

THE FOUR G'S

GREAT • GLORIOUS • GOOD • GRACIOUS

Hebrews 3:12-13

Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an evil, unbelieving heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called “today,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin.

James 1:13-15

Let no one say when he is tempted, “I am being tempted by God,” for God cannot be tempted with evil, and he himself tempts no one.

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¹⁴ But each person is tempted when he is lured and enticed by his own desire.

¹⁵ Then desire when it has conceived gives birth to sin, and sin when it is fully grown brings forth death.

Ephesians 4:17-24

But that is not the way you learned Christ!—²¹ assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, ²² to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires,

Ephesians 4:17-24

²³ and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, ²⁴ and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.

God is Glorious

- An evil/unbelieving heart [Hebrews 3:12-13]
- Our own desires → lead us to sin → death [James 1:13-15]
- Old self that is corrupt through deceitful desires [Ephesians 4:17-24]

God is Glorious

1. There is a problem [spiritual malady].
2. That problem is IN US.
3. IF that problem is not handled it will lead us away from God/ harden our hearts/lead us to sin/bring forth spiritual death .

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4. That problem is part of our former self, but we have been given a new self.

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Beneath every sin and most negative emotions there is a lie.

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A heart idol is a false god that has eclipsed the true God in our thoughts or in our affections.

God is Glorious

1. A description of the attributes/character of God
2. Tool that helps us to identify unbelief and idols of the heart.
3. A weapon that destroys the lie/deposes the idol with a specific truth.

Psalm 19:1-2

The heavens declare the glory of God,
and the sky above proclaims his
handiwork.

² Day to day pours out speech, and
night to night reveals knowledge.

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The proper response to the glory of
God: Fear

1. Afraid
2. Respect/Admiration/Honor/Esteem:
idea of “living to please”

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Until we love most what is most lovely,
and glorify most what is most glorious,
and value supremely what is supremely
valuable, we will not be living in step
with reality, we will live in bondage and
we will sabotage our lives.