

Christian World View

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truth



revelation



the canon of Scripture



the survey of Scripture



the theology of Scripture



the four states of man

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the theology of Scripture



the four states of man

① the good man → after creation → Adam & Eve

② the natural man → after the fall → all mankind in Adam

the Savior → salvation by grace through faith in Christ alone

③ the spiritual man → after salvation → all believers in Christ

④ the glorified man → after the 2nd coming → all believers in Christ

the King → the second coming · the last things · the kingdom of God

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- unit 1** ➔ **TRUTH** · absolute truth
- unit 2** ➔ **TRUTH** · revelation
- unit 3** ➔ **TRUTH** · the canon of Scripture
- unit 4** ➔ **SURVEY** · the parts of Scripture
- unit 5** ➔ **SURVEY** · the Sabbath
- unit 6** ➔ **SURVEY** · the theme of Scripture
- unit 7** ➔ **①** Four States of Man · the good man
- unit 8** ➔ **②** Four States of Man · the natural man
- unit 9** ➔ **FIRST COMING** · the Savior & salvation
- unit 10** ➔ **③** Four States of Man · the spiritual man
- unit 11** ➔ **④** Four States of Man · the glorified man
- unit 12** ➔ **SECOND COMING** · the King & kingdom

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The Foundation · Junior Year

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The Life & Launch · Senior Year

unit 1 ➔ **TRUTH** · *review*

unit 4 ➔ **SURVEY** · *review*

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World View Music

The River of Dreams · by Billy Joel · 1993

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
from the mountains of faith, to a river so deep.
I must be looking for something, something sacred I lost,
but the river is wide, and it's too hard to cross.

And even though I know the river is wide,
I walk down every evening and I stand on the shore,
and try to cross to the opposite side,
so I can finally find out what I've been looking for.

In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the valley of fear, to a river so deep.
And I've been searching for something, taken out of my soul,
something I would never lose, something somebody stole.

I don't know why I go walking at night,
but now I'm tired and I don't want to walk anymore,
I hope it doesn't take the rest of my life,
until I find what it is that I've been looking for.

**In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the jungle of doubt, to a river so deep.
I know I'm searching for something, something so undefined,
that it can only be seen, by the eyes of the blind.
In the middle of the night . . .**

**I'm not sure about a life after this,
God knows I've never been a spiritual man,
baptized by the fire, I wade into the river,
that runs to the promised land.**

**In the middle of the night, I go walking in my sleep,
through the desert of truth, to the river so deep.
We all end in the ocean, we all start in the streams
we're all carried along, by the river of dreams.
In the middle of the night . . .**

Amazing Grace · by John Newton · 1829

**Amazing grace! How sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found; was blind, but now I see.**

**'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed.**

**Through many dangers, toils and snares, I have already come;
'tis grace hath brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.**

**The Lord has promised good to me, His Word my hope secures;
He will my Shield and Portion be, as long as life endures.**

**Yea, when this flesh and heart shall fail, and mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess, within the veil, a life of joy and peace.**

**The earth shall soon dissolve like snow, the sun forbear to shine;
but God, who called me here below, will be forever mine.**

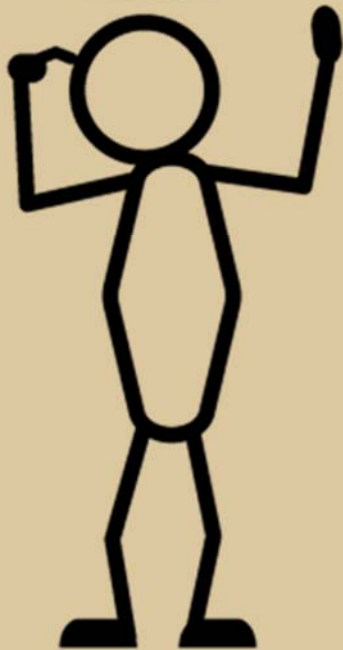
**When we've been there ten thousand years, bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise than when we'd first begun.**

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Truth

the function of a world view

Life is perplexing ...



Where do we come from?

Who are we?

What's wrong with us?

How do we fix it?

How will it end?

the function of a world view

a world view addresses the following questions:

the origin

→ where do we come from?

the purpose

→ why are we here?

the values

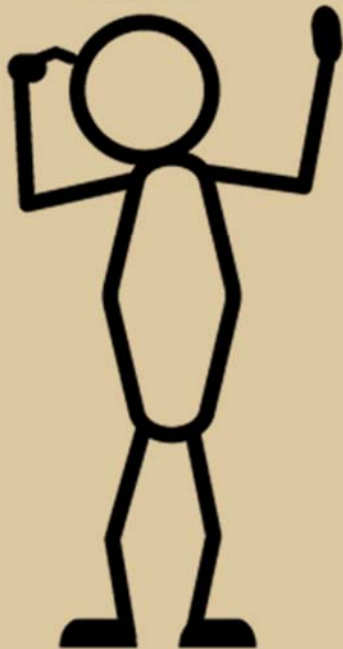
→ what do we believe?

the function

→ how shall we live?

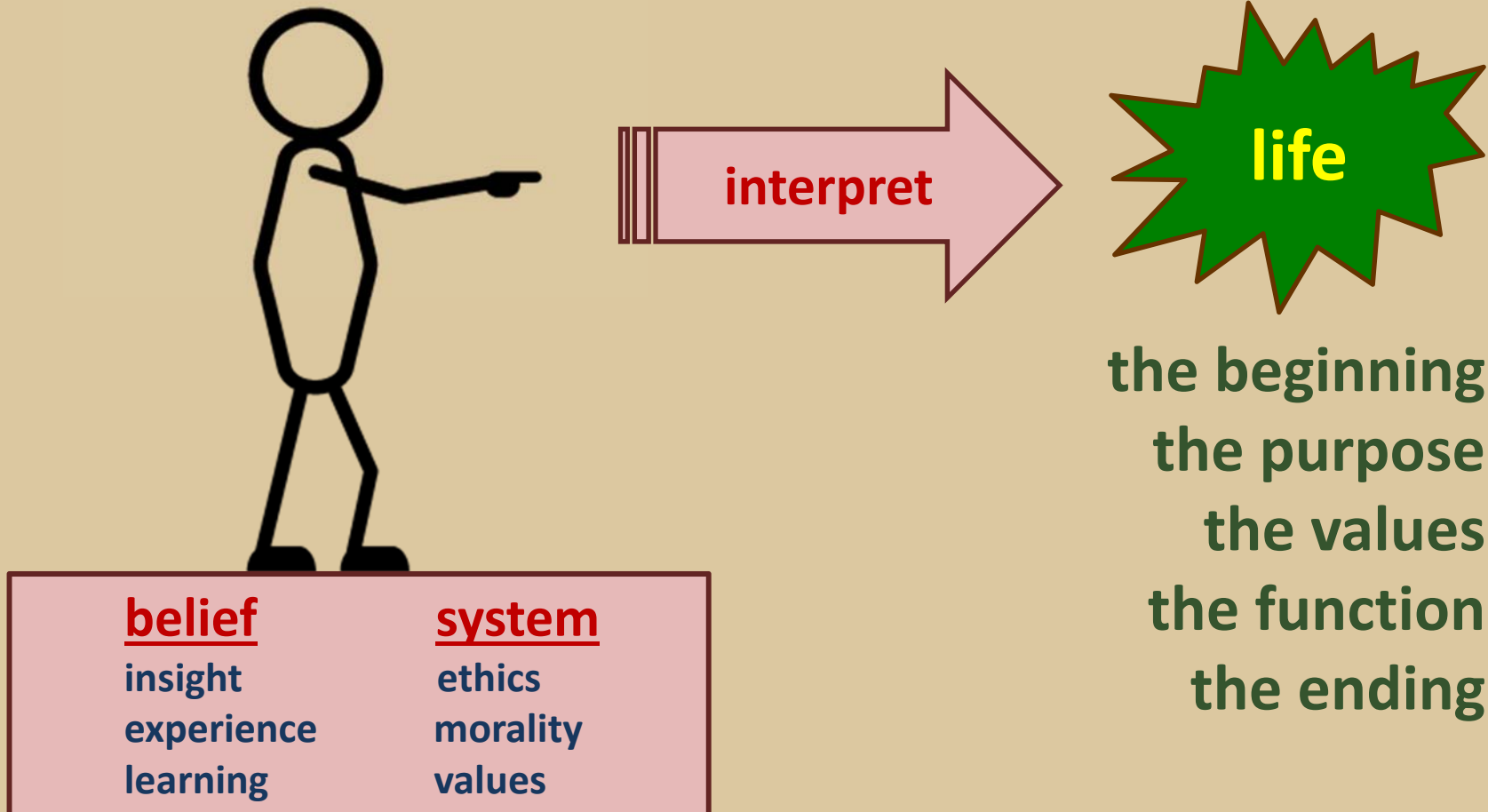
the destination

→ where are we going?



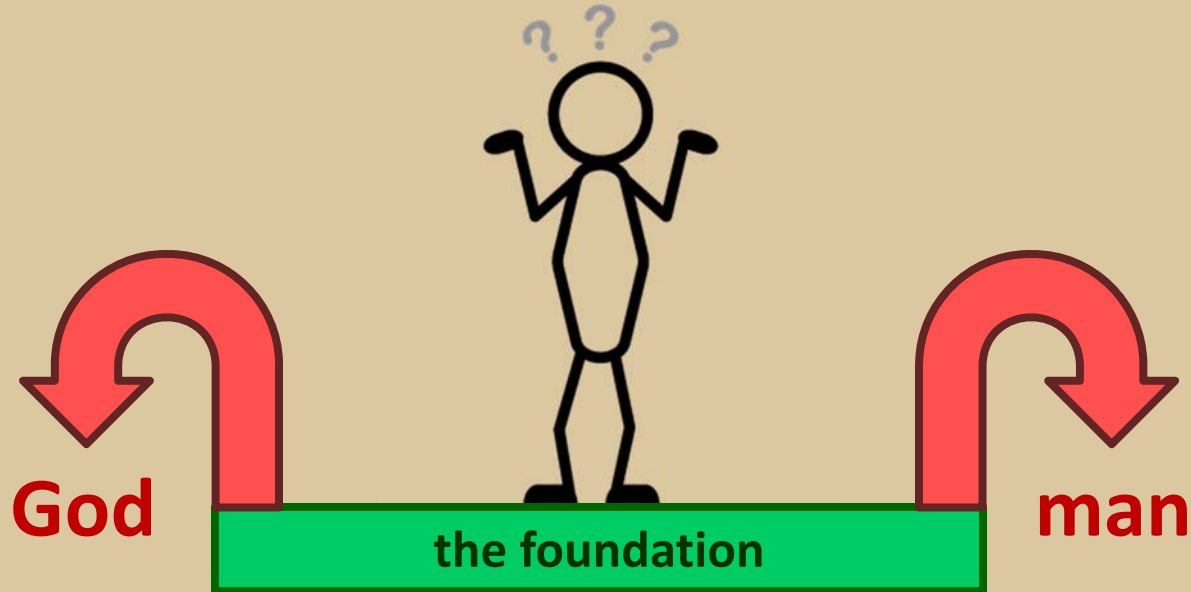
the definition of a world view

a world view is a belief system used to interpret life



the foundation of a world view

a world view is based on faith in God or faith in man



theism

faith in God = the God of the Bible

absolute truth exists in God
absolute truth is revealed by God

absolutism · Christianity · assurance

humanism

faith in man = individualism
collectivism

absolute truth cannot be found
values are time and place sensitive

relativism · secularism · skepticism

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A Presentation

Theism vs. Humanism

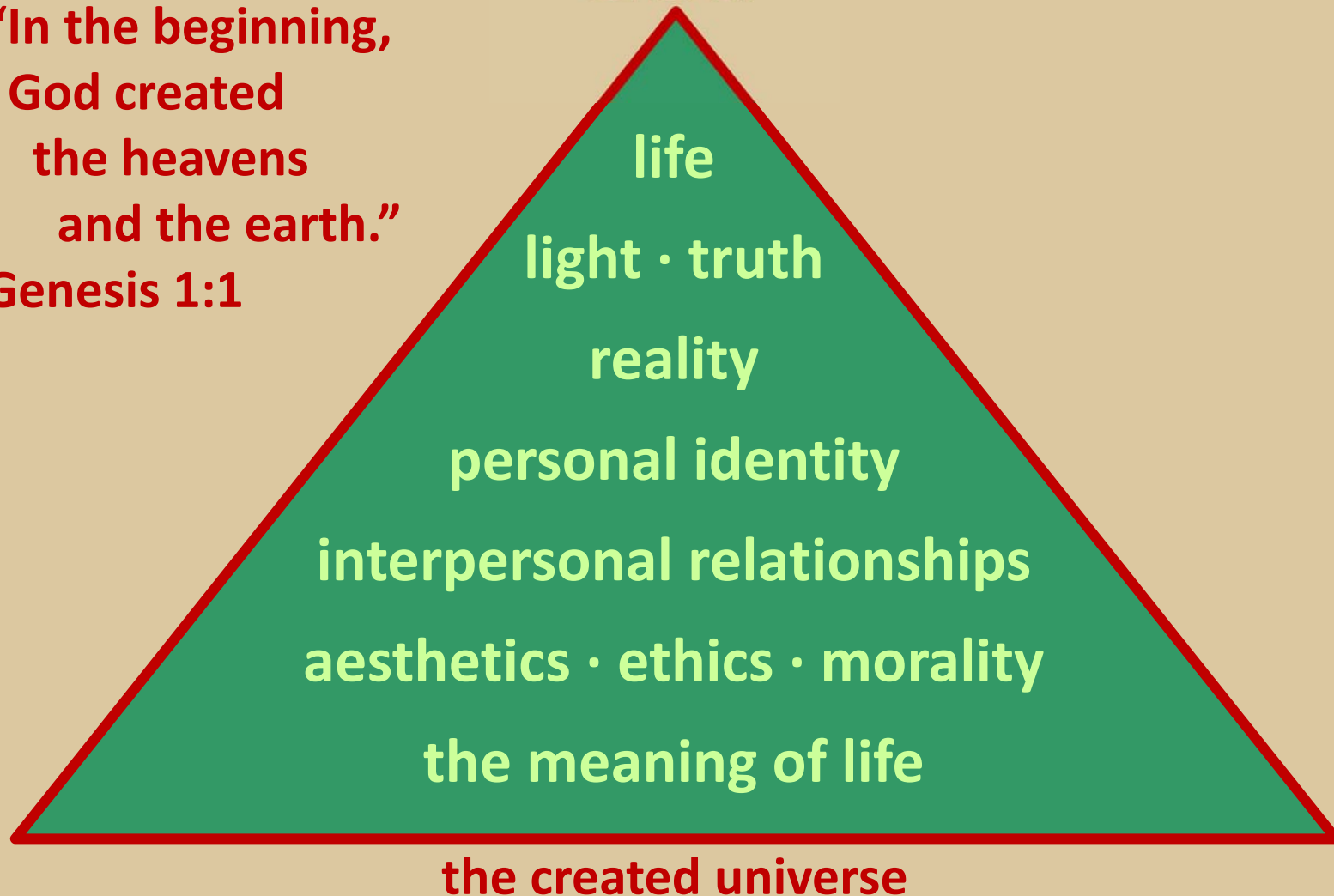
Theism vs. Humanism

The Biblical World View

God

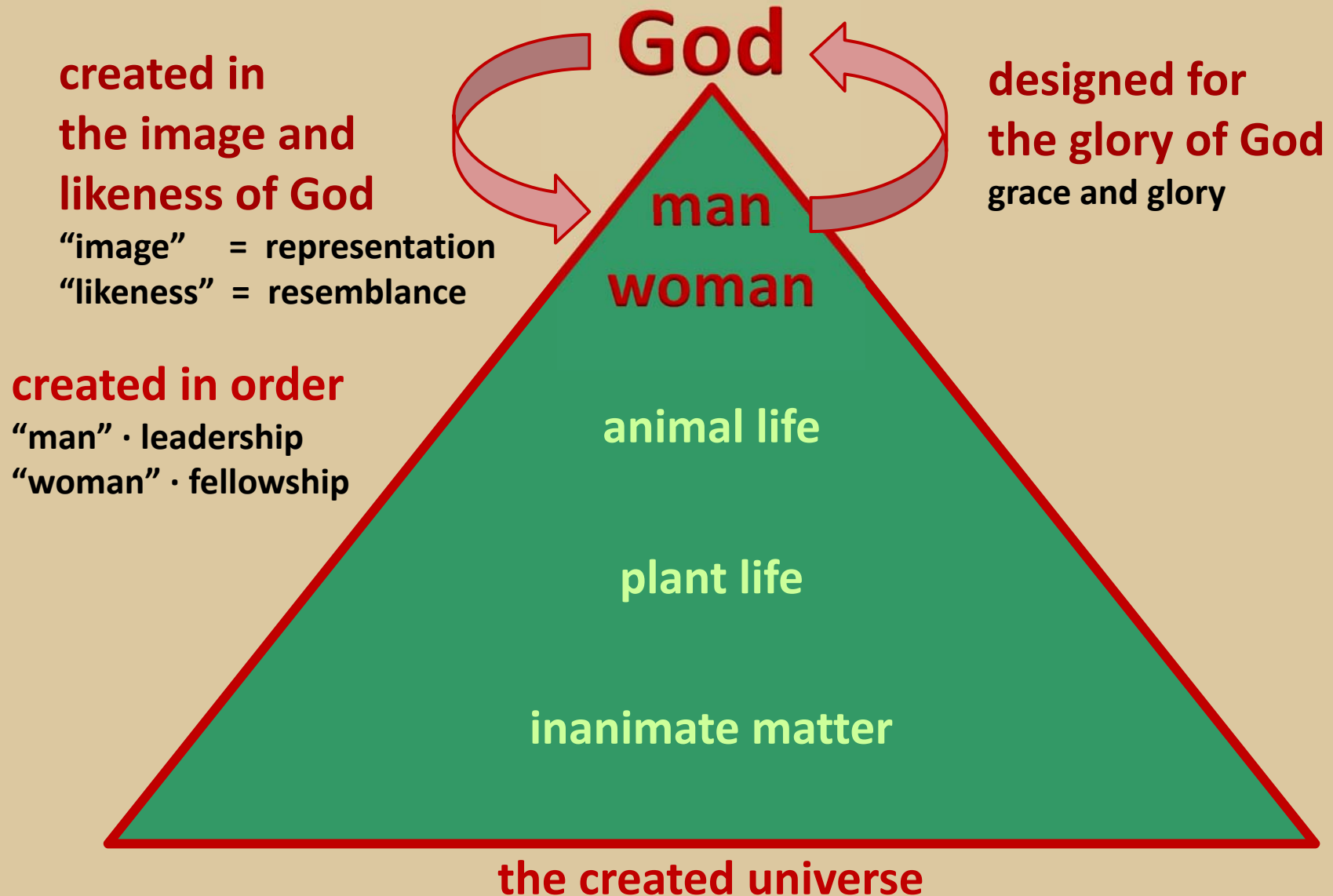
**“In the beginning,
God created
the heavens
and the earth.”**

Genesis 1:1



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The Order of Creation



THE GREAT DIVIDE

animals
plants & trees
matter

man
animals
plants & trees
matter

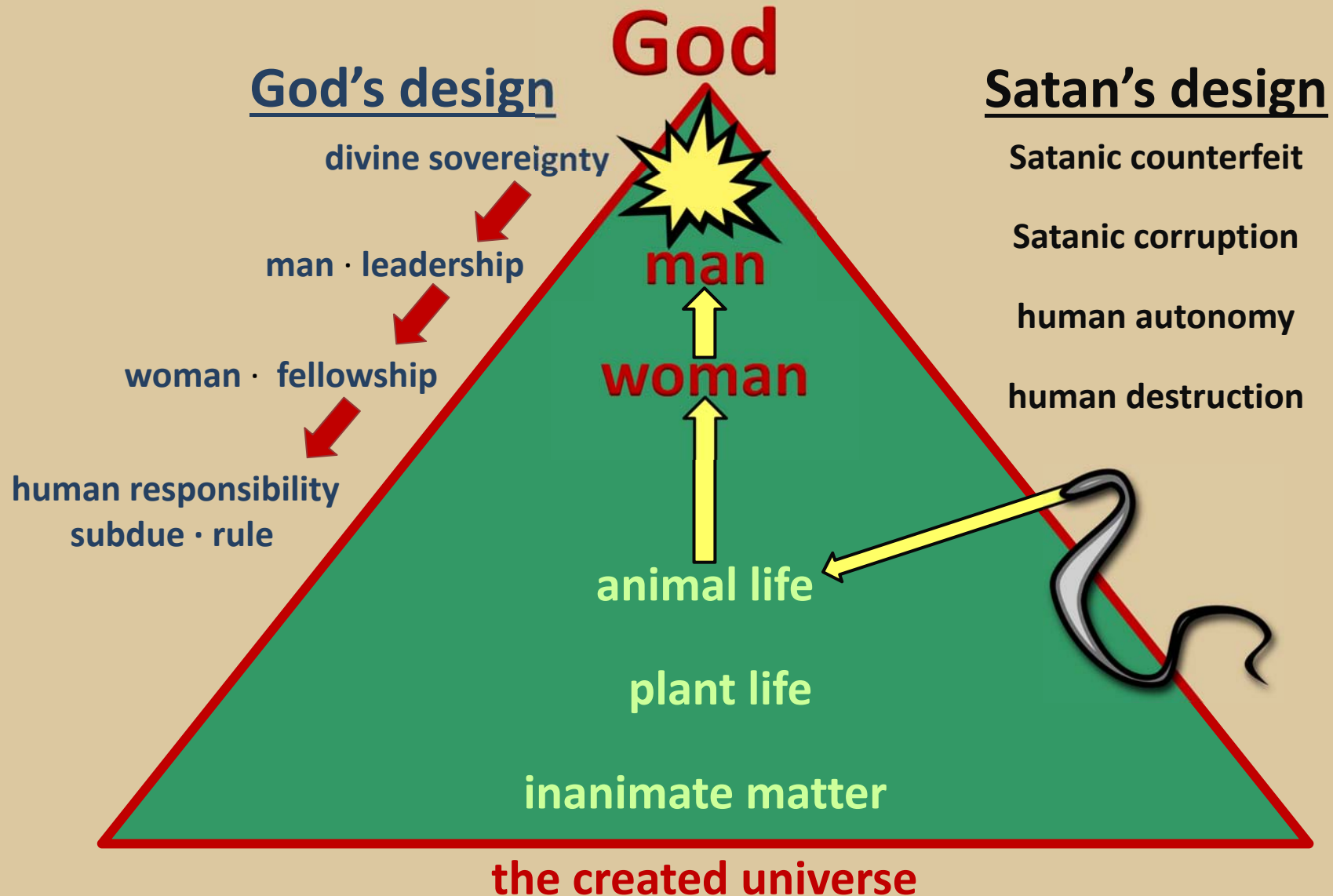
“And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them.” – Genesis 1:27

“image” = representation

“likeness” = resemblance

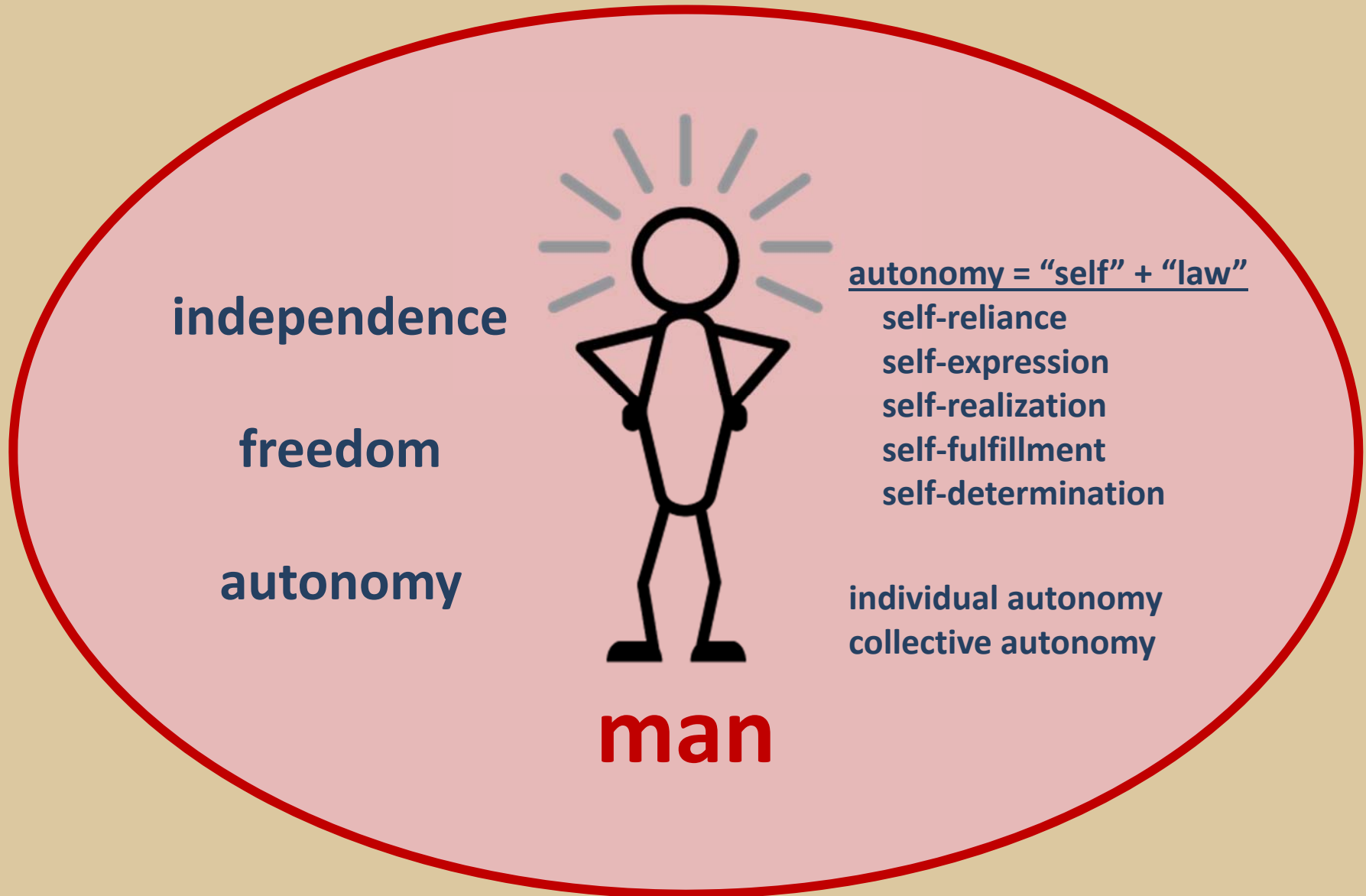
Theism vs. Humanism

Reversing the World View



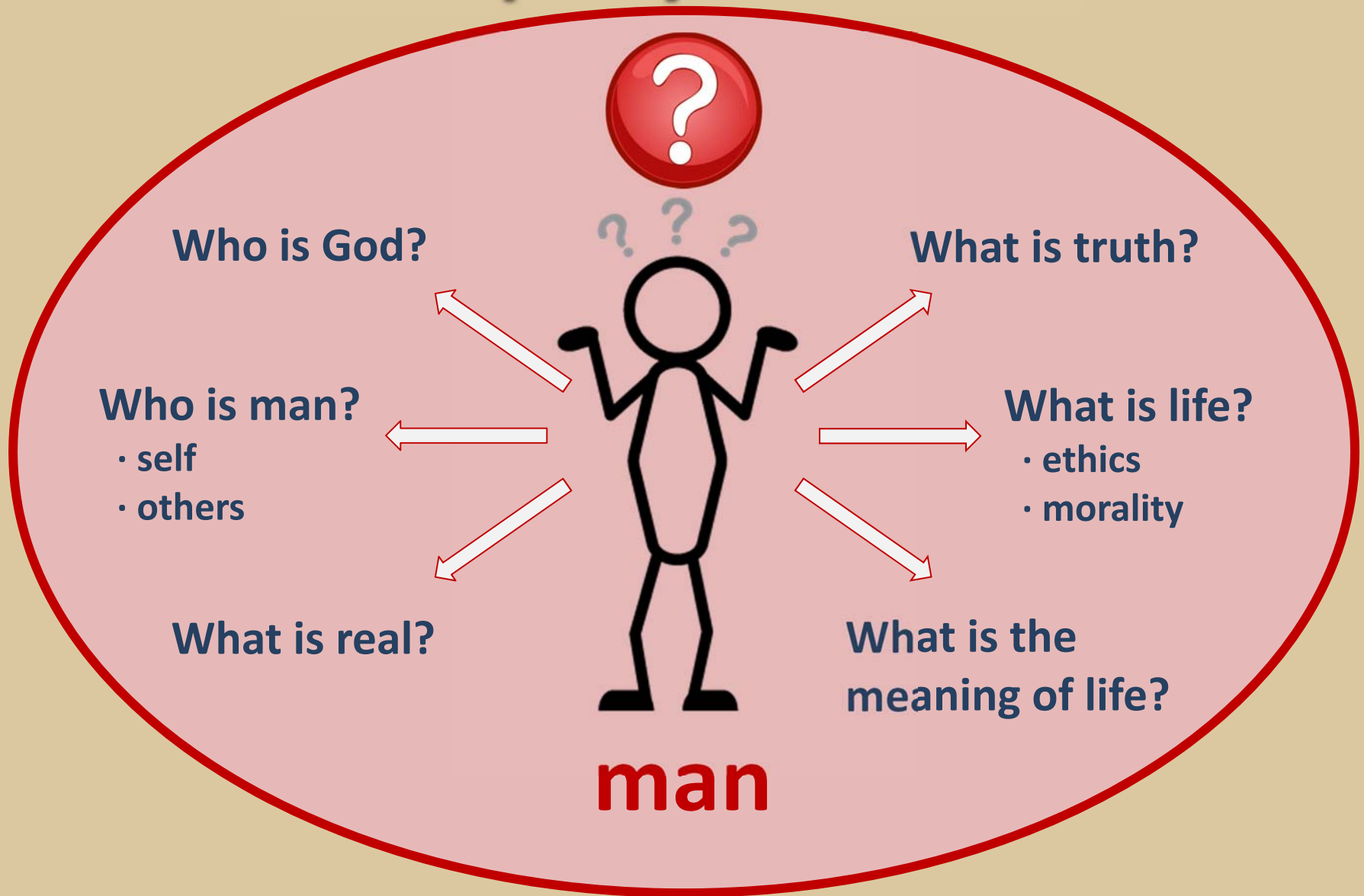
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The Ideal of Humanism



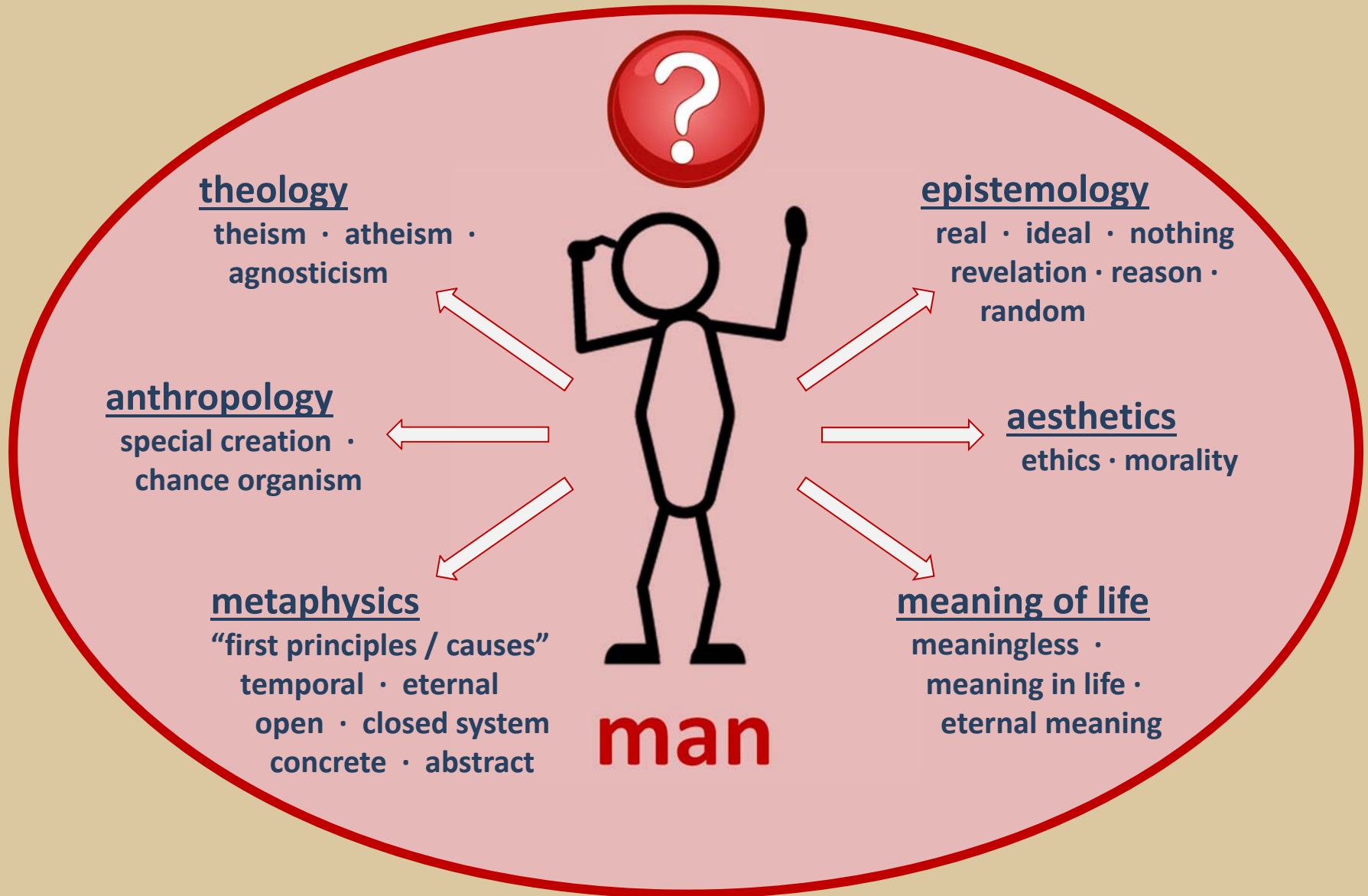
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The Perplexity of Humanism



Theism vs. Humanism

The Pursuit of Humanism



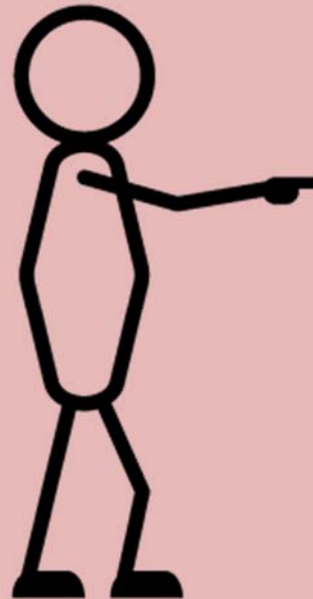
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The Practice of Humanism



the golden rules

- human dignity
- the rule of reason
 - the mind · the senses
- individualism
- collectivism
- relativism
- pluralism
- privatization
 - separate fact and faith
- toleration
 - never violate word code



man

the meaning of life

- self improvement
- biological perfection
- virtue
 - to love
 - to do good
- wisdom
- wealth and pleasure
- power and authority
- nihilism = the wonder
 - of meaninglessness

Theism vs. Humanism

The Dilemma of Humanism

