

The Foundations of Human Civilization

A scenic view of a city and a river valley from a high vantage point. In the foreground, a cannon is mounted on a rocky outcrop. The middle ground shows a wide river winding through a valley, with a city and industrial buildings visible in the distance. The background features rolling hills under a hazy sky. The scene is framed by trees with autumn foliage in the foreground and a large tree trunk on the right side.

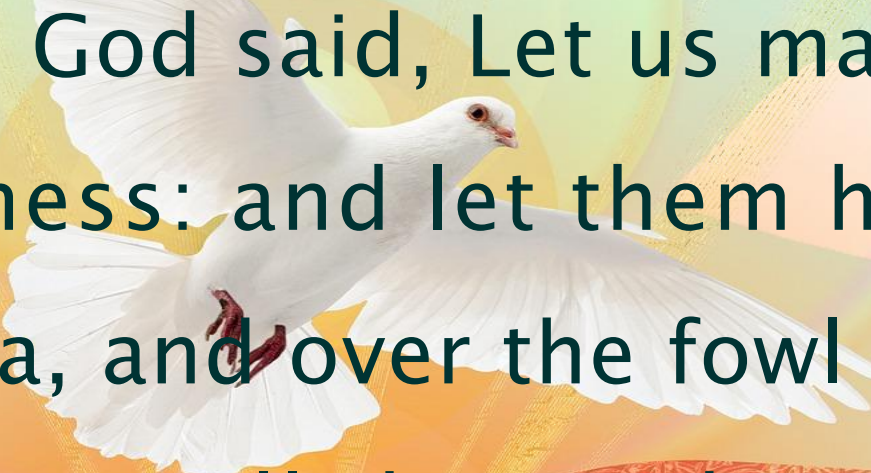
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The Creation of Human Civilization?

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- A white dove is shown in flight, centered in the upper half of the image. The background is a vibrant, abstract composition of overlapping shapes and light rays in shades of green, yellow, orange, and red, creating a sense of radiance and energy. The dove's wings are spread wide, and its tail feathers are visible. The overall aesthetic is bright and hopeful.
- God Created Humanity in His Image
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 - God Created the Sabbath for Humanity.
 - The Primeval Paradise/State of Nature – Created for Humanity
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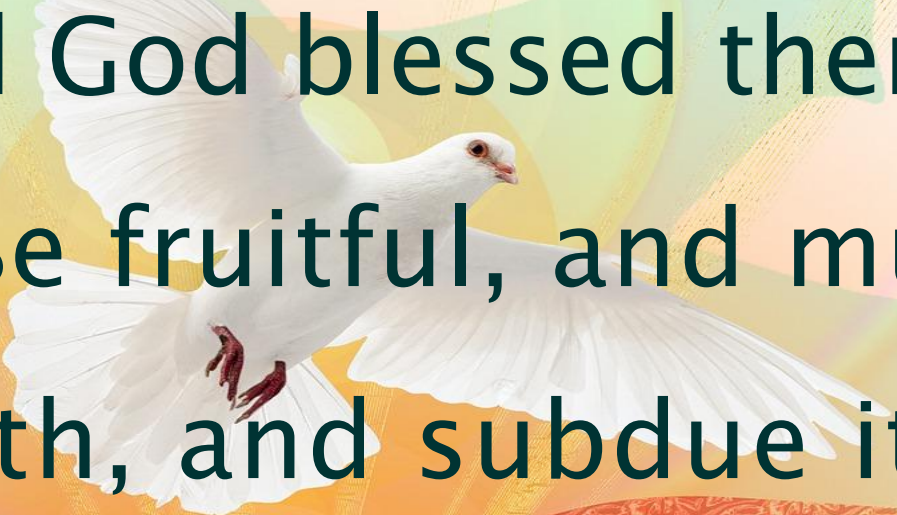
God Created Humanity in His Image

Genesis 1:26–27 And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. (27) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.



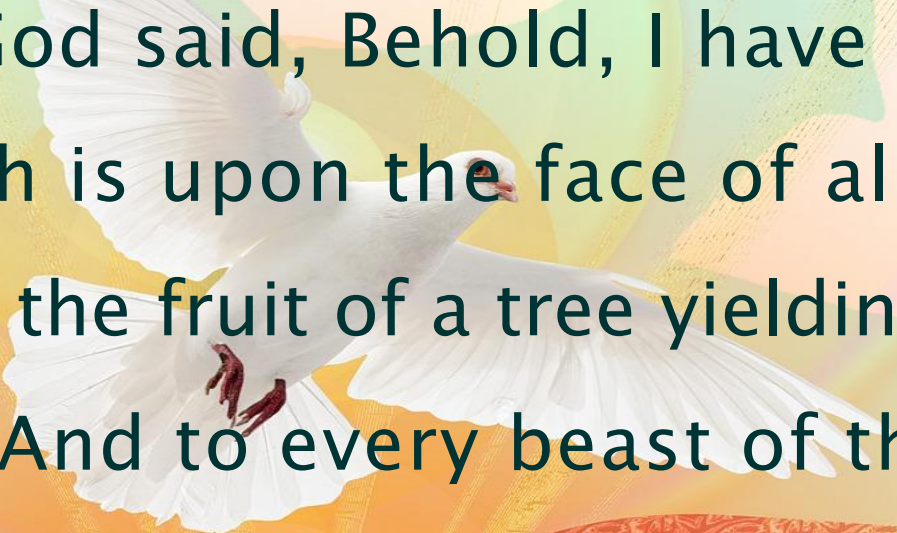
God Created Humanity in His Image to Rule

Genesis 1:28 And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth



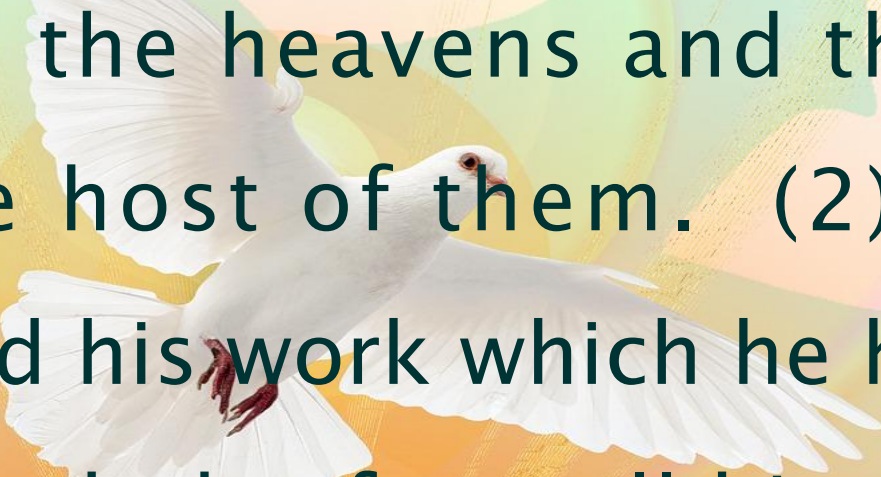
God Created the World Free From Violence

Genesis 1:29–31 And God said, Behold, I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, in the which is the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be for meat. (30) And to every beast of the earth, and to every fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life, I have given every green herb for meat: and it was so. (31) And God saw every thing that he had made, and, behold, it was very good. And the evening and the morning were the sixth day.

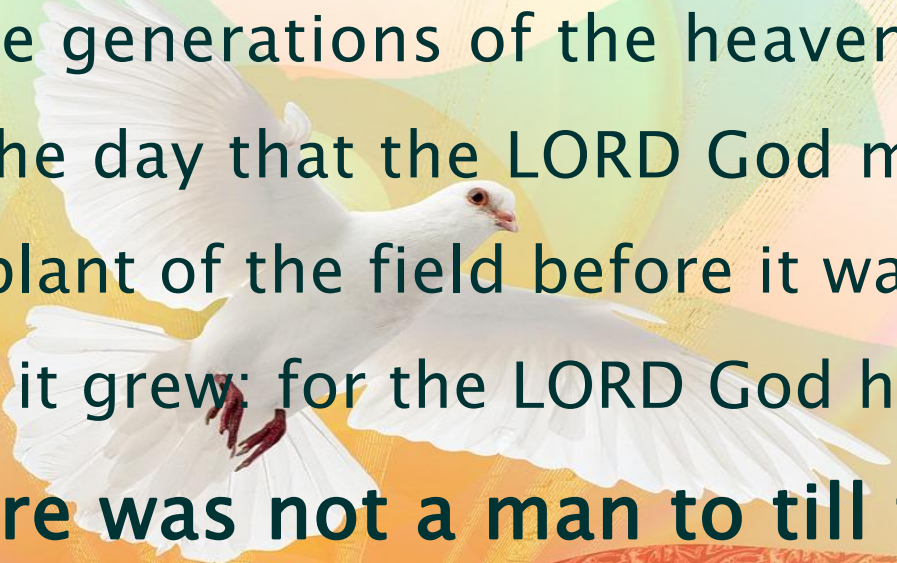


God Created the Sabbath for Humanity

Genesis 2:1–3 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. (2) And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. (3) And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made.

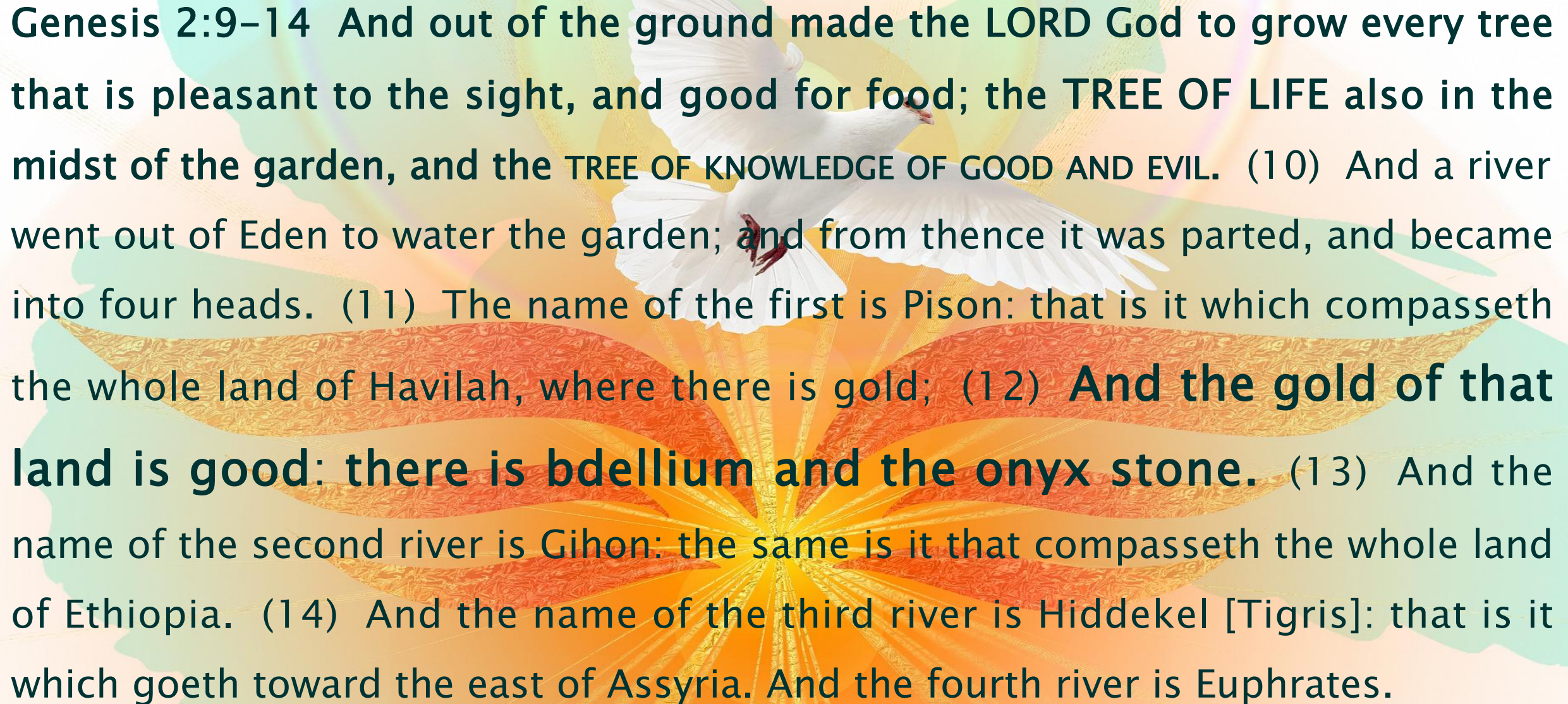
A white dove is shown in flight, wings spread wide, positioned centrally in the upper half of the image. The background is a vibrant, abstract composition of overlapping shapes and light rays. A large, stylized leaf or petal shape in shades of orange and red dominates the lower half, with golden light rays radiating from its center. The overall color palette includes greens, yellows, oranges, and reds, creating a warm and luminous atmosphere.

The Primeval Paradise/State of Nature - Created for Humanity

A white dove is shown in flight, wings spread, against a background of a sunburst and a large, stylized leaf. The sunburst is a bright yellow and orange circular pattern with rays emanating from the center. The leaf is a large, stylized shape with a textured, orange and yellow pattern, resembling a maple leaf. The background is a mix of light green and yellow colors.

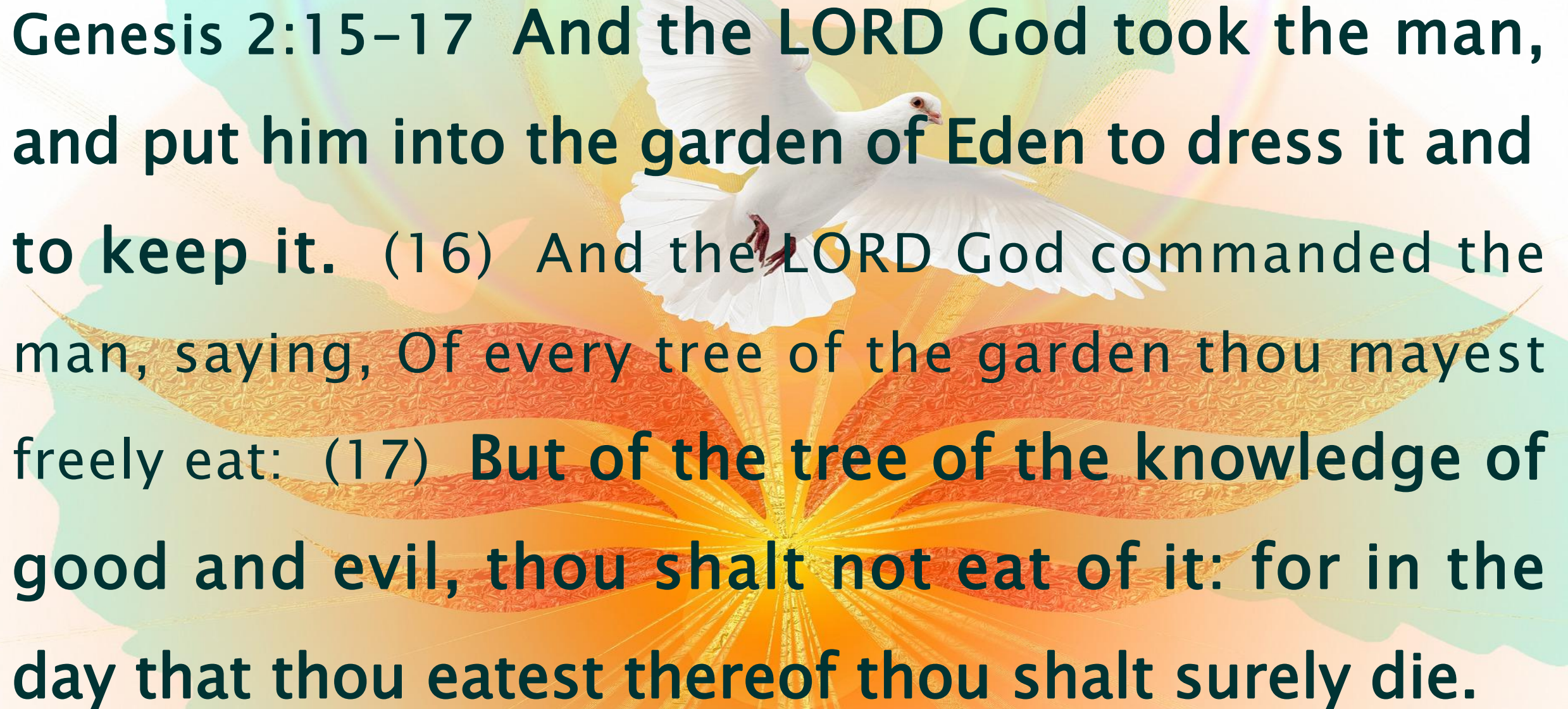
Genesis 2:4–8 These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, (5) And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and **there was not a man to till the ground.** (6) **But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground.** (7) **And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.** (8) **And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed.**

God Richly Provided All Common Grace to All Humanity



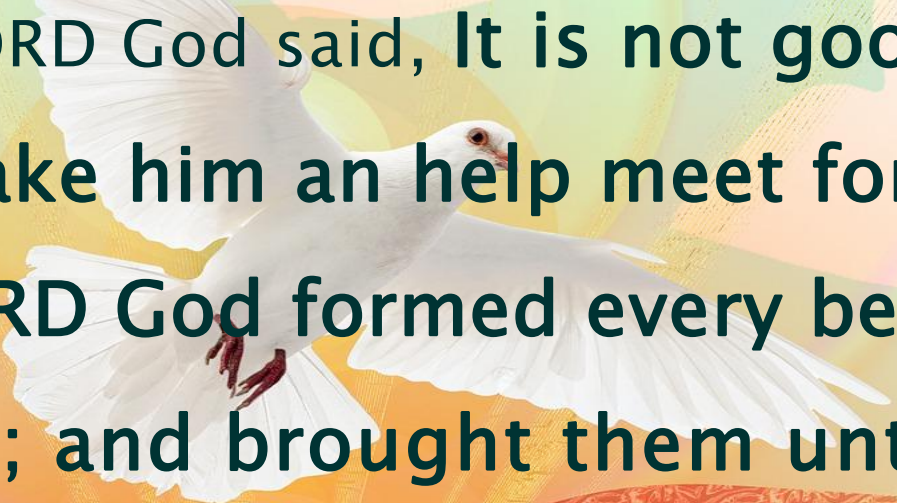
Genesis 2:9–14 And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the TREE OF LIFE also in the midst of the garden, and the TREE OF KNOWLEDGE OF GOOD AND EVIL. (10) And a river went out of Eden to water the garden; and from thence it was parted, and became into four heads. (11) The name of the first is Pison: that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold; (12) **And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.** (13) And the name of the second river is Gihon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia. (14) And the name of the third river is Hiddekel [Tigris]: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.

The Foundation of Economics and Liberty?



Genesis 2:15–17 And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. (16) And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: (17) **But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.**

The Foundation of Social Constucts



Genesis 2:18–20 And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. (19) And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. (20) And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him.

Adam could not solve his problem
of loneliness by simply

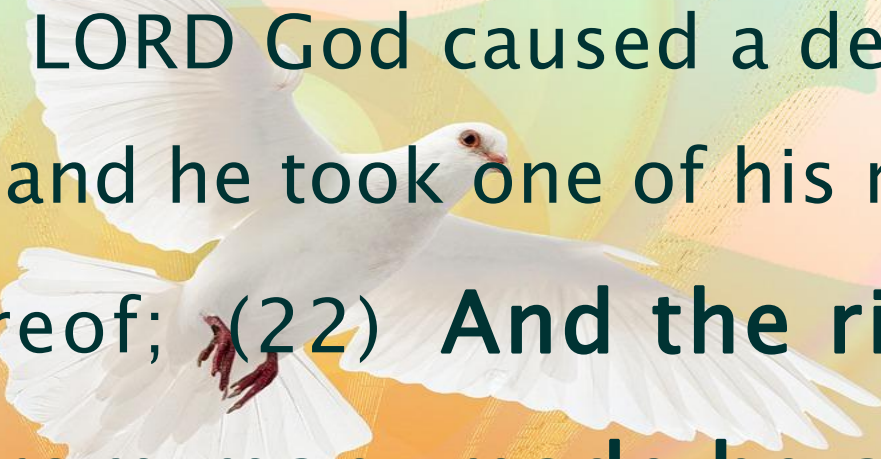
IDENTIFYING AS in regards to

either himself or another creature,

Why?

The Foundation of Gender

Genesis 2:21–25 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; (22) **And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man.** (23) And Adam said, **This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man...**



The Foundation of Marriage?

Genesis 2:21–25 ...Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. (25) And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

