

THE BATTLE FOR
TRUTH

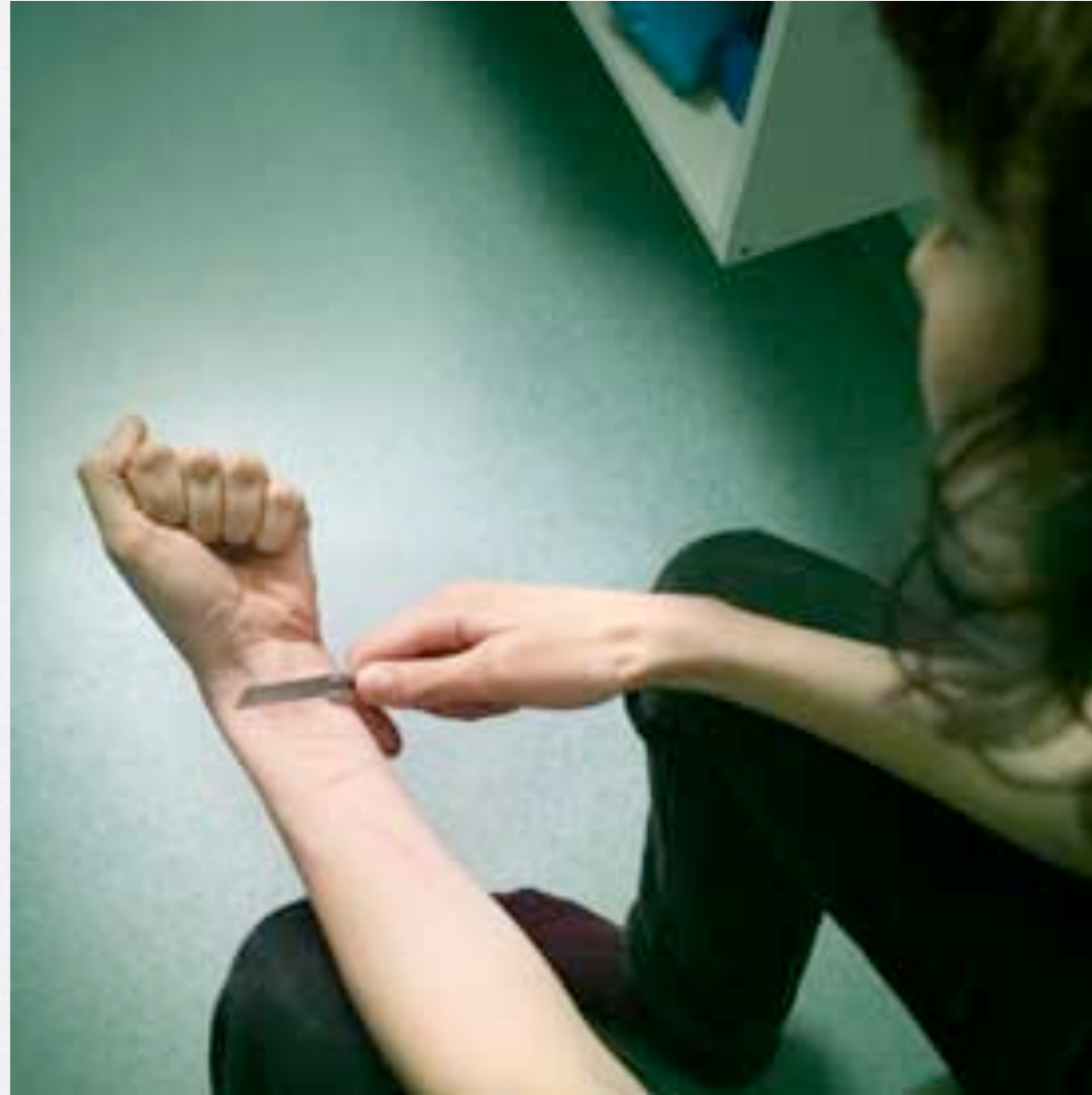
“What is truth?”

-Pontius Pilate









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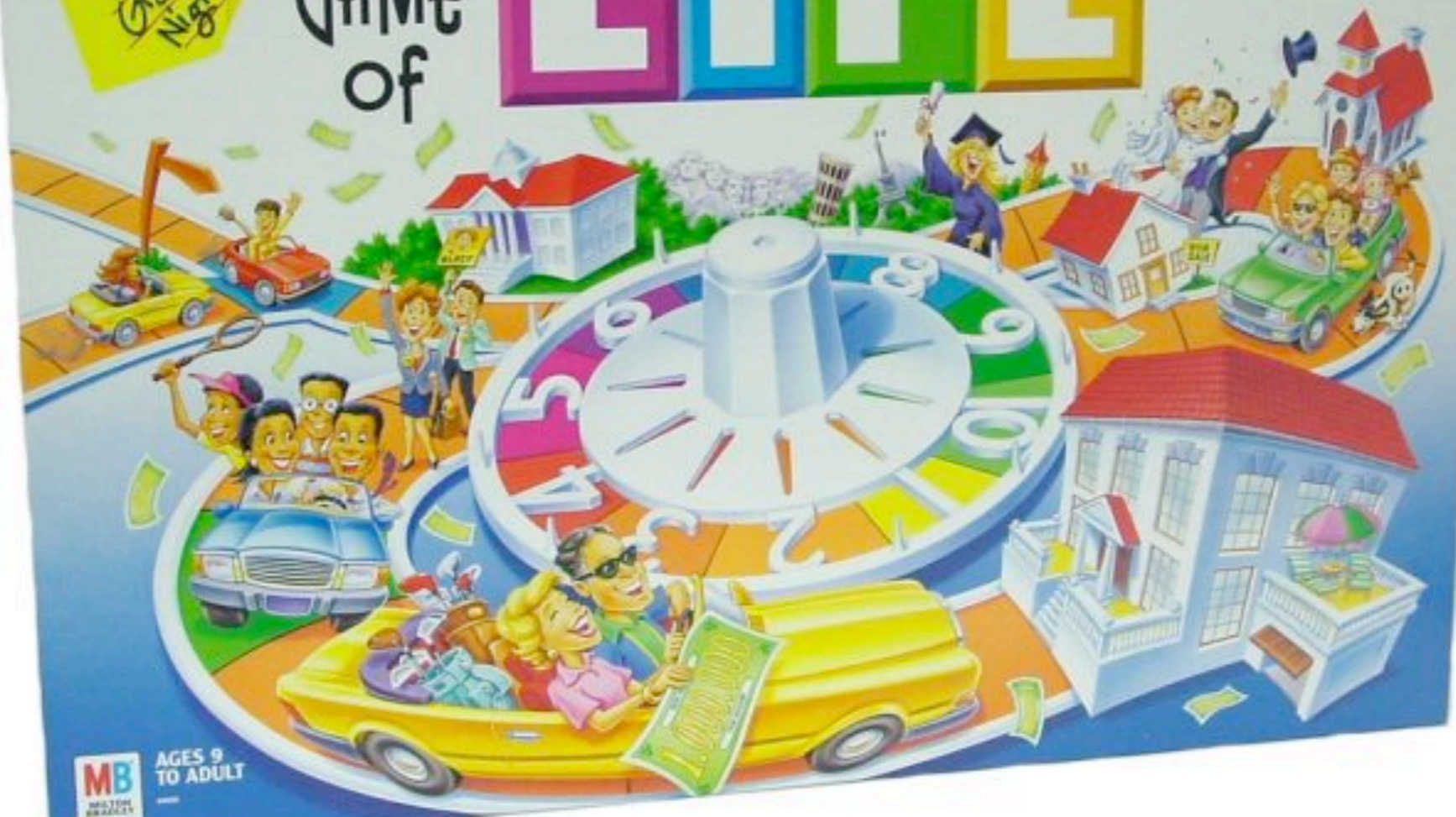
“The god of this world has
blinded the minds of unbelievers
so that they cannot see...”

2 Cor 4:4

Plan a Family Game Night

The GAME OF

LOOSE



MB AGES 9 TO ADULT

- Decide whether you'll go to college or go directly to the working world.
- Get paid - get \$
- Get married - get \$ for presents
- Have kids - get \$ for presents
- Get paid - get \$

- Buy insurance - pay \$
- Buy a car - pay \$
- Get paid - get \$
- Win a lottery - get \$
- Have an accident - pay \$

- Get \$

- Pay \$

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- At the end: cash in your kids for \$

Goal of LIFE:

Get \$!!

Person with the most \$
wins!!

Beauty

- **Don't be hairy**



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- Don't be hairy
- **Don't be fat**



Beauty

- Don't be hairy
- Don't be fat
- **But do have fat lips**



Beauty

- Don't be hairy
- Don't be fat
- But do have fat lips
- **Don't be skinny**



Beauty

- Don't be hairy
- Don't be fat
- But do have fat lips
- Don't be skinny
- **Don't be wrinkly**



Beauty

- Don't be hairy
- Don't be fat
- But do have fat lips
- Don't be skinny
- **Have a bigger nose**



Beauty

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- Have a bigger nose
- **Have a smaller nose**



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- Have a bigger nose
- **Always wear make-up**



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- **But not too much make-up**



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make-up



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- "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The LORD does not look at the things man looks at. Man looks at the outward appearance, but the LORD looks at the heart." 1 Sam. 16:7
- Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting; but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Pr. 31:1
- Your beauty should not come from outward adornment, such as braided hair and the wearing of gold jewelry and fine clothes. Instead, it should be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. 1 Pet 3:3-4

Money

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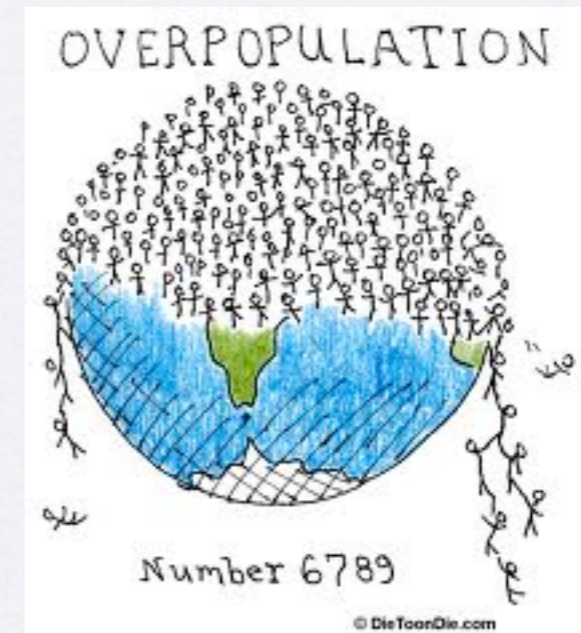


Money

- Get lots of it!
- Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Matt 6:19-21
- Keep your lives free from the love of money and be content with what you have. Heb. 13:5
- Do not wear yourself out to get rich; have the wisdom to show restraint. Cast but a glance at riches, and they are gone, for they will surely sprout wings and fly off to the sky like an eagle. Pr. 23:4-5

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- Their value is in what they produce
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- Man is created in the image of God
- All people are of infinite value, regardless of abilities
- "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made." Ps 139:14
- "How much more valuable is a man than a sheep!" Matt 12:2

“It is the world that has been
pulled over your eyes to blind you
to the truth...”

“What truth?”

“That you are a slave, Neo. Like everyone else, you were born into bondage?”

“Born into a prison that you
cannot smell or taste or touch.

A prison for your mind.”

“The truth will set you free.”

John 8:32

See to it that no one takes you **captive** through hollow and **deceptive** philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the basic principles of this world rather than on Christ.

Col 2:8

Do not **conform** any longer to the pattern of this world, but be **transformed** by the renewing of your mind.

Rom 12:2

What does it mean
to be transformed?



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Metamorphoo

- Old body dies
- Most of old self broken down/destroyed
- A new body is rebuilt which bears little resemblance to previous body

How do we transform our minds?

- *“Be careful little eyes what you see”*
- What you look at longest will become strongest in your life
- *“Set your eyes on things above” Col 3:2*

How do we transform our minds?

- "You will know the truth and the truth will set you free." John 8:32
- Know the truth! Meditate on God's Word.

How do we transform our minds?

- "...in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes."
- Be aware of his schemes.

Satan's schemes

- Prey on our insecurities - based on lies about ourselves
- Use false logic

A fairy tale version of life...

A handsome prince
falls in love with a
beautiful princess.



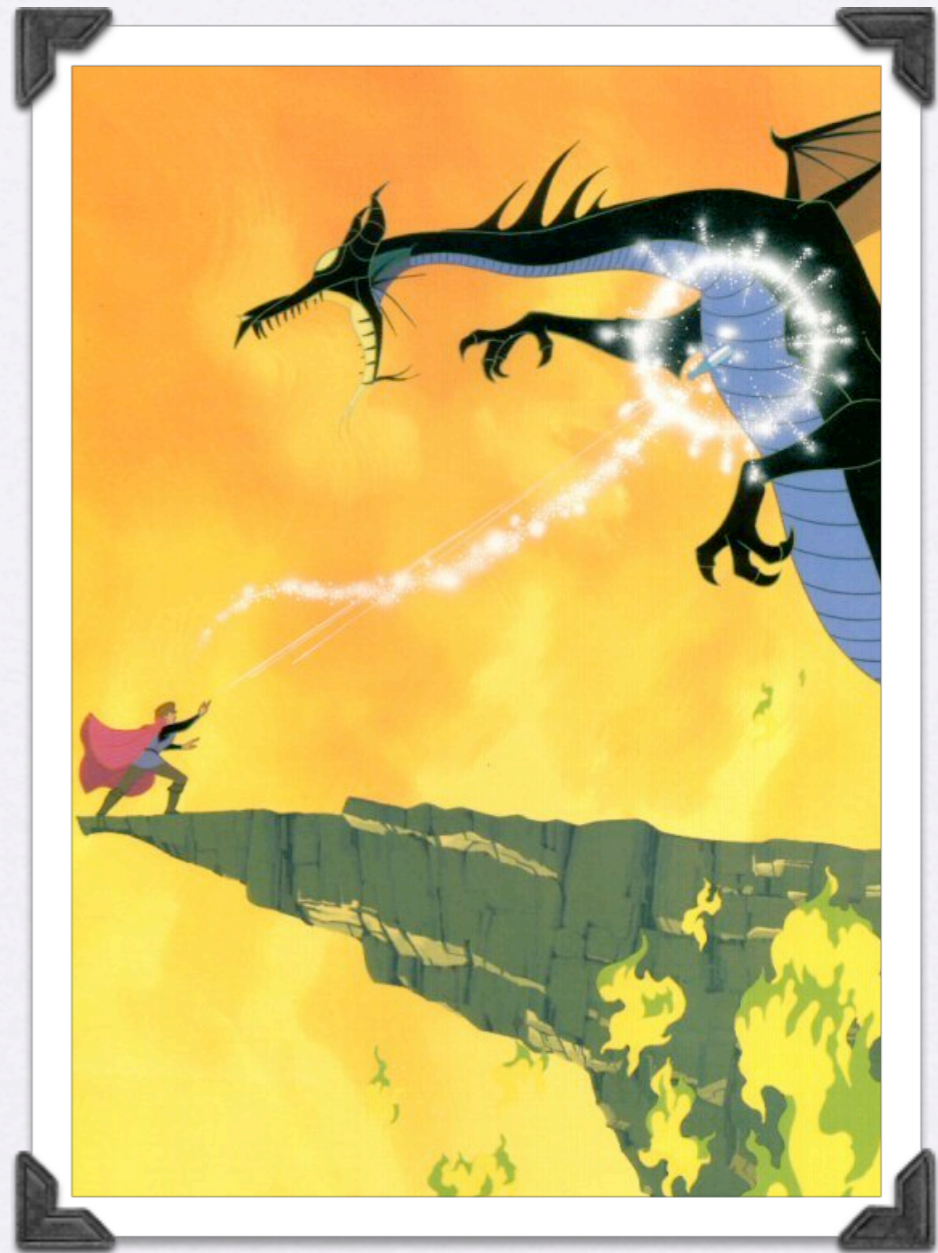
The princess falls
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...and falls asleep,
waiting to be rescued
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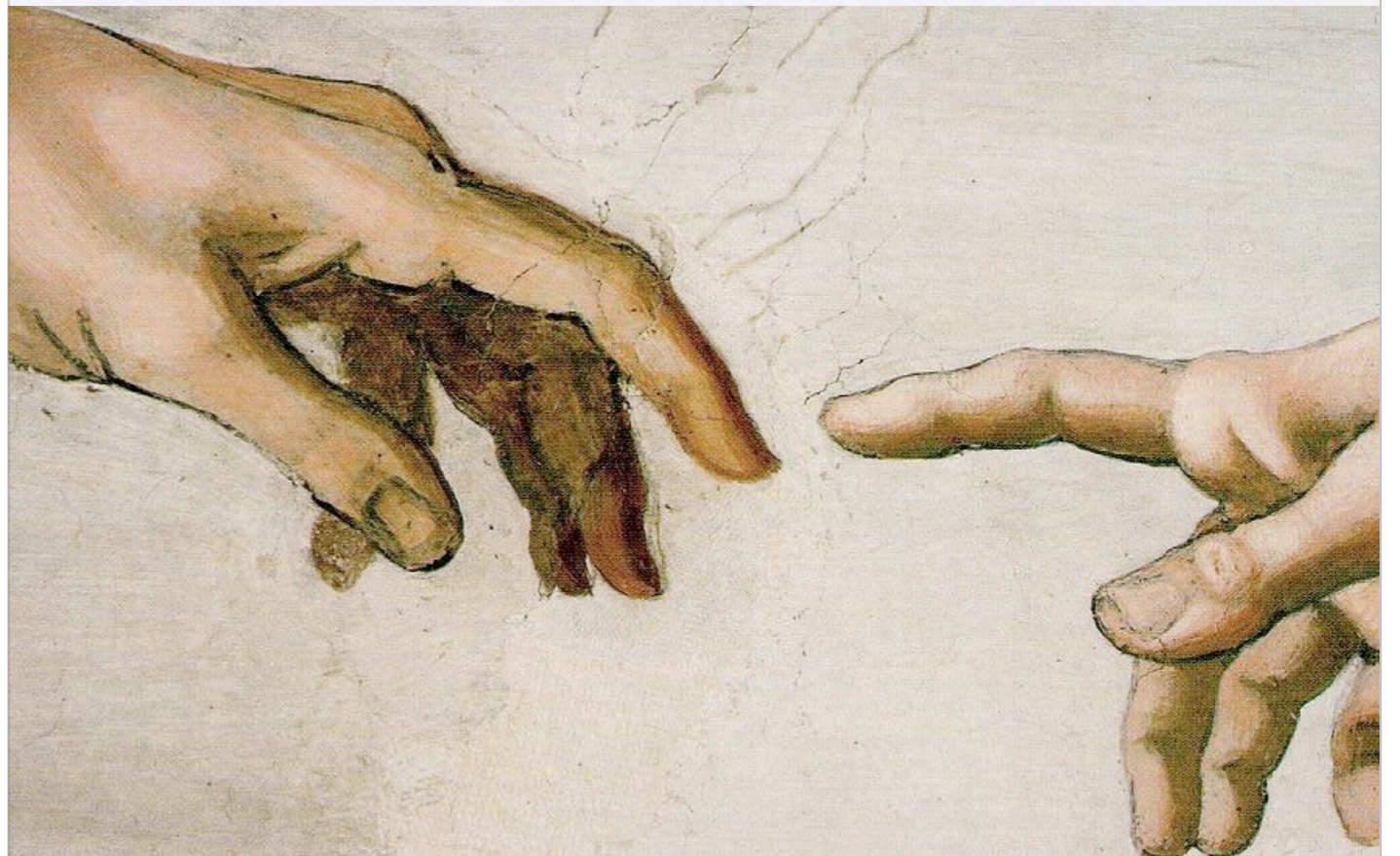
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A biblical version of life...

*A handsome prince
falls in love with a
beautiful princess.*

“For God so loved the
world...”



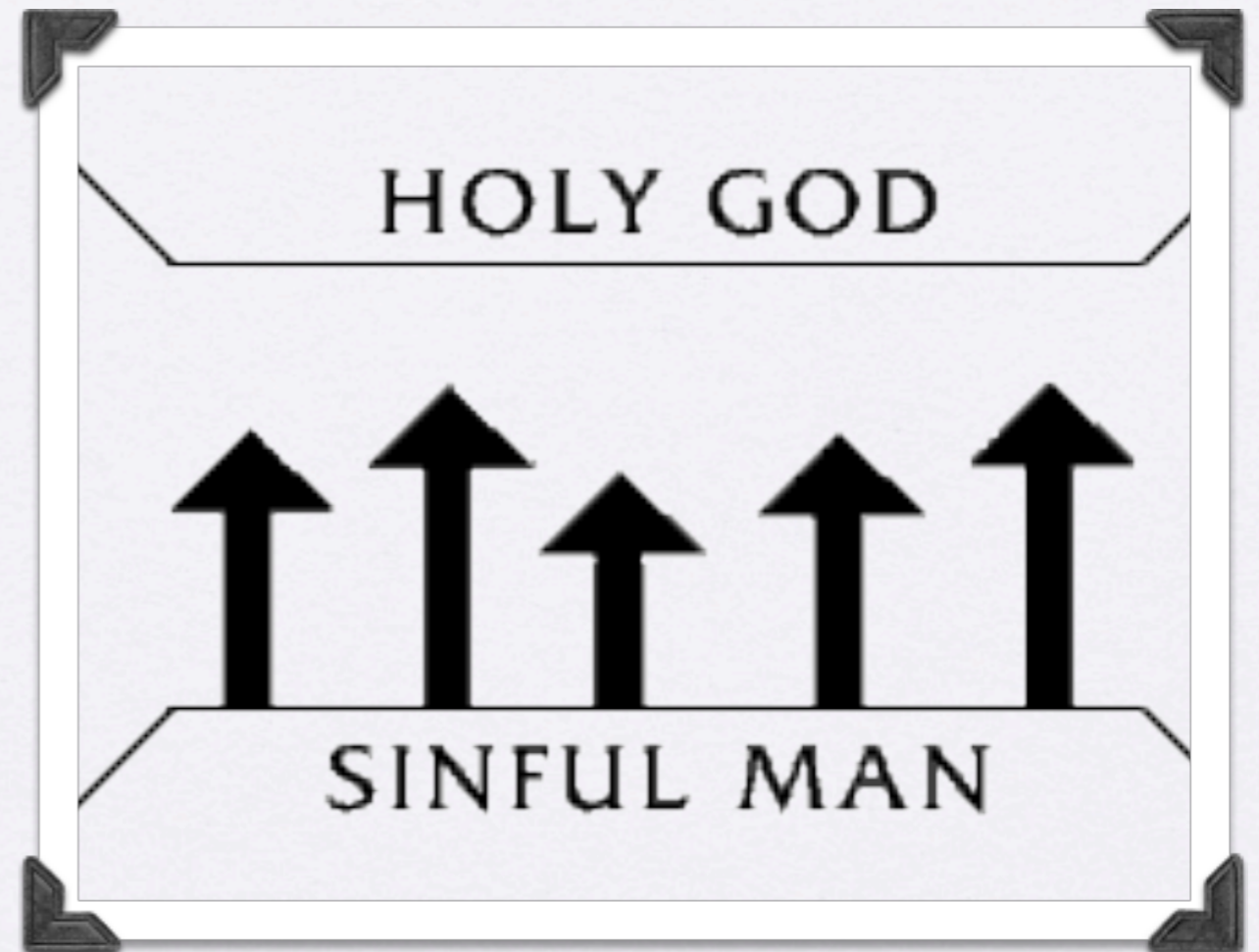
*The princess falls under
the curse of the evil
witch...*

Adam and Eve ate the
fruit that the evil one
tempted them to eat
and they became
cursed.



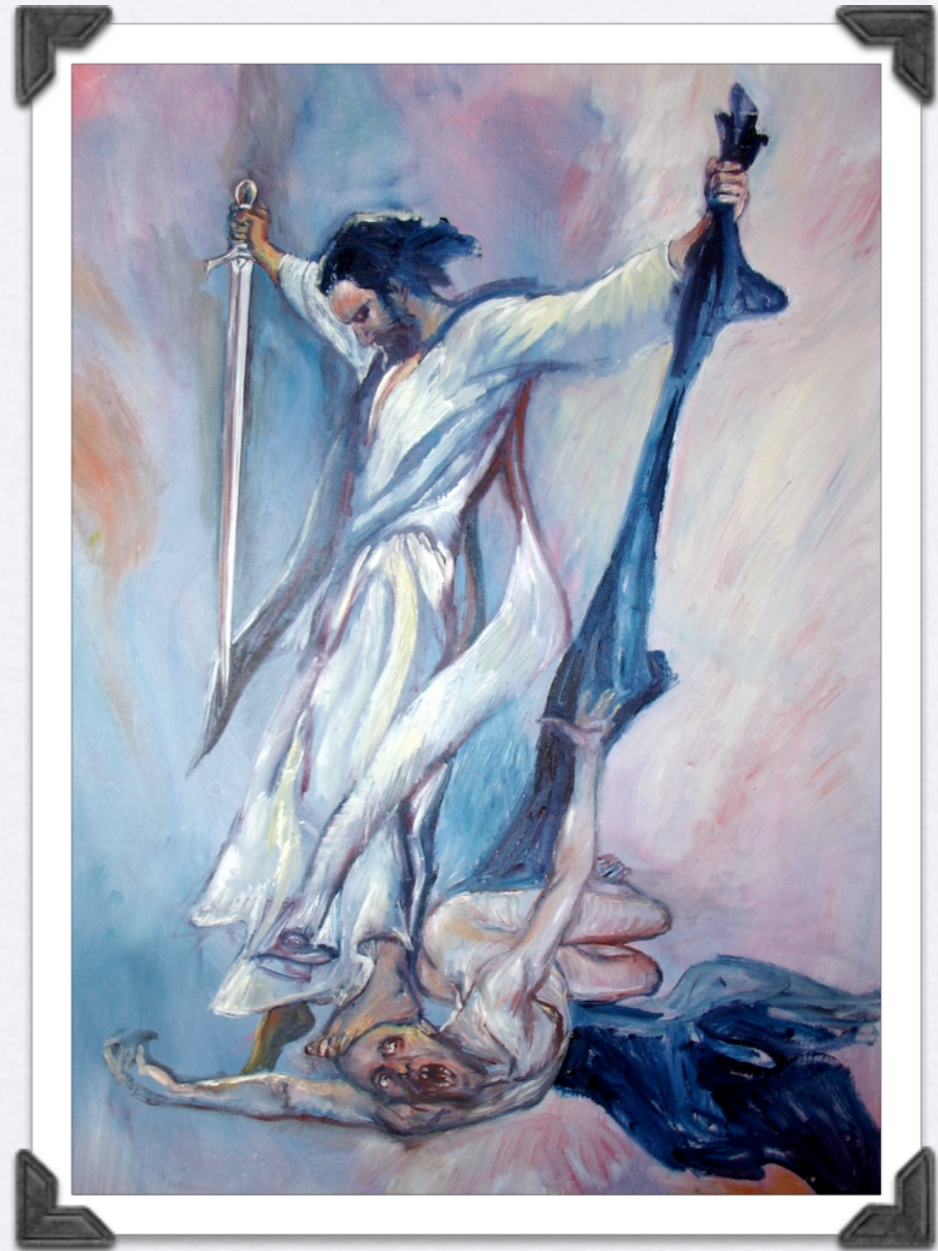
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Man is separated from
God and needs
rescuing.



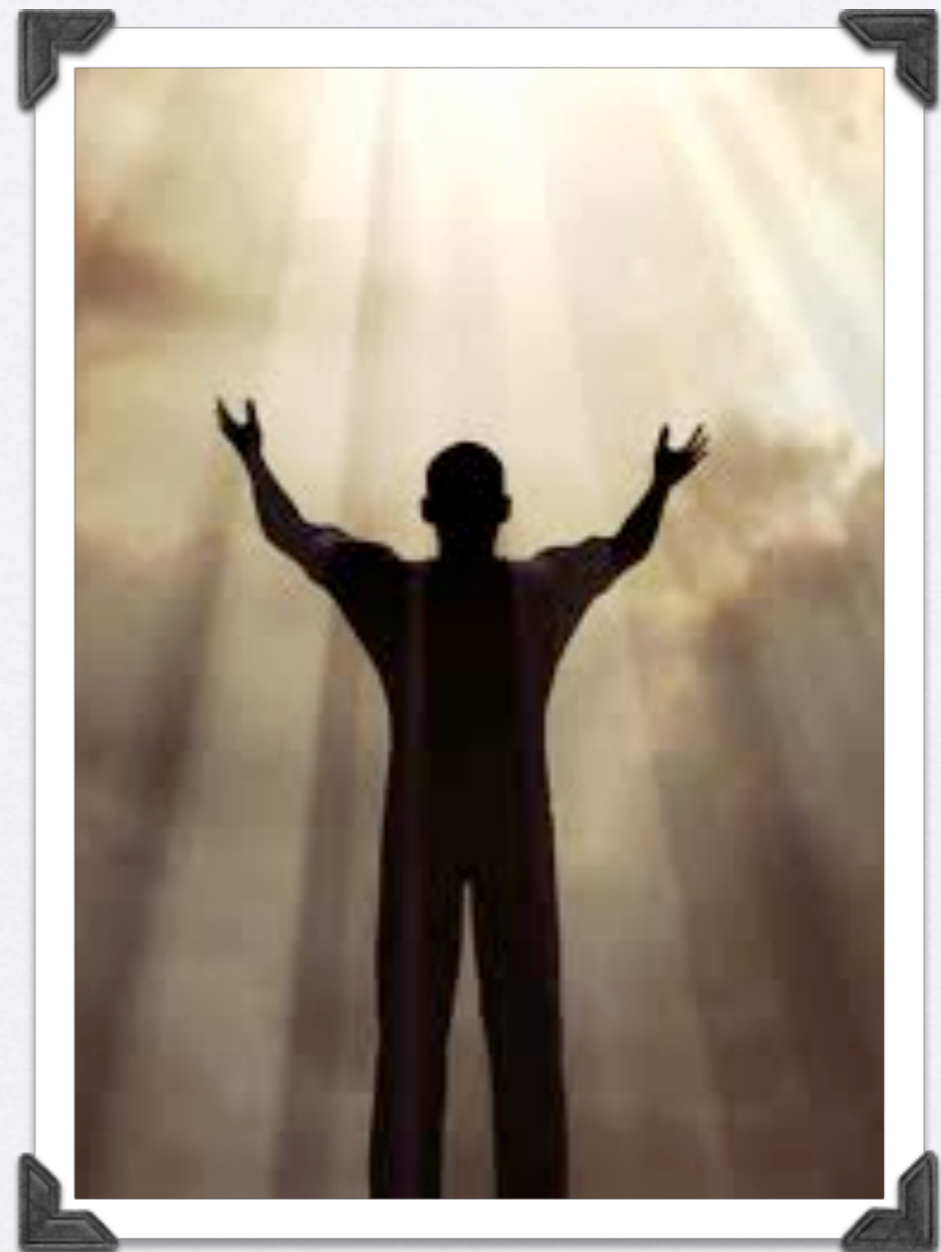
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“And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross.” Col 2:15



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“Wake up, O sleeper
rise from the dead, and
Christ will shine on
you.” Eph 5:14



They get married ...

“Let us rejoice and be glad...for the wedding of the Lamb has come and his bride has made herself ready.” Rev. 19:7



...and live happily ever after.

“No longer will there be any curse. The throne of God and of the Lamb will be in the city, and his servants will serve him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever..” Rev. 22:3-5

