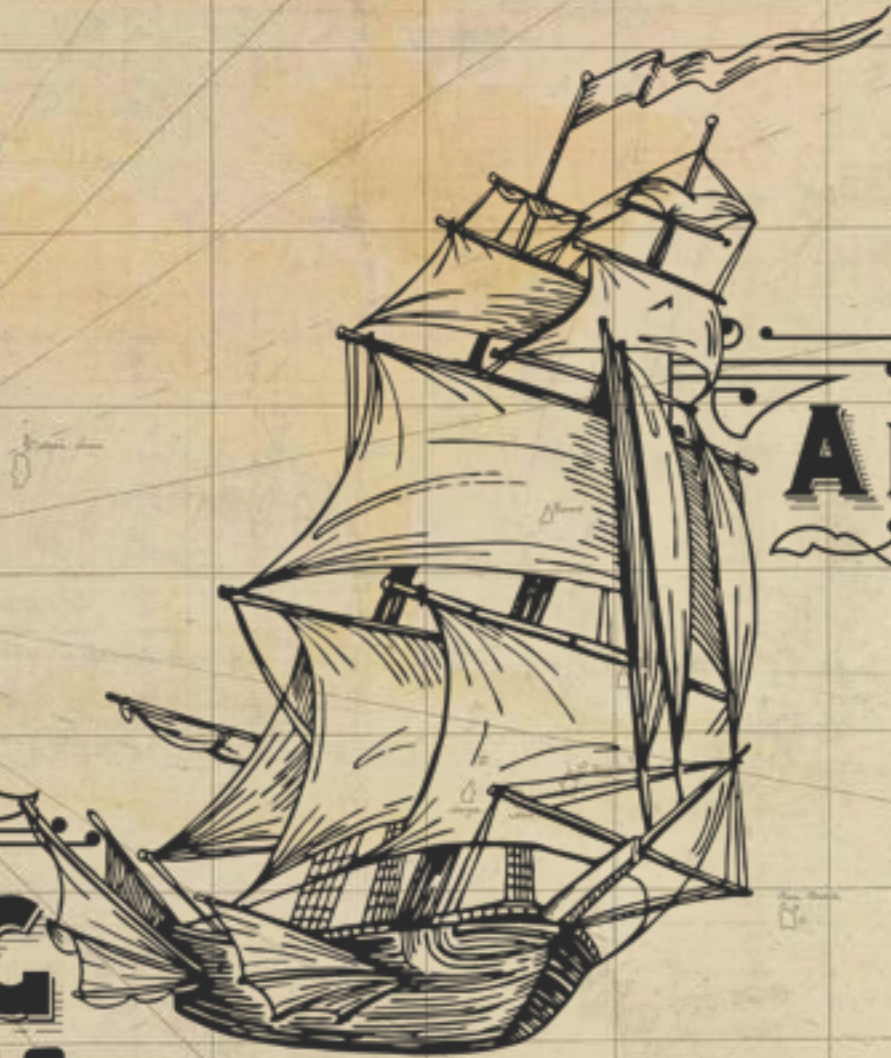


SUMMER
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APOLOGETICS

KNOW WHAT YOU BELIEVE

Session IV

1 Peter 3:15

“But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect...”

THIS

THE

NEW TESTAMENT

“Jesus is the Only Way”



I say
there is
NO God.

How
courageous!

What a
free
thinker!

I say
there **IS** a
God.

CHURCH and
STATE!

Don't push
your religion
on me!

“I am absolutely against any religion that says that one faith is superior to another. I don't see how that is anything different than spiritual racism. It's a way of saying that we are closer to God than you are, and that's what leads to hatred.”

Rabbi Schumley Boteach

John 14:6

“I am the way
and the truth
and the life, no
one comes to
the father but
through me”



Acts 4:11-12

“He is the stone which was rejected by you, the builders, but which became the cornerstone. And there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name given under heaven by which we must be saved.”



1 John 2:23

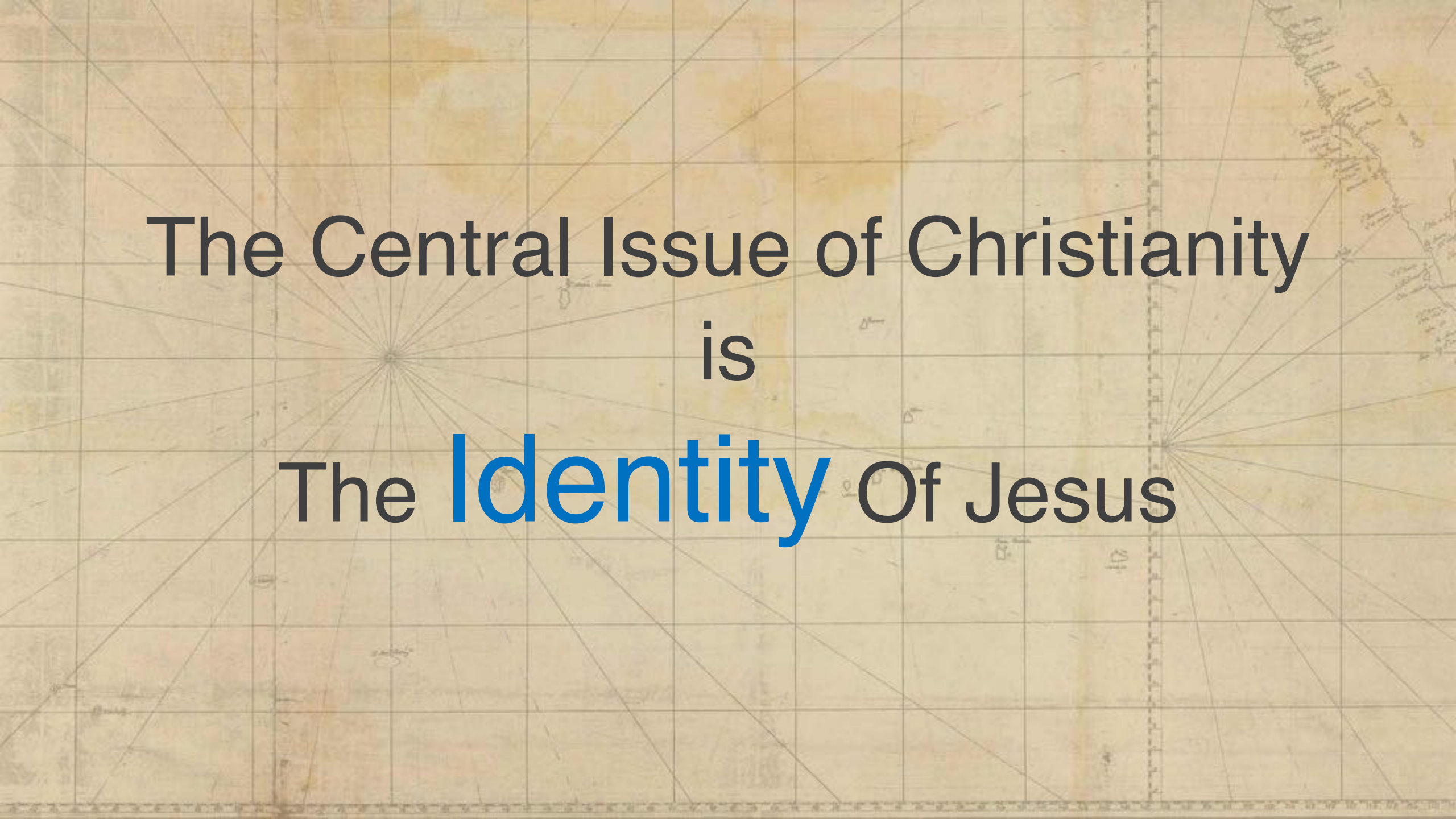
“Whoever denies
the son does not
have the father,
the one who
confesses the
son has the father
also.”



1 Tim 2:5

“For there is one
God and one
mediator between
God and man, the
man Jesus
Christ.”





The Central Issue of Christianity
is

The **Identity** Of Jesus

John 8:24

“Unless you believe that I am he, you shall die in your sins”



Jesus Radical Self-Understanding

“Very truly I tell you...before Abraham was born, I AM!”
(John 8:58)

“My son, your sins are forgiven.”
(Mark 2:5)

“Are you the Messiah, the Son of the blessed one? I AM
and you will see the son of man sitting at the right hand
of power and coming on the clouds of heaven...”
(Mark 14:61-62)

Three Possibilities for Jesus



“A lamb without spot or blemish”
(1 Peter 1:19)

“He knew no sin”
(2 Cor 5:21)

“Which one of you convicts me of
sin?”
(John 8:46)

“I find no basis for a charge against

Three Possibilities for Jesus



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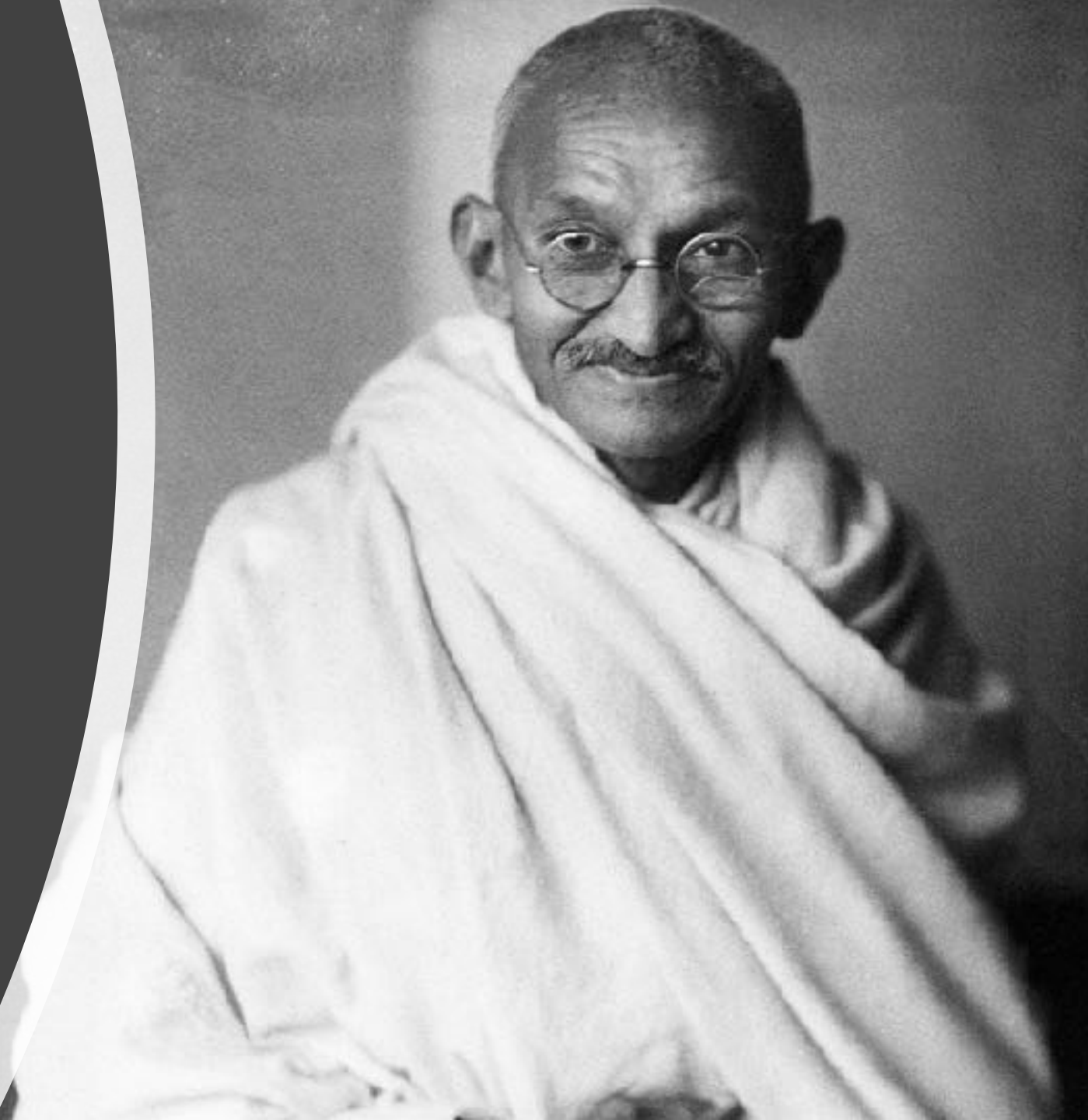
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“Human beings all over the Earth have this curious idea that they ought to behave a certain way, and cannot really get rid of it... Something appears in me as a law urging me to do right and making me feel responsible

“I am ~~and trying to~~ ~~uncomfortable~~ ~~attention to~~ ~~the fact~~ that this year, or this month, or more likely this very day, we have failed to practice ourselves the kind of behavior we expect from other people... all cultures agree in prescribing behavior which their adherents fail to

... All ...

“It is an unbroken
torture to me that I
am still so far from
Him whom I know
governs every
breath of my life and
whose offspring I
am. I know it is
because of the evil

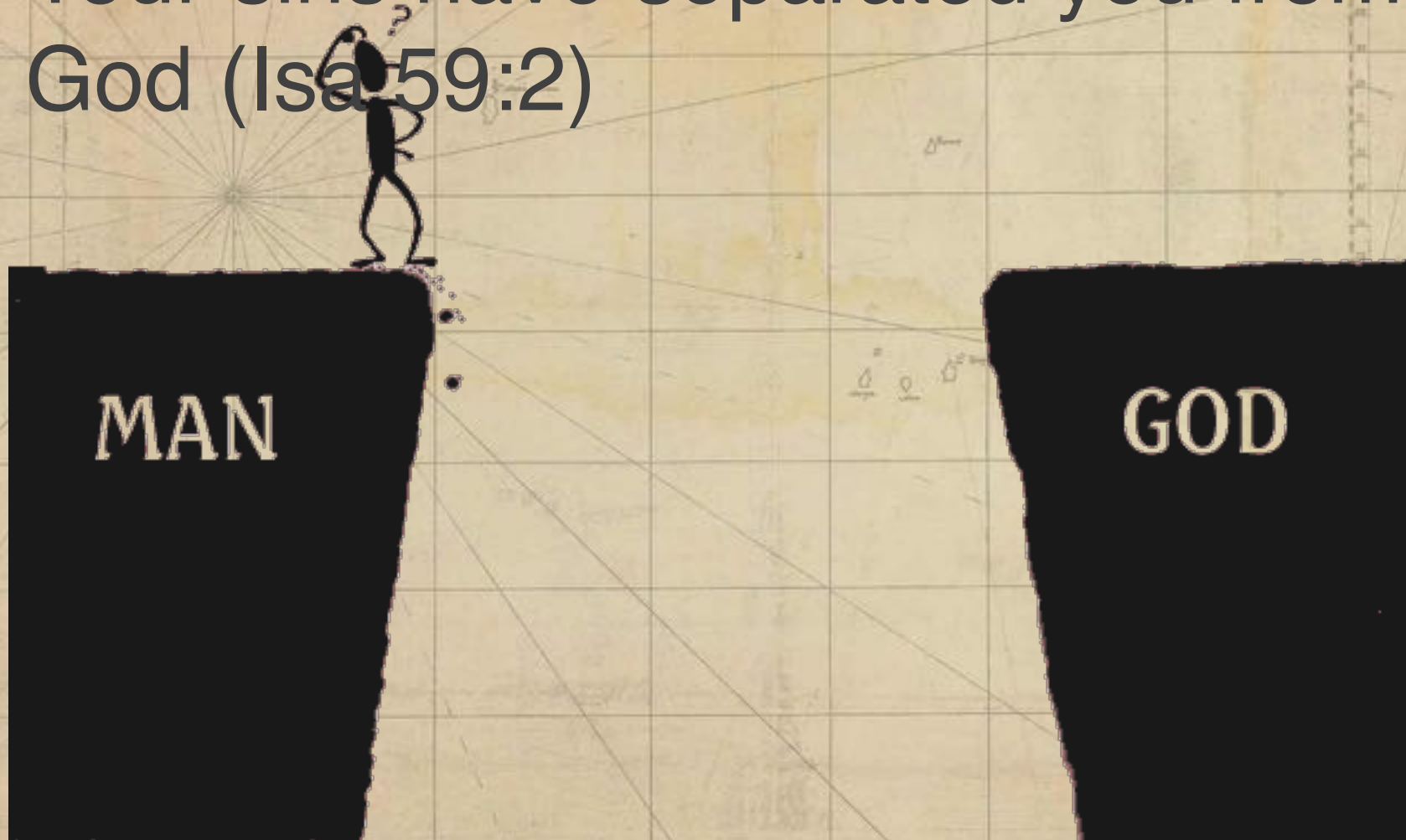


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Your sins have separated you from your
God (Isa 59:2)



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“Do you not know that the unrighteous shall not inherit the Kingdom of God.” (1 Cor 6:9)



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“All have sinned and fallen short of the
Glory of God...”
(Rom 3:23)



Humanity Has a Problem

“The wages of sin is death...” (Rom
6:23)



Humanity Has a Problem

MAN

GOD



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“God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ.
God made him who had no sin to be sin for us so that
in him we might become the righteousness of God.”

2Cor 5:19,21



“Ponder the achievement of God. He doesn’t condone our sin; nor does he compromise his standard. He doesn’t ignore our rebellion; nor does he relax his demands. Rather than dismiss our sin, he assumes our sin and incredibly sentences himself. God’s holiness is honored. Our sin is punished, and we are redeemed. God is still God. The wages of sin is still death. And we are made perfect.”

Max Lucado : The Grip of Grace

Good

Bad



John 3:16

“For God so loved the world that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever should believe in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life.”

If you made a decision to follow Jesus
today,
or you have questions about the
Christian life,

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Reminder

We will be hosting a 6 week
follow up class on apologetics in
September.