FINDING YOUR PLACE IN THE WORLD





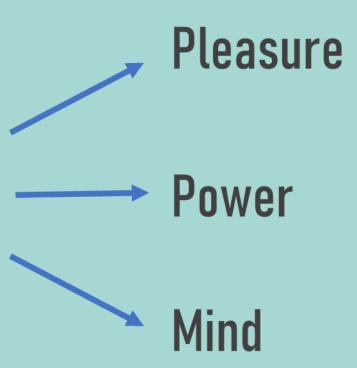
Shine the light on sin

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Human-Centered Views of Morality





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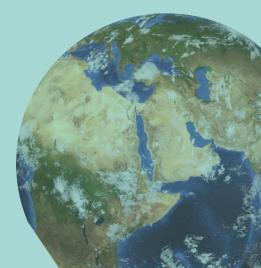
(Romans 12:2)

God-Centered View of Morality

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"They are a people who always go astray in their heart, and they have not known my ways" (Psalm 95:10; Heb. 3:10)



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"All sin and fall short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23)



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⁹Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. (1 Cor. 6:9-10)



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How does God reveal His law? Through Creation

¹⁸ For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. ¹⁹ For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. ²⁰ For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. (Romans 1:18–20)



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Through Scripture

"Go into all the world and make disciples of all the nations...teach them to obey all that I commanded you" (Matt. 28:19-20)

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"Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment. (John 5:28-29)



Why is sin so bad?

³ For I know my transgressions, and my sin is ever before me.

⁴ Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight, so that you may be justified in your words and blameless in your judgment.

(Psalm 51:3-4)



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Sin is against God

