

“Prophetically, Romans” Chart The Prophetic Divisions of Romans

Holiness (Gen 1:1)

The universe is a holiness engine. It runs on holiness. God, the infinite, could miraculously and perpetually be the source of all blessing (power), but rather he has designed the universe to respond to a profound and counterintuitive spiritual concept - holiness. In the kingdom, mankind's 'work', is to 'be holy'. In essence, man will power his own universe by establishing and maintaining holiness structures. This holiness ecosystem is created by sanctifying the 'good', by dividing the holy from the common. In our current evil environment, holiness requires two divisions: (not necessarily in this order)

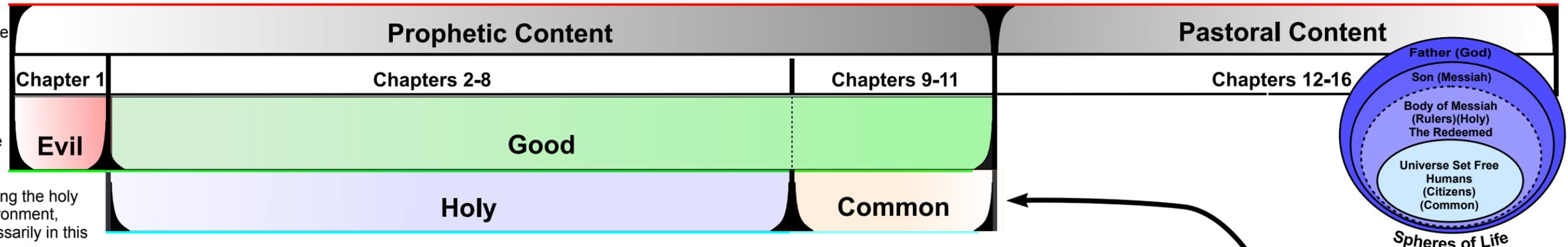
- 1) Dividing good from evil (exemplified by Christianity)
 - 2) Dividing holy from common (exemplified by Judaism)
- Romans masterfully deals with both.)

Identity (Gen 1:27)

For all 'have fallen short of the glory of God'. Fallen man's highest achievement is to regain his identity as the glory of God, and his place of governance. The 'who' and 'how' of that plan is called the 'gospel of the kingdom'. Romans reveals the three human identities; rebels, rulers and citizens; and describes their natures, their developmental transformation and their destinies.

Dominion (Gen 1:28)

Romans highlights the dominion class and the remarkable and rigorous spiritual transformation of men into 'gods' (members of the divine family). (Ps 82:6, Jn 10:34) Through faithful self-denial and perseverance, God, through the work of his only begotten son, will adopt many human sons into his divine family. This act of sanctifying, or setting apart in holiness, these sons, is the event the whole universe is eagerly anticipating, according to Romans. It is only through these sons, through their universal governance, that humanity will overcome sin and death; permitting human life to thrive, enjoying freedom and blessing forever.



Rebels
Perfecting Evil

“... and darkness was upon the face of the deep. ...” (Gen 1:2)
Suppressing, exchanging, and rejecting the truth
“for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (3:23)

“Therefore God gave them over...” (Rom 1:24)
“They have become filled with every kind of wickedness...” (Rom 1:29)

The cycle of doom:
futile thinking
hearts darkened
sinful desires
shameful lusts
depraved minds

Corrupting the whole man – heart and mind
Perverting the whole man – male and female
Homosexuality the final rebellion – both doers and approvers

(Rom 8:21 NIV) that the creation itself will be liberated from its bondage to decay and brought into the glorious freedom of the children of God.

Rulers (Holy)

Citizens (Common)

Amalgam (noble and common) Israel, the finite trunk of the olive tree emerging from the soil (roots) of the infinite (divinity);

List of the ideals, governance and relationships, that fuse the eternal human and divine relationship; the composite characteristics and functions of universal Israel. (Definition of amalgam: a mixture of elements with different characteristics)

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