



# UNIT 2: THEISM CHRISTIANITY

## Lesson 8: The Fall

# READ ROMANS 1:18-32 AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

1. What is God's response to those who ignore and disobey Him?
2. Why do people have no excuse about obeying God?
3. When people deny God, what do they often put in His place?
4. What lie do people naturally believe by denying the truth?
5. What is the result of people refusing to acknowledge God?

# What went wrong with the world?

- In other words, what is the source of evil and suffering?
- Sin is the source of evil and suffering

# Sin is....

- Rebellion against God
- Missing the mark
- Crossing God's boundaries
- A failure to let God be God



# Why am I here?

- I am here to be reconciled to a loving God
- I am here to follow His plan for my life
- I am here to allow Jesus his rightful place as Lord of my life

- Today we struggle between two viewpoints
- Utopian Theory
- Original Sin

# Utopian Theory

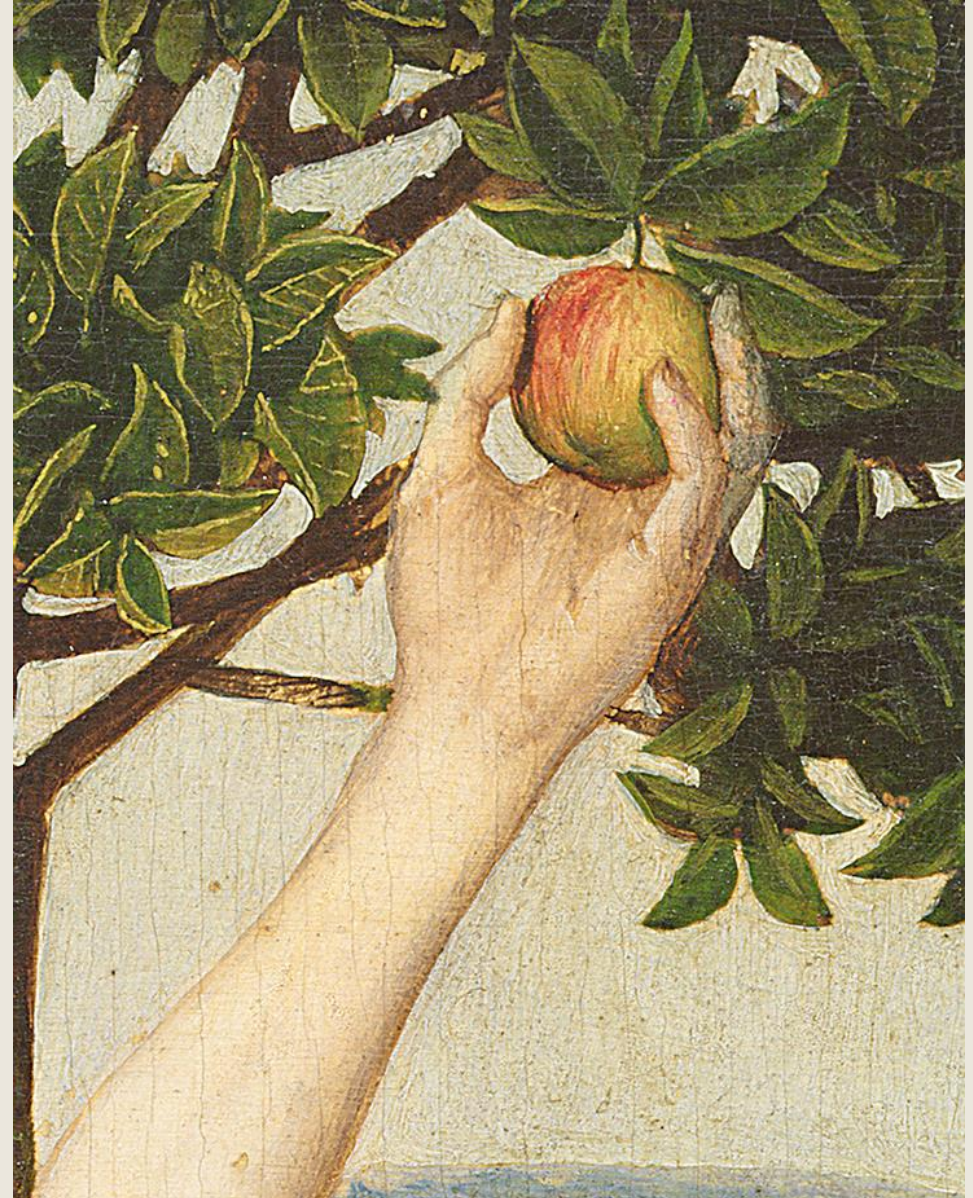
- The view that believes humans are basically good and, under the right social conditions, their goodness will emerge





# Original sin

- Because of the first sin, humans are morally corrupt and have a natural inclination to do wrong





# The consequences of sin

- Sin breaks our relationship with God
- Sin alienates us from each other
- The fall affects all nature
- Death became part of the human experience