

Group Contribution for Research

Section 1

Who Christ is ... (what Christ is described to be)

Summarization of this section: Christ is the center of all. He created the world and everything in it and made everything beautiful and in his image. God is supposed to be our partner and He will give us the tools to follow Him but we have to choose Him. Because a life without Him is no life at all

- DA 764:1-3 * {note at [bottom](#) of page for grey text}
 - Notes
 - Ashley: God is the center. He is and has always been greater than sin. He is light.
 - Ella: God has always been bigger and better and never had to worry about sin.
 - Justin: God is the foundation of life. Satan will be consumed in His presence.
 - Jessica: A life without Christ is a life in the dark. If Satan had died when he left Heaven the angels would have doubted God. Once we lose sin God's love will be vindicated.
 - Miles: Being separated from God is being separated from life itself.
 - Airy: God is the foundation of life. Accepting God means you receive life. God's love destroys Satan and the evil
 - Jasmin: Christ is good, the foundation of life. He can overcome all sins and evil. Evil will soon perish.
 - Hayden: Christ is the foundation of our lives, if we didn't have Christ we would only have darkness and we would be overpowered by Satan's presence.
 - Jack Ni: God is the great one and he is the foundation of life and he can very easily defeat evil like satan. God is always very good . Do not worry about evil.
 - Rita: God is the foundation.
 - Sam: God is not inconsistent. He does everything for a reason. Those who reject Him reject life itself because all life comes from Him.
 - Marya: when we accept God we start to live in the light. We have to know that whatever we do, He has the power to wipe out our sins

- aurora : Everything we have comes from God. He is the foundation from which everything begins
 - Rachelle: God is bigger and greater than anything. He is peaceful and comfortable.
 - Tracy: God is the biggest and greatest, he creates everything. He gives us light so we can go out from the darkness.
 - Damaris: God is perfect, and is the creator of all
 - Ellen: God is the foundation, he created everything for us. Everything started because of him.
 - Peter: God is the center of the world, he created everything necessary for us.
- ED 198
 - Notes
 - Justin: God makes everything beautiful in his time.
 - Jessica: God has made everything beautiful to begin with and it will become even more beautiful once it is joined in harmony with God's law.
 - Ashley: Nothing that God has created is ugly, despite how we may feel about certain things. For example; our own appearance.
 - Ella: God only creates beauty and he does it on his one time because his timing is perfect and meaningful.
 - Jasmin: God made everything beautiful and in harmony even though it is seen completely different. He will soon restore it all.
 - Hayden: God created everything to be perfect and beautiful for us.
 - Jack Ni: God has created beautiful things in this world. Everything that God has created is good and beautiful.
 - Airy: God created everything beautifully. All humans have to do is to be in harmony and protect His beauty.
 - Rita: God made everything beautiful.
 - Sam: Everything God has created is beautiful and perfect
 - Marya: God has made everything beautifully and who finds pleasure in their beauty and perfection.
 - Miles: God is true beauty.
 - Rachelle: He is the true creator.
 - Tracy: everything that God creates is perfect and beautiful, he makes the world without sin, everything is good.
 - damaris: God is the only one who can guide us and lead our life, because He is the foundation to our life.

- Ellen: God made everything beautiful. He is the perfect creator, He made everything great and nothing ugly.
- Peter: All beautiful things came from God, making the world perfect, before sin entered

Section 2

What was Christ's mission/purpose: remember that this is FOR ALL THE GODHEAD ALL THE TIME SINCE CHRIST IS THE SAME FOREVER

Summarization of this section: God has been there since day one. He was our creator and he continues to be there for us despite the situation. He has always communicated with us according to our needs. Satan made the worst decision and decided to sin even though he was a friend of Gods. We humans don't even know him like that or have a bond like that and still choose to sin and listen to satan. So God shows us that he is the opposite of Satan by becoming human and showing us his character. The purpose of Christ is for the world to be lightened, only by love. He literally puts himself in our shoes, he feels our pain and hurt as if it were his own and that is how he plans to help lead us on the right path. He loves and cares for each one of us individually. God gave us a set of rules to follow so that we would be saved from that wickedness because He saw the evil that would be in our life. If humans do not believe and obey God, they are subject to death. Those who do not believe or know about God followed human's own beliefs and imagination which led them away from justice. However, if they have faith in God, He will restore their souls. When God comes to save us as He promised, He will show His love to all of us and we will get to go home with Him. All sin will be left on earth and none will come to Heaven.

- DA 25:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: Christ revealed His character, to be the opposite of Satan's, by lowering Himself to a human.
 - Ashley: God declared his promise, which holds the opposite idea from what Satan held.
 - Jessica: To portray a character opposite to Satan, a character opposite to the pain and hurt the world would experience, Jesus came down as a humble human who people despised him.
 - Ella: God became a human so that he could show us his character.
 - Hayden: Christ is revealed to be the opposite of Satan, he is everything Satan is not and does not share the same beliefs as Satan.
 - Jack Ni : God became human and was completely opposed to Satan's plan
 - Airy: Christ experienced all the pain for humans' transgression, inequities, and peace.
 - Rita: God shows us his character and it's the opposite to satan.
 - Sam: God is humble and for us he was humiliated and tortured. He knows human's pain because of this. His character is everything Satan's is not.

- aurora : God is the embodiment of justice; he is the opposite of satan
 - Marya: christ went through all the pain for humans and he was tortured for us
 - Rachelle: He came to save humanity and turn people to God, and offer them eternity with the Father
 - Tracy: God became a human and came to earth, he went through pain and told people what is good, what is bad. He is opposed to Satan.
 - Ellen : God shows us that he is the opposite of Santa by becoming human and showing us his character.
 - damaris: God was humiliated and above that he was humble while satan never changed.
 - Peter: God shows his great character and is willing to fight Satan for us.
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- DA 480:1-3
 - Notes
 - Justin: Christ cares for us individually. He cares for us as if no one else existed.
 - Ashley: We belong to Christ, He provides love and care to us all uniquely.
 - Jessica: Christ literally puts himself in our shoes, he feels our pain and hurt as if it were his own and that is how he plans to help lead us on the right path.
 - Ella: Christ has an unbelievable love for each of us.
 - Hayden: Christ cares for us and supports us when we need it the most because we belong to him.
 - Jack Ni : Christ gives us unparalleled care when we need it, because we are a child of Christ
 - Airy: Every soul is known to Jesus, because He died for each of their salvation
 - Rita: God loves us and takes good care of us.
 - Aurora:God loves us forever
 - Rachelle: God's love for us is real and unconditional
 - Sam: God's love is incomparable to anything else.
 - Tracy: God loves us so great, we are his children, and he cares about us, he loves us like himself. He will be there for us because he loves us.
 - Ellen : God loves every one of us, he always cares about us. His love is great and powerful.
 - Damaris: he gave his only begotten son just so that we could be saved.
 - Peter: We are sons of God, he put all his heart into us.

- PP 91:2
 - Notes
 - Justin: By not knowing God and following things from humans own imagination they got rid of justice.
 - Jessica: Because God saw the evil that would be in our life, He gave us a set of rules to follow so that we would be saved from that wickedness.
 - Ashley: They chose to not follow God, which robbed their justice.
 - Hayden: Instead of coming to understand God and following him. They followed humans and their beliefs which led to justice being taken away.
 - Ella: They made the mistake to not follow God and had to pay the price and receive the consequences.
 - Jack Ni : God tries to help us, he lets us try new things to help us avoid evil
 - Airy: The existence of God becomes a controversial topic because humans choose to worship and believe in different things. God's wisdom is greater than humans'. Men cause destruction and bring sin.
 - Rita: instead of following God's rule, they made mistakes following humans and their belief undermines justice.
 - aurora : To follow god is to follow good
 - Sam: Humans became less in quality because we chose to forget and ignore God and follow idols and different things
 - Tracy: God makes commandments for us to follow because he wants us to be good, but they choose to believe different things, and their justice is taken away.
 - Ellen: They didn't follow God so which means that their justice has to be taken away. To follow God is always the right thing to do.
 - Damaris: God wanted there to be rules so that we could guide ourselves in a good path.
 - Peter: God cleaned all our sins from us, allowing us to be safe on our own way.
- ED 15:2
 - Notes
 - Justin: By disobedience humans gave up being like their creation.
 - Jessica: The punishment for our sins would have been grace but God had a plan to save us, and at the foundation of that plan was an infinite abundance of love and mercy.
 - Ella: Because humans didn't listen, they gave up
 - Ashley: They gave up, due to not being listened to.
 - Hayden: Because the humans were not listening they just gave up.

- Miles: Because of our disobedience as well as the introduction of sin, we lost our strong connection with God.
- Jack Ni : Because humans did not obey, because humans did not listen, they gave up.
- Airy: If humans do not believe and obey God, they are subject to death. However, if they do, God will restore their souls.
- Rita: They gave up because they were not listening.
- aurora : They gave up because no one listened to them.
- Rachelle: We all fall short of the glory of God.
- Sam: Humans became debased because of sin. We became less great because we grew farther from the greatness of our creator
- Tracy: Humans have sin so we don't have a strong connection to God like they used to .
- Ellen: They gave up because humans didn't listen and obey.
- Damaris: they gave up because they allowed themselves be consumed by evil
- Peter: The reason why they gave up was they did not listen.
- DA 22:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: The purpose of Christ is for the world to be lightened, only by love. By the comparison of God's character vs Satan's character.
 - Ella: God is love.
 - Rita: God created the world and he loves us. He has the best plan for us.
 - Ashley: God is the creator of love and he is love.
 - Jessica: The purpose of God plan was that he wanted it to be free will he didn't want to force anything on anyone
 - Jack Ni : GOd is love and he wants to make the world better.
 - Airy: To know God is to love Him, and Christ makes God's love noticeable.
 - Aurora : God is good all the time
 - Sam: God has a plan and he is love
 - Tracy: God's love is great and he loves us, he loves the world.
 - Ellen: God loves us, he created everything and he has plans for everyone.
 - Damaris: god is the true definition of love.
 - Peter: God has the plans for each of us.
- DA 34:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: Christ must clearly lay out the path for redemption. Through different things God has spoken to the world.

- Rita: God is always there for us whenever we need him. He communicates with Ruth so we can find the right way to get our salvation.
- Ella: God has always spoken to our world and has told us what we need to do before he can come and save us and do his part.
- Ashley: God has been there since day one. He was our creator and he continues to be there for us despite the situation. He has always communicated with us according to our needs.
- Jasmin: God has spoken to the world in many ways to help us enter the path of salvation even though we are full of sin.
- Jessica: God has spoken to us through the things that we find familiar so that we can understand the truth
- Jack Ni : God has been trying to communicate with us to redeem ourselves and to understand the good and evil of this world.
- Airy: Christ came to speak God's words
- Sam: God finds many ways to speak to humans. It is essential to hear his message
- Tracy: God communicates with us through many ways and he is there whenever we need him.
- Ellen: God is always there to help us, he will help us whenever we ask him for help. He got a lot of different ways to communicate with us to let us hear his voice.
- God has always been with us, and will help us when we are in trouble.
DA 753:1
- Notes
- Justin: Christ took humans place as a law breaker. For the "biggest sinners."
- Rita: Christ died for us even though we sinned.
- Ella: He took our place and died for every single one of us, even the ones he knew who would betray him.
- Christs took our sins and crime against the law for his own
- Ashley: He sacrificed His life for us in spite of knowing we would let Him down.
- Jack Ni : Christ died for all of us, and he died for all of us, including those who have betrayed him.
- Airy: No man can completely understand the pain that Christ went through (die on the cross) for our salvation.
- Rachelle: God understands that we are sinners, but He loves us regardless.

- Sam: Despite Christ's knowledge of our sins and his knowledge that we would continue to sin, he sacrificed himself for us.
- Tracy : we are sinners but Christ still loves us and died for us.
- Ellen: He died for us even though we had sin because he loves us. Thank
- Damaris: besides the fact that we reject god, and are so sinful he knew that by that sacrifice people would be saved.
- Peter: God cleaned all the sins from us and will keep us safe.
- DA 761:5
 - Notes
 - Justin: Satan knew God and decided to sin. Humans do not fully know God and decided to sin. Satan gave up his opportunity.
 - Rita: Satan chose to sin and humans are tempted by Satan, while we learn how to grow a good relationship with God.
 - Ella: Satan made the worst decision and decided to sin even though he was a friend of Gods. We humans don't even know him like that or have a bond like that and still choose to sin and listen to satan.
 - Ashley: We have been taught and guided in the right direction to grow our relationship with God, but we choose sin over Him every time, DESPITE our knowledge of Him.
 - Jessica: Satan knew he was in God's light and still decided to go against him. Whereas we didn't have a life without sin, and since there was nothing more God could do for satan he promised to do all he could for us
 - Jack Ni : Satan knew God and the gods, but he gave up the chance of redemption. Satan still decided to sin, and went a different way from God.
 - Airy: God did every way to save Satan, but Satan decided to deceive humans. Humans are never too far gone away from God. He will always reach us and draw us nearer to Him
 - Sam: Satan can not be saved because he chose to sin knowing how great God and his love is. Satan tried to pull humans farther away from God but by knowing God's nature humans can be saved.
 - Tracy: Satan knows God and he heard what God said but he still chose to sin; and human, we heard about what God said but we still sin, choose Satan sometimes.
 - Ellen: Satan knows that God is trying to help him but he still decided to not listen to God. He made a really bad decision.
 - Damaris: god gave satan many chances but satan continued to choose evil, and just wanted to bring people down with him. He was afraid to go down alone.
 - Peter: Satan chose to be the sin no matter what.

- DA 626:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: God will show to the universe His love. The evil will be removed forever.
 - Rita: God will forgive our sin and show us mercy and love when he comes again.
 - Ella: When God comes to save us, he will show his love to all of us and we will get to go home with him. All sin will be left on earth and none will come to heaven.
 - Ashley: All sin will be forgiven once Jesus returns.
 - Jessica: The cross wasn't the end of God's plan, He would also manifest himself into our daily world and forgive our sins
 - Jack Ni : God shows his love like the whole world, God shows his love to the universe, and all sins will be forgiven when Jesus returns.
 - Airy: The work of human redemption is not all accomplished by the cross, but also by trusting God.
 - Sam: God forgives all our sins and by Jesus' sacrifice we are saved but we must also save ourselves and turn away from sin.
 - Tracy : God will forgive our sin through the cross and through our faith.
 - Ellen: We all have sin but God always can forgive us.
 - Peter: God is selfless and he will forgive us
- DA 389:3
 - Notes
 - Justin: Humans should accept Christ as their personal Saviour. Also should become like His nature.
 - Rita: We should know how much Christ sacrificed for us and be thankful for that.
 - Ella: We should try to model Christ's behavior and actions and accept him and all he has done for us.
 - Ashley: We should admire the actions as well as sacrifices Christ has taken in order to better our lives.
 - Jack Ni : We should thank Jesus for our sacrifice. We should follow Jesus 'steps and learn about Jesus' behavior and life.
 - Airy: Christ is no value to us if we do not know Him by heart as a Saviours
 - Sam: All humans should follow in Christ's footsteps. He is the perfect role model. It is vital that we accept Him and know Him through our faith and love.

- Tracy: God sacrifices himself to save us , we should remember that and be thankful for that. We should accept and believe him with all the soul, to admit him as our savior.
- Ellen: God sacrificed for us, we should be thankful for God. We should follow him and love God.
- damaris: we should be thankful, because above everything he is still there and loves us.
- Peter: We should thank God for everything he did for us

Section 3

Who is responsible for good

Summarization of this section: God is responsible for everything, because He controls all things. He loves us enough to give us free choice and knowledge so that we can be responsible for our decisions. Satan cannot deny His amazing love and will be destroyed by it. Even though He finished creating, humans still depend on Him and live in His blessings. Humans could have died and returned to dust, but fortunately God's mercy and grace have been granted to us by the crucifixion of Jesus so that we all will be renewed and live eternally. God paid all prices so that we have a free ride to heaven.

- DA 764:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: God is the foundation of life. Satan will be consumed in His presence.
 - Rita: God is the foundation and everything is created by him.
 - Ella: God is our life we should live through him.
 - Ashley: If God is the core and base of all relationships why don't we live by the same actions God had/has?
 - Miles: God gives us this life on Earth, that we may develop our character and reap the result of our choices, whether good or bad.
 - Jack Ni: God made all the life on earth and he made everything. He is the foundation of all the life in the earth
 - Matthew park: Since God is the creator of the universe, it is a foolish idea to follow the evil behaviors of satan. There is no life in him. God can only provide life.
 - Airy: God is the foundation of life. Accepting God means you receive life. God's love destroys Satan and the evil.
 - Gomez: God is the foundation of all the life on Earth, and everything is his creation.
 - Joey: Without god there would be no life, satan will be consumed by god's love
 - Sam: God is responsible for all things good. He gives us the free will to make our own choices and live with the consequences of them.
 - Edgar: Everything starts with God and He will make sure He got everybody.
 - Tracy: God makes everything and he makes everything good .
 - Damaris: god is the creator of all things, therefore he is essential and the foundation.

- Peter: God will not give anyone up and he will be always be with us.
- Isaac: God is life, and He shows/is the perfect example of a perfect life. So, if you are not connected with God, you are not following and in harmony with the “perfect lifestyle”, thus you are technically not living. God loved us so much that he shared his free will with us, so we can develop who and what we want to be through our decisions and through them we are “judged” and take the consequences. However, Satan cannot resist God's love and he will be destroyed by Him.
- ED 130:5-131:1
 - Notes
 - Omar: God is still upholding his creations and he gives every beat in today's world(as in beat I mean like heart beat).
 - Rita: God protects us and takes good care of us.
 - Ella:God is taking care of his creations every single day.
 - Ashley: God protects what's His, including all creation.
 - Miles: We are all depending on God every day and moment. Without Him we wouldn't be able to live or breath.
 - Jack Ni: God protects and takes care of his creation and he takes care of them all the day and he created us.
 - Matthew park: we ourselves are the evidence of God's Creation. Every breath we take and every word we speak must be dependent on God.
 - Airy: God created everything and looked after it with great care.
 - Gomez: God take great care of us and protects his creations
 - Sam:To this day God keeps us safe and guides us. He does and will always care for the wellbeing of his children.
 - Joey :God created us and unlike some humans he will never abandon us and he will take care of us forever
 - Edgar: God's power will never go away, everything we do is the evidence of His presence.
 - Tracy: God creates us and he will never leave us.
 - damaris: no matter what god the creator of all things and will protect what is his.
 - Peter: God will never leave us alone.
 - Isaac: ED 130:5 - Although God has created everything and everyone, we still depend on Him to be able to function and carry out our duties; we compare it (until a certain point) to Newton's first law: "An object at rest stays at rest and an object in motion stays in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by an unbalanced force,"

where God is the force that moves us every day, every moment, without God's interference, everything and everyone would stop "moving"; everything that happens is within God's control and permission, and everything happens because of him, without his permission, nothing would happen. ED: 131:1 - We realize how God has control over everything, even the smallest elements. Without God's interference, we "would die and return to the dust of the earth," but thanks to God's grace, we are (everything and everyone) renewed in his presence.

- ED 197:5
- Notes
- Omar: God is not only the first but he also gives life to everything that lives, it's by him that we exist except as perverted by sin.
- Rita: God should be above everything.
- Ella: God should be put first in our lives always.
- Ashley: God is #1, above all things.
- Miles: God gives us the sunshine, the fresh air, and even the food we eat everyday. His gift to us is everything that helps us live.
- Jack Ni: God is the number one and he provides for us.
- Matthew park: God the father is not just our creator. He is the ultimate provider. Every pleasure and life we enjoy comes from God
- Airy: God is everything around us. He provides us a true life.
- Gomez: God is in the first place and above everything, He help us to live.
- Sam: God is the creator of all things living. He provides all that we have . He is in everything and everyone
- Rachelle: God is the provider
- Joey: We should always put god #1 in all that we do because without god there would be nothing but darkness
- Edgar: Every living thing comes from God that brings health and joy.
- Tracy: God is above everything, what we have depends on his creations.
- God is and will always be put before anything.
- Peter: God will always prepare everything for us
- Isaac: God is the creator of everything and everyone. And all the things that reflect and demand emotion, reflect the permission of God and his life. For God owns life and He himself is life, so we are not worthy of living because it does not belong to us, but God with all His grace allows us to live and interact with His creation.

Section 4

Who is responsible for evil

Summarization of this section: God is the fountain of life. When we choose to separate ourselves from him either by sinning or denying his presence, we are the ones responsible for choosing the darkness or death. Satan is at hand to tempt and annoy. He attacks our weak points of character and wants us to have no confidence in God. there might be a lot of temptations that are thrown upon us but staying strong by letting God in to help us will lead us to win against Satan's evil deeds. There might be a lot of questions to why God didn't just destroy Satan or just avoided evil by his power but what we should understand is Rebellion was not to be overcome by force. Compelling power is found only under Satan's government. Besides, how would we know the true power is love and mercy if God chose to go by force? We have clear laws such as the ten commandments and God's words. If we follow that, we won't fall in Satan's trap.

DA 764:1-2 (note what is SEED and what is FRUIT)

- Notes
 - Omar: Rejecters of God's mercy and of course Satan and his followers.
 - Ashley: Satan, as well as all who follow him.
 - Airy: Who hates Christ loves death
 - Ella: Satan, the fallen angels and all people who have denied God.
 - Rita: Satan and his followers.
 - Gabriel: Satan, people that decide to follow him, and the angels that decided to follow him as well.
 - Gomez: Satan and his followers are exactly the people who rejected God
 - Tracy: Satan and his followers
 - Sam: Those who reject God and live a life of rebellion separate themselves from God and choose death and darkness instead of light and life.
 - Rachele: Sinners and the Devil along with his followers.
 - Edgar: Satan and his followers.
 - Ellen: Satan is responsible for evil and also the people who follow him.
 - Jack Ni: The Satan and his follower is the par of people to reject the god
 - Peter: Santan and his followers
 - Damaris: satan and all those who follow him
 - Marya: satan and all the other sinners are responsible for choosing death and the darkness
- DA 120:2
 - Notes

- Ashley: Satan attacks all things and people who show the slightest sign of weakness.
- Matthew park: when we let ourselves be vulnerable both physically and mentally, Satan attacks the weak points of us. Jesus however was able to rule over Satan's temptation. So we must keep our faith strong and ask God's mercy.
- Airy: Even when Christ was at the weakest stage of His life, Satan did not prevail. His faith is the infinite power that nothing can defeat it. Satan attacks humans' weakness: lack of faith.
- Ella: The devil
- Rita: Satan attacks the weak points of us. And he tempts us to do evil.
- Gabriel: Whenever we are facing hard situations or we are going through tough times, Satan is always there to try to tempt us and to make us lose confidence in God. But we have to keep in mind that God is always there for us and to have faith.
- Tracy: Santa knows our weakness and he attacks us, but we need to believe in Jesus and follow him.
- Gomez: Satan attacks our weak points and we should keep our faith strong and believe that God is always here for us.
- Sam: Satan knows our weakness and takes advantage of it anyway he can. He wants us to distrust God and lack faith in our relationship with Him
- Rachelle: Satan knows how to tempt us and we fall for it
- Edgar: Anything that will attack our weak points and tempt to distrust God.
- Marya: we all have our weak points and satan uses that to get us against Jesus.
- Ellen: Satan knows our weaknesses, so he knows how he can tempt us. But we should always trust God.
- Jack Ni: Satan will attack the people who don't have the protection from the god
- Peter: Satan knew our weakness and it will always attract us to go his way
- Damaris: Satan knows us so well that he knows when and where we lack faith. He attacks us when we are weak and vulnerable.
- DA 759:1
 - Notes
 - Justin: Satan is responsible for evil.
 - Ella: Satan is the cause of all sin and bad. Satan is responsible for all wrongdoing and every form of evil.
 - Ashley: Satan is the core of evil. He is nothing but negativity.

- Jasmin: Satan caused sin to enter. Everything that is the opposite of God is evil.
- Rita: Satan is responsible for all the evil.
- Jack Ni: Satan is the evil and he is the all the evil
- Airy: God could have destroyed Satan, but He is not a tyrant. He has mercy and great love for everyone, including Satan.
- Gabriel: The principles of God are love, truth and mercy, and all the opposite of goodness, comes from Satan.
- Marya: satan is the main cause for evilness itself.
- Tracy: Santa makes all the sin, all the sins come from Satan.
- Gomez: Satan is the head of evil, and always opposite with God.
- Sam: Satan is the root of all evil. All evil comes from him and not God.
- Joey: Satan is a maleficent being who is the head of all things wicked he is the cause of sin and suffering
- Edgar: God didn't destroy Satan and his sympathizers, because it was first his plan.
- Ellen: Satan is responsible for evil.
- Peter: Satan is the root of evil.
- Damaris: satan is the creator of evil.

- DA 753:2

- Notes
- Justin: Satan and his followers hurt the heart of Jesus.
- Hayden: whoever follows Satan and does not follow Christ only causes pain to Jesus.
- Rita: Satan's behavior hurts everyone. When someone sin, it hurts not just one individual.
- Jasmin: Satan and his followers cause pain to Jesus because we are God's children.
- Ashley: Every action, thought, or lie that Satan tempts us with not only hurts us, but those around us, the people who love us, and most of all, God, because we belong to Him.
- Ella: Satan causes pain to everyone including Jesus
- Jack Ni: Satan and his followers are bad and they can hurt Jesus and God, They are evil.
- Airy: Our sins are pressing upon God's heart. All of Christ's life is to talk about God's love and mercy, because He wants each of us to receive salvation and be renewed by God again.

- Gabriel: The ones that decide to follow Satan instead of God, will hurt the heart of Jesus.
- Tracy: What Satan has done makes Jesus hurt because this causes distance between humans and God.
- Gomez: Satan is evil and can hurt Jesus with the evilness
- Sam: Satan's malevolent behavior harms everyone. When he tricks us into sinning it then hurts Jesus.
- Edgar: Satan did harmful things which are evil.
- Marya: What Satan did had made people tempted to sin and he will do anything and everything to keep us sinning.
- Satan did a lot of things that hurt everyone and God. Satan is evil.
- Peter: Satan will use any way to attract people and hurt them
- Damaris: Satan does nothing but evil, and sometimes we allow ourselves to follow him, and that is when we hurt God.
- ED 263:2
 - Notes
 - Omar: The world is sinful but God will bring an end to it.
 - Rita: Jesus will bring this sinful and chaotic world to an end.
 - Justin: The world is a sinful place. God will bring the misery to an end.
 - Marya: This world is sinful with a lot of horrible things going on and only Jesus could save us.
 - Jasmin: This world and everything in it is full of sin but God will restore it all.
 - Ashley: The world is dark and scary (and horrible things like the coronavirus are present) but God will bring an end to all of the evil.
 - Ella: God is coming soon enough to save us from this sinful world
 - Airy: God saw humans sinned, and it hurts Him deeply. To rescue the world from being wicked and sinful, He sacrifices His most Beloved.
 - Gabriel: God gave his son to the world in order to stop sin, and he will come back when the gospel is preached to the whole world.
 - Gomez: God will stop the world from the sinful.
 - Tracy: God will bring the end of all the sin and evil.
 - Sam: The world is plagued with sin but God will cleanse the world from it
 - Edgar: God will save us no matter what, as long as we believe in Him.
 - Ellen: There are a lot of sins in the world and everyone has sin but God will stop that and save us.
 - Jack Ni: the world is guilty and Jesus will finish all the bad things in the world

- Peter: God will not lie to us and will protect us all the time, so we should believe in him.
- Damaris: Doesn't matter how low we've come, God will forgive us and we will be saved.
- 1 SM 235:1
 - Notes
 - Omar: The ten commandments shouldn't be seen as a way to punish you for doing it but as a way to be happy in obedience.
 - Ashley: The ten commandments are a way to guide you into the right direction, not a way to discipline you.
 - Airy: Ten commandments are not a checklist of laws that is given by God, but they can guide and improve us. Accepting Christ purifies our souls and brings us eternal life.
 - Rita: Ten Commandments are more of a guide for you to live a better life. God never asks for anything from his people.
 - Ella: The ten commandments are not a punishment or trying to make you "not have fun" they're putting you on the right track.
 - Gabriel: Following the Ten Commandments is like a shield that God gave us in order to protect us from evil.
 - Gomez: Ten Commandments are not punishment but instead, it leads you to a better life.
 - Tracy: The ten Commandments tells people what is good to do and what is not, but it is not a thing that punishes people.
 - Sam: The Ten Commandments guide humans to the correct path. They are not made to punish us .
 - Edgar: The ten commandments will help us to be the best version of ourselves.
 - Ellen: The Ten Commandments can guide
 - Jack Ni: the ten commandment is not a punishment but it is a way to let you to do the right thing
 - Damaris: the ten commandments were placed for guidance and help.

Section 5

God's role in our choices

Summarization of this section: God gives humans freedom and knowledge so that we can think and make our own decision and be responsible for it. For many years, we have fallen away from God despite all the messages that angels and His apostles taught us. Even when we were wicked, God's love and mercy are so great: He sent His Beloved Son, Jesus, to die for our sins. God's love is not commanded but freely given to each one of us. Every soul is known to Jesus, because we are His sheeps. If we live in God and follow Him, He will strengthen us and guide us to the way to heavenly kingdom.

- PK 510:4-511:0
 - Notes
 - Omar: God never makes us choose him. He has given us free will of who we want to serve.
 - Rita: God loves us first. He gives us free choices. He will be there for us always.
 - Miles: God loves and respects us enough to let us make our own decisions and never forces His will, even if it might be the better choice or the greater good. God of heaven is above all other gods
 - Ashley: God will never make us choose Him, therefore He gives us a choice which is also known as free will. He will be there for us no matter what situation we come from.
 - Jack Ni: God never forces us to choose him, he gives us the freedom to let us make the decision on our own.
 - Ella: God will never force us to choose him or to follow him. He wants it to be our decision.
 - Airy: Instead of forcing us, God gives us free choice. He has never compelled the obedience of men.
 - Aurora: God will always be with us because he loves us
 - Sam: God does not force humans to love or choose Him. He gives us all free will and will be with us every step of the way.
 - Tracy: we are free to decide to choose God, no matter what we choose , he will still love us.
 - Damaris: God loves us enough to let us choose who we want to follow. He doesn't force himself on us.
 - Marya: We have freewill given by God and we are not forced to follow him.
- DA 550:6

- Notes
- Omar: God gave us freedom to think and to follow him and in Christ's kingdom there is no oppression of any sort nor any sort of behavior checks, the angels come as messengers of his mercy.
- Rita: God doesn't make us do anything. He gives us free choice and he will love us no matter what happens.
- Miles: God wants humanity to be independent thinkers and to think for themselves. There is no room for oppression and conflict in his kingdom, you don't have to conform with how someone else wants you to be.
- Ashley: He does not expect you to be someone you are not.
- Jack Ni: God wants you to be yourself and God does not want you to be like somebody else. You can be your own else.
- Airy: No one has the control to other's lives and the right to judge others. Man should live his own life and persuade to build relationship with God
- Ella: He want us to think for ourselves
- Sam: God does not want us to be deprived from freedom. We shall not control one another nor judge one another nor order another. That is not our purpose. He wants us use our free will and think for ourselves but do so justly by following his word
- Aurora: He lets us think for ourselves, but he supports us in doing the right thing
- Tracy: God wants us to choose our path, and he will direct us to the right way.
- Damaris: God wants to be ourselves and on our own self, and not be fooled by others.
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- DA 480:2-3
 - Notes
 - Miles: Jesus died for all of us, but He also every single individual and sympathizes with all their woes. He also knows who is willing to follow Him and who refuses to.
 - Rita: Jesus died for us so that we can go to heaven through him even though we are sinful.
 - Omar: Jesus died for us but he also knows who we are with all our problems he also knows who wants and who doesn't want to follow him
 - Ashley: Jesus is aware of who is "all in," in regards to his promise.
 - Ella: He died to save us but he knows we have flaws and still loves us
 - Airy: Every soul is known to Jesus, because He died for each of them salvation. Jesus wants us to know His voice, because He sees all our

hearts and knows who we are. His Holy Spirit will always be with us to draw us nearer to Jesus.

- Sam: Jesus knows everyone, he feels everyone's anxiety and pain, he hears everyone's cry for help. He is our savior.
- Aurora: Jesus died to save us, and he loved us even though we had sinned
- Tracy: Jesus cares about us and he loves us, he dies and he is the savior.
- Damaris: God died so that we could be saved
- ED 146 (tie with DA 302)
 - Notes
 - Miles: Through humility and service, we become part in His kingdom.
 - Rita: Heaven is open for everyone, it's just a matter of your choice.
 - Airy: Our faith, righteous works, and humility in God will strengthen us and will allow us to enter God's kingdom.
 - Omar: Faith and service we can go to heaven
 - Ashley: Through vulnerability, modesty, belief, and service, His kingdom is open to us.
 - Ella: Heaven is open to everyone, but only those who have faith and are righteous,.. can enter it.
 - Sam: With service, humility, and faith we can go to heaven
 - Aurora: As long as you believe in Christ and follow him, you can go to heaven.
 - Tracy: You can go to heaven if you choose the right way, which is God.
- DA 22:1
 - Notes
 - Miles: God is love, and love cannot be commanded. He can destroy or smite Satan and all who follow evil not by forces but instead through love and kindness.
 - Ashley: God "kills with kindness,"
 - Airy: God brings light to the world. God is the Sun of the Righteousness who can heal the dark world. People misapprehend God's purpose of putting dark into existence
 - Ella: God will always love us no matter how bad we mess up. We aren't perfect cause we are human. Out of all people he knows cause he made us.
 - Rita: God loves people. He protects us and will be with us always.
 - Sam: God only wants the services of love and He gave us free will because love cannot be forced.

- Aurora: God loves us, we are all his children
- Damaris: God will love no matter how lost we may be.
- DA 638:2 (similitude to God's character w/o knowing God)
 - Notes
 - Omar: Anyone who have heard god's voice and beyond are children of god
 - Miles: Even if you are not "aligned" or apart Christianity or people you say they serve God, God knows your heart and can recognize that you are one of His children. Even if you are completely ignorant of His existence.
 - Ashley: If you are a breathing organism, you count as a child of God. You do not have to be a supposed christian, or a frequent scripture reader, in order to be loved by Him.
 - Ella: If you are living you are only here because God allows it.
 - Airy: The influence of the divine Spirit is a blessing. Our works are evidence that the Holy Spirit lives in us and that we are the children of God.
 - Rita: God made us who we are. We are all his children.
 - Sam: Even if you don't know anything about Christ he still loves you and you are His own because His law is engraved into you and He sees that.
 - Aurora: Are we all created by god, who knows what we need and will help us become better people
 - Damaris: God brought us here for a purpose
- DA 815:2
 - Notes
 - Omar: Only if we love Christ, we spread do many things.
 - Rita: We are capable of many things and are able to share about God if we have faith in him and love him.
 - Miles: Without the love of Christ, everything we do is mute.
 - Ashley: Doing something as simple as admiring God through our actions, gives us strength to do something as complex as sharing His message.
 - Ella: We need to spread the message about God but only if we mean it .
 - Airy: The only condition of discipleship and service that Christ asked is to love Him. This passage ties with 1 Corinthians 13:3 "If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast,^[b] but do not have love, I gain nothing."
 - Sam: You must love Christ and without this love you cannot correctly spread God's message

- Aurora: We need to spread the word about god because we love him
- Damaris: we need to spread the gospel through words as well as our actions.
- SC 27:2
 - Notes
 - Omar: If you don't resist Christ's love, you will be drawn to him.
 - Rita: You can know God better if you choose to believe in him. And you will get closer to him if you do so.
 - Miles: We have the choice to refuse God's love, but if we choose to accept He will show you the error of your ways, so that you might repent.
 - Ashley: We have the option of closing our eyes and hearts to God, but if we choose to follow and let Him lead us out of temptation, He will continue guiding and showing us His love and the life's opportunities through Him.
 - Ella: You will be drawn to Christ but it's up to you if you allow yourself to trust in him.
 - Airy: God always shows us ways to repent. If we accept Him, we accept the gift of salvation, which Christ died for it.
 - Sam: You have the free will to resist God's love and may resist Christ. But if you choose to accept God and be drawn to Christ you will be led to the path of salvation and repentance. Christ died painfully on the cross for our sins.
 - Aurora: You can rebel against god, but you can only live if you accept Him

2nd Part: Bible Verses Reading

First Section

Who Christ is ... (what Christ is described to be)

Summarization of this section: God is life, He is the world, He is everything in it, He created all, and He is eternal. He is our living connection to God and He died for all of our sin so that we may be reconnected with Him. God is the beginning and will be the end. He is a God of infinite grace and mercy and He loves us forever no matter what we do to push him away.

- **John 8:58** ⁵⁸ "Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!"
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Before anything he was there.
 - Rita: Trinity. Jesus is God. He was there before anything happened.
 - Peter: Jesus was one who was there at the beginning.
 - Airy: Christ is in the beginning.
 - Rachelle: Jesus was there with God in the beginning
 - Ashley: Jesus had been there in the very beginning. He was the beginning.
 - Aurora : When Jesus claimed the title was "I am," everyone knew to hear exactly what he meant: He is God
 - Sam: Before everything, God existed
 - Marya: He is the Alpha and Omega, he was there before anything else
 - Damaris: he was before anyone.
 - Ella: God comes first before anyone and anything
 - Jasmin: God was the beginning, self existed
 - Hayden: God was the first being there was no one before him

- **John 3:16** ¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have life.
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: God is a giver for people. A sacrificer, giver of eternal life.
 - Rita: God loved us first and he is willing to save us from sin.

- Peter: God gave eternal life to the people who believe in his only, holy son.
 - Airy: Christ loved us so much that He died for our sins, so that we can have eternal life
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 - Ashley: God loves us so much that he made and continues to make sacrifices for us no matter our relationship with Him. e: God loves the world and sent his only son to save us from it...
 - Damaris: God loves us so much that he sacrificed his only son so that we could be saved.
 - Aurora : God loves us first because it is our father
 - Marya: God's love for the world and us is so great that he sent his son to die and save us!
 - Ella: The Father sacrificed his only son for us, those who choose him will be with him forever and ever, all because of what the son did for us.
 - Sam: God's love for humans is so great that he sacrificed his only child so that we could be saved
 - Jasmin: God is not here to condemn us, God's love is so big, He gave us his only son for us to kill and him to save us who believe in the sacrifice for us.
 - Hayden: God's love for us is everlasting because he gave his one and only begotten son
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- Luke 9:51-56 (note what Jesus says) **51** As the time approached for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely set out for Jerusalem. **52** And he sent messengers ahead, who went into a Samaritan village to get things ready for him; **53** but the people there did not welcome him, because he was heading for Jerusalem. **54** When the disciples James and John saw this, they asked, "Lord, do you want us to call fire down from heaven to destroy them_[a]?" **55** But Jesus turned and rebuked them. **56** Then he and his disciples went to another village.
 - Notes:
 - Damaris: his love is so immense that he showed mercy on the people.
 - Airy: Christ loves us, and He had mercy on us. Even when we stood against Him, He decided not to punish / take away our lives. Christ went to different villages with his messengers to spread God's words and the good news.
 - Aurora : This passage shows that the hostility between the Jews and the Samaritans was strong during the time of Jesus. However, the way the disciples dealt with the problem was very different from the way the Lord did. When the

disciples were not accepted in the Samaritan village, they were furious and wanted revenge. Jesus said no.

- Marya: This shows us the side of Jesus that is so forgiving and merciful, because if it was for what they did they would all be burning but he just turned and rebuked them
 - Ashley: Jesus has unconditional mercy, grace and love toward us.
 - Ella: This shows God's mercy. Some people won't accept Jesus and he's not going to force anyone too and no matter how unloving they might be to him Jesus remains kind and compassionate.
 - Sam: Even when we are His enemy and do not listen to his message, He loves us and will not condemn us
 - Jasmin: Even when we turn against God..when we continue to sin, He has mercy on us and isn't here to destroy us but to save us before it's time.
 - Hayden no matter what we did and how much he sin God will never turn his back on us
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- **John 11:25** ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die;
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: He is life and resurrection for humanity.
 - Rita: He can raise people from the dead.
 - Airy: Christ gave us salvation. We are saved and live through faith in Him.
 - Ashley: Christ has all the power in the world to do whatever He desires.
 - Peter: We are saved by God, so that we should believe in him otherwise we will die.
 - Rachelle: He is life after death.
 - Aurora : Those who believe in Christ will die just like everyone else, although death is not sin to them. Its curse is removed, its thorns are removed, and it is fulfilled by Christ, so it is a blessing and privilege to them and is what they want. Although dead, they will be born again.
 - Marya: He is our savior and all he wants is for us to believe in him
 - Sam: Christ is our salvation. We live through Him.
 - Damaris: If we die believing in him we will be saved.
 - Ella: Jesus is who he says he is, and those who believe in him will only die the first death.

- Jasmin: Those who believe in Christ will live be saved, even though everyone will experience the first death..they will still live on after. Though our physical life will die, our spiritual life will never die.
- Hayden: Anyone who believes in God will be saved no matter or how much they sin.
- **John 1:1-5; 14** **1** In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. **2** He was with God in the beginning. **3** Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. **4** In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. **5** The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome^[a] it. **14** The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: He is the word, he has been here since the beginning. He is a creator. He is life he is light
 - Rita: He is the creator who made everything.
 - Ashley: Christ is everything, and He is within all things.
 - Airy: Christ is not only the author of life but also the eternal Word of God. He created all things.
 - Rachelle: The Word resides in Jesus who is and was there with God in the beginning
 - Peter: God created everything necessary by speaking.
 - God is the creator of all, and
 - aurora : He was an apostle of Jesus and a witness to Jesus' ministry.
 - Marya: God is the creator of everything, all things were created and made by him. He is our savior and dwelled upon us.
 - Damaris: all things were created by god, he brings light to us.
 - Sam: The lord is all good. He is light and the creator of all things. He is truth and grace and we live only through his will. Since he is light, light will never dim or weaken to darkness.
 - Ella: God is so powerful, more powerful than we could ever comprehend he was there in since day one.
 - Jasmin: Jesus was with God, Jesus was God before creation. Jesus is the word. He was here in the beginning. Because of him, things were created. He knew how

things were going to be. Therefore he was made fully human while fully divine to bring light into the darkness that we as humanity created.

- Hayden: God will forever be good he is the creator of everything and he created Jesus so that we could be saved
- **John 1:29** ²⁹ The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Look, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!"
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: He is the Lamb, taker of sin from humanity.
 - Rita: He is the lamb of God and is not sinful.
 - Ashley: He takes away our sins, and He himself does not sin.
 - Airy: Christ is the Lamb of God. Sacrificing a holy Symbol removes our sins.
 - Rachelle: Jesus saves from sin
 - Peter: Christ is the lamb and takes away the sin of the world
 - Aurora : All Jewish families need lamb sacrifices every year. This is to celebrate the Passover. This holiday dates back to the time of Moses, when the blood of the lambs filled the gates of Israel and allowed God's judgment to "cross" them (Exodus 12: 22-23).
 - Marya: Jesus christ is the lamb, a friend we can relate to, a savior we can depend on, our God who has saved us and take the sin of the world.
 - Damaris: John recognized that god is the only one who can forgive our sins.
 - Sam: Jesus is the lamb who was sacrificed to remove world's sin
 - Ella: Jesus is represented as a lamb all throughout the bible because he took the place of us having to sacrifice animals, him being the ultimate sacrifice he took away all of our sins and overcame the cross.
- **Acts 17:24, 28-30** ²⁴ "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands. ²⁸ 'For in him we live and move and have our being.' ^[a] As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' ^[b] ²⁹ "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. ³⁰ In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent."
 - Notes:
 - Damaris: God will be our guide and will never leave us.

- Anthony Grossman: Lord of heaven and earth. Lives everywhere. We live in him and have life. He is our father. He is not an image or idol. The Judge
 - Rita: God made heaven and he is with us wherever we go.
 - Ashley: Jesus will go with us no matter where that may be. He will protect, watch over and guide us.
 - Omar God we don't need to worship god for he lives with us
 - Airy: God is the Creator who is transcendent. God does not need anything because He is the provider for all creatures.
 - Rachelle: ...
 - Peter: we are God's son.
 - aurora : He is the Lord of Heaven and Earth;
 - Marya: God is the creator of the heaven and earth and it's so low to think that he lives in temples made by human hands
 - Sam: God is the creator of all and needs nothing from humans because he gives us all we have. Because of this we should know that God is not anything earthly like Gold. He is not of this world and all humans should repent.
 - Ella: We are God's children and it hurts him when we worship such idles of gold and sliver, or as they did in bible times. Now days we don't necessarily worship idles made of gold and sliver but instead we put things before God when he should come first.
- Hebrews 1:2-3 ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe. ³The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. After he had provided purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty in heaven.
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Creator of the universe. Jesus is the glory of God and a representation of him. Purifier of sins. Jesus is the right hand man to God.
 - Rita: Jesus represents God.
 - Ashley: Jesus and God are a team.
 - Omar: Jesus is our connection to god
 - Rachelle:
 - Airy: God spoke through Christ. Christ carried the holy message and the light of God's glory. He represents God. After his crucifixion, Christ will come back/resurrect and return to God in heaven.

- aurora : Jesus is actually part of the uncreated eternal God. Everything “created” was made by God. The only thing that is not "made" is the eternal creator.
 - Damaris: Jesus is god's right hand.
 - Marya: Jesus has done his part in clearing our sins away, and is the radiance of God.
 - Sam: Jesus and God are one and through Jesus we connect to God
 - Ella: Jesus Christ is God’s perfect example to us
 - Hayden: We are connected to both Christ and Jesus

- Matthew 1:23 ²³ “The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel”^[a] (which means “God with us”).
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Immanuel. God’s spirit with us.
 - Rita: God is always with us.
 - Ashley: Despite our location, God is there and “with us.”
 - Omar God is with us even though the pain
 - Peter:
 - Airy: Things might seem unreasonable and unbelievable. But to God, nothing is impossible. This is like a reminder of Jesus Christ’s birth.
 - aurora : Angel angels from God changed Joseph's point of view. He told Joseph not to be afraid of going through marriage. Babies are not the result of adultery. Mary is still a virgin and has a boy called Jesus because of the Holy Spirit.
 - Mara: the way he was born itself is a miracle, the Virgin Mary gave birth to him and his name tells us he is always with us
 - Damaris: God was born from a virgin and was given to us
 - Sam: God is always with us
 - Ella: Since birth Jesus was for us with us
 - Hayden: this verse is about the miracle birth of Jesus

- Isaiah 9:6 ⁶ For to us a child is born,
 to us a son is given,
 and the government will be on his shoulders.
 And he will be called
 Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God,
 Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.
 - Notes:

- Anthony Grossman: Law on his shoulders, Wonderful counselor, mighty god, everlasting father, prince of peace.
 - Rita: He is the way for us to connect with God and everything.
 - Airy: Christ is in charge and will take care of the world. He is omnipotent and brings peace to the world.
 - aurora : Isaiah 9: 6 is a prophecy that regarding a future child, he will assume the responsibility of the government and be called by the title attributable only to God:
 - Sam: Jesus is all powerful. He leads us and is eternal.
 - Marya: he came to this world because of us, he was given to us to wipe out our sin and he is the peace to this world.
 - Ella: The world against him, him still faithful he cannot deny himself
 - Damaris: god is our everything
 - Hayden: God have his life for us so that we could lives he came into this world to cleanse our sins
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- Genesis 2:7 ⁷ Then the Lord God formed a man^[a] from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Creator, breath of life, Creator of all.
 - Rita: Creator of humans, give us life
 - Ashley: Creator of all things .
 - Ellen: God made Adam and humans
 - Peter:
 - Airy: God created man from dust, and He breathed life into man. We all carried God's breath.
 - Aurora : god made everything
 - Damaris: God created us nothing, and made us to something important, and with a purpose
 - Marya: For him, to bring us to existence, his breath is enough, he is a mighty creator
 - Sam: The Lord formed humans from dust and gave us life by giving us His breath
 - Ella: The creation of man is such a beautiful thing, God all knowing knew what was to come in this moment
 - God is the creator of everything he gave his life so we could live

- Ecclesiastes 12:7 ⁷ and the dust returns to the ground it came from,
and the spirit returns to God who gave it.
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Giver of his spirit to live and to return to him.
 - Rita: He made us live, our breath return to him.
 - Ashley: He gave us life, and He will receive.
 - Airy: As we live, our spirits should point toward God, because He gave us life.
 - aurora : The ancients believed that the soul was given by God and returned to him after death.
 - Sam: after humans pass, we return to the dust we were originally made from and our spirit is given back to God, the creator
 - Marya: everything returns to where it came from, as we belong to him we will return to living with him like we were supposed to, like the spirit returns to God who gave it.
 - Ella: When we die the first death our spirit goes to the ground and we become dirt
 - Damaris: we die and we become dust, and our spirit returns to god.
 - Hayden : when we pass our spirit goes to heaven and our body remains on the ground

- Job 27:3 ³ as long as I have life within me,
the breath of God in my nostrils,
 - Notes:
 - Anthony Grossman: Breath of life, giver of life.
 - Rita: He gives us life.
 - Ashley: Creator of the world, gives us
 - Airy: Recognizing that God lives in us.
 - Aurora : god gives our life and save us
 - Sam: we are alive through the will of the Lord and he lives within us
 - Marya: He made life happen, he is the creator
 - Ella: As long as I'm alive I will serve God
 - Hayden: As long as we are alive we will always have God with us supporting us

Second Section

What was Christ's mission/purpose: remember that this is FOR ALL THE GODHEAD ALL THE TIME SINCE CHRIST IS THE SAME FOREVER

Summarization of this section: He is telling us that what he came for is to testify the truth, and he himself is the truth and everyone on the side of truth is his side! Food symbolizes what everyone needs to live. It emphasizes the importance of obeying God, because we live in Him. Jesus isn't here to point out our flaws but to rescue us from this sinful world. He wrote this passage as something to look forward to. Not many things are as exciting as what we hear about the second coming. To some of us it can appear as scary, but in the end it will be beautiful. No matter the nationality or ethnicity: everyone is a child of God. We are His sheep and he will guide us. His primary reference was to the cross, but His words also include the resurrection and ascension in its meaning. Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension are all linked to His glorious exaltation and the drawing of sinners to Himself.

- John 18:37 (note what He links His Kingship to ...) ³⁷ "You are a king, then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."
 - Notes:
 - Terry: This quote proves the power of God that he built fate and makes the truth of the earth.
 - Rita: He came to tell people the truths.
 - Isaac: Jesus is saying that his purpose is to testify to the truth and [I think] make the people to be on the right side of truth, so they can listen to Him.
 - Ashley: Jesus is the truth, and what He states is nothing but the truth.
 - Airy: Christ is the truth and omniscient. He came to the world to testify lies and truth.
 - Aurora : jesus alway right
 - Sam: Jesus' sole purpose on earth was to deliver his message so all would know the truth. Those who hear the truth are on Jesus' side
 - Marya: He is telling us that what he came for is to testify the truth, and he himself is the truth and everyone on the side of truth is his side!
 - Ella: In this moment Jesus is trying to reach out to pilate and save him. Jesus just telling the facts to pilate

- Joey: Jesus is kinda saying he doesn't care about ruling or being king he just wasn't to tell people the truth of our god and how he will save us.
- John 4:34 ³⁴“My food,” said Jesus, “is to do the will of him who sent me and to finish his work.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: To finish God's plan for him.
 - Isaac: Since I think Jesus is relating food as a primary necessity, His [most important] mission is to finish what God started and His will.
 - Ashley: The food is not literal. The food symbolizes his plan. Food is a necessity, which goes beyond his duty.
 - Airy: Food symbolizes what everyone needs to live. It emphasizes the importance of obeying God, because we live in Him.
 - Sam: Jesus is fulfilled only through completing God's will.
 - Marya: He lives for living by God's command, like we live for food(can't survive without food)
 - Ella: Jesus's mission is to do God's will
- John 3:17 (linked to John 12:47-48) ¹⁷For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to save humanity.
 - Ashley: He came to do nothing but save us.
 - Airy: Christ is sent by His Father, God to save the world.
 - Sam: Jesus did not come to the world to judge us but to save us through God
 - Marya: He didn't send his son to punish us for what we did but to save us instead
 - Ella: Jesus isn't here to point out our flaws but to rescue us from this sinful world
 - Terry: this prove Jesus's job is not killing the sin, is save people from the sin
- John 6:39-40 ³⁹And this is the will of him who sent me, that I shall lose none of all those he has given me, but raise them up on the last day. ⁴⁰For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to tell people what will happen and he will raise people from the dead on his second coming.

- Ashley; He wrote this passage as something to look forward too. Not many things are as exciting as what we hear about the second coming. To some of us it can appear as scary, but in the end it will be beautiful.
 - Airy: There is a day of Judgement. God promises that He will raise the believers and give them eternal life on the second coming of the Messiah.
 - Sam: We belong to Jesus and we are not lost eternally because there is life after death if we search for Jesus and believe in him.
 - Terry: this tell us how Jesus will complete the future of man
 - Ella: Jesus will keep all that are his, and he will come back for us and resurrect us
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- John 10:11, 16 ¹¹“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. ¹⁶I have other sheep that are not of this sheep pen. I must bring them also. They too will listen to my voice, and there shall be one flock and one shepherd.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He is the shepherd and he came to share the message of God.
 - Ashley: The sheep represents Himself. He gave his life for us.. as the sheep did too.
 - Airy: Christ will do everything to protect his sheeps. We should listen to Christ’s voice and worship only Him.
 - Terry: He is the shepherd of the human.
 - Sam: No matter the nationality or ethnicity: everyone is a child of God. We are His sheep and he will guide us.
 - Ella: The greatest gift God gave to us was his son Jesus who laid down his life so we could be with him. Proving that he is a good God amennnnn
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- John 12:32 (interesting note on Greek that ties into John 3) ³²And I, when I am lifted up^[a] from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to free people from their sins.
 - Ashley: Our sins are forgiven before we commit them, and due to this, we are all free.
 - Airy: His primary reference was to the cross, but His words also include the resurrection and ascension in its meaning. Christ’s death, resurrection, and ascension are all linked to His glorious exaltation and the drawing of sinners to Himself

- Sam: we are saved through Christ's sacrifice. Through him all our sins are forgiven
 - Terry: He will come back and take every one
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- **John 1:51** ⁵¹ He then added, "Very truly I tell you, ^[a] you^[b] will see 'heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending on'^[c] the Son of Man."
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came as the son of God to tell people what will happen.
 - Ashley: He came in human form to get across to us.
 - Airy: This verse describes the second coming of Christ, which angels will follow Him
 - Sam: God does not abandon nor forsake us. He will come again.
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- **John 17:3** (seems unrelated at first glance but the word for know gives us an inside look at how salvation works. tie this in with story of John 21 and DA) ³ Now this is eternal life: that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom you have sent.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to give people eternal life.
 - Ashley: He came to give us the gift of life.
 - Airy: Jesus Christ is sent by the only true God. This act brings eternal life to humanity.
 - Sam: the One true God and Jesus know who you are and have gifted you eternal life through Jesus.
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- **John 14:23** ²³ Jesus replied, "Anyone who loves me will obey my teaching. My Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to tell people about the Lord.
 - Ashley: He came to give the message.

- Airy: Christ declares that He is the Son of God and asks people to obey Him. His teachings bring goodness to us. If people love Him and obey Him, God will protect them and give them home.
 - Sam: Those who love Jesus will obey Jesus' and do as he taught. God will love you and you will have eternal life.
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- Luke 2:30-35 ³⁰ For my eyes have seen your salvation, ³¹ which you have prepared in the sight of all nations: ³² a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel." ³³ The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him. ³⁴ Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: "This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, ³⁵ so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too."
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came to give us salvation.
 - Ashley: He is behind all salvation.
 - Airy: God is just. He loves everyone despite their backgrounds/conditions. Christ came to correct our mistakes and to change the world into better shape.
 - Sam: when the time comes What truly lies in everyone's soul will be revealed and salvation will come.
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- John 11:50-52 ⁵⁰ You do not realize that it is better for you that one man die for the people than that the whole nation perish." ⁵¹ He did not say this on his own, but as high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the Jewish nation, ⁵² and not only for that nation but also for the scattered children of God, to bring them together and make them one.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: He came as a prophet of God to teach people about God.
 - Ashley: He came to give us the message of God in human form.
 - Airy: Christ came to save the world from being destroyed by God again, but little appreciated His sacrifice. God wants to remind us of this gracious act: Jesus died for everyone and for the union of believers with God in heaven

- Sam: Jesus died so that all the world would be saved and all the world would have peace together.

- Acts 17:26-27 ²⁶From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. ²⁷God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: God sent him down so that he can be with us. He is a physical being people can reach out to.
 - Ashley: Easier for us to understand if we see. In other words, physical things that we can see and feel reaches out to us.
 - Airy: God created everything, so that everything we associate will remind of God. Therefore, we will seek Him. Seeking Christ for goodness because He has always been seeking us.
 - Sam: God created all humans through one man. He wants us to find him through our own free will and he is always with us.

- Hebrews 1:1-2 ¹In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets at many times and in various ways, ²but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and through whom also he made the universe.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: God is in the past, the present and the future. He created all, he is above everything. Jesus came as the mediator to connect us with God.
 - Ashley: God is all. Past, present, and future. He is everything and anything good.
 - Airy: God used lots of messengers/apostles to deliver His message to the world. However, it seems not to be too effective. In the last days, He sent His Son.
 - Sam: God once spoke to humans through apostles who would spread His word to the world. Then Jesus spoke the message of God to the world.

- Matthew 1:21 ²¹She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, ^[a] because he will save his people from their sins."

- Notes:
- Rita: Jesus came to save people from their sins.
- Ashley: Jesus risked everything just for OUR sins. wow
- Airy: God said that Mary would give birth to the Prince of Life, JESUS
- Sam: Jesus came to the world to save the world from sin

Section 3

Who is responsible for good?

Summarization of this section: Jesus is the good shepherd who will lay down His life to bring us peace and life. God is the creator of the universe. He is the life which brings light to the world and dispels darkness. God's love is so great and always chases after us. He plans all the goodness for each one of us. However, we choose to worship Satan and/or be tempted by Satan, as a result we have to be responsible for bad consequences. Sadly, many use this as an excuse/reason to blame God. Having strong faith in God will strengthen and renew us.

- **John 10:10-11** ¹⁰ The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. ¹¹ "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.
 - **Notes:**
 - Ellen: The shepherd is responsible for good. He saved humans' lives.
 - Rita: God, who is on the opposite side of evil, is good.
 - Ashley: God is pure goodness.
 - Airy: God is perfect, and He is always there to protect us
 - Sam: Jesus came so that humans can be saved and live life the best way possible. Jesus is our shepherd, he guides us.
 - Edgar: God, because He will always be by our side.

- **John 1:3-4** ³Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. ⁴In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind.
 - **Notes:**
 - Rita: God is good and he made everything good.
 - Ellen: God is responsible for good. He created everything, he is the light.
 - Ashley: God is all things good. He is responsible.
 - Airy: God is the light.
 - Sam: God is the creator of the universe. He made all things: he is life itself and gives light to humans.
 - Edgar: God brings life to everybody.

- James 1:17 ¹⁷ Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: God. Whatever is given to us from God is good.
 - Ellen: God is responsible for good, because he gives everything we could need to us.
 - Ashley: His gifts to us are good, and only good. We often blame him for the bad things, when it's either a good thing (in disguise) or from satan.
 - Airy: Goodness comes from God, and it is a blessing from above
 - Sam: all that comes from God is good and is a blessing. God is eternal and does not change nor falter.
 - Edgar: God always gives us the best and so we have to give Him our best too.

- Lamentations 3:22-23 ²² Because of the Lord's great love we are not consumed, for his compassions never fail. ²³ They are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: God's love is good. He is responsible for good.
 - Ashley: He gives us unconditional love, and his love is pure and powerful.
 - Ellen: Lord responsible for good. He gives love to us
 - Airy: God's love and compassion are the most powerful things in the world. It is for everyone, and we receive it through faith
 - Sam: God's love is so great that we are not eternally lost from our sin. His love for us never fails. Humans should have faith.
 - Edgar: God will never leave us alone because His love never fails.

Section 4

Who is responsible for evil?

Summarization of this section: Those who don't accept God's message are evil because they chose to do evil deeds. We have to let God in our lives because the further we get from God, we are more likely to fall for what Satan has planned for us. Satan will make it very easy to be evil, but staying true to God has always had a happy ending. The story of Job is a very good example for this. Satan is evil, there is no good in him. The evil will always try to snatch anyone who is standing beside God. He always tries to test God's people and prove them wrong. Job stayed strong even after everything but his life was taken away from him. We know what staying true to God until the end will lead us to at the end of the story. There are a lot of earthly desires of humans and those lead humans to be sinful. God gave a choice and they chose to be sinful with their depraved minds. At the end there is a judgement for all this and the righteous ones will go to heaven.

- John 4:44 (note how is murder is carried out—what it's tied to in the passage) ⁴⁴ (Now Jesus himself had pointed out that a prophet has no honor in his own country.)
 - Notes:
 - Jess: The Prophet
 - Jack Ni : Jesus said the prophet can not have honor in his own country so the prophet is evil.
 - Tracy Luo : The Prophet has no honor, so it is evil.
 - Aurora: He himself said that the prophet was not respected in his hometown
 - Rita: The prophet in this scene.
 - Ashley: The prophet
 - Airy: Do NOT honor evil
 - Justin: I don't think it means the prophet is evil. Usually prophets are unliked because they tell people to correct their ways. People do not like to be corrected so they do not like prophets. But Jesus was accepted and welcomed to Galilee. I don't see how this says who is responsible for evil?
 - Sam: Those who do not accept the message of Jesus or the prophets do not accept the message because their deeds are evil and they do not want to change their ways
 - Marya: the prophet. We shouldn't honor evil.

- Edgar: Everybody that doesn't believe in christ.
- **John 10:2-3** ²The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. ³The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep listen to his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.
 - Notes:
 - Jess: Whoever is not in the sheep pen is evil, as well as whoever ignores what the shepherd says
 - Jack Ni : the man took the sheep out and the gate keeper is the evil
 - Tracy: Jesus will be the shepherd and lead us through difficulty.
 - aurora: He is a kind shepherd willing to die for those who believe in him.
 - Rita: People other than the shepherd.
 - Ashley: What they said lol^
 - Airy: When evil comes and captures us, God will chase after and save us from evil.
 - Justin: those that are out of the gate are evil.
 - Sam: If you let God guide you, he will lead you to righteousness and to paradise. If you let Him guide you, you will hear His and His voice.
 - Marya: we have to let God in our lives. He is our shepherd and we have to be his sheep ready to be guided with what he has to say.
 - Edgar: The one who decided to stay inside.
- Job 1 & 2 (note the tone of conversation between God & satan) (*See Bible*)
 - Notes:
 - Jess: Satan is the one responsible for evil. He is so sure that Job will renounce God, so God tells him to test Job that he can do whatever he wants except kill Job. I think one of the most important things to note from this verse is that Job's wife tell Job to curse God he tells her shall we only accept good from God and not trouble
 - Jack Ni : satan is the evil in this story and god tries to protect the whole family of job and in this verse satan is the evil
 - Tracy Luo:
 - Aurora: Satan in this story was bad but God will protect them.
 - Rita: Satan is evil, he tempts people.
 - Ashley: Satan has no good within him. He is pure evil despite what he may say to us in times of weakness.

- Airy: Satan is evil, and he will do everything to bring us sorrow and desperation, so that we will turn against God. However, Job's faith stands still, and God protects Him.
 - Justin: even when Satan himself attacks Job and all of his possessions and family and his loved ones were against him he still held strong and did not curse God.
 - Sam: Satan is responsible for all evil.
 - Marya: Satan is evil, there is no good in him. He always tries to test god's people and prove them wrong. Job stayed strong even after everything but his life was taken away from him. We know what staying true to God until the end will lead us to at the end of the story.
 - Edgar: Satan always tries to destroy and take us away from God.
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- John 10:8, 10⁸ All who have come before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep have not listened to them.
 - Notes:
 - Jess: Everybody who is not a sheep/ thieves and robbers
 - Jack Ni : All the people before him are evil including the thieves.
 - Tracy Luo: Jesus is the one and the only God, only Jesus has no sin before.
 - Aurora :At that time, the opening of the sheepfold was very narrow and there was only one opening. This allows the gatekeeper to easily control which animals enter and exit. Anyone who tries to enter a pen or take an animal out of the door through another path is a thief by definition.
 - Rita: Thieves and robbers
 - Ashley: Thieves and robbers.
 - Airy: Many times, the evil tempted us. BUt we have not listened because we know it is not Christ's voice.
 - Sam: To be righteous is to be the Lord's sheep and only listen to the lord because anyone who is not a sheep or the Lord is evil
 - Edgar: People who commit sins, like thieves and robbers.
 - Isaac: Jesus compares false prophets and some people as thieves and robbers because they were impure and condemned just like them, and we enjoyed a life and hope that did not belong to us by right, but Jesus did not become corrupted like the others.
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- Ezekiel 28:12-19 (*See Bible*)
 - Notes:

- Jack Ni : the king of the kyre is the evil and god is good
- Aurora : God is the embodiment of goodness, and King Kyle represents evil.
- Rita: The king of the kyre became proud and was no longer blameless.
- Tracy: because the violence he did and he is so proud , God gives him punishment.
- Jess: The King of Tyre- a guardian cherub until wickedness consumed him, now appalled by all
- Ashley: The king of Kyre represents evil.
- Airy: The king of Kyre is too prideful which gives evil chance to control him
- Sam: The king is evil for he is arrogant and proud. God is good and pure.
- Edgar: The King felt that he has all the power, which is how Satan behaves.

- Isaiah 14:12-20 (*See Bible*)

- Notes:
- Jack Ni : the morning stars fallen from the heaven is the evil and that is the fate of the morning stars, so that is the evil
- Aurora : The righteous will go to heaven, the evil will go to hell
- Tracy: Everything was good before, but a “star” wants to be the highest and fallen on earth, that is the sin.
- Jess: The morning star also known as Lucifer now stuck in the land of the dead and never to be mentioned of again
- Rita: The morning star is cast out from heaven.
- Ashley: Evil goes to hell, those who are righteous will go to heaven. All was good until Lucifer, who had been disgusted as a star.
- Sam: Satan was kicked out of paradise for he is the reason for evil. And all who are like him share the same fate as him. Those who are righteous will go where the righteous go.
- Edgar: The one who always thinks they’re the best, because they won’t be in heaven.

- Zechariah 3:1-2 Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the Lord, and Satan^[a] standing at his right side to accuse him. ²The Lord said to Satan, “The Lord rebuke you, Satan!

The Lord, who has chosen Jerusalem, rebuke you! Isn't this man a burning stick snatched from the fire?"

- Notes:
 - Jess: Satan is responsible for evil and he is ready to snatch up anyone who is standing by God's side
 - Tracy Luo: Satan responsible for the evil thing but Jesus will rebuke him.
 - Jack Ni : Satan is evil and he wants to sue God and Jesus tells him that is wrong and rebukes him.
 - Aurora : Evil people will be blamed by God
 - Ashley: Satan is on the lookout for anyone who is for
 - Rita: Satan is evil and accuses other people.
 - Sam: Satan is the reason for evil and wants to corrupt people who are with God. Jesus will rebuke Satan.
 - Edgar: Satan is responsible for evil and will lose.
- Revelation 12:9 ⁹The great dragon was hurled down—that ancient serpent called the devil, or Satan, who leads the whole world astray. He was hurled to the earth, and his angels with him.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: The dragon called devil, or satan, is against good.
 - Rachelle: The devil and his angels came to the earth to deceive, kill and destroy. So that God's people can't be saved.
 - Tracy: Satan and his angels come to the earth and make sins.
 - Jack Ni: Satan, the evil leader leads a lot of angels to come to the earth so he is evil.
 - Aurora : Those who lie will be punished
 - Jess: Satan and his angels now roam the earth and have the power to “collect” whomever he wants to turn away from God.
 - Justin: Satan leads the world astray. He will be punished.
 - Ashley: Those who follow Satan will be punished.
 - Sam: Satan deceives the world.
 - Edgar: The dragon which is Satan, because it leads the world astray.

Romans 1:18, 24, 26, 28 (note: God's righteousness is revealed in vs 16-17 but what God's wrath is, is VERY DIFFERENT from human expression) ¹⁸The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, ²⁴ Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to

sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. ²⁶
Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. ²⁸
Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done.

- Notes:
- Rita: Those who do not believe in God are sinful. They have bad desires.
- Tracy : because of human's desire, and human glorification of God as a God, they worship images of other things, so God gives them over in sinful desires.
- Peter: God' wrath was shown to the people who did not believe in God, since they do not really know God, then they did whatever they wanted.
- Jack Ni : The evil in this verse is the people who do not trust and believe god.
- Aurora : Evil people do not deserve to be treated well by God, this is not what God wants
- Damaris: our human desires take over, and allow us to allow ourselves to lust, and we push god aside.
- Jess: God showed his wrath to those who wanted human desires more than God, to those who turned God away even after the chance he had given them to repent. In this verse the root of evil is Lust
- Justin: God gave them the choice. They chose godlessness, wickedness, sinful desires, impurity, and a depraved mind.
- Ashley: God gave us the choice to choose good from evil. Lust is an example of evil. What we see in the eyes of humans (human desires) can cause us to sin in a heartbeat.
- Sam: God's wrath is shown to those who would rather indulge in their earthly desires rather than follow God. To give into lust and be reckless is to be evil.
- Marya: there are a lot of earthly desires of humans and those lead humans to be sinful. God gave them a choice and they chose to be sinful with their depraved minds.
- Edgar: Humans also have their choice to either choose God or Satan. It all depends on us which one to choose.

Section 5

God's role in our choices

Summarization of this section: God is the light that dispels the darkness and sin of the world. Freedom is one of the ways God shows His love toward us. No matter how terrible and reckless your decision is, God will always be with you, because we are all children of God. We are all aware of conscience, the law of righteousness. Since the law is made by God's sight, it won't lead us to bad consequences. You don't need to be within the religious circle in order to be able to choose to be with God. Nonetheless, being within the religious circle doesn't guarantee that you are with God. It's what's on your heart that counts. Love is above all. With love we can have the opportunity of knowledge and understanding, of choosing between good and bad, the opportunity to choose God. The Father does many ways to reach out to us and wants us to know that we are never too far gone from Him. The love of the Father and the Son is so great that They do not want to see the world to sin and be slaves to sin. Therefore, Christ willingly chose to remove our sin and set us free. He is the only one who has the power to do so.

- **John 3:18-19** ¹⁸Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹This is the verdict: Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.
 - Notes:
 - Miles Potter: When we choose God, we free ourselves of sin. Which is something we desperately need, because oftentimes we choose to be evil.
 - Gomez: People who do not believe in God stand condemned because they are evil, but who choose to follow will be forgiven all the sins.
 - Peter: the people who believe in God won't be condemned .
 - Damaris: whoever believes in God will not be condemned, because they have recognized that he is the light.
 - Jess: When we let God into our life we will finally see the light, until then we are stuck in the dark.
 - Rita: When we believe in God, we are free from our sins.
 - Ashley: Whoever believes in Him, will not be condemned.
 - Sam: you are saved once you believe in God and Jesus but if you do not you are condemned and stay in the dark
 - Terry: Who you are means where you follow

- aurora : Those who follow god will be loved by god
- Marya: whoever chooses him won't be condemned, we have to believe in him to be saved from our sins

John 8:34-36 ³⁴ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

- Notes:
 - Miles Potter: Christ has the power to change us from slaves to sin to a part of the family, because he's the Son of God.
 - Gomez: Jesus Christ is the only one who has the power to forgive our sin.
 - Damaris: God is the only one who can set us free from sins.
 - Jess: We are stuck in the ways of sin until we accept God, because God is the only one with the power to free us from sin.
 - Rita: As we choose God, we are saved through Jesus Christ.
 - Ashley: God is the only one who can help resist us from getting led into temptation.
 - Sam: When we allow God in our life he frees us from the shackles sin places on us.
 - Terry: Jesus will free us as the name of son
 - Aurora : God is a prophet. Does he know what is right for us
 - Marya: if we sin, we don't belong with him but Jesus (his son) saved us and if he picks us we will get the chance to be free and be part of the family, therefore we are saved through Jesus.
- John 3:33 ³³ Whoever has accepted it has certified that God is truthful.
 - Notes:
 - Miles Potter: Since we know God is truthful, we can safely say that He's a reliable choice.
 - Gomez: When we choose to believe in God, we can say He is the truth.
 - Damaris: We make the decision to believe in him or not.
 - Jess: By accepting God we will show others and ourselves that there is validity in all that God has said
 - Rita: Because God is truthful, the best way we know is to choose him and get salvation through him.

- Ashley: God gives us the decision to choose him or to not choose him, along with every other choice, he gives us endless options
 - aurora : Everything god says is right, he is supreme
 - Sam: When we accept God we accept that he is the truth.
 - Marya: We have to believe and accept that God is truthful. It will help us be saved and guide us to him
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- Acts 17: 27 ²⁷ God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us.
 - Notes:
 - Miles Potter: God gave us freewill, but yet he is also compassionate enough to help nudge us in the right direction.
 - Gomez: He is always helping us, and people who wish to find Him God will give him a hand.
 - Damaris: He wants us to seek him on our own. He is not forceful
 - Ella:
 - Jess: God can only show us the way to him, because of freewill He won't force anyone to choose Him.
 - Rita: God give us free choice yet he reach out to us still and help us.
 - Ashley: He gives us the opportunity to make our own choices, yet he continues guiding us in the right direction(s)
 - Sam: God gave us free will so we can truly love and choose him. He wants us to find Him from our own will. He never leaves us.
 - aurora : We come to this world like a man lost in the night, and god is the guide
 - Marya: we all have free will but he still didn't turn his back on us, he is still guiding us and helping us pick the right choice (like the law of right and wrong within us)
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- Romans 2:4 ⁴ Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, forbearance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance?
 - Notes:

- Miles Potter: People who don't choose to side with God, miss out on a chance to have God help them out with repentance.
 - Gomez: God is trying to give us who contempt His mercy a chance to repentance.
 - Damaris: God shows us his mercy so we can repent
 - Ella: God's kindness is what draws us to him, making us see our faults.
 - Rita: God is always on our side even if we do not choose him. He shows mercy and grace and gives us the chance to repent.
 - Jess: God shows us mercy and grace so that we can see the error in our ways and repent but also so that we may share that same mercy and grace with others
 - Ashley: God is on our side and He is there for us no matter the situation.
 - Sam: those who disregard God don't know who He truly is. He is kind and patient and guides us to repent.
 - aurora : God is always on our side, even when we don't choose him. Because that's the way he is, he's always there for us
 - Marya: people who are still blind to see the kindness and all patience of God will miss the way to repentance
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- Romans 2:13-15 ¹³For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. ¹⁴(Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law. ¹⁵They show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts sometimes accusing them and at other times even defending them.)
 - Notes:
 - Miles Potter: You don't need to be within the religious circle in order to be able to choose to be with God, and being within the religious circle doesn't guarantee that you are with God. It's what's on your heart that counts.
 - Gomez: Laws for people who do not have the religious are man-made, but they follow their mind to be moral
 - Ella: God has morals that we need to follow.
 - Jess: You can't just listen to what God wants you have to act upon it and only then will he make you righteous
 - Rita: Those who believe in God are righteous. Following God will be a right choice to make.

- Ashley: God placed morals that are around for us to follow, not just to ignore. They are placed in our way for a reason.
 - Sam: Those who know the law and obey the law are righteous because they are obedient. Even those who do not directly have the law know it by human nature because God put the law into our hearts.
 - aurora : The emperor has given us many moral principles to follow, and he wants us to be good
 - Marya: the law of righteousness is there, we all know it , the difference comes when we choose to abide by it and follow what is right. Since the law is made by God's sight it won't lead us to something bad.
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- Philippians 1:9-11 (the NCV makes the greek clearest here) ⁹This is my prayer for you: that your love will grow more and more; that you will have knowledge and understanding with your love; ¹⁰that you will see the difference between good and bad and will choose the good; that you will be pure and without wrong for the coming of Christ; ¹¹that you will be filled with the good things produced in your life by Christ to bring glory and praise to God.
 - Notes:
 - Rita: Love is important. God loves us and he loved us first. Having faith in him is the only way for us to get our salvation.
 - Miles Potter: Love and understanding love is important. That way, it'll be easier to choose good over evil.
 - Gomez: With our love growing more and more, it can be easier to choose good than evil.
 - Damaris: That you will allow yourself to be guided by god and know good and evil.
 - Ella: That you will know the difference between good and evil and be guided by God.
 - aurora : God's love for us will not change, even if we do not follow him for a while, but he knows that we will love him sooner or later³
 - Jess: Love is above all. With love we can have the opportunity of knowledge and understanding, of choosing between good and bad, the opportunity to choose God.
 - Ashley: The root of authentic love is most important. We have the opportunity to love, this gift is so powerful.
 - Sam: Humans were made to love so it's important that we love and know that we have your love. It is important to choose Good and not bad.

- Marya: Love is a very important element to be understood because if God himself prays for us and hopes us to understand the meaning of it, we should know how big it is and understand that it will help us be filled with all good things and lead us to salvation!
- damaris: with love we are able to conquer all, we are able to make decisions based on good.