



# Romans 5: 9-14

# Example of

# Righteousness

Men to Men Ministries

Session 11



# STOP

- One of the most important sections of Romans.
- It is the basis of who we are.
- It is the reason for our world being so messed up





Just a little bit!

# What is wrong with mankind?

Romans 5:8

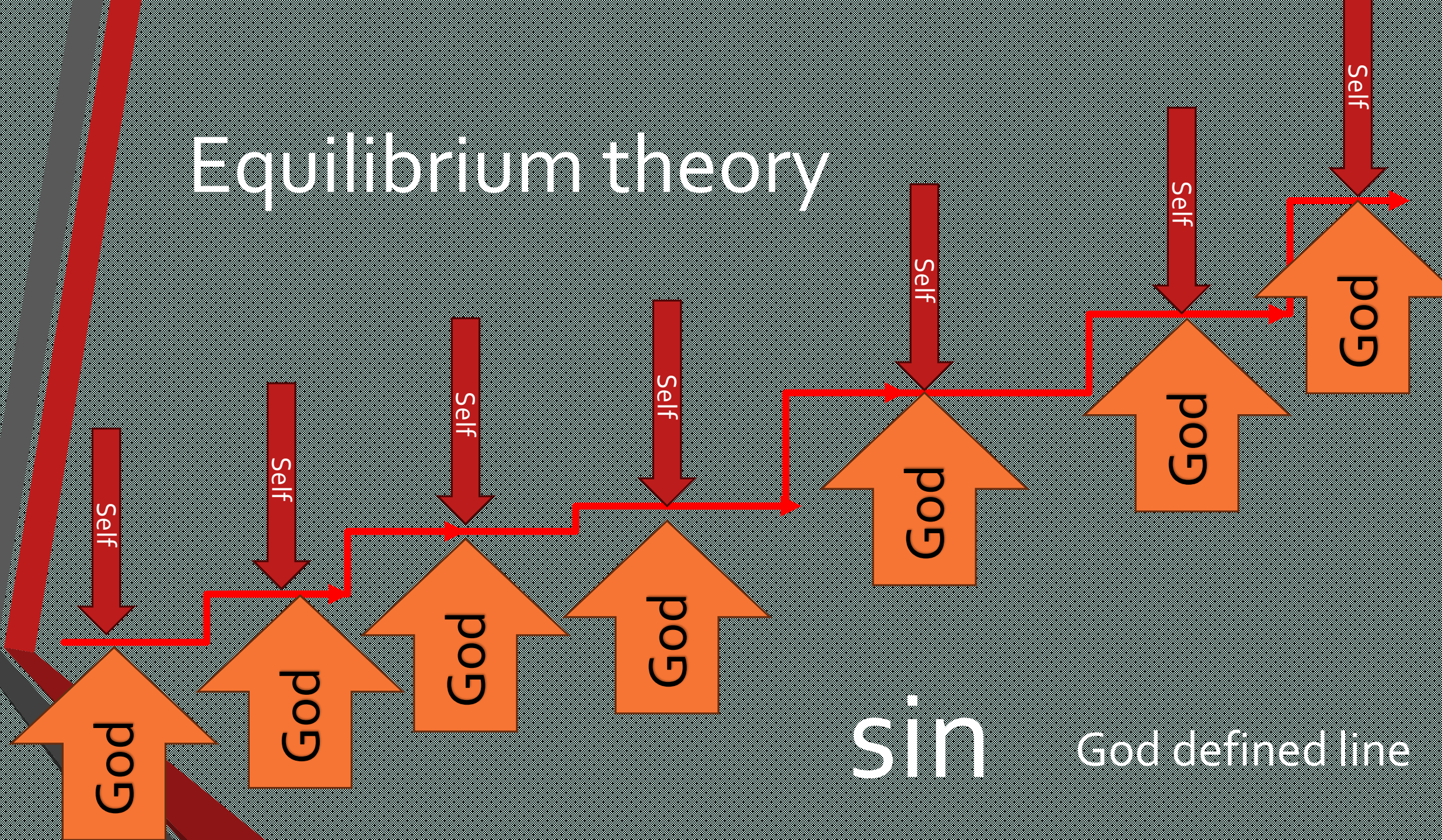
BUT GOD DEMONSTRATES HIS OWN LOVE FOR US IN THIS; WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS, CHRIST DIED FOR US.

# SIN

- **Billy Graham:** A sin is any thought or action that falls short of God's will. God is perfect, and anything we do that falls short of His perfection is sin.
- **John Wesley:** A sin is any thought or action that falls short of God's will. God is perfect, and anything we do that falls short of His perfection is sin. Therefore, sin is a willful transgression of a known law.
- **John Calvin:** It is the inherited corruption [from Adam], which the church fathers termed 'original sin,' meaning by the word 'sin' the depravation of a nature previously good and pure."
- **Luther in his Augsburg confession:** writes about sin but does not give a definition
- **Westminster (Presbyterian):** Sin is any want of conformity unto, or transgression of, any law of God, given as a rule to the reasonable creature.
- **I John 3:4,** "Whoever commits sin also commits lawlessness, and sin is lawlessness."



# Equilibrium theory



Sin

God defined line



Romans 5:12-21

Life or death  
decision



**TOUGH  
DECISIONS  
AHEAD**

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin,

and so death spread to all men, because \* all sinned -

13 for until the Law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.

14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

## Romans 5:12

### What conclusions can we make?

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned -

- V12 Sin came into the world
- V12 With this sin came death
- V12 This death spread to ALL men
- V12 The evidence of this spread of death is the exhibited sin in ALL men.

13 To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law.

14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

1. The sin from verse 12, existed, was understood, was practiced before the LAW as written by Moses 317 laws in the MITZVAT.
2. This PRE-LAW time the lack of conformity to the law which was not written yet was not held against them.

# Original Sin – Deep stuff

- Judaism does not see human nature as a permanent impairment by the Sin of Adam
- The very early church did not even speculate on the subject until Paul.
- Augustine the author of the phrase “Original Sin”
- Catholic church acknowledges Original Sin
- Eastern Orthodox does not
- Martin Luther and John Calvin used the word CONCUPISCENCE
- Protestant churches have too views with many interpretations.
  - Many think that Adam’s sin entered into the world, but it does not carry the guilt of it.
  - There are those who believe that Adam’s sin brought only the aspect of physical death to mankind.
  - Others say the Sin of Adam has caused the blight of sin to be a characteristic of all men.
  - Some would restrict this to apply only to those who have reached the age of accountability.
  - Even others say we are born sinners and by nature have a predilection to sin.

How sin  
entered into  
the world  
**BAD NEWS**

**Therefore, just as through  
one man sin entered into the  
world, and death through  
sin, and in this way death  
came to all people because  
all sinned.**

## Does it matter?

- I have sinned
- You have sinned
- Does it matter that Adam sinned?
- God loves the whole world and gave His only Son, Why should I worry about ADAM?

Because the first person was rebellious, and I am part of that family, then I too am subject to death and moral breaks.

There is a  
remedy  
**GOOD NEWS**  
The Gospel

**The gift is not like the  
trespass. For if the many  
died by the trespass of one  
man, how much more did  
God's grace and the gift that  
come by the grace of the one  
man JESUS CHRIST, overflow  
to many. v15**



