

**“Defending Our Father’s Honor”**  
*Logikos Apologetics*

**Part 7 of 7**

**“Action verifies Faithfulness”**  
 James 2:20  
 Updated 1.1.13

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“But are you willing to recognize, you foolish man, that faith without works is useless?”

James 2:20

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**Defending our Father’s Honor**

**Introduction:** Why should you be able to defend your beliefs about both our good God and suffering?

1. **Logic** verifies **God** (John 1:1)
2. **Science** verifies **Creation** (Romans 1:20)
3. **History** verifies **Scripture** (Luke 1:1-4)
4. **Religion** verifies **Christianity** (Romans 3:28)
5. **Prophecy** verifies **Jesus** (Luke 24:25-27)
6. **Time** verifies **Judgment** (Hebrews 9:27)
7. **Action** verifies **Faithfulness** (James 2:20)

\* Next Session

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This 7 part, 500 slide presentation is just an **introduction**



... to encourage your own **further study**

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 Education, Counseling  
 Logikos Apologetics  
 “De Oppresso Liber”



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“Even a child [child’s heart] is known by his actions

Proverbs 20:11

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“Dear children, let us not love with [just] words or tongue but with actions and in truth.”

1 John 3:18

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**Our Outline**

- Problems
- Answers
- Evidence
- **Response**

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**Response** - to Bible as God’s Word

- Embrace our *hypotasso* mission to the **LORD**
- *Hypotasso* = under rank, in line, submit
- **Sub**-Mission = Mission “under” authority
- Study

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**Created for  
Socialization / Discipleship**

Remember the yawning effect.

**We are socially contagious?**

*Contagious  
Sanctification*

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**Beliefs produce Actions**

- Logical belief based on evidence is important!
- Remember Hitler, Stalin, Mao, Saddam, et al
- Remember **Roaches**
  - Why are most people *AFRAID* of them?

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**Application  
of  
Biblical LOGIKOS**

Thinking & Counseling  
  
led by the  
**LOGOS**

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**What should you & I do NOW?**

2Pe 3:11-14

- "... **looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God**, because of which the heavens will be destroyed by **burning**, and the atoms will **melt** with intense heat!"
- "But according to His **promise** we are looking for **new heavens and a new earth**, in which righteousness dwells."
- "Therefore, beloved, since you look for these things, be **diligent** to be found by Him in **peace, spotless and blameless**"

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**Sheepdog's Duty**

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**His Way in EDEN: His-story**

- Genesis 1:29-31 "Then God said [to Adam], "I give you every seed-bearing **plant** on the face of the whole earth and every **tree** that has **fruit with seed** in it. **They will be yours for food.**"
- "And to all the beasts ... birds ... creatures ... **everything that has the breath of life in it, I give every green plant for food.**" And it was so."
- "God saw **all** He had made ... it was **very GOOD**"
- See also Genesis 9:3; Isa 11 and 65; Rom 8

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**JESUS**

promises He will come again to create **New Heavens** and a **New Earth**, where the **lion** will lay down with the **lamb** as it was in **Eden**.

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"The **wolf** and **lamb** shall **feed together**,  
The **lion** shall **eat straw**  
like the ox,  
...They shall **not hurt** ...  
in all My holy mountain,"  
**Says the LORD**...  
the heaven is my throne and  
the **earth** is My **footstool**..."

Isaiah 65:25-66:1

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**We are created & called to be  
Protectors & Providers**

**NOT**

- **Predators**
- **Parasites**
- **or prey**

*Cruel should **NOT** be Cool*

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**Animal Assisted Ministry**

Soul-care for all nephesh creatures


**Nephesh** = a thinking, feeling creature.

\* **The Creator has the right** to command us to treat His creatures His Way.

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## Sci-Fiction & Evo-Religion

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**The New Tower of Babel**

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### The Evo-Psycho Connection

- Charles Darwin said:
 

"In the distant **future I see** open fields for far more important research. **Psychology** will be **based on a new foundation . . .**"
- University of California's "Center for Evo. Psych."
 

– <http://www.psych.ucsb.edu/research/cep/primer.html>

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- Textbook: *A HISTORY OF MODERN PSYCHOLOGY*
- "The theory of **evolution** presented in [Darwin's: *On the Origin of Species*] **freed** scholars from constraining **traditions** and **superstitions** and ushered in the era of **maturity** and respectability for the life sciences."
- "The theory of evolution was also to have a **tremendous** impact on contemporary **psychology**. American psychology today **owes its form** and **substance** as much to the influence of **evolutionary** theory as to any other idea or individual." (p. 114)

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### "Evolution Wars"

- August 05 TIME Mag. "Evolution Wars"
  - "... does **God** have a **place** in science class?"
- March 2006 AAAS (Amer. Assoc. Adv. Sci)
  - "call to **arms** for American scientists, . . . to **recruit troops** for the escalating **war against creationism** and its spinoff doctrine, intelligent design."
- Jonathan Wells, PhD "it has **erupted** into a **full-blown culture war**" (2006)
  - *Politically Incorrect Guide to Darwinism & ID*

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### BEWARE: Quality vs. Quantity

- The **World's Way** values quantity
  - Often focused on *physical* things like buildings, budgets, and visible activities like sports, etc
  - Bigger, more, faster, easier, more fun . . .
- The **Lord's Way** values quality
  - Most often focused on *spiritual* things, especially Christ-like character and relationships.

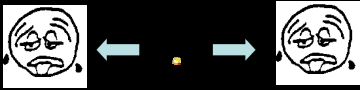
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**"People-Problems" Began in Eden 2 Tim 3:14-17**

|  |                      |                     |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|
| <b>People</b><br><i>God, Lucifer, Adam</i>           | <b>Socialization</b> | <i>manthano</i>     |
| <b>Purpose</b><br><i>Goal = Image</i>                | <b>Teaching</b>      | <i>didaskalia</i>   |
| <b>Problem</b><br><i>Adam's Sin &amp; Separation</i> | <b>Conviction</b>    | <i>elegchos</i>     |
| <b>Plan</b><br><i>Cross (Gen 3:15)</i>               | <b>Correction</b>    | <i>epanorthosis</i> |
| <b>Practice</b><br><i>Work (Gen 2 &amp; 3)</i>       | <b>Training</b>      | <i>paideia</i>      |

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**Man's Way is to draw from other to feel loved and secure.**



*"There's a way that seems right to a man, but it ends in death." Proverbs 14:12*

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**God's Way is to draw from His love and give the overflow to others**



*Even if the other person won't draw from God, you can still be filled.*

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**“Survival of the Cooler”?**  
*(My son's summation of typical teenage years)*

**God's Way is the opposite**  
*(Matthew 22:39; Philippians 2:4)*

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**Conflict & Peacemaking**  
Genesis 3; Ephesians 6:10 ff & Luke 9:23-26

- **Man's Way** naturally is to love self
  - Sacrifice others for the desires of self
  - Give Up or Blow Up
- **God's Way** of the Cross is to “Stand Firm”
  - Sacrifice self for the needs of others
  - On the nails driven through your feet & hands
  - The nails are the bonds & vows of responsibility
  - The rough cross = the imperfections in others

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**Complementary Gifts (Balance)**  
Gen 2 - “a helper comparable”

|            |   |                    |
|------------|---|--------------------|
| Exhorter   | & | Mercy-Giver        |
| Delegation | & | Service            |
| Verbal     | & | Quiet under stress |
| Assertive  | & | Easy Going         |
| Logical    | & | Emotional          |
| Organized  | & | Laid Back          |
| Punctual   | & | Flexible           |
| Serious    | & | Comedian           |
| Visual     | & | Touch              |

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**Gifts can become Curses**

- If not submitted to the Spirit's Lordship
- **EXAMPLES:**
  - “Assertive” becomes aggressive dictator
  - “Easy going” becomes passive
  - “Ordered” becomes obsessive compulsive
  - “Laid back” becomes irresponsible procrastinator
  - Etc, etc . . .

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**Communication**

- Goal is understanding, not agreement
- Requires prayerful (humble) listening
- **DO NOT Assume!**
  - Ask questions about what that person is sharing
  - Repeat it in your own words
  - Until your spouse says: “That's it. That's what I've been trying to get you to understand.”

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**III. Parenting:**  
**Blessing or Burden?**

**L.E.A.D.** as a Parent (**Father's Way – Gen 1-4**)

- **Show** Them (*Model Christ's Character*)
- **Know** Them (*Build personal intimacy*)
- **Grow** Them (*Train beyond mere teaching*)

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**Children: A Genesis Legacy**

- Multi-generational view (Adam/Enosh/Seth)
- Parent's role is to shape the arrows well
- To aim them in the right direction
- To release them into the world for an purpose
- To trust the “wind” (pneuma) of the Spirit to guide them throughout the rest of their life.
- You cannot change their heart, but are commanded to enforce godly behavior!

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**Train Up Beyond Mere Teaching**  
*(Seven Principles that flow one to another)*

1. **Rules** - Gen 1-2; Gal 3:24 (Law = Tutor)
2. **Consequences** - Gen 2; Gal 6:7
3. **Command** - Gen 1-2; Pro 6:23
4. **Apply** - Gen 3; Rom 6:23
5. **Overcome** - Gen 3; Pro 19:19
6. **Praise/Bless** - Gen 1-3; Rom 12:21; Eph 4:29
7. **Rest/Trust God** - Gen 2; Heb 4:9-10; 12:1-12

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**Cain's Attitude (Gen 4) Why?**  
**God's A.B.C.'s for True J.O.Y.**

**Countenance =**  
 The face of God or not.

**Behaviors =**  
 Our walk (stoicheo) is a symptom.

**Attitude of J.O.Y.**  
**J**esus 1<sup>st</sup> (Lord), **O**thers 2<sup>nd</sup>, **Y**ourself Last  
*(Whoever thought up J.O.Y. did us all a favor)*

*Feelings* (written vertically along an arrow pointing up and right)

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**Tree of Life (Gen 2-3) / Foundation (Mat 7)**

**God's Way** vs **Man's Way**

**God's Way** (upside-down triangle):  
 Spiritual (top)  
 Social (middle)  
 Physical (bottom)  
**Strong & Stable to Withstand Life's Storms**

**Man's Way** (upside-down triangle):  
 Spiritual (top)  
 Social (middle)  
 Physical (bottom)  
**Unstable - Easily Falls**

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**3-D Problems in Relationships**

- 1. Symptoms (fruit)** Gen 3; Gal 5:16-25  
 - Fruit of Holy Spirit or the Flesh  
 • Joy/Depression, peace/anxiety, etc....
- 2. Temptations (influences)** Gen 3; Jam 1:13ff  
 - Parents, spouse, students, PMS, etc....  
 - Providential Pressures, NOT excuses
- 3. Causes (roots)** Gen 3; Jam 1:13ff; 1 John 2:16  
 - (Holy Spirit or Flesh)  
 - (Body, toys, esteem)  
 - (The Painful Pursuit of Pleasure)  
 - Gen 4 Cain; James 4:1-9

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**Discerning & Deciding God's Will**

- Prayerfully submit to J.O.Y.
- Reject any choices that Scripture prohibits
- Compare choices that Scripture allows
  - Examine Bible passages that address each choice
  - Prioritize choices according to best stewardship
- Choose the desire of your heart
- Know the Good Shepherd will be with you

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**OLD SLIDES**

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**First, Who should counsel whom?**

**Man to Man**

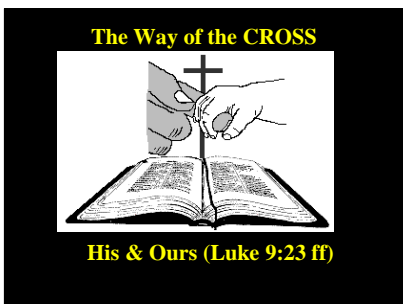
**Woman to Woman**

**Men or Couples Advising Couples**

**Parent to Child**  
(Not professional to child)

**“Biblical”  
Counseling**

What Did God Do for Believers  
Before Counseling in Family?



**God's Way Home:**  
*The Family Relationship: The Way of the Cross*

**Father - Focused**

|        |                   |           |
|--------|-------------------|-----------|
| Sub    | ↑                 | injection |
| ←      | Christ - Centered | →         |
| Self   | - Filled          |           |
| ever   | - denying         |           |
| body   | - denying         |           |
| for    | - love            |           |
| others | - others          |           |

Luke 9:23-26

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**God did NOT have to wait 6,000 years for modern philosophers of the world to help His people fulfill His promises.**

**God Offers His Own Family - Psalm 68:4-6**

[God is . . . ] "A Father of the fatherless  
[children with absent-Dads],  
a defender of widows,  
[single-mothers],  
is God in His holy habitation  
[Father-Son-Spirit, Family].  
God sets the solitary  
[lost & lonely] in families;  
He brings out those who are bound  
[by prejudice & oppression]  
into prosperity [abundant life and relationships]"

**Biblical Counseling is Sufficient:**

- The Bible does not claim to be sufficient for brain surgery, car mechanics, etc.
- It does claim sufficiency for our non-physical, moral relationships with God vertically and other people horizontally.
- All commandments are summed up in this:
  - “Love the Lord . . . with all your heart . . . and your neighbor as yourself.” **[FAMILY]**

**The GOAL of Biblical Counseling**

- Character of Christ NOT mere behavior.
- Relationship not religious rules & rituals.
- “Christ in you”, not “You imitating Christ”
- Galatians 5:22-25 “The fruit of the Spirit”
- However, only God can change the heart.
- Counselors can only L.E.A.D.

**Relationships  
“People-Problems”**  
*(Sufficient Care for Souls - psyches)*

|                          |                                    |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>I. God &amp; Self</b> | - Created to Reflect His Image     |
| <b>II. Marriage</b>      | - A Portrait of Christ & His Bride |
| <b>III. Parenting</b>    | - A Blessing not a Burden          |
| <b>IV. The Church</b>    | - Our Father’s Family              |
| <b>V. The World</b>      | - Embracing Evangelism             |

Why does one yawn tempt everyone to yawn?

Why are we so socially contagious?

**Socialization**

**Vertical Relationship**

**Learning to love GOD with all of your being**

**Mat 22:36-40; Eph 5:29**

**God & Self**

- Designed for a purpose
- Not everyone can be smart, strong, attractive, rich, or powerful.
- But anyone who submits to Christ and walks in the Spirit can be wisely, beautifully, richly, powerfully Christ-like.
- Practical Problem Solving . . . . .

| GOD   | vs | Man  |
|---|----|--|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Creator</b></li> <li>• <b>Self-Existent</b> (YHWH)</li> <li>• <b>LORD</b></li> <li>• <b>Savior</b></li> <li>• <b>Counselor</b></li> <li>• <b>Friend</b></li> <li>• <b>Brother</b></li> <li>• <b>Father</b></li> </ul> |    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Creature</b></li> <li>• Not Self-Existent (Mud)</li> <li>• Subject</li> <li>• Lost</li> <li>• Confused</li> <li>• Enemy</li> <li>• Potential Brother</li> <li>• Potential Child</li> </ul> |

**Creation and Counseling**

- **Creation is the Cornerstone of Christianity**
  - Foundation of all theological doctrine
  - Competition & Survival of the Fittest ? (Cruellest / Coolest)?
  - Cooperation and self-sacrificial love?
- **Counseling is the Capstone of Christianity**
  - Practical application of theological doctrine
  - Not just WHAT but HOW we can glorify God

**What is our Creators Character?**

**Evil-ution?**

God promises to **“Restore”** creation to its originally peaceful state. But if Eden was not like this, then God’s promise would be a **lie**.

**God is a Family**

- **ALL:** One God, Three Persons (1 Cor 15:28)
  - Father / Son / Holy Spirit
- **AGAPE:** Our Triune God is bound in love.
- **AUTHORITY:** (Role, Rank, Responsibility)
  - God the Father is Greatest in Authority.
  - Jesus is always submission to the Father.
  - The Spirit always deflects glory to the Son.

**Mankind in His Image**

- **Gen 1:26-28** “Let Us create man in Our image . . . male and female He created them”
- **“Image”** primarily means the kind of FAMILY relationships that reflect His character (home, church, etc.)
- Both AGAPE and AUTHORITY are crucial.

**Rank is the Backbone**

“Sub-Mission” = Your Mission Under God’s Hand of Provision and Protection

- Romans 13; 1 Cor 15; 1 Peter 5:5-9; etc.
- Authority and submission (hypo-tasso) produces the order and strength of the Body.
- Hypo-tasso means “Under – Rank”
- Without a backbone, a body weak, disordered, and useless.
- **Disorder** leads to **dysfunction** and death.

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*toward restoration & maturity in Christ*

- **Loving** (John 13:34-35; 15:1-13)
- **Equipping** (Eph 4:11-13)
- **Accountability** (Mat 18:15-20)
- **Discipline** (1 Cor 5:9-13)

**Four Dimensions of Family Discipleship**

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- **your leaders, in order to reveal Christ's character, when you are under authority:**
  - Who is to follow? Citizens, church members, wives, children, employees, students, etc. . . .
  - Luke 2:39-52; Rom 13:1; Heb 13:7-17; Eph 5:22 & 33; 6:1; 6:5; Gen 9:1-3; . . .
  - **BUT**, when authorities are abusive or give illegal / immoral commands, then followers must appeal.

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- **Fear** (Ephesians 5:33 "phoboo" = respectful, submissive fear, recognizing authority as delegated by God.)
- **Observe** (1 Corinthians 11:1 You cannot follow unless you *look* to see what the leader is doing.)
- **Listen** (Proverbs 4:1 To help, you must incline your *ear & heart* to receive instructions.)
- **Learn** (Philippians 4:9 An assistant learns what is needed & expected, to work as an effective helper.)
- **Obey** (1 Peter 3:6 Knowing what to do, but not doing it, is destructive and dishonoring to God.)
- **Walk** (Galatians 5:25 "stoicheo", marching under authority produces God's order, harmony, & glory.)

**Appeal vs. Rebuke**

- Matt 18 applies to believers of **equal rank**.
- A believer is never to rebuke an **authority**
- When the authority is seriously sinful . . .
  - Appeal directly to the authority if it is safe.
  - Appeal above the authority if direct appeal is not possible or does not stop the serious sin.
    - Children to Dad if Mom is out of control
    - Wife to Church elders or the police re: husband
    - Christian to government if boss is seriously sinning
    - Etc.

**Submissive faith is . . .**  
**Love under Rank (Hypo-tasso)**

- . . .not demonic faith, but saving sanctifying (James 2:19-20)
- . . .God's will be done. (Mat 5-7; 26:39-43; 28:19-20)
- . . .the yoke of the Father's authority (Mat 11:28-30)
- . . .reporting for the Kingdom of Heaven . . . (Mat 4:17)
- . . .dying self . . . for His sake (Luk 9:23-24)
- . . .being filled with His Spirit (Eph 5:17-18)
- . . .presenting yourselves as slaves of righteousness (Rom 6)
- . . .walking in the Spirit (stoicheo = march) (Gal 5:22-25)
- . . .keeping His commandments (John 13:34-35)
- . . .becoming like a little child (Mat 18)
- . . .asking in faith (Jam 1:2-8; 4:1-17)
- . . .abiding in His Vine (John 15:1-13)
- . . .following Him (John 14:5)
- . . .decreasing so that Jesus can increase (John 3:30)
- . . .crucified with Christ so He rules in you (Gal 2:20)
- . . .offering your body as a living sacrifice (Rom 12:1-3)
- . . .loving the Lord above yourself (Mat 22:36-40)
- . . .loving your neighbor as God commands (Mat 22:36-40)
- . . .the illumination of God's whole Word (Mat 22:36-40)

**God's A.B.C.'s for True J.O.Y.**

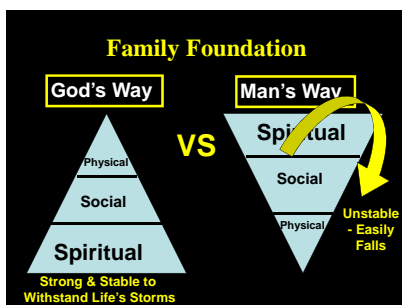
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**Attitude of J.O.Y.**  
Jesus 1st, Others 2nd, Yourself Last

**The Question: Who is your Lord?**



**Solving "People-Problems"**  
 2 Timothy 3:14-17

|          |                      |                     |
|----------|----------------------|---------------------|
| People   | <b>Socialization</b> | <i>manthano</i>     |
| Purpose  | <b>Teaching</b>      | <i>didaskalia</i>   |
| Problem  | <b>Conviction</b>    | <i>elegchos</i>     |
| Plan     | <b>Correction</b>    | <i>epanorthosis</i> |
| Practice | <b>Training</b>      | <i>paideia</i>      |

**Solving "People-Problems"**  
*(for God's honor & the benefit of others)*  
 People (Socialization in relationships)

- **Purpose** - *Teaching right and wrong*  
Both immediate & ultimate goals.
- **Problem** - *Conviction of dysfunction*  
Symptoms / Temptations / Causes
- **Plan** - *Correction - a new direction*  
General outline to change causes.
- **Practice** - *Training new habits*  
Specific strategy to change patterns.



### Problems in Relationships 3-D (Three Dimensional)

- **1. Symptoms** (fruit) Gal 5:16-25; Jam 1:13ff
  - Fruit of Holy Spirit or the Flesh
    - \* Joy/Depression, peace/anxiety, etc....
- **2. Temptations** (influences)
  - Your spouse, kids, PMS, etc....
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- **3. Causes** (roots)
  - (Holy Spirit or Flesh)
  - (Body, toys, esteem- 1 John 2:16)
  - (The Painful Pursuit of Pleasure)
  - James 4:1-9

### The Problem: Three Dimensions


- **Symptoms:** "Fruit"
  - feelings, words, actions
- **Temptations:**
  - providential pressures, not excuses
- **Cause:** "Root"
  - Heart Attitude

### Horizontal Relationships

Learning to love your neighbor as yourself


Rev 12:11

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  - On the nails driven through your feet & hands
  - The nails are the bonds & vows of responsibility
  - The rough cross = the imperfection in people

### II. Marriage: Christ & His Bride

- Oneness in Agape Love, yet each a different RRR.
- Structured by His design for His purpose.
- Complementary abilities & disabilities for balance.
- Applying biblical Rank, Role, Responsibility
- Communication that leads to understanding
- Peacemaking rooted in love and forgiveness.
- **SEX.** God's way
  - Better than anything the world can offer!

### Rank, Role, & Responsibilities

- **Husband**
  - Commanded to love and to L.E.A.D.
  - To wash her with the water of the Word
  - To provide for her and to protect her
- **Wife**
  - Commanded to respect and build a home refuge
  - Using home hospitality as center for ministry

### Complementary Gifts (Balance)

|            |   |                    |
|------------|---|--------------------|
| Exhorter   | & | Mercy-Giver        |
| Delegation | & | Service            |
| Verbal     | & | Quiet under stress |
| Assertive  | & | Easy Going         |
| Logical    | & | Emotional          |
| Organized  | & | Laid Back          |
| Punctual   | & | Flexible           |
| Serious    | & | Comedian           |
| Visual     | & | Touch              |

### Gifts can become Curses

- If not submitted to the Spirit's Lordship
- **EXAMPLES:**
  - "Assertive" becomes aggressive dictator
  - "Easy going" becomes passive
  - "Ordered" becomes obsessive compulsive
  - "Laid back" becomes irresponsible procrastinator
  - Etc, etc . . .

### Communication

- Goal is understanding, not agreement
- Requires prayerful (humble) listening
- **DO NOT Assume!**
  - Ask questions about what that person is sharing
  - Repeat it in your own words
  - Until your spouse says: "That's it. That's what I've been trying to get you to understand."

### The Slippery Slope of



## Adultery

1. **Circumstances:** Your job, church, etc., includes opportunities to know new people.
2. **Attraction:** Emotional and/or physical interest begins to develop with a particular person.
3. **Thinking:** You find yourself dwelling on that person's best qualities.
4. **Enjoying:** You increasingly enjoy those unplanned times when that person is around.
5. **Comparing:** You spend time contrasting your spouse with this new person.

6. **Bitter Self-Pity:** You dwell on how unhappy and unsatisfied you feel at home.
7. **Planning:** You begin to plan opportunities to be around the new person.
8. **Talking:** You deliberately start conversations with the new person.
9. **Heart:** Conversations focus around more personal, intimate aspects of each others lives.

10. **Privacy:** The two of you occasionally hang around alone, after everyone else has left.
11. **Feelings:** Your "good" feelings about this person become stronger and stronger.
12. **Fantasy:** You start to wonder if you've fallen in love with this new person.
13. **Clouded:** You minimize any negative things you notice about this new person.
14. **Blind:** It seems like this new person treats you better than your spouse.

15. **Orchestrate:** You set up more ways you can "legitimately" be with the new person.
16. **Touching:** The two of you increasingly share forms of physical affection (hugs, pats, etc.).
17. **Embracing:** Physical expressions escalate to more passionate embracing.
18. **Denial:** You deny your guilty feelings and rationalize the behavior, since its not intercourse.
19. **Driven:** Your conscience nags at you, but you choose to follow your new desires anyway.

20. **Intercourse:** Physical involvement moves from kissing to petting to intercourse.
21. **Rendezvous:** You set up ways to secretly rendezvous and they become more & more frequent.
22. **Double-Life:** You end up living a hidden life, while other folks start getting suspicious.
23. **Confronted:** People ask you questions or even confront you, but you react in defense.
24. **Truth:** Ultimately, God pulls away the covers & exposes you under His revealing light
  - often humiliating in order to humble a hard heart.

### Last Chance Choices in Adultery:

1. Love God and others more than yourself, stop, and seek help to honor the Lord.
2. Ride the fence, stay married, yet continue the adultery.
3. Turn your back on Jesus, and make plans for separation or divorce.

### III. Parenting: Blessing or Burden?

**L.E.A.D.** as a Parent (God's Way – Eph 6:4)

- **Show** Them (*You model Christ's Character*)
- **Know** Them (*Build personal intimacy*)
- **Grow** Them (*Train beyond mere teaching*)

### Children are Arrows – Psalm 127

- Proper Perspective: Multi-generational
- Parent's role is to shape the arrows well
- To aim them in the right direction
- To release them into the world for an purpose
- To trust the "wind" (pneuma) of the Spirit to guide them throughout the rest of their life.
- You cannot change their heart, but are commanded to enforce godly behavior!

### Train Up Beyond Mere Teaching

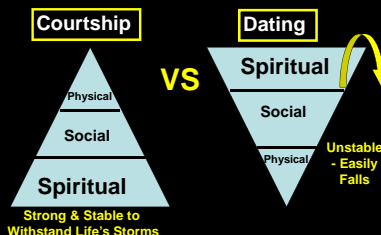
(Seven Principles that flow one to another)

1. Rules - Gal 3:24 (Law = Tutor)
2. Consequences - Gal 6:7
3. Command - Pro 6:23
4. Apply - Rom 6:23
5. Overcome - Pro 19:19
6. PRAISE - Rom 12:21; Eph 4:29
7. Rest - Heb 4:9-10; 12:1-12

### The Rod is better than rejection!

- God's Authority overrules man's majority:
  - Prov. 13:24; Prov. 19:18; Prov. 22:15; Prov. 23:13, 14; Prov. 29:15, 17; Eph. 6:4; Col. 3:21; Heb 12:1-11
- Research available to support its benefit:
  - Focus on the Family
- When administered biblically, it is one of the most loving forms of correction for young children who directly defy your authority.
- See [www.soulcare.org](http://www.soulcare.org) for a detailed article

### Teach Teens To Find a Spouse



### IV. Church: - Ekklesia

- Beware of letting the "GOOD" replace God's "BEST".
- God's "BEST" focuses on the non-physical, relational dimensions of life, not the physical buildings, budgets, and bodies.

### Church Structure

- **Pastoral Elders:** Must Model Father's Character
  - Primarily ministers the Word spiritually
  - Often a Senior Pastor
  - Accountable to and supported by fellow elders
- **Deacons:** Must Model Father's Character
  - Primarily ministers the physical resources
  - Yet can be vital as support to the pastors also in the ministry of the Word.

### Disciplined Discipleship

- A vital part of God's Way Home
- **L.E.A.D.**
  - To Love and Equip without Accountability and Discipline is really NOT biblical love

### Jesus' Great Commission (s)

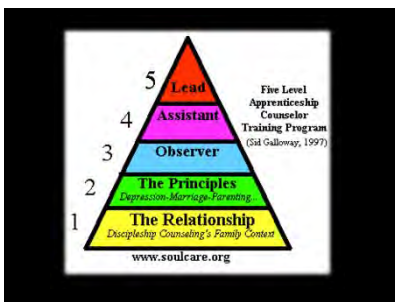
- Matthew 18:15-20
  - The Great Commission to Edify His Church
  - A Command, NOT a Suggestion
- Matthew 28:18-20
  - The Great Commission to Reach the Fatherless
  - A Command, NOT a Suggestion

**Church Accountability**

Not This Way

Clarify Continually

- Cover - 1 Pet 4:8
- Confront- Mat 18:15
- Confirm - Mat 18:16
- Condemn- Mat 18:17
- Cutoff - Mat 18:17
- Continue- Mat 5:43-48
- Rest - Mat 11:28-30



**Seven Steps for a Down to Earth, Practical Theology**

"Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven"

- Seven Steps for a Down to Earth, Practical Theology**
1. **Biblical Authority** -
  2. **Hermeneutics** -
  3. **Exegetical Exposition** -
  4. **Topical/Doctrinal Studies** -
  5. **Systematic Theology** -
  6. **Practical Theology** -
  7. **Glorifying Our Father** -

- Steps 1-3**
1. **Biblical Authority** -  
- The Canon of Scripture and God's "convincing proofs". (Isa 41-48; Act 1:3)
  2. **Hermeneutics** -  
- How to interpret God's Word as He delivered it: normally & simply. (Mat 18:1)
  3. **Exegetical Exposition** -  
- Drawing out God's principles in context, without injecting our own. (2 Ti 2:15)

- Steps 4-6**
4. **Topical/Doctrinal Studies** -  
- Understanding major subjects from God's viewpoint. (John 5:39; 14:6)
  5. **Systematic Theology** -  
- Fitting related topics together into the Big Picture: His/story. (1 Co 15:27-28.)
  6. **Practical Theology** -  
- How to live out God's image in relationships. (Heb 5:12-14)

**The Seventh Step**

7. **Glorifying GOD Our Father** -  
- and His Son, our Lord & Savior  
- to the World.  
- Eph 3:10

- V. World: Embracing Evangelism**
- Rescuing the Lost
  - CREATION EVANGELISM (Acts 17:16 ff)
  - COUNSELING EVANGELISM
  - Adoption into our Father's Family
  - Parenting Baby Brothers and Sisters
    - Show Them
    - Know Them
    - Grow Them

**APPENDIX**  
**Recommended Resources:**

**Creation Websites -**  
[www.AnswersInGenesis.org](http://www.AnswersInGenesis.org)  
[www.creation.com](http://www.creation.com)  
[www.icr.org](http://www.icr.org)

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**A Top Evolutionary Web Resource**  
is [www.TALKorigins.org](http://www.TALKorigins.org) – however . . .

- It is refuted at every point by creation scientists sites:
- [www.TRUEorigin.org](http://www.TRUEorigin.org) (creationists)
- <http://Creation.com> and [www.ICR.org](http://www.ICR.org) (creationists)
- [www.AnswersInGenesis.org](http://www.AnswersInGenesis.org) (creationists)

YES, there is too much data (*it seems overwhelming*), BUT relax, you **don't** need to be an expert to understand the foundational issues involved.

\* [Macro-evolution cannot answer 7 Key Questions](#) →

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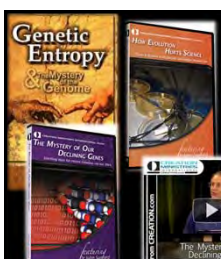


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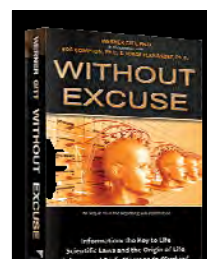
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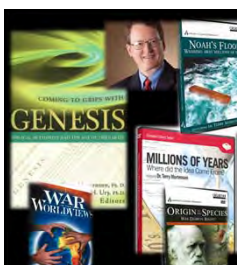
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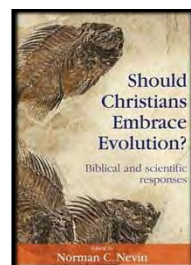
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