



The Book of Genesis

In the beginning...
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Genesis Chapter 3

The Fall of Man

The Seed Plot of the Bible

The Vendetta

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Gen 3:1

- ‘Serpent’ = Nachash **והנחש** ‘*The Shining One*’
- Adam made in the image of (like) God – **Gen 1:26**
- Satan (Lucifer) was the ‘anointed Cherub’ – **Ezek 28:14**
- Satan’s sin was pride – **1 Tim 3:6**
- Satan wanted to be ‘like God’ – **Isaiah 14:14**

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- ‘Subtle’ = Aruwm ערום ‘wise, full of wisdom, prudent’
- Satan goes for the weak part of our flesh
- Satan exploits a lack of understanding of God’s Word
- Satan’s principle attack is to make us doubt God’s Word
- Satan’s calls into question God’s character

Let a man question the inspiration of the Scriptures and a curious, even monstrous, inversion takes place: thereafter he judges the Word instead of letting the Word judge him; he determines what the Word should teach instead of permitting it to determine what he should believe; he edits, amends, strikes out, adds at his pleasure; but always he sits above the Word and makes it amenable to him instead of kneeling before God and becoming amenable to the Word.

(Tozer, "The Wrath of God, What is it?",
"Man the Dwelling Place of God," chapter 26.)

22 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.

Matt 22:29

Eve's Response

² And the woman said unto the serpent, We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

³ But of the fruit of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God hath said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ye touch it, lest ye die.

Gen 3:2-3

- Revelation 22:18 / Proverbs 30:6 ... *do not add!*
- Lack of humility? – why not go get Adam?

Deception: Phase 2 & 3

⁴ And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die:

⁵ For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.

Gen 3:4-5

- Phase 1: Causing to doubt God's word
- Phase 2: Bold and outright lie to cause uncertainty
 - *Why not go get Adam at this point?*
- Phase 3: 'Dangling the carrot'

Deciphering Deception

The Lie:

“As a Christian you can’t do _____, you’re missing out”

“God just doesn’t want you to have fun”

The Truth:

“I don’t need to experience _____ to have the fullness of life that God intends for me.”

NB: You cannot control sin

Where is the Fruit?

¹⁶ Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey, his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

Romans 6:16

²¹ What fruit had ye then in those things whereof ye are now ashamed?

Romans 6:21

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¹⁵ Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him.

¹⁶ For all that is in the world, the **lust of the flesh**, and the **lust of the eyes**, and the **pride of life**, is not of the Father, but is of the world.

¹⁷ And the world passeth away, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of God abideth for ever.

Self becomes king

⁷ And the eyes of them both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together, and made themselves aprons.

Gen 3:7

- Religion introduced – man's attempt to cover sin

Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to
Moses, even over them that had not sinned
after the similitude of Adam's transgression,
who is the figure of him that was to come.

Romans 5:14

*And Adam was not deceived, but the woman
being deceived was in the transgression.*

1 Timothy 2:14

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- Church = “Bride” Isa 62:5;
2 Cor 11:2;
Rev 21:2; 22:17

Where Can I Go...? (Psalm 139)

⁸ And they heard the voice of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day: and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

⁹ And the LORD God called unto Adam, and said unto him, Where art thou?

¹⁰ And he said, I heard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.

Gen 3:8-10

God Always Does the Seeking

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“Ye have not chosen me,
I have chosen you”

John 15:16

The Shepherd always seeks the sheep

The Consequence of Guilt

¹¹ And he said, Who told thee that thou wast naked? Hast thou eaten of the tree, whereof I commanded thee that thou shouldest not eat?

¹² And the man said, The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree, and I did eat.

¹³ And the LORD God said unto the woman, What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said, The serpent beguiled me, and I did eat.

Gen 3:11-13

God Declares War!

¹⁴ And the LORD God said unto the serpent, Because thou hast done this, thou art cursed above all cattle, and above every beast of the field; upon thy belly shalt thou go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life:

¹⁵ And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; [He] shall [crush] thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Gen 3:14-15

The Stratagems of Satan

- Corruption of Adam's line Gen 6
- Abraham's seed Gen 12, 20
- Famine Gen 50
- Destruction of male line Ex 1
- Pharaoh's pursuit Ex 14
- The populating of Canaan Gen 12:6
- Against David's line 2 Sam 7

Attacks on David's Line

- Jehoram kills his brothers 2 Chr. 21
- Arabians slew all (but Ahazariah)
- Athaliah kills all (but Joash) 2 Chr. 22
- Hezekiah assaulted, etc. Isa 36, 38
- Haman's attempts Est 3

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- Summary: Rev 12
 - ...and he's not through...

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

Revelation 12:1,2.

And there appeared another wonder in heaven;
and behold a great red dragon, having seven
heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon
his heads.

And his tail drew the third part of the stars of
heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the
dragon stood before the woman which was
ready to be delivered, for to devour her child
as soon as it was born.

Revelation 12:3,4

And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

Revelation 12:5,6

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his
angels fought against the dragon; and the
dragon fought and his angels,
And prevailed not; neither was their place found
any more in heaven.

And the great dragon was cast out, that old
serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which
deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into
the earth, and his angels were cast out with
him.

Revelation 12:7-9

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

Revelation 12:10

The Curse - Woman

¹⁶ Unto the woman he said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception; in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children; and thy desire shall be to thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

Gen 3:16

The Curse - Man

¹⁷ And unto Adam he said, Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake; in sorrow shalt thou eat of it all the days of thy life;

¹⁸ Thorns also and thistles shall it bring forth to thee; and thou shalt eat the herb of the field;

¹⁹ In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it wast thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return.

He Became a Curse

¹³ Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law, being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:

Galatians 3:13

Bearing the Curse

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John 18:8

- Sweat of brow

Sweat as blood

Luke 22:44

Bearing the Curse

- Dust to return

Dust of death

Ps 22:15

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Zech 13:7

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- Man to die

“Why has thou forsaken me?”

Ps 22:1; Mat 27:26

The First Sacrifice

²⁰ And Adam called his wife's name Eve; because she was the mother of all living.

²¹ Unto Adam also and to his wife did the LORD God make coats of skins, and clothed them.

Gen 3:20-21

¹¹ For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

Lev 17:11

Fig Leaves

- Church-going
- Religious exercises
- Ordinances, Rules
- Philanthropy
- Altruism
- Personal Efforts

vs.
Cross

Two Trees, Two Gardens

- The tree of the knowledge of good and evil
 - where man's problem began
- The 'Tree' on Calvary's hill
 - where man's problem was solved
- The Garden of Eden
 - the place where the battle of will was lost
- The Garden of Gethsemane
 - the place where the battle of will was won

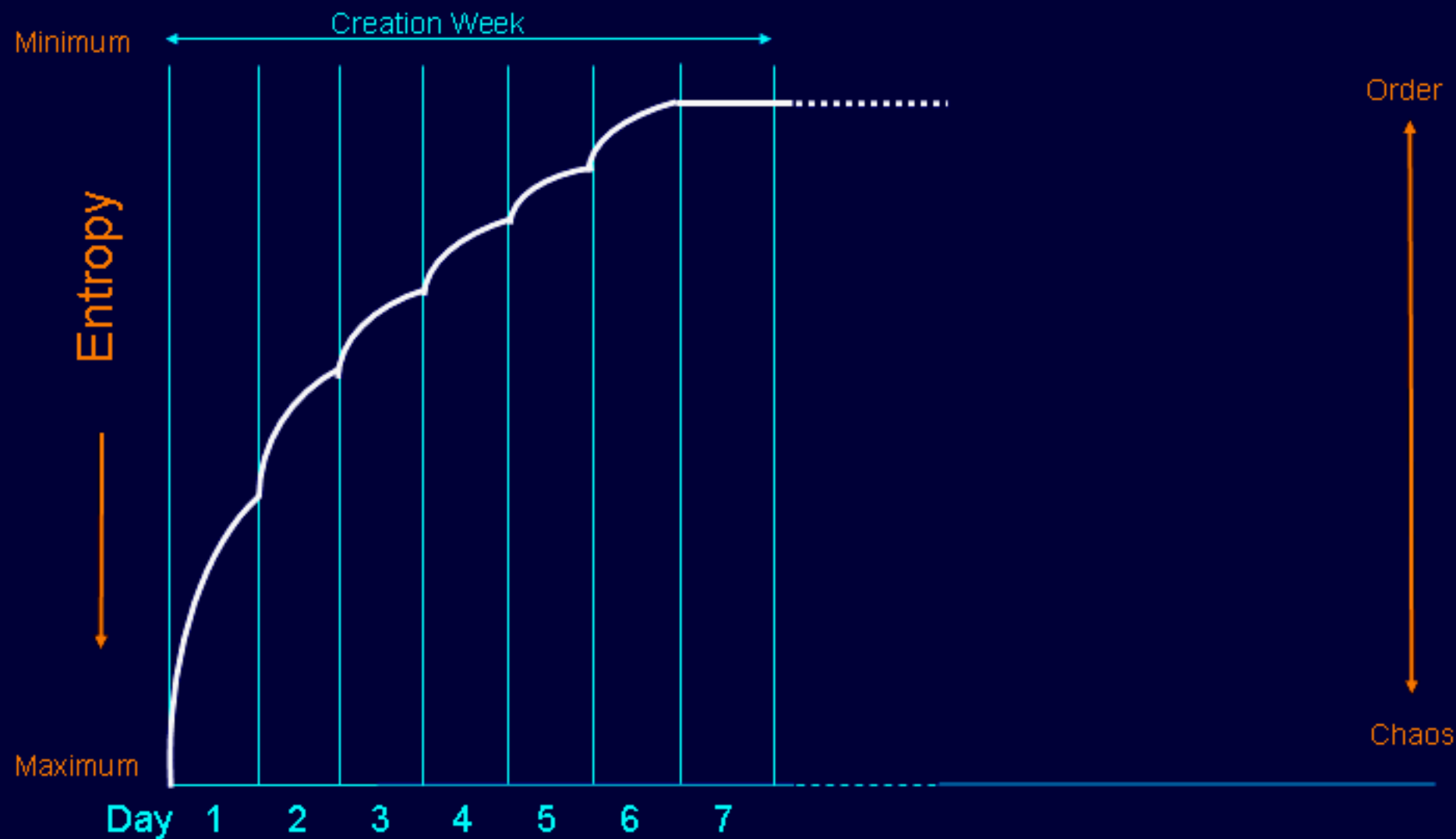
The Way Protected

22 And the LORD God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:

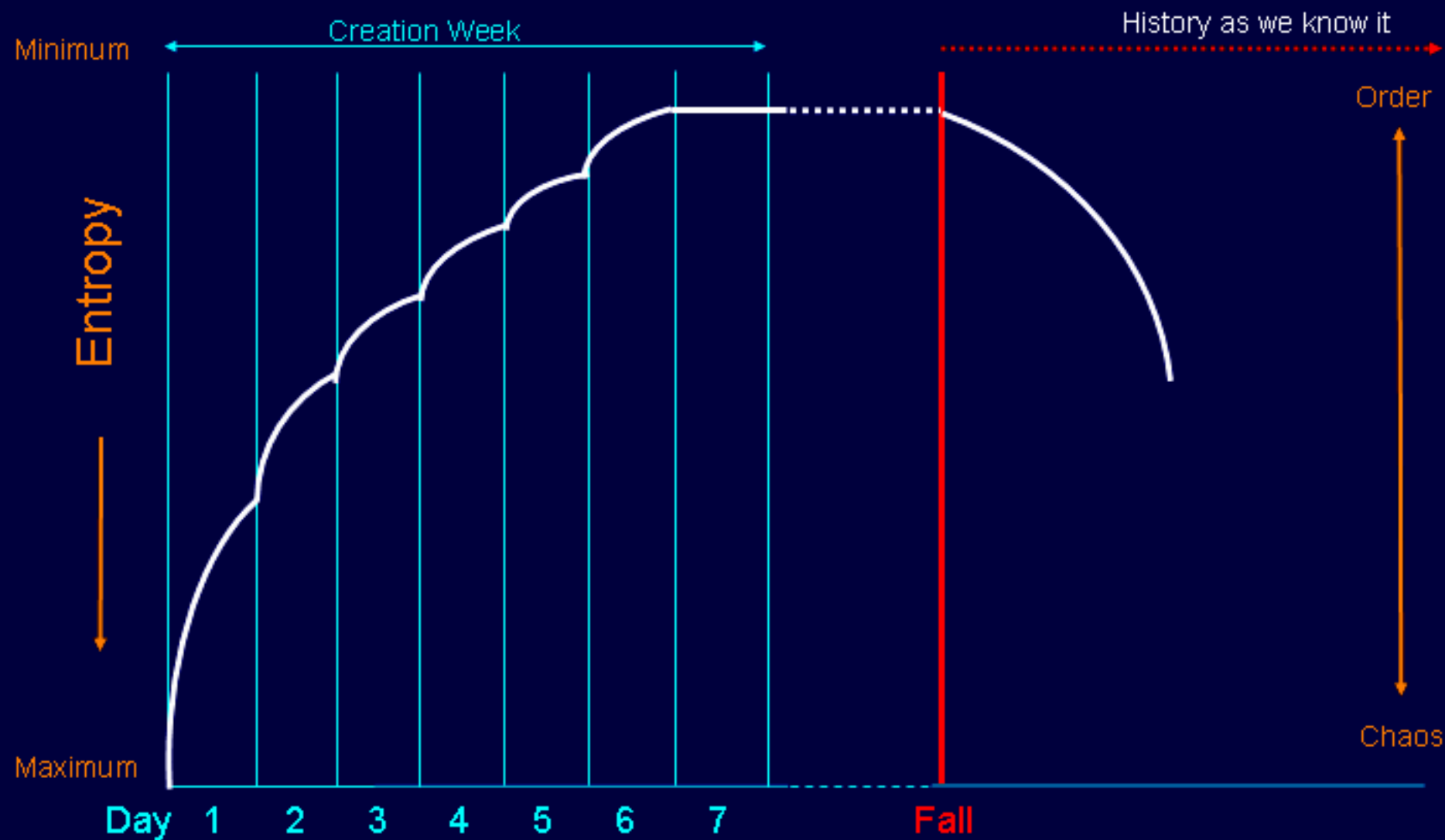
23 Therefore the LORD God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken

24 So he drove out the man; and he placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.

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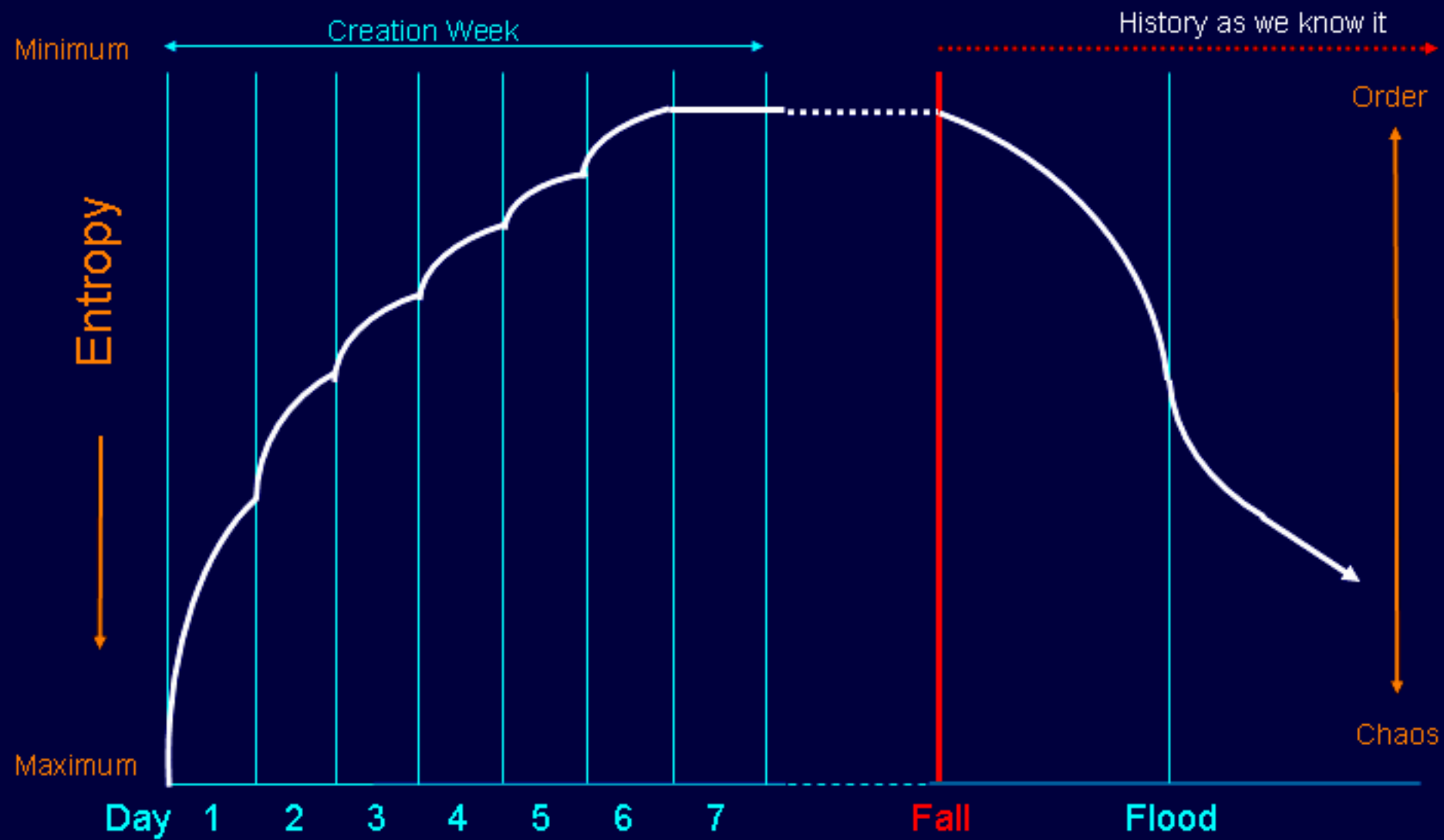
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 - “...a New Heavens and a New Earth”

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The Scarlet Thread Begins

- From the Seed of the Woman Gen 3
- The Call of Abraham Gen 12
- The Tribe of Judah Gen 49
- The Dynasty of David 2 Sam 7
- The Virgin Birth in Bethlehem Isa 7

- To another tree...
 ... in another garden



The Central Theme

- The OT is an account of a Nation.
- The NT is the account of a Man.
- The Creator became a Man. His appearance is the Central Event of all history.
- He died to purchase us and is alive now.
- The most exalted privilege is to know Him. That's what the Bible is all about.

Next Session

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