

## ***Bad to the Bone***

A Study in  
Human Depravity

### ***Immediate Results of the Fall***

- **A Marred Image of God**
  - Moral aspects
    - Morally accountable → seeks moral freedom
    - Inner sense of right and wrong → suppresses conscience
  - Spiritual aspects
    - Able to praise, pray, etc. → choose to worship false gods
  - Mental aspects
    - Ability to reason, think logically and abstractly, and learn → darkened minds
    - Complex, abstract language → used to curse, maim and hurt
    - Awareness of the distant future → deny, ignore, or fear
    - Creativity → pervert for the expression of sin
    - Greater degree and complexity of emotions → expression in sinful passions

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  - Relational aspects
    - Depth of interpersonal harmony (cf. the Trinity) → become distant and aloof; refuse to love anyone but ourselves
    - Marriage equality with different roles → seek to throw off our God-ordained roles
  - Physical aspect
    - Suitable, immortal instruments to express our human nature → yield our members as instruments of unrighteousness.

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- **A Marred Image**
- **Real Guilt & Personal Shame (3:7)**
- **Moral Corruption**

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- **Broken Fellowship with God**
  - Alienation!
  - God towards man (holy and fully justified)
    - Expels him from the Garden (3:24)
    - Cf. Rom, 5:10; Col. 1:21
  - Man toward God (unholy and unjustified)
    - Tries to blame God for his sinful choices (3:12-13)
    - Tries to hide from God out of fear (3:8-10)
    - Willing to pursue a pattern of rebellion (3:22)

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- **A Cursed Creation**
- **Divine Punishment**
  - On Eve & all women
    - Suffering in childbirth (3:16)
    - Desire to master her husband (3:16; cf. 4:7)
  - On Adam & all men
    - Painful, difficult work (3:17-18)
  - All mankind
    - Physical death (3:19)
    - Spiritual separation from God (3:23-24)