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DISCIPLESHIP PATHWAY

1

Unbeliever

2

Seeker

3

Believer

4

Disciple

5

Disciple-Maker

Gospels	People	Crowds	The 5000 The 4000	The Twelve The 72	The Three
1 Jn 2:12-14	Unconceived	Unborn	Little child	Young man	Father
Heb 5:12-14	No food	Milk	Milk	Solid food	Solid food
Jn 15:1-8	No fruit	No fruit	Fruit	More fruit	Much fruit
Mt 25:16-18	No talents	No talents	One talent	Four talents	Ten talents
Mt 13:18-23 Lk 8:11-15	Seed on path	Seed on path	Seed on rock Seed among thorns	Seed on good soil	Seed that produces fruit

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Through Faith Alone

In Jesus Alone

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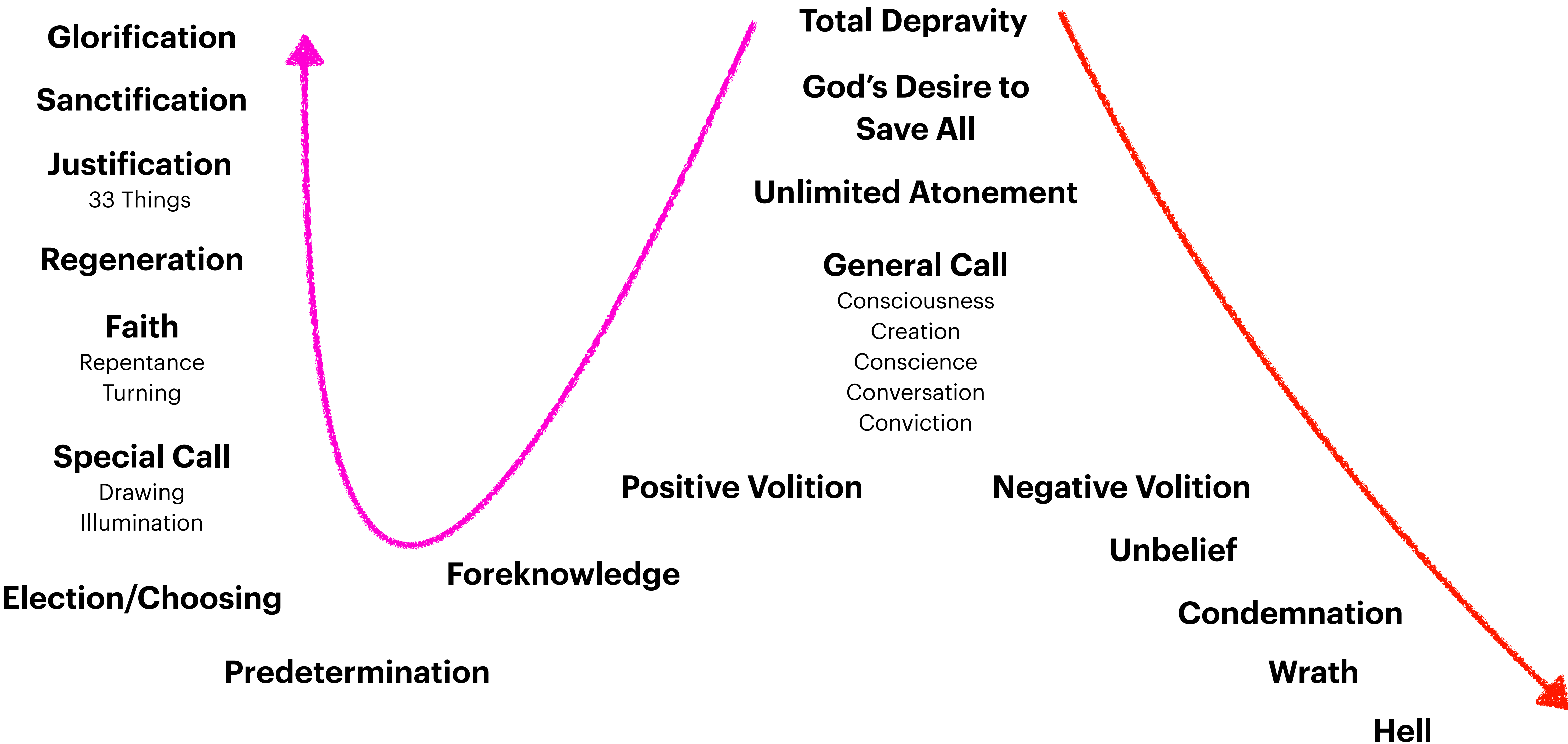
JOHN 6

John 6:37 37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.

John 6:44 44 No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.

John 6:64-65 64 But there are some of you [disciples] who do not believe. (For Jesus knew from the beginning who those were who did not believe, and who it was who would betray him.) 65 And he said, This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father.

ORDER OF SALVATION



THREE PHASES OF SALVATION

Phase Zero	Phase One	Phase Two	Phase Three
Condemnation	Justification	Sanctification	Glorification
Saved from <u>nothing</u>	Saved from the <u>penalty</u> of sin	Saved from the <u>power</u> of sin	Saved from the <u>presence</u> of sin
Life as an unbeliever	Moment of faith in Jesus	Believer's lifetime	Eternity future
No faith or works	Faith alone	Faith and works	Works alone

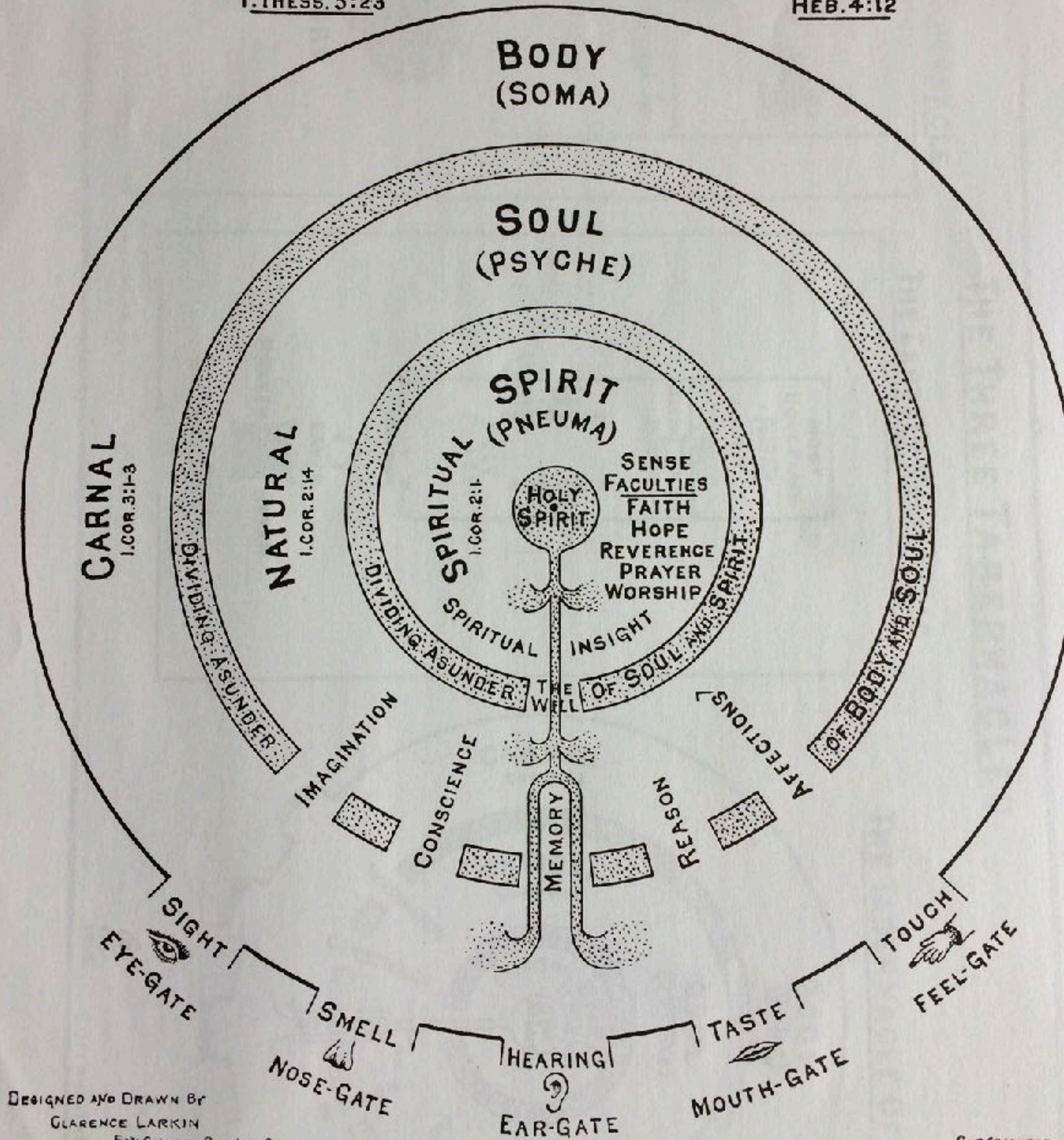
TOTAL DEPRAVITY

- **Every aspect of our being has been corrupted by the fall.**
- **This includes our bodies, our souls, and our spirits.**
- **Unbelievers can produce human good, but not divine good.**
- **We are not as depraved as we possibly could be.**
- **Don't understate total depravity, but also don't overstate it.**

THE THREEFOLD NATURE OF MAN

1. THESS. 5:23

HEB. 4:12



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GOD'S DESIRE TO SAVE ALL

- **As you read the Bible, substitute the verb or noun “will” with “desire.”**
- **God desired to create free will creatures—angels and men.**
- **God desires every person to be saved.**
- **By his own desire, God doesn't get everything he desires.**
- **By not getting everything he desires, God gets what he desires.**

UNLIMITED ATONEMENT

- On the cross, Jesus paid the judicial penalty for every human sin, without exception.
- One gets the benefit of Jesus' atonement only when he/she believes in Jesus.
- The sin of unbelief is different in kind from all other sins. Jesus' unlimited atonement does not extend to the sin of unbelief.
- People are condemned to hell not because of personal sins, but because of unbelief.
- Some Scriptures do relate Jesus' atonement particularly to believers.
 - However, Jesus dying for the sins of believers does not preclude him from dying for the sins of unbelievers.
 - We cannot make a firm conclusion about unbelievers from descriptions about believers.

GOD'S GENERAL CALL

- **God's general call is universal, sustained, and finite.**
- **God issues his general call through the five Cs:**
 - **Consciousness**
 - **Creation**
 - **Conscience**
 - **Conversation**
 - **The Great Conversation**
 - **Evangelism**
 - **Conviction of the Spirit**







KALAM COSMOLOGICAL ARGUMENT

GOD'S EXISTENCE

- 1. Anything that begins to exist has a cause.**
- 2. The universe began to exist.**
- 3. Therefore, the universe must have a cause.**
- 4. This cause must be eternal and uncaused.**
- 5. God is the most reasonable explanation for such an uncaused first cause.**

TELEOLOGICAL ARGUMENT

GOD'S EXISTENCE

- 1. Structures and systems that: (1) cannot be explained by some natural law requiring their appearance; (2) exist in spite of the high improbability they could result from chance; and (3) conform to an independently existing and recognisable pattern are most reasonably explained as coming from the design efforts of an intelligent agent.**
- 2. Biological systems possess characteristics these characteristics (e.g., information contained in the DNA code).**
- 3. Biological systems are, therefore, most reasonably explained as coming from the design efforts of an intelligent agent.**
- 4. God is the most reasonable explanation for such an incredibly wise, all-powerful, intelligent agent.**

ANTHROPIC PRINCIPLE

GOD'S EXISTENCE

- **The physical constraints and laws of the universe appear to be uniquely and specifically related to one another (fine-tuned), making life possible on earth.**
- **The fine-tuned relationships of these laws and constants appear to be designed (as their existence by natural unguided means seems improbable and unlikely).**
- **A design requires an intelligent designer. An incredibly vast and complex design requires an incredibly intelligent and powerful designer.**
- **God is the most reasonable explanation for such a vast, universal designer (and fine-tuner).**

MORAL ARGUMENT

GOD'S EXISTENCE

- 1. There is an objective, transcendent moral law.**
- 2. Every moral law has a lawgiver.**
- 3. Therefore, there is an objective, transcendent moral lawgiver.**
- 4. God is the most reasonable explanation for such a transcendent moral lawgiver.**