


GENESIS 1 EXPOSITION

Genesis 3



FALL

PROBLEM OF EVIL



1. Intro



**“Why do I suffer? This
is the rock of atheism.”**

George Buckner

TYPES of EVIL

- **Natural - does not involve choices of moral agents**
- **Moral - traced to choices & actions of moral agents**

Pisidian Antioch - Cardo

IMPORTANCE

Ephesus
Theater

1. Proof - for Atheist
2. Universal - all affected
3. Reality - design or naturalism
4. Practical - suffering of all

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- 1. If God all-Good - wills good**
- 2. If God Omnipotent - does His will**
- 3. Evil Exists**
- 4. God does not exist or not all-good or not omnipotent or both**

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3. Solutions



SOLUTIONS

- **Atheism - denies God**
- **Naturalism - denies God**

NATURALISM

- No God
- No Purpose
- Cause and Effect
- Neutral Events
- Some Beneficial & Others not
- Just the Way things are

SOLUTIONS

- **Atheism -** denies God
- **Naturalism -** denies God
- **Polytheism -** limits God
- **Dualism -** diminishes God
- **Gnosticism -** distorts creation
- **Pantheism -** diminishes God
- **Idealism -** denies evil
- **Biblical Theism -** Good, Omnipotent,
Holy, & Sovereign God

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4. Biblical



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ORIGIN of EVIL

Galatia

1. Angels - heaven not earth
2. Mankind - sin on earth

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HOLY

- **Description -** Totally separate from evil in His person & dealings with men & includes His absolute righteousness measured against Himself as an absolute standard, moral perfection, separation from all that is common or unclean
- **Isa 6:3** ... **“Holy, Holy, Holy, is the Lord of hosts, The whole earth is full of His glory.”**

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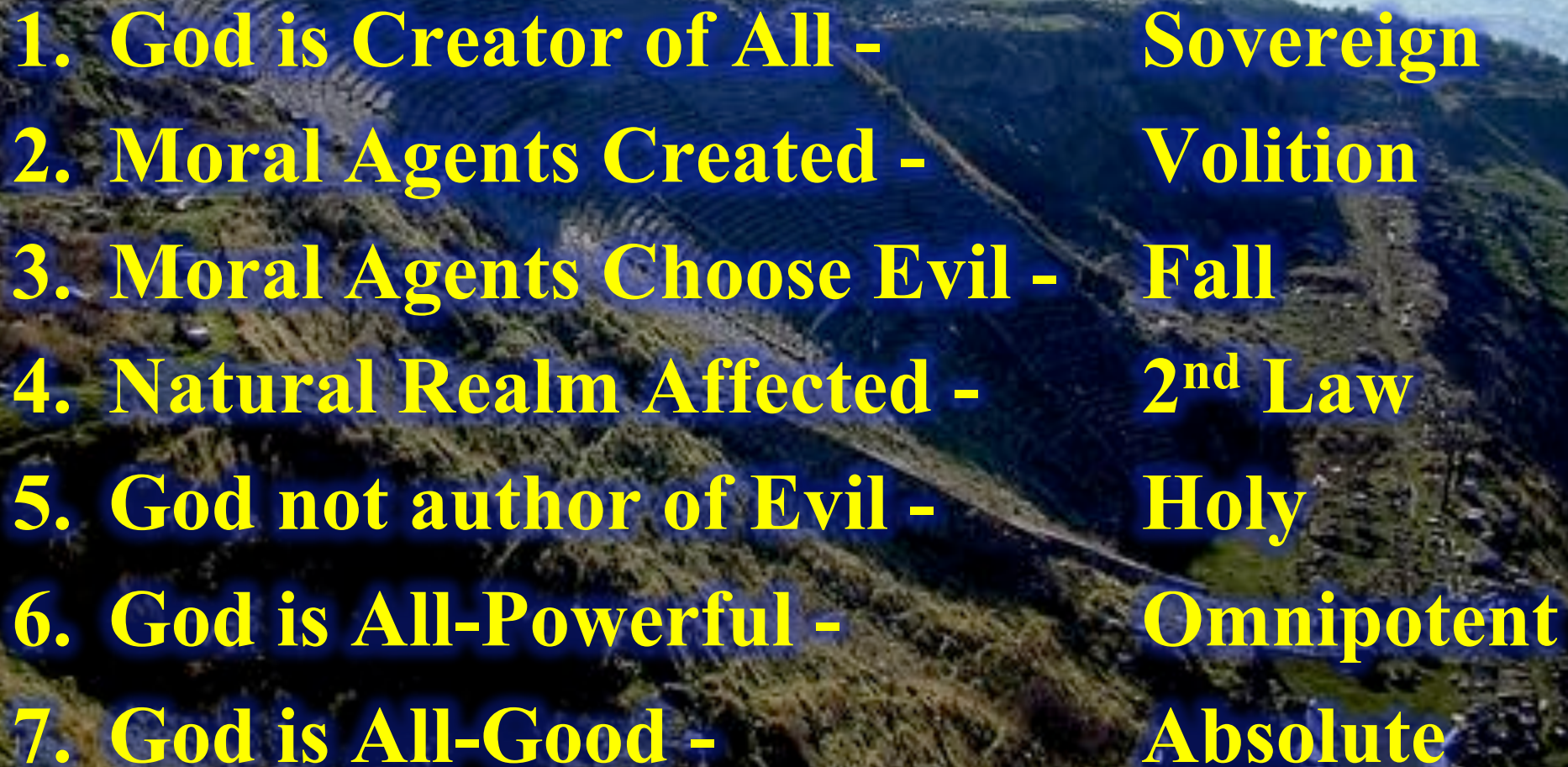
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OMNIPOTENT

- Description - infinite power to do anything which He wills, can do anything consistent with His nature potential & actual with no effort
- Ps 62:11 Once God has spoken; Twice I have heard this: That **power** belongs to God;
- Ps 115:3 But our God is in the heavens; He does **whatever He pleases.**

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GOOD

- **Description -** He deals bountifully, tenderly, and kindly with all His creatures, He is source of all in universe that is good
- **1st Perfection of God attacked**
- **Ps 145:9** The Lord is **good** to all, And His mercies are over all His works.
Jn 10:11 “I am the **good** shepherd; the **good** shepherd lays down His life for the sheep.

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GLORY DISPLAYED

1. Blind Man

5. Job

2. Lazarus

6. Death of Christ

3. Unbelievers

7. Display to Angels

4. Pharaoh

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- 9. God Deals with Evil**

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CONCLUSION

➤ **Our Lord is Glorious
beyond what we can Imagine**

Colossae

➤ **Yet Permitted Evil for His
Glorious Purposes**

APPLICATIONS

**Ephesus
Street**

- **Problem of Guilt**
- **Praise Him Anyway**