

## The Two Seeds In Mortal Conflict

spirit vs flesh  
truth vs error  
above vs beneath  
holy vs unholy  
wise vs foolish  
light vs darkness  
good vs evil  
life vs death

two seeds  
two ways  
two women  
two trees  
two houses  
two masters  
two cities  
two communities

## The Continuous Theme Of Scripture

- ▣ **Genesis 3:15** - "And I will put **enmity** between thee (the **serpent**) and the **woman**, and between **thy seed** and **her seed**; he shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel".
- ▣ **Romans 8:6-7** - "For the minding of the **flesh** is death, but the minding of the **spirit** is life and peace. Because the minding of the **flesh** is **enmity** against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be".
- ▣ **Galatians 5:16-17** - "Walk in the **spirit**, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the **flesh**. For the **flesh** lusteth against the **spirit**, and the **spirit** against the **flesh**: and these are **contrary** (**opposed**) one to the other".

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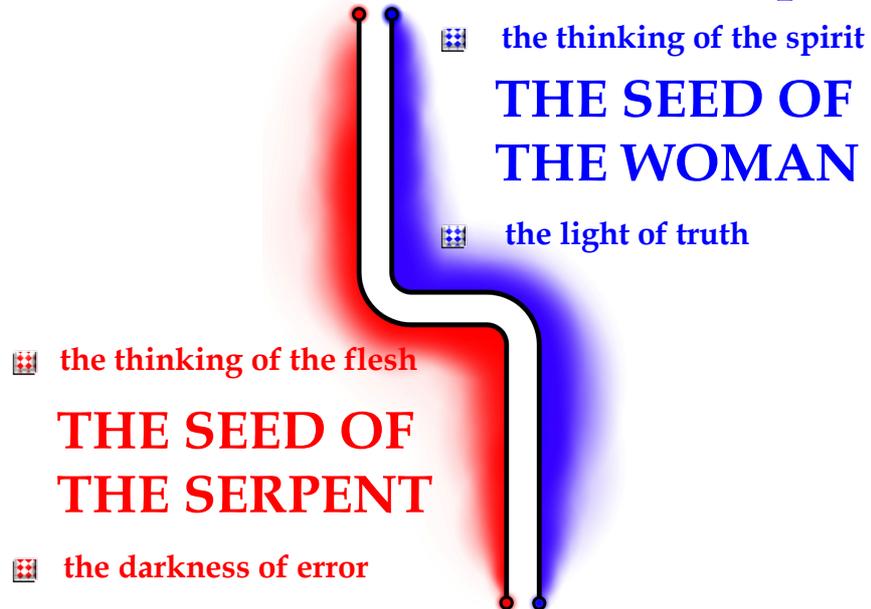
- ▣ "For God shall bring every work into judgment, with every secret thing, whether it be **good**, or whether it be **evil**".
 

**Ecclesiastes 12:14**
- ▣ "Abhor that which is **evil**; cleave to that which is **good**. Be not overcome of **evil**, but overcome evil with **good**".
 

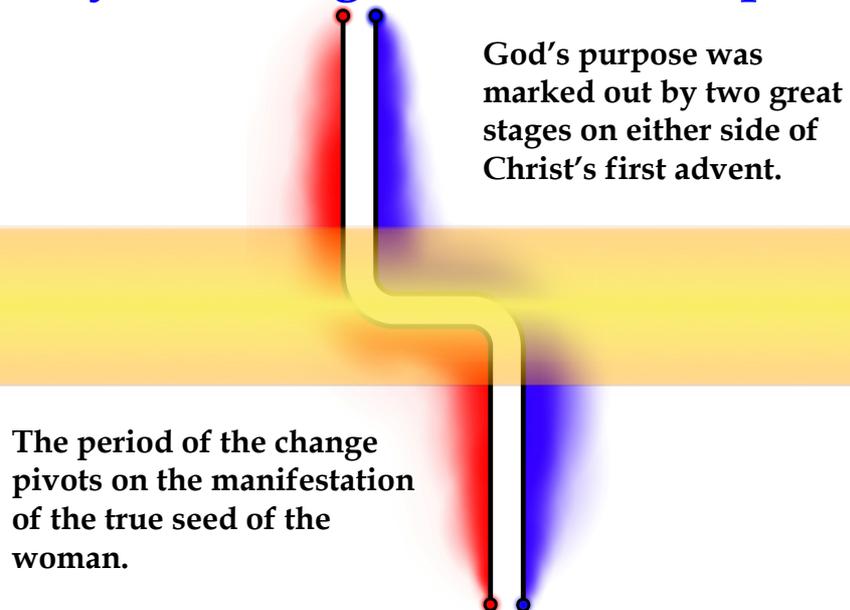
**Romans 12:9,21**
- ▣ "Beloved, follow not that which is **evil**, but that which is **good**. He that doeth **good** is of God: but he that doeth **evil** hath not seen God".
 

**3 John 11**

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## Why Two Stages In God's Purpose?



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The Prophecy of  
Daniel  
(Daniel)

The Prophecy of  
Christ  
(Olivet)

The Prophecy of  
John  
(Revelation)

## Two Key Prophecies

<p><b>DANIEL</b></p> <p>Daniel 1:1, 21.  Daniel 1:1-3.  Daniel 10:11  Daniel 10:9-11  Daniel 7:15, 8:27  Daniel 10:19</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☒ Visions as an old man</li> <li>☒ Banished into exile</li> <li>☒ Man greatly beloved</li> <li>☒ Symbolic death &amp; res</li> <li>☒ Emotionally involved</li> <li>☒ Comforted by angel</li> </ul>
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- ☒ **Revelation 12:15-17** - "And the **serpent** cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the **woman**...and was wroth with the woman, and went to make war (**enmity**) with the remnant of **her seed**, which keep the the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus".

## The Seed Of The Serpent Is At War

☒ "I am convinced that **the battle** for mankind's future must be waged and won... by teachers who correctly perceive their role as the proselytisers of **a new faith: a religion of humanity** that recognises and respects the spark of divinity in every human being. These teachers must embody the same dedication as the most rabid fundamentalist preachers, for they will be ministers of another sort, utilising the classroom instead of the pulpit to convey **Humanist values**.

The classroom must and will become **an arena of conflict** between the old and the new - **the rotting corpse of Christianity**, and **the new faith of Humanism**".

J Dunphy, *The Humanist*  
Jan/Feb 1983

## Evidence Of The Serpent's Bite

	Adults	Teenagers
☒ Do you agree with this statement: <b>Moral truth is relative to circumstances</b>	64.00%	83.00%
☒ Do you agree with this statement: <b>Moral truth is absolute and unchanging</b>	22.00%	6.00%

Barna Research, USA  
2002

## God Operates In Absolute Truths

☒ "And God said, let there be **light**: and there was **light**. And God saw the **light** that it was **good**: and God divided the **light** from the darkness".

**Genesis 1:3-4**

☒ "When I looked for **good**, then **evil** came unto me: and when I waited for **light**, there came **darkness**".

**Job 30:26**

☒ "light is come into the world, and men loved **darkness** rather than light, because their deeds were **evil**. For every one that doeth **evil** hateth the light".

**John 3:19-20**

## The Evil Doctrine Of The Seed Of The Serpent

is a mode of thinking known as

**the thinking of the flesh**

which is utterly focused on

**SELF**

## Recognising Postmodern Thinking

- I desire to find spirituality within my own life as a personal experience.
- I believe in toleration of others on the basis that every opinion is equally right and valid.
- I am seeking practical answers to life not based on any particular philosophy.
- I am looking for a truth that I can relate to and that works for me.
- I can only see life from my own perspective as reality is too complex to understand.

## Recognising Postmodern Thinking

- I dislike any rules as they infringe on my liberty to decide my own code of conduct.
- I believe that no one philosophy can provide the answers to all the complexities of life.
- I am happy to have my truth, and happy for you to have your truth also.
- I prefer to judge social issues based on my intuitive feelings rather than right vs wrong.
- I dislike it when one group argue that their view or belief is better than others.

## The Secret Power Of The Seed Of The Woman

is a mode of thinking known as

the thinking of the spirit

which is utterly focused on

# GOD

## Man In A State Of Ignorant Darkness

☒ “The path of the just is as the shining **light**...the way of the wicked is as **darkness**: they **know not** at what they stumble”.

**Proverbs 4:18-19**

☒ “For he cometh in... and departeth in **darkness**, and his name shall be covered in **darkness**. Moreover he hath not seen the sun **nor known** any thing”.

**Ecclesiastes 6:4-5**

☒ “Walk while ye have the **light**, lest **darkness** come upon you, for he that walketh in **darkness knoweth not** whither he goeth”.

**John 12:35**

## God The Source Of Enlightenment

☒ "For thou wilt **light** my lamp: the LORD my God will **enlighten** my **darkness**".

**Psalm 18:28**

☒ "He revealeth the deep and secret things: **he knoweth** what is in the **darkness**, and the **light** dwelleth with him".

**Daniel 2:22**

☒ "that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of **darkness** into his marvellous **light**".

**1 Peter 2:9**

## The Power Of Scriptural Reasoning

☒ Using Bible principles to assess and the solve a problem, helps us to view the whole matter from the Divine perspective.

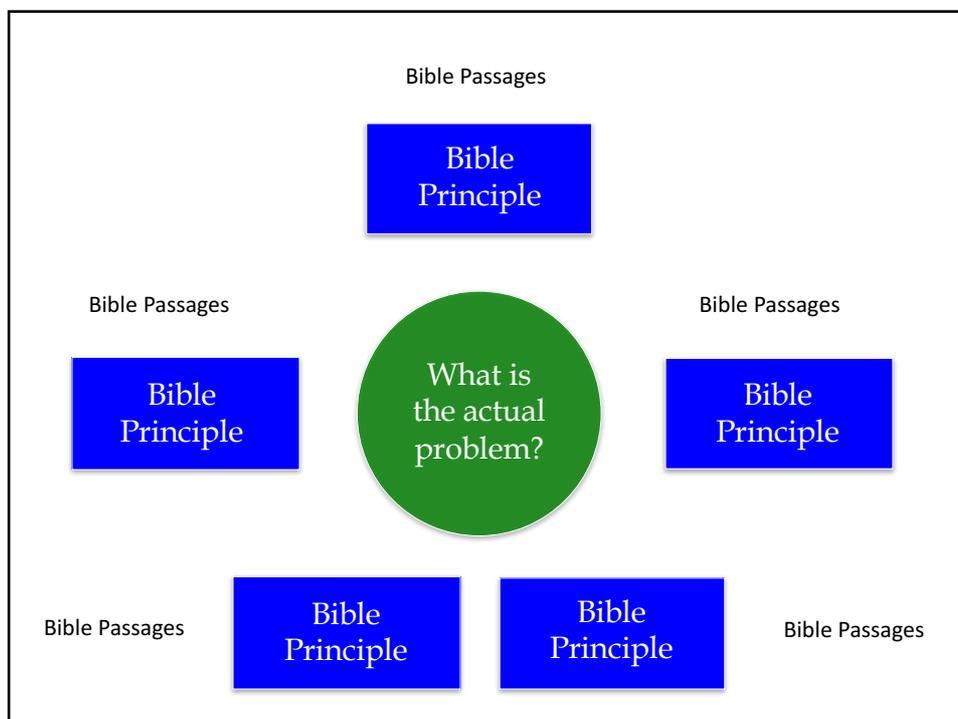
☒ Any problem may have several Bible principles that might be brought to bear on arriving at a scripturally sound answer.

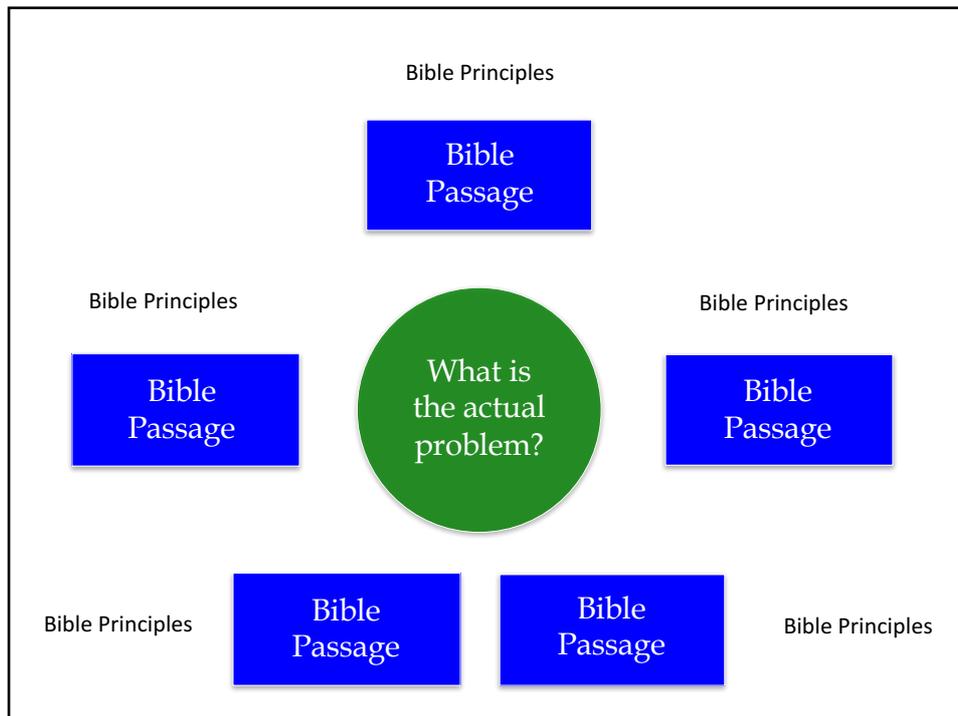
☒ Bible principles are by their very nature non-specific, and therefore their application to a specific problem has to be thought out carefully.

☒ If we cannot find satisfactory Bible principles to support what we are doing, then we need to think about whether to continue or not.

## The Process Of Spiritual Thinking

- ▣ What is an accurate definition and summary of the actual problem?
- ▣ What Bible principles might be directly involved in this problem?
- ▣ What specific Bible passages could be relevant to this problem?
- ▣ What overall Biblical solution should be applied to this problem?





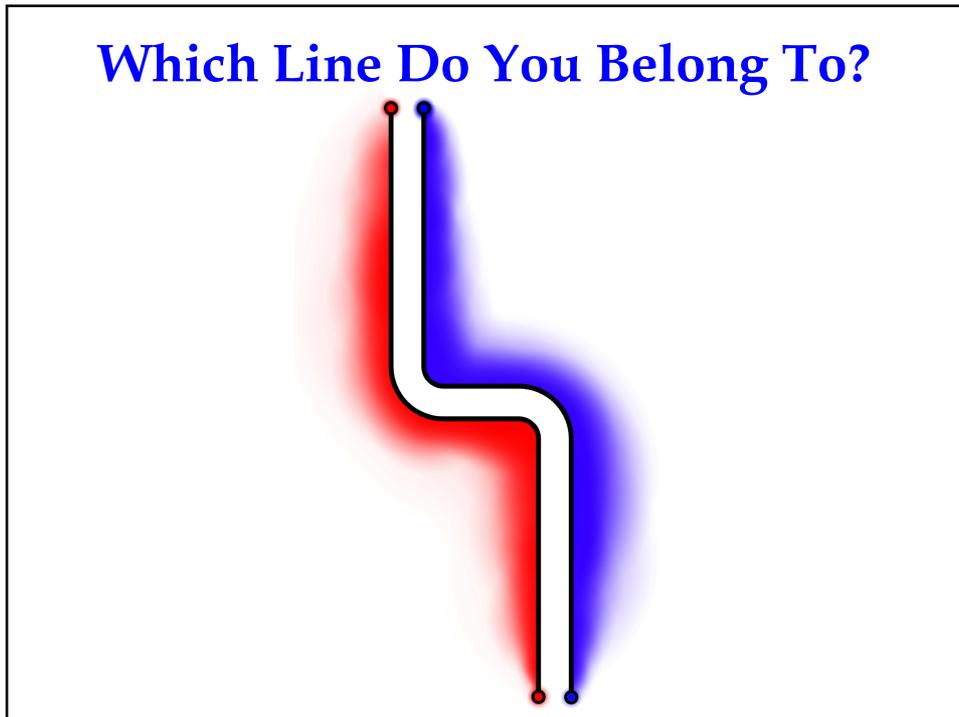
## Case Study For Scriptural Reasoning

### The challenge of social media

☒ "A sister is well connected to the ecclesial world via her Facebook Page. Her knowledge of, and keen interest in the lives and circumstances of brothers and sisters in many places is extensive, and she is aware of endless 'news items' from the ecclesial vineyard. But her attendance at her own ecclesia is erratic, and her actual involvement in any capacity is very limited.

**Should she close her account and renew her ecclesial participation, or should she try to maintain involvement in both?**

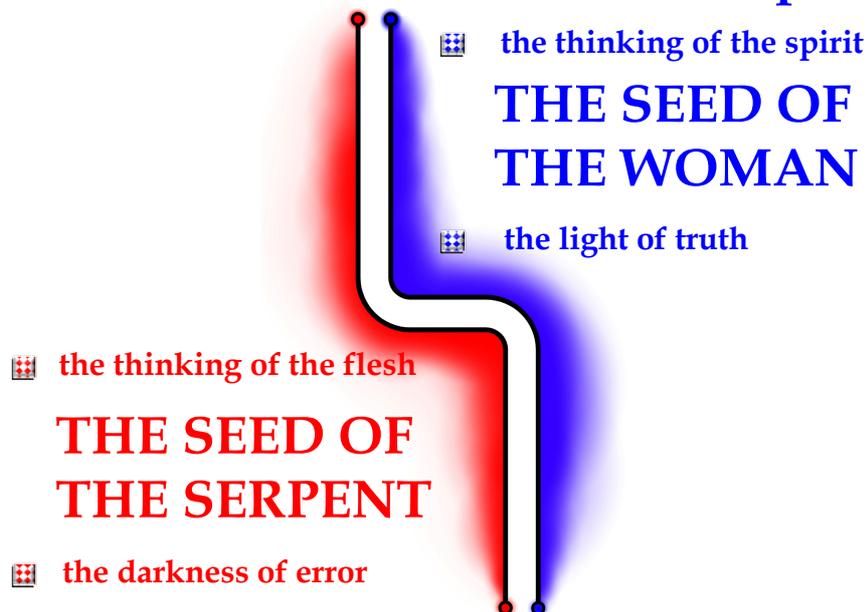
**Discuss the Scriptural principles involved in both the issue and its wise resolution.**



**Digital | Virtual vs Spiritual | Ecclesial**

Sending text messages		Doing daily Bible readings	
Writing email		Engaging in daily Bible meditation	
Using social media		Reading the writings of the brotherhood	
Surfing websites		Offering daily personal prayer	
Watching movies		Attending ecclesial activities	
Playing Games		Contributing to the work of the Truth	

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## The Practise of Spiritual Thinking

- ▣ **Personal Prayers**  
Three times a day  
**Morning - Noon - Evening**
- ▣ **Bible Readings**  
Three times a day  
**Bible Companion portions**
- ▣ **Bible Study & Meditation**  
Three times a week  
**Have a specific topic and time**
- ▣ **Book Readings**  
Three times a week  
**Have a book beside the bed**

