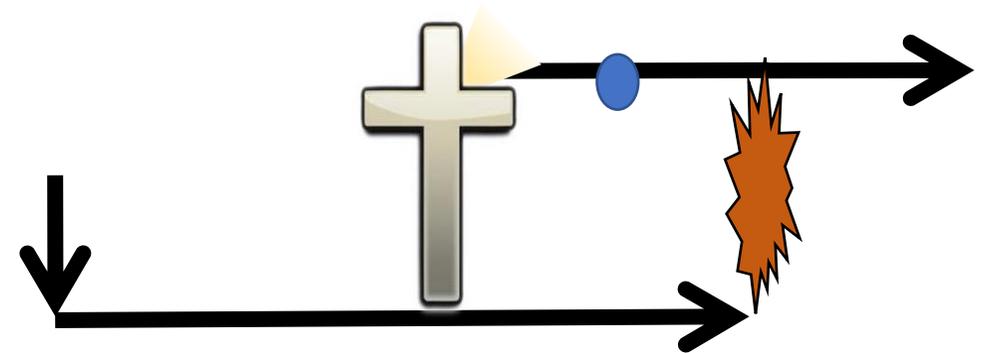
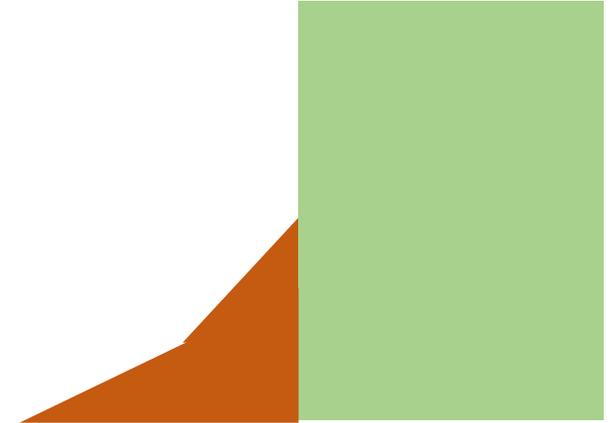
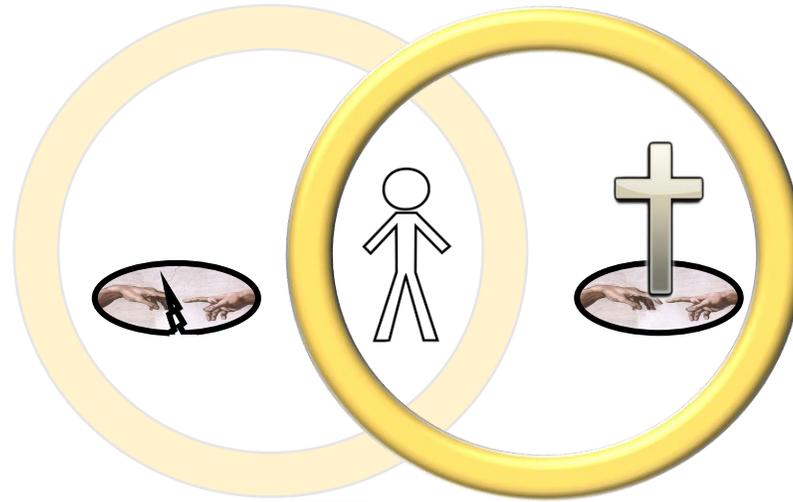
1) ASSURANCE (8:28-30) – “We know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him who have been called according to his purpose.”



2) PROTECTION (31-36) – “If God is for us, who can be against us?”



3) VICTORY (37-39)



DISCUSSION TIME #2

- 1) How are you experiencing the “present sufferings” of this age at the moment? In what ways do you groan with creation?
- 2) How would you describe the hope (see Romans 8:24) that we have? What other parts of Romans 8 encourage you?
- 3) Is there one thing from Romans 1-8 that you will take as particularly helpful for you in the next part of your Christian journey?