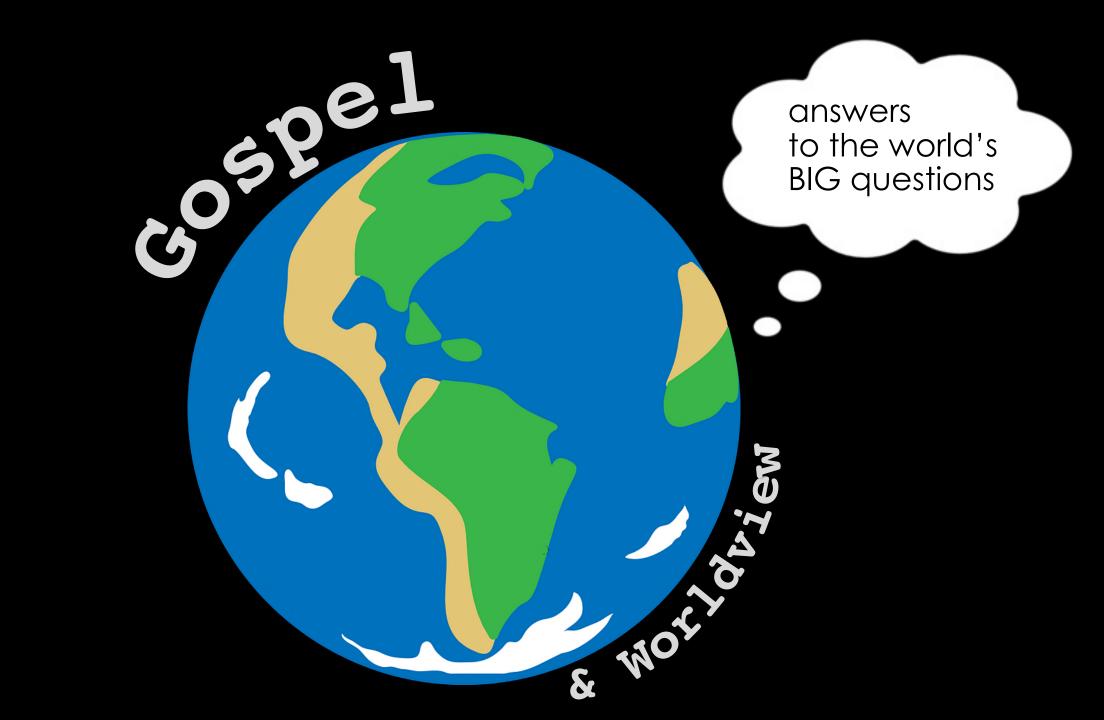
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•If you could play through any video game in real life, which video game would you choose?

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Worldview



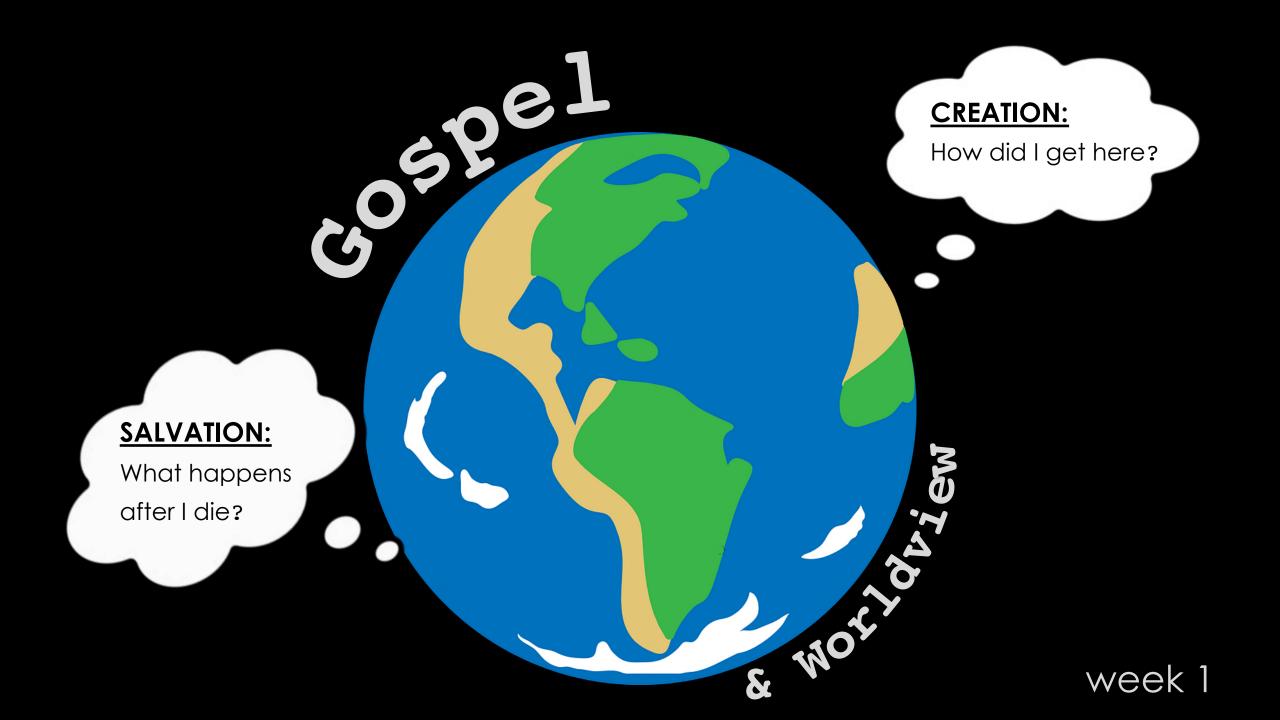
•A belief system you use to view the world.

Our Goal



To answer the question,

"How is the gospel different than (Hinduism, Islam, Buddhism, etc.)?





•"In a beginning, the universe was full of water. In the middle of the water was an ever-growing egg, which was surrounded by the four elements of wind, fire, water, and sky.



• "In the middle of the egg was Vishnu, one of the three most powerful gods in the Hindu pantheon. Vishnu was floating on the egg in the water and took the form of Brahma, the god of creation, who then created everything.



• "When it is time to destroy this present world before creating the next, Vishnu will take the form of Shiva, the god of destruction. Together these three gods -the Hindu trinity- create, sustain, and destroy the universe."



•How is Hinduism different than the gospel?



•This creation story is one of thousands of different creation stories.

 How is it possible to have so many different creation stories?



• "There are innumerable beginnings and ends of creation. Hindus believe the world has been created and destroyed countless times. So it is theoretically possible that one creation story contains one actual creation account, while a different story contains another."



• "In Hindu thinking, the universe is billions of years old, and it goes through continual cycles of creation and destruction that repeat themselves just like the four seasons."



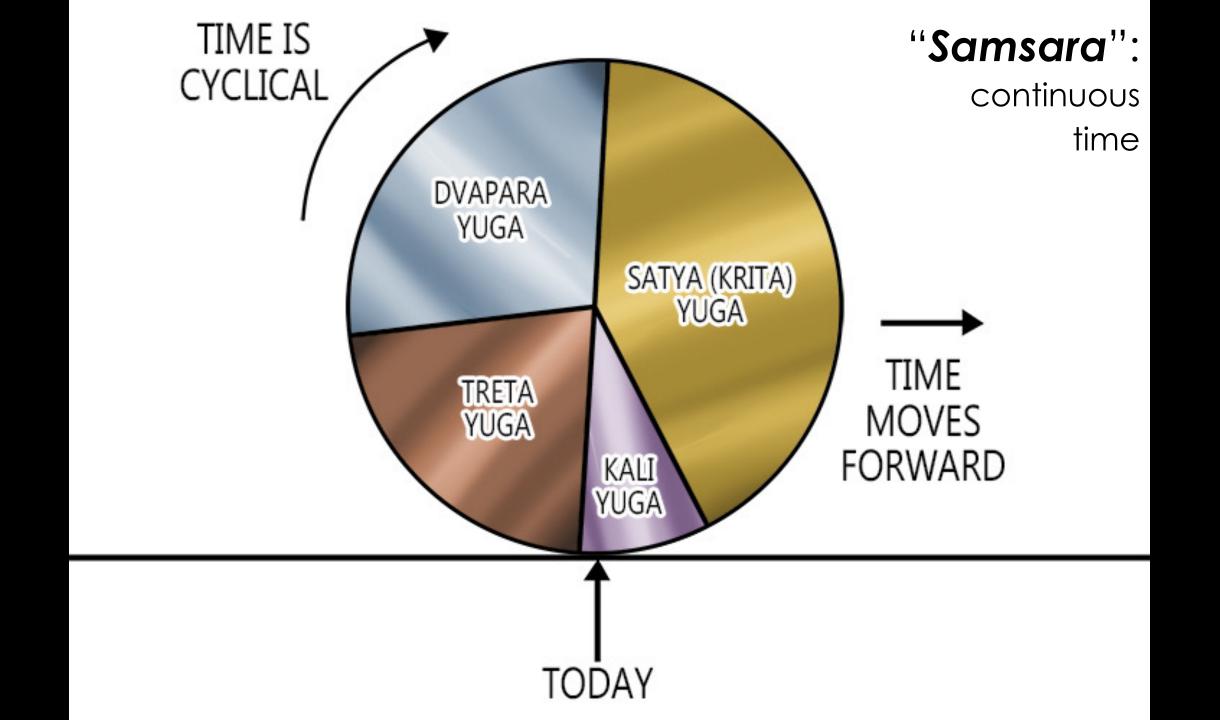
• "Hindus experience time as cyclical, not progressing forward toward a final point as folks believe in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. This concept is important because it leads to a completely different understanding of human history and of our role in the divine plan."



• "According to Hinduism, when our present world cycle ends, another will be created. These cycles continue in perpetuity. The cycle we are currently in is called Kali. . . Characterized by darkness, vice, and short life spans (only 120 years for human beings), the Kali cycle lasts 432,000 years."



 "It will eventually be replaced by a longer and moré stable cycle. In line with Hindu thought, most of us who are alive today will eventually experience this new cycle- although we will do so in a different reincarnation of ourselves!"





Reincarnation:

"Evolving through many births (and deaths)... year after year, century after century, millennium after millennium... until all karmas (cause and effects) have been resolved (balanced), and **moksha**, liberation from the cycle of rebirth (and death), is attained (by uniting one's soul to the divine, Brahman). Not a single soul will be deprived of this destiny."

SAMSARA DEATH

MOKSHA

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FREEDOM FROM LIFE AND DEATH .





"That's crazy!"

 How would saying this impact your relationship with a Hindu?

 What are some Christian beliefs that Hindus might think are crazy?



• "Imagine what it would be like to view life as an unending cycle of reincarnation –life, death, and rebirth.

 How would this affect the way you approached each day? How would it affect your future planning?

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Gospel



•John 11:17-27

BIG Idea



•One life and one death has <u>more</u> meaning than many lives and many deaths.

•Many lives and many deaths means more pain.

Gospel



•Revelation 21:1-4

Life Change



•Live your one life with meaning.

•Look to Jesus for everlasting life.

Neighbor Nudge

•What's your dream job?



Worldview



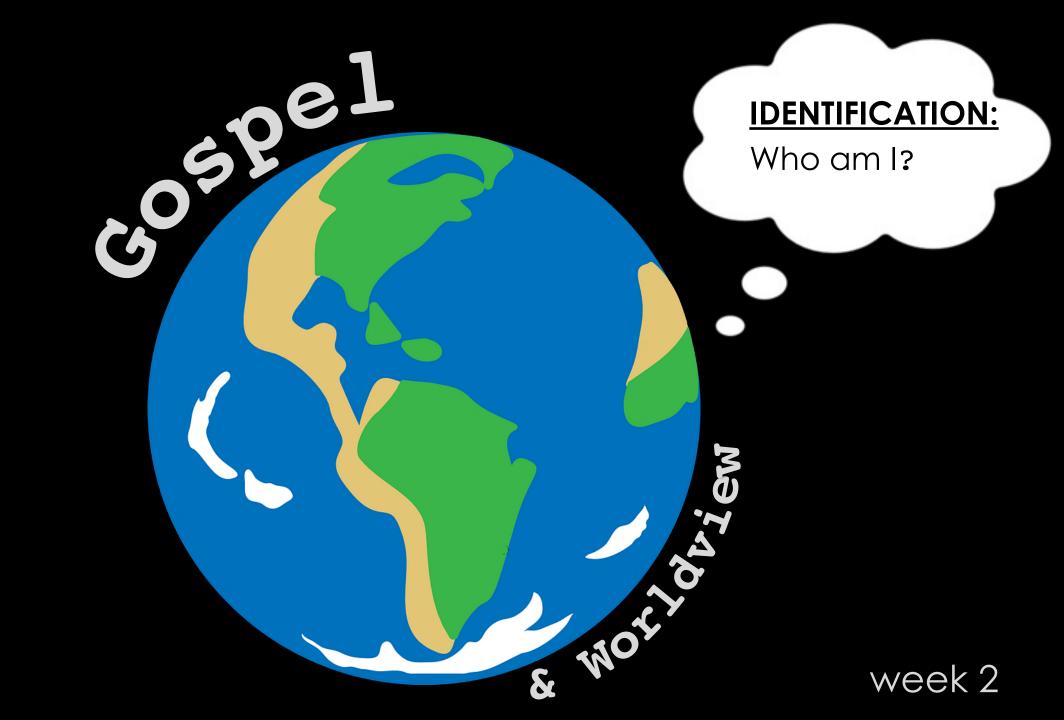
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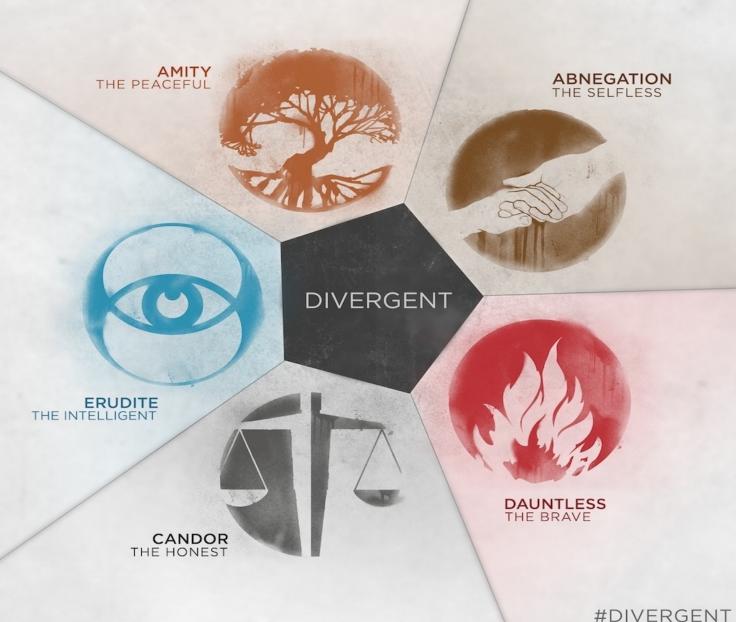
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THE WORLD OF DIVERGENT 5 VIRTUE-BASED FACTIONS

- . BORN INTO A FACTION
- . CHOOSE TO STAY OR JOIN A NEW FACTION
- . SERVE YOUR FACTION TO MAINTAIN HARMONY





•"Of the three established paths of uniting one's soul to the divine, the first one, called **karma yoga** ('path of action'), is about action or works."



• "Specifically, it is the selfless action that one performs according to one's duty or station in life-including one's place within the caste system. It is about sacrificing your own ego or self in order to become one with and to be used by the divine."



• "If you are a stay-at-home mother, for example, this means that you are to perform those duties that come with this line of work, and to do so cheerfully and without complaint. You are to understand your work without regard for your own benefit or advantage. You work for your husband, your children –and for your god."



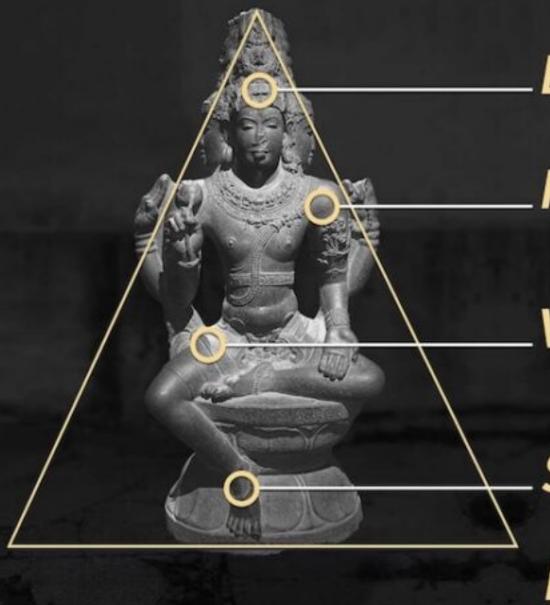
 "By doing so, you are able to be a channel of the divine and you are working out your own karma or deeds."



"Although the protagonist Arjuna is demoralized because he does not want to fight his cousins, the god Krishna explains to him that it is his duty as a warrior in the caste system to fight-regardless of the consequence."



"By so doing, he is able to be a channel of the divine and to fulfill his purpose on earth. In short, the importance of living within the boundaries of the caste system in Hinduism cannot be overestimated."



BrahminsPriests, academics

Kshatriyas

Rulers, administrators, warriors

Vaishyas

Artisans, tradesmen, farmers, merchants

Shudras

Manual labourers

Dalits

'Untouchables', Street cleaners

Gospel



- •Luke 17:11-19
- •1 Corinthians 6:19-20
- •1 Peter 2:9

Gospel



•God's priests have God's presence (being with God).

•God dwells inside them.

Gospel: BIG Idea



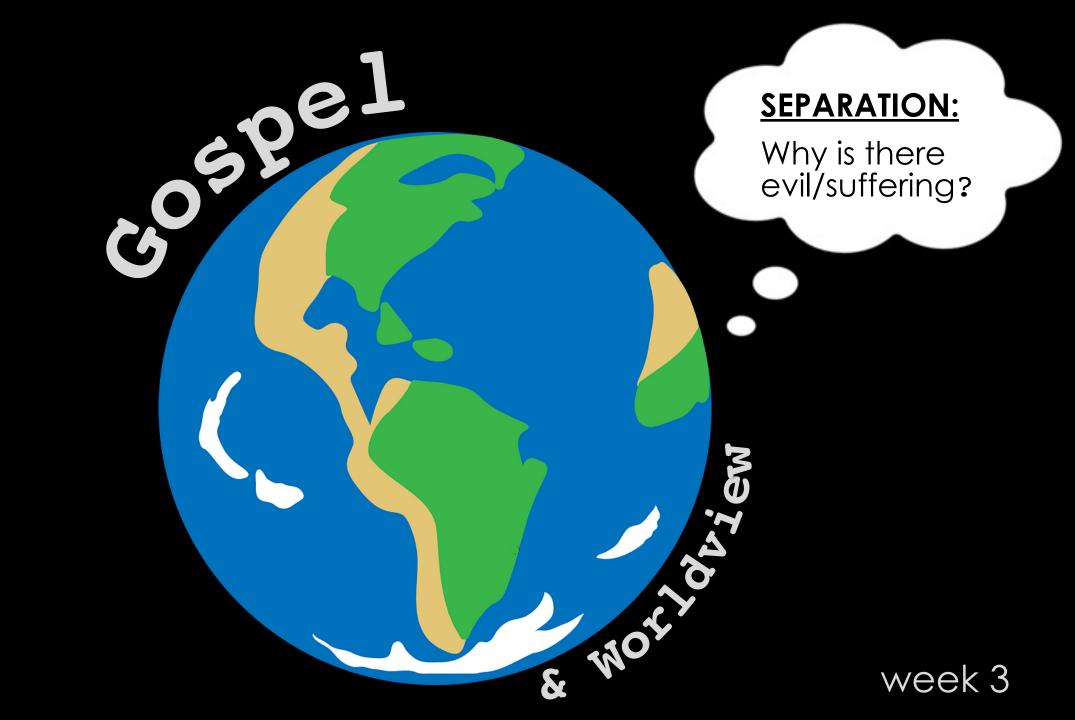
•Because Jesus is our high priest, there is no caste system. We are all priests!

Life Change



•Don't put caste system
limits on other believers'
priesthood.







Buddha:

- "the awakened one"
- "the enlightened one"





Spring Temple Buddha

World's
 2nd tallest
 statue

China







"Therefore, the man who seeks his own welfare should pull out this arrow-this arrow of lamentation, pain, and sorrow."



 What is the poisoned arrow Buddha said should be removed immediately?

Suffering



What is suffering?

Suffering:

experiencing something that you don't want or desire

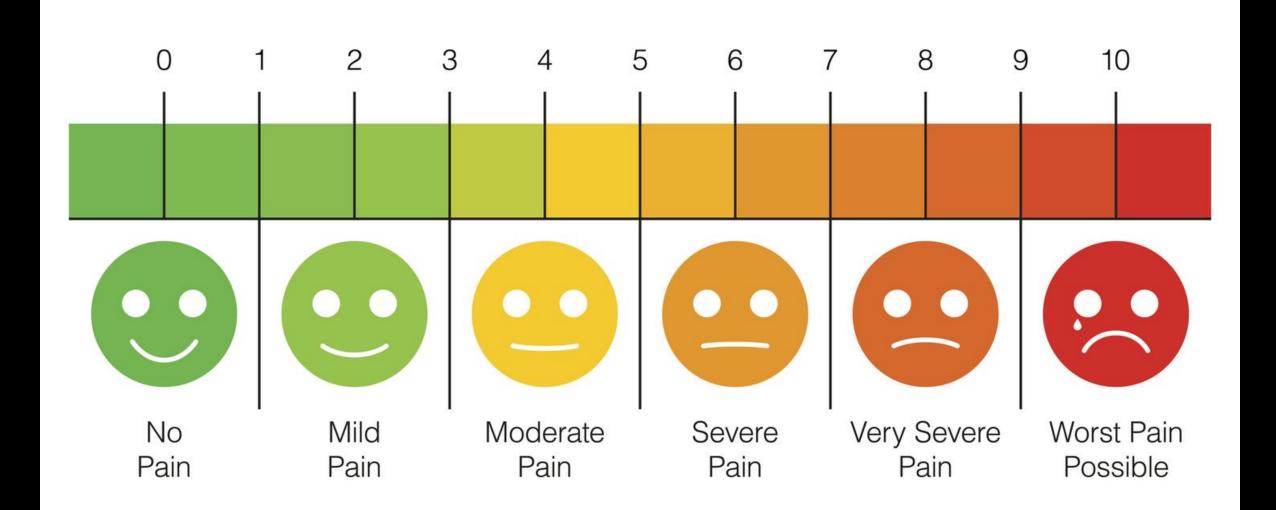


What are examples of suffering?



Was the U.S.A.'s nuclear bombing of Japan "suffering"?

PAIN SCALE

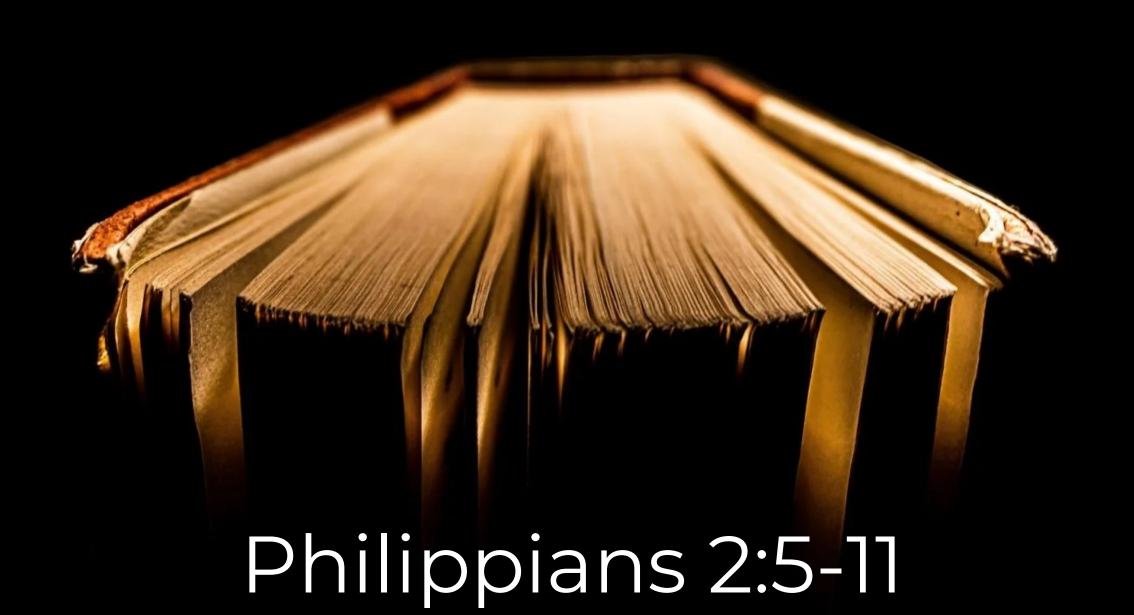


Suffering:

experiencing something that <u>you</u> don't want or desire



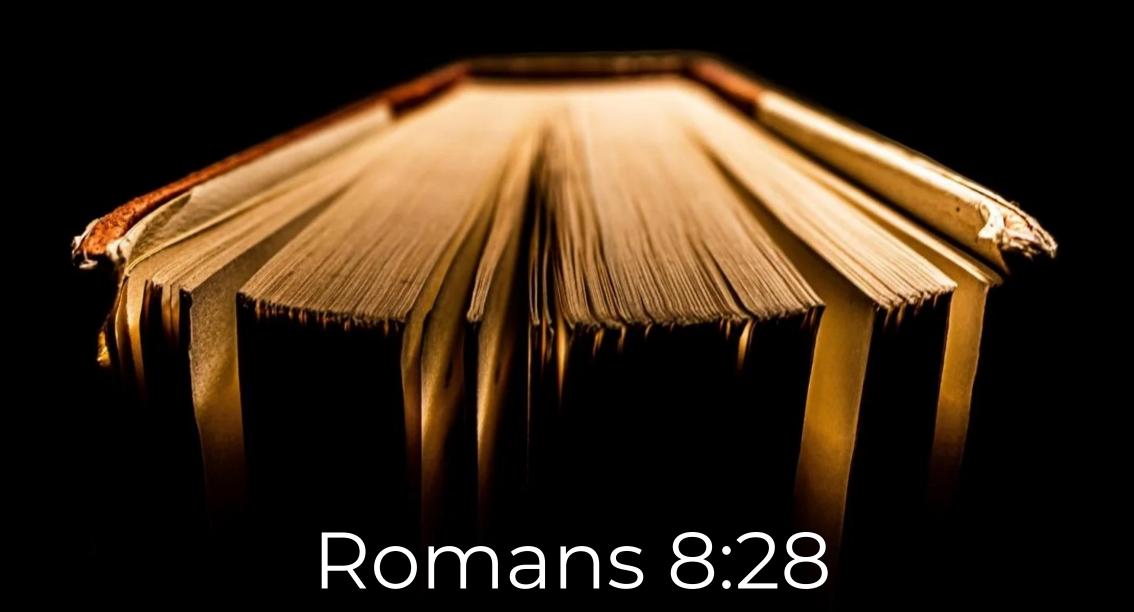
• Buddha taught that no good can come from suffering.



Gospel



•Jesus chose to suffer for us on the cross so that we could escape suffering in hell and be with God in heaven.



Life Change



•Trust that God can use the worst possible suffering for our good.

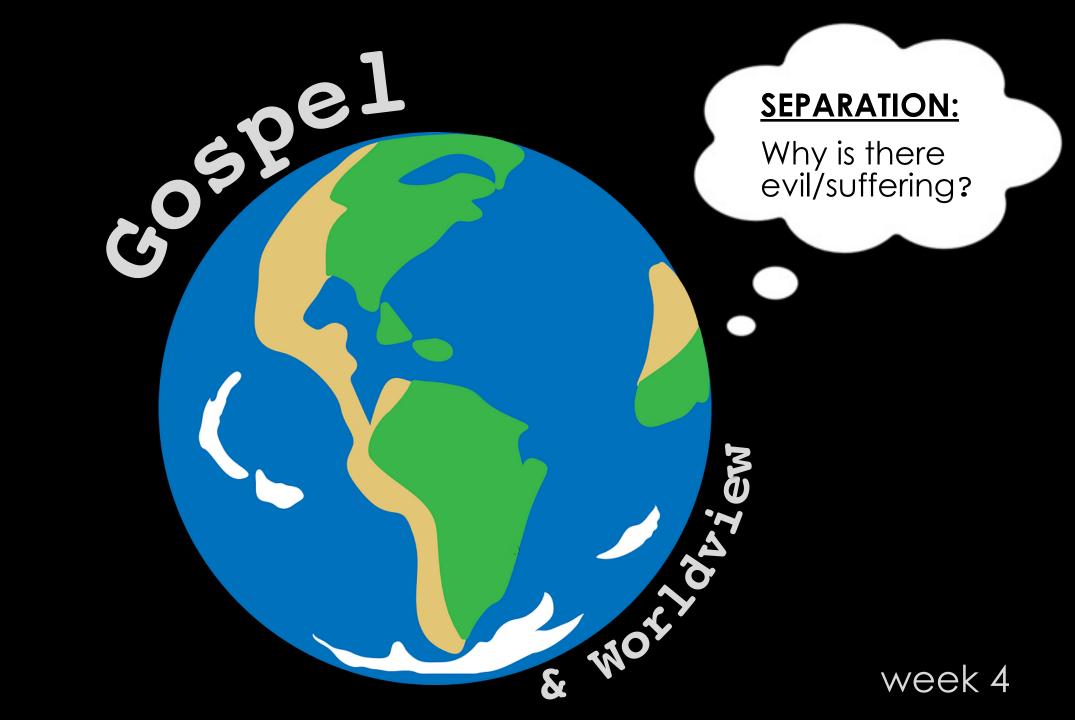
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What's something that satisfies you?

Satisfying Things

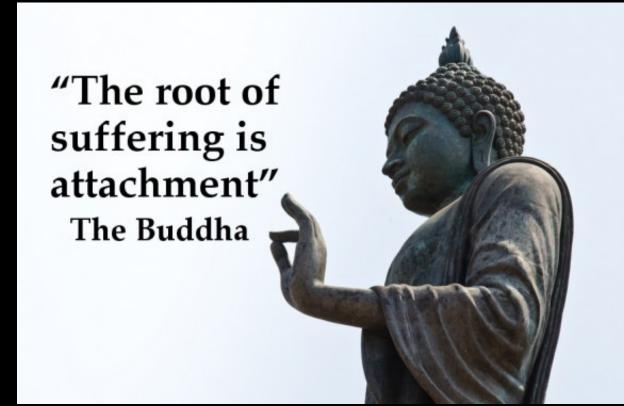
- The smell of a freshly mowed lawn
- Seeing vacuum marks on the carpet
- ·Warm, clean clothes out of the dryer
- The cold side of a pillow
- The sound of rain
- Peeling the plastic off a new phone
- Putting on a brand new pair of socks







 How can we take out the poisoned arrow of suffering?



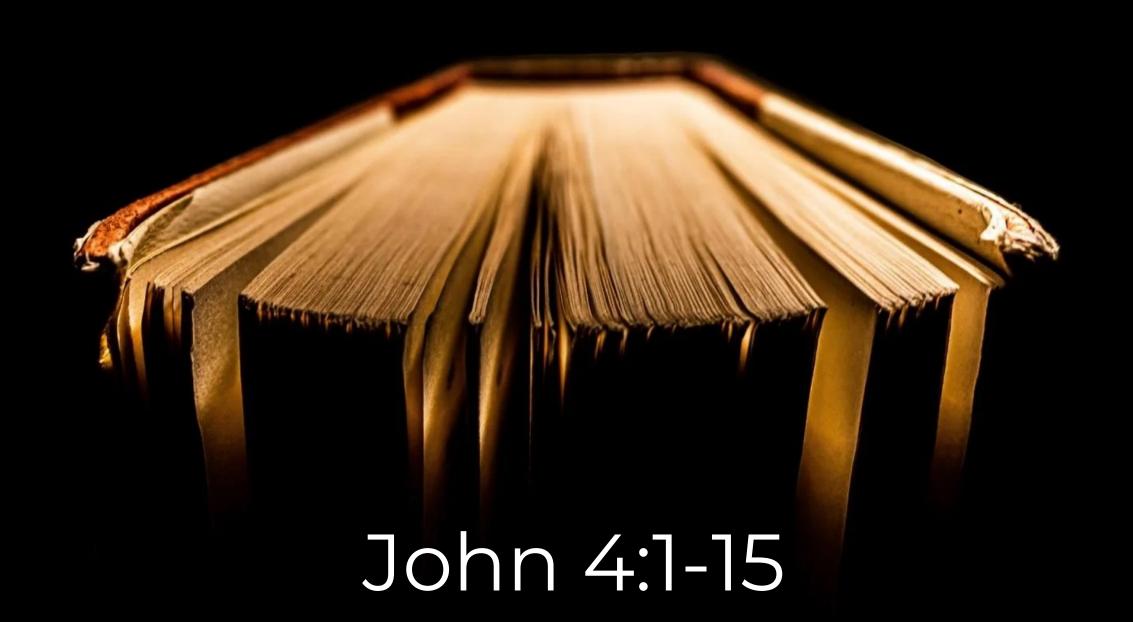
Desirous attachment is not the same as desire — we need desires, but we don't need attachment. Attachment is "dö chag" in Tibetan, which literally means "sticky desire". There is a stickiness, neediness, dependency, and self-centeredness associated with attachment.

HOW DO YOU FEEL WHEN THERE IS NO COFFEE?





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Gospel:



• "Some say that desire is the root cause of all pain and sorrow. According to this philosophy, salvation consists in eliminating all desire, including any desire for eternal bliss or communion with God."

Gospel:



• "But when someone is thirsty, do we tell him to kill his thirst instead of giving him water to drink? To drive out thirst without quenching it with life-sustaining water is to drive out life itself. . . Something can satisfy your thirsty souls."

Gospel: BIG Idea

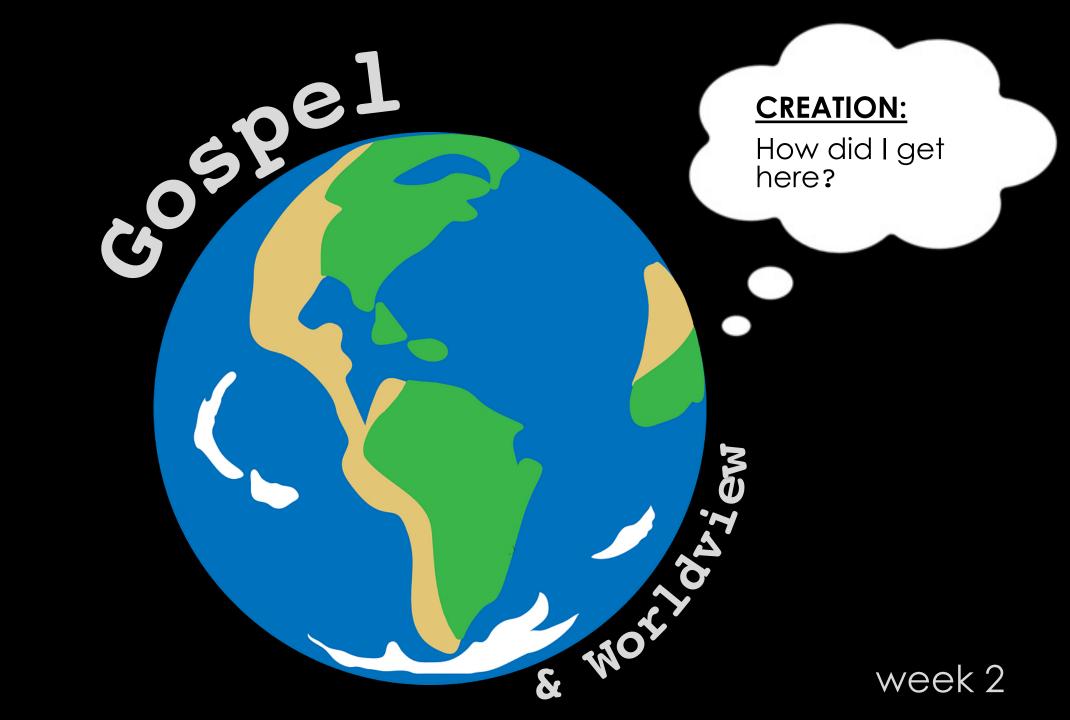


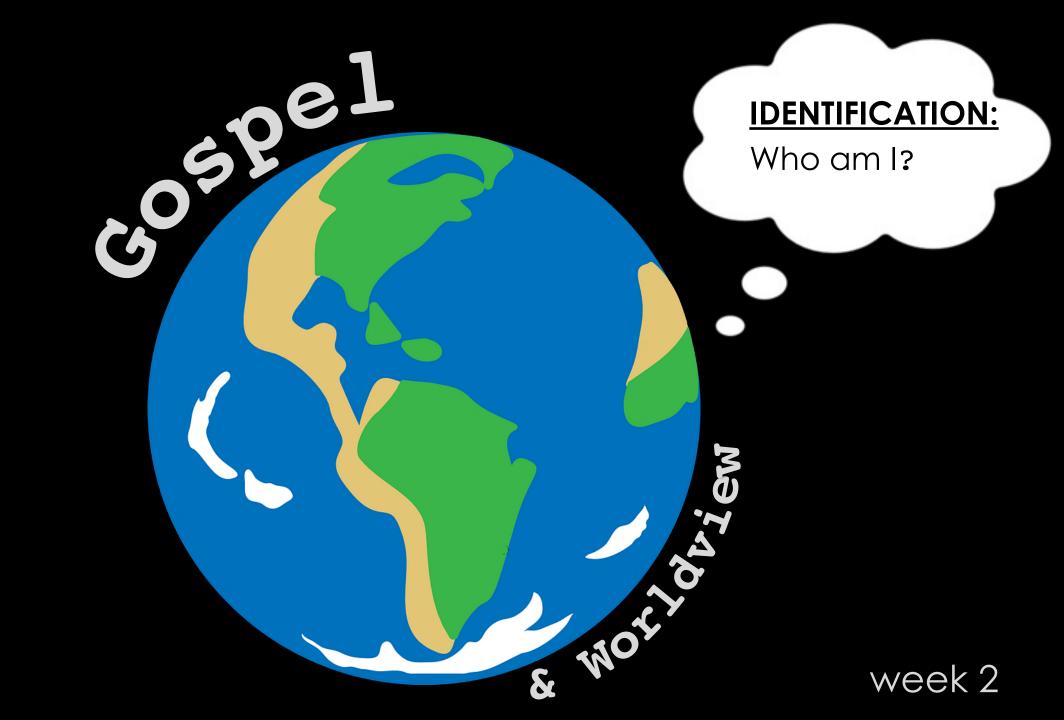
•We were made to crave, and only Jesus can satisfy our deepest cravings.

Life Change

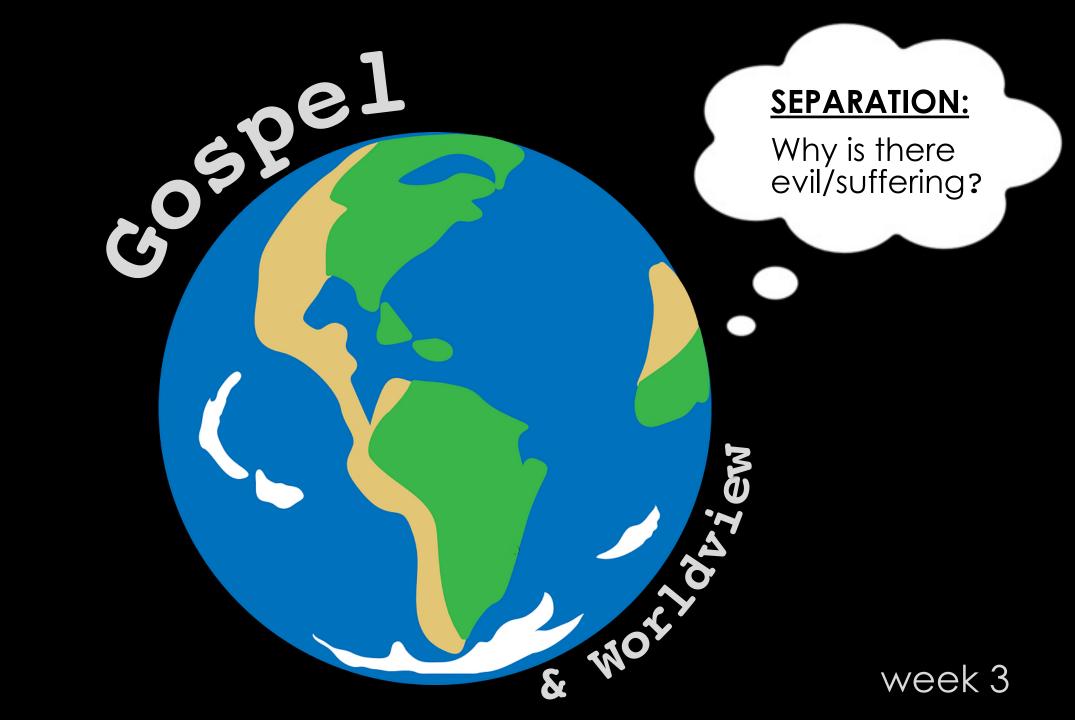


•Look to Jesus for satisfaction.











What makes Hinduism unique?

- Many creation stories that begin with, "In a beginning. . . "
- "Reincarnation": many bodily births, many deaths
- Many gods

- Meditation
- Caste system

What makes the Gospel unique?

- One bodily birth, New birth
- One God