

# Foundations in Theology: Creation, Fall, Redemption, Consummation



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# December 2022: New Call

- ❖ Hospital Chaplain 13 years, 12 St. David's
- ❖ Buckner Villas Retirement Community
  - ❖ 200 residents Independent Living
  - ❖ As needed: Assisted Living, Skilled Nursing, and Memory Care Unit
  - ❖ Social Worker, Activities Director, Exercise and Wellness Director, Chaplain, & More!

# *N.T. Fulfills the O.T. - Luke 24:27*



# *“Last Ten Minutes of a Movie”*

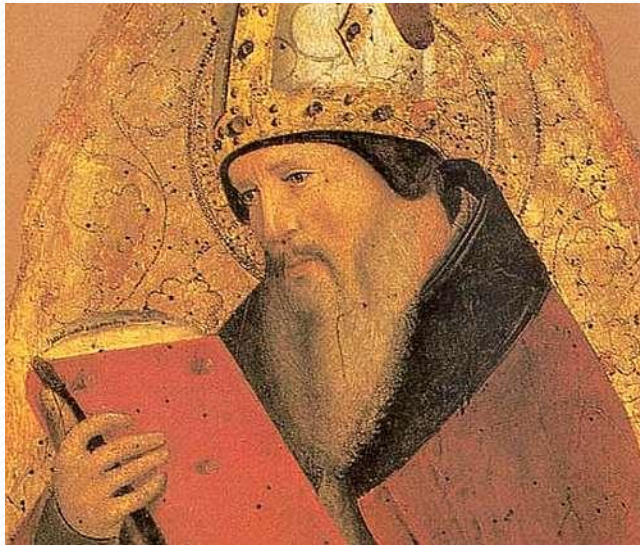


## *Jesus Came at Appointed Time*

*“But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.”*

*Galatians 4:4-5*

# Augustine of Hippo



- November 13, 354 - August 28, 430 A.D.
- logical, rational, thoughtful
- Grounded in O.T./connections
- ‘City of God,’ ‘Confessions,’ ‘On Christian Doctrine,’ and many Letters
- original sin, salvation by grace alone, ‘covenant’ theology
- “....established anew the ancient Faith.” *Jerome*

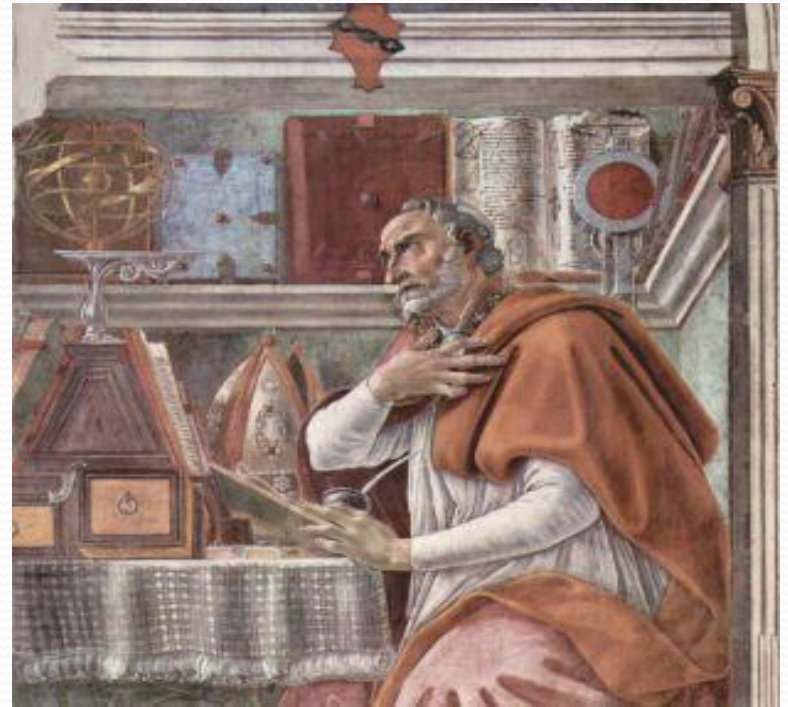
# Today's Main Topic:

Creation

Fall

Redemption

Consummation



*"Saint Augustine in His Study"*

*Botticelli, 1480*

# *“Four Fold State of Man”*

Corresponds to:

*posse peccare* – ‘able to sin’

*non posse non peccare* – ‘not able not to sin’

*posse non peccare* – ‘able not to sin’

*non posse peccare* – ‘not able to sin’



Genesis 1:1

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Ba-ra

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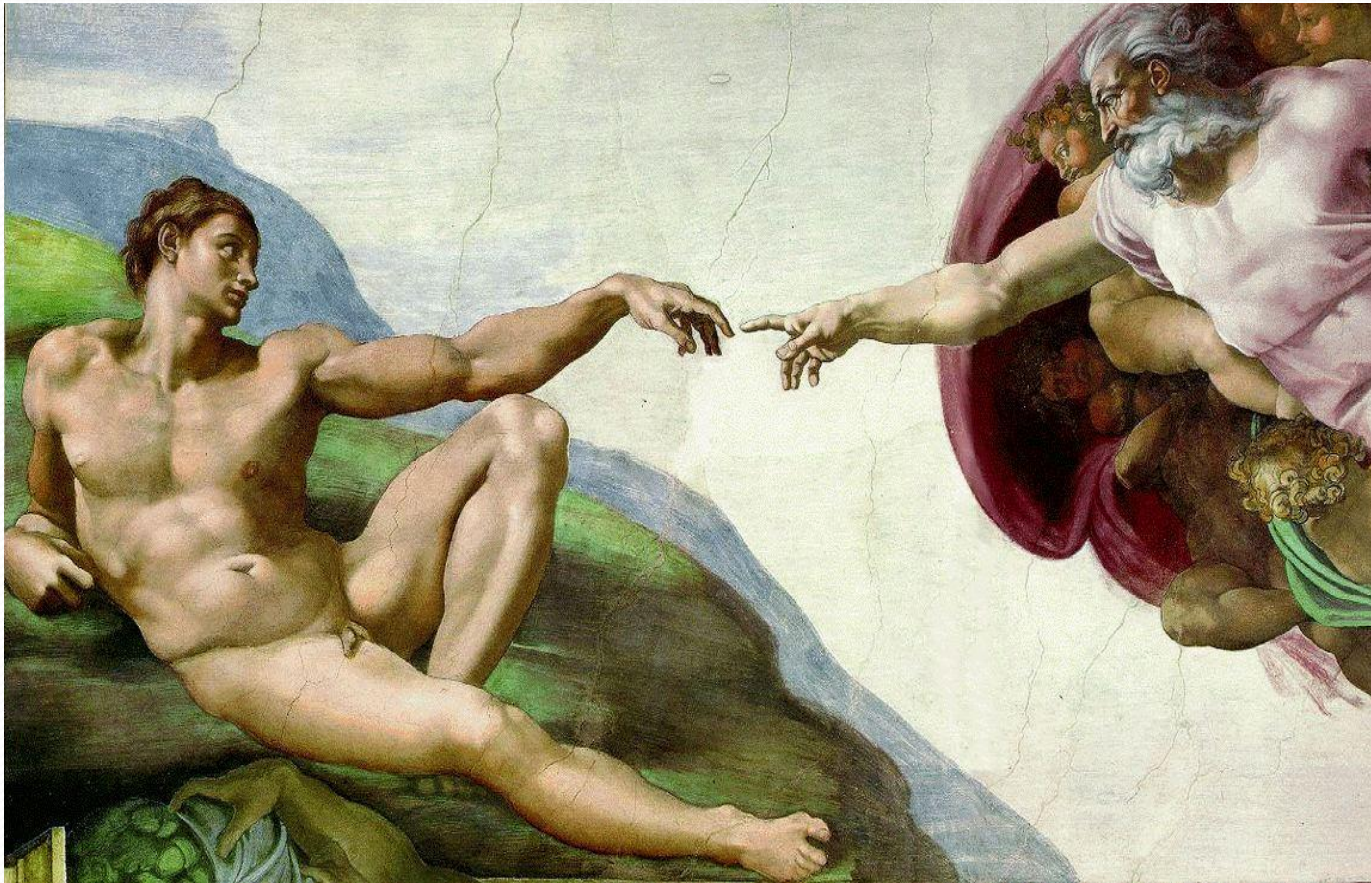
Ha-Eir-ets

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Ha-Sha-Maim

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# Michelangelo: Sistine Chapel



# Garden of EDEN



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“delight” or “luxury”

dao+m. bAjß – “very  
good -abundantly good -  
much good - exceedingly  
good”

Genesis 1:31

But: man was ‘able to sin’

# Creation of Mankind: Gen 1:26-28

Mankind is: 1. 'Image' and Rule (*Resemble and Represent God, Reflect God's character*)

2. Two commands:

a. multiply and fill the earth

b. rule and have dominion over earth

Leads to: God's purpose in creation – filling the earth with His glory!

**A land and a people** - this theme continues....

- Hebrews - promised land; Sinai to settlement, Kings, Exile/return
- The Lord's Prayer: "Your kingdom come....."
- Revelation 21:1-7 "new heaven new earth, God's people"

# CREATION & FALL

God has called us to “Righteous Ruling” over creation, filling the earth with God’s purposes and glory but the fall/sin of Adam and Eve has created:

Four broken relationships between humans and:

God

Creation

Mankind

With the Self

# *Creation becomes Fallen*

Masaccio (15<sup>th</sup> Century)

*'Expulsion from the  
Garden'*

Genesis 2:16-17

Genesis 3:14-19



# FALL & CURSE

**“not able not to sin”**  
*non posse non peccare*

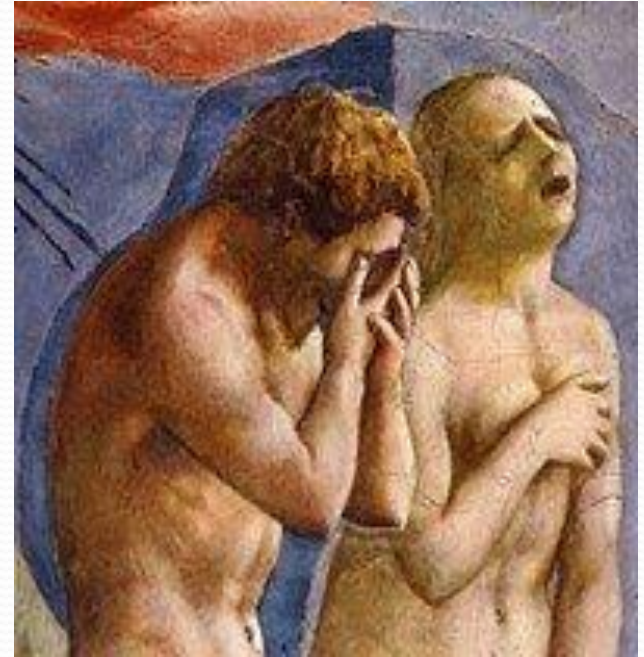
## **‘CURSE’**

*Affects the Two Mandates:*

- 1. Fruitful and Multiply*
- 2. Rule and Subdue Land*

- ✓ *Now with PAIN, thorns & thistles*
- ✓ *Land and People in crisis*

**DEATH – Genesis 5:5**



# FALL & CURSE

- The curse is worse than we usually think about, we are used to it.
- Francisco Goya – 1746-1828 – *‘Black Paintings’ (1819-1823)*
- *“Saturn Devouring His Son”*





## FALL & CURSE

John 2:23-25: “Now when he was in Jerusalem at the passover, in the feast day, *many believed in his name, when they saw the miracles which he did.* But Jesus did not commit himself unto them, because he knew all *men*, And needed not that any should testify of man: for he knew what was in man.”

# Bob Dylan - "Oh Mercy" - 1989



“Broken lines broken strings  
Broken threads broken springs  
Broken idols broken heads  
People sleeping in broken beds  
Ain't no use jiving  
Ain't no use joking  
Everything is broken.

Broken bottles broken plates  
Broken switches broken gates  
Broken dishes broken parts  
Streets are filled with broken hearts  
Broken words never meant to be spoken  
Everything is broken. ....”

# REDEMPTION - God's Grace

**Genesis 3:15:** “And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, and between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise His heel.”

◆ “The Proto Evangelion”

◆ (The First Gospel)

◆ Q. About the Seed in O.T. and N.T., will the seed survive?

# REDEMPTION

- ❖ Even in the Old Testament, the Holy Spirit works through people for regenerative and redemptive acts.
- ❖ People are 'able not to sin' with God's help and intervention, regenerative works.
- ❖ Noah, Abraham, Joseph, Moses, Joshua, Gideon, Ruth, David, Elijah, Daniel, Isaiah etc.
- ❖ Ultimate redemption plan is through Jesus Christ, with the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

# REDEMPTION

*Isaiah 52:13-53:7*

*“The Suffering Servant”*

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# **REDEMPTION**

**Luke 4:16-21**

**Matthew 6:8-13**

**Hebrews 4:14-16**



## *To CONSUMMATION*

**We are living in the times between Christ's resurrection, awaiting the consummation. The restoration of heavens and earth.**

**At the consummation, we will not be able to sin.**



## To CONSUMMATION

*Death has been conquered but we await the final end to death  
when only life exists.*

*“Already and Not Yet”*

*Revelation 21:1-7*

# To CONSUMMATION

*“Glorious Ruins”*









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