



Understanding God's Gift of Restoration

Man's Destruction and God's Restoration Quick Study Guide

I. Man's destruction.

- The first spiritual catastrophe occurred between Genesis 1:1 and 1:2.
- Lucifer was an anointed archangel of God, but evil was found in him.
- Lucifer declared war against God and heaven—and was defeated.
- God created man with spiritual authority and the life of God, things that Satan wanted.
- Satan maneuvered Adam, positioning him to commit treason against God.
- To free man, God had to deliver him from Satan and from sin.

II. God's plan of restoration.

- God redeemed, or restored, man.
- God wanted to love and have fellowship with mankind.
- God made man with abilities and dominion that no other created being had.
- Jesus' selfless act of substitution satisfied the debt barrier that kept God and man apart.
- Because of Jesus' death on the cross, man can now get free from the control of Satan and live in fellowship with God.
- Jesus paid the price for you!



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Scriptures to Contemplate

Genesis 1:1-2

"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was formless and empty, and darkness covered the deep waters" (NLT).

Isaiah 14:13-14

"For you said to yourself, 'I will ascend to heaven and set my throne above God's stars. I will preside on the mountain of the gods far away in the north. I will climb to the highest heavens and be like the Most High'" (NLT).

Psalm 8:5

"You made us a little lower than you yourself, and you have crowned us with glory and honor" (CEV).

Confession

Heavenly Father, I believe that Your gift of redemption is real in my life. All the things You said in Your Word about me are true. I step out in faith, believe God's Word, speak God's will in my life and in the lives of those around me and expect successful results. Jesus redeemed me from the curse of sin and death, so that I may live for God! I am redeemed!

In the Name of Jesus Christ, Amen.
