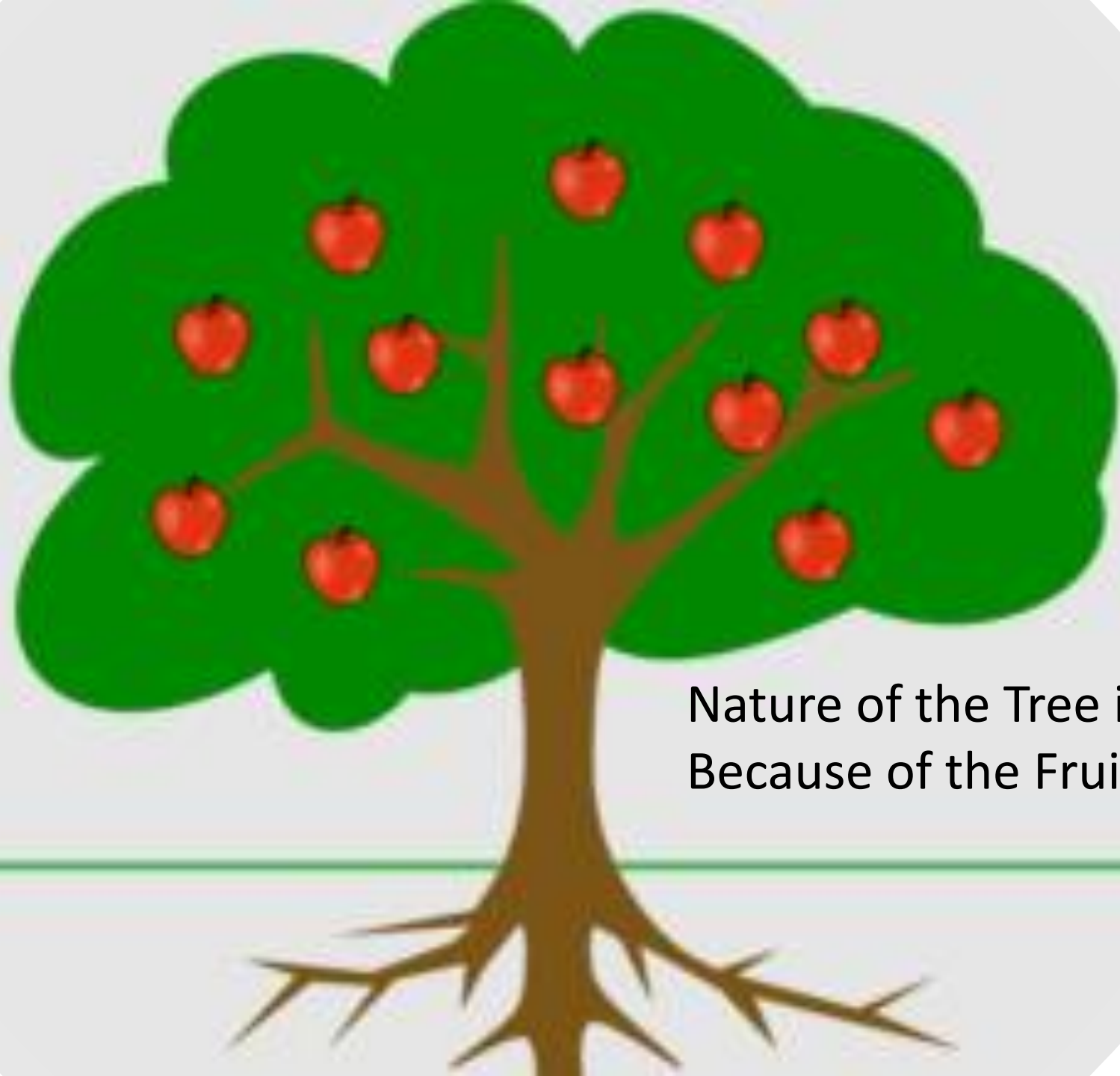


Sin, Trespass, Transgression, Iniquity

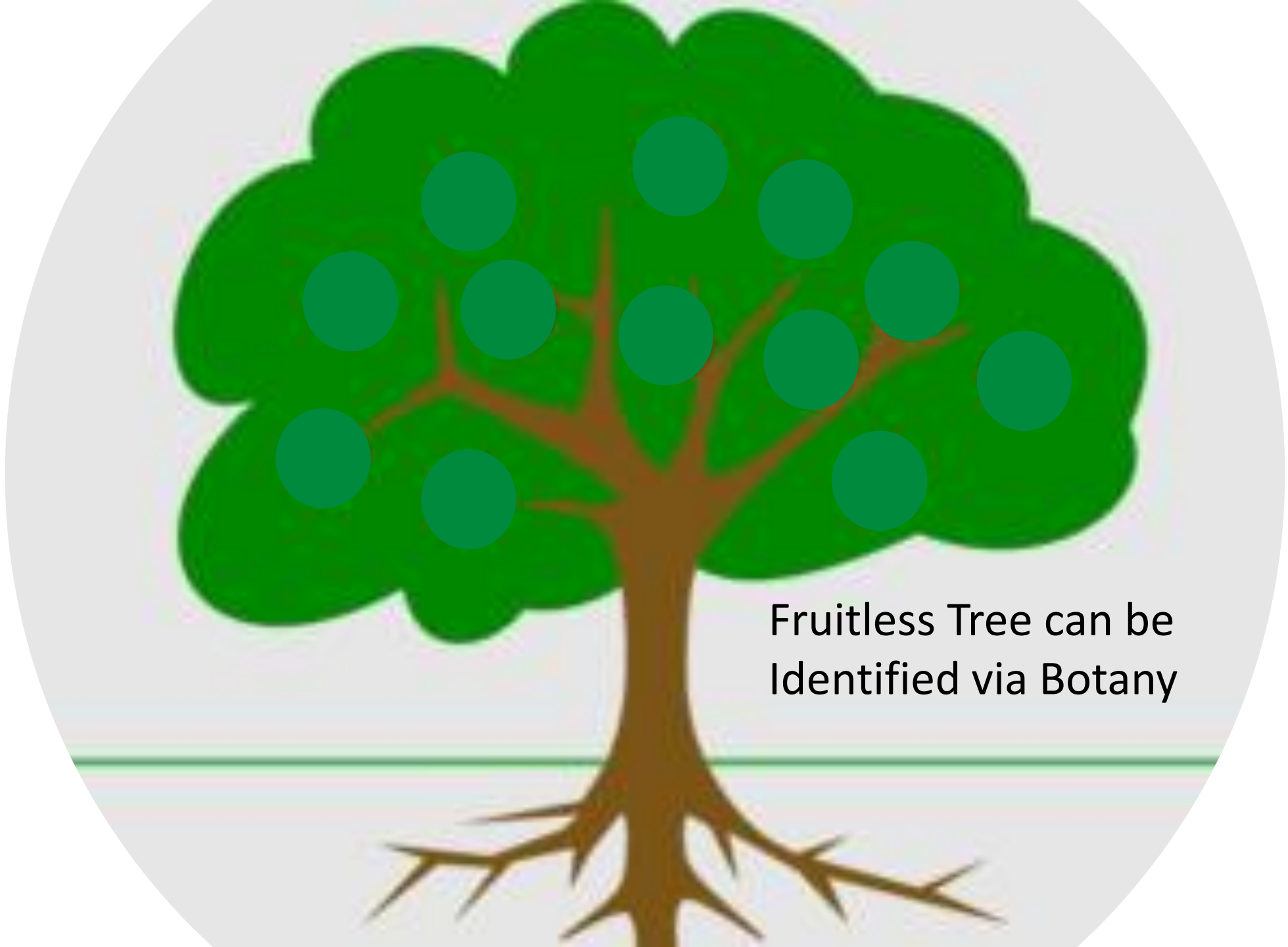
Lessons from God's Creation

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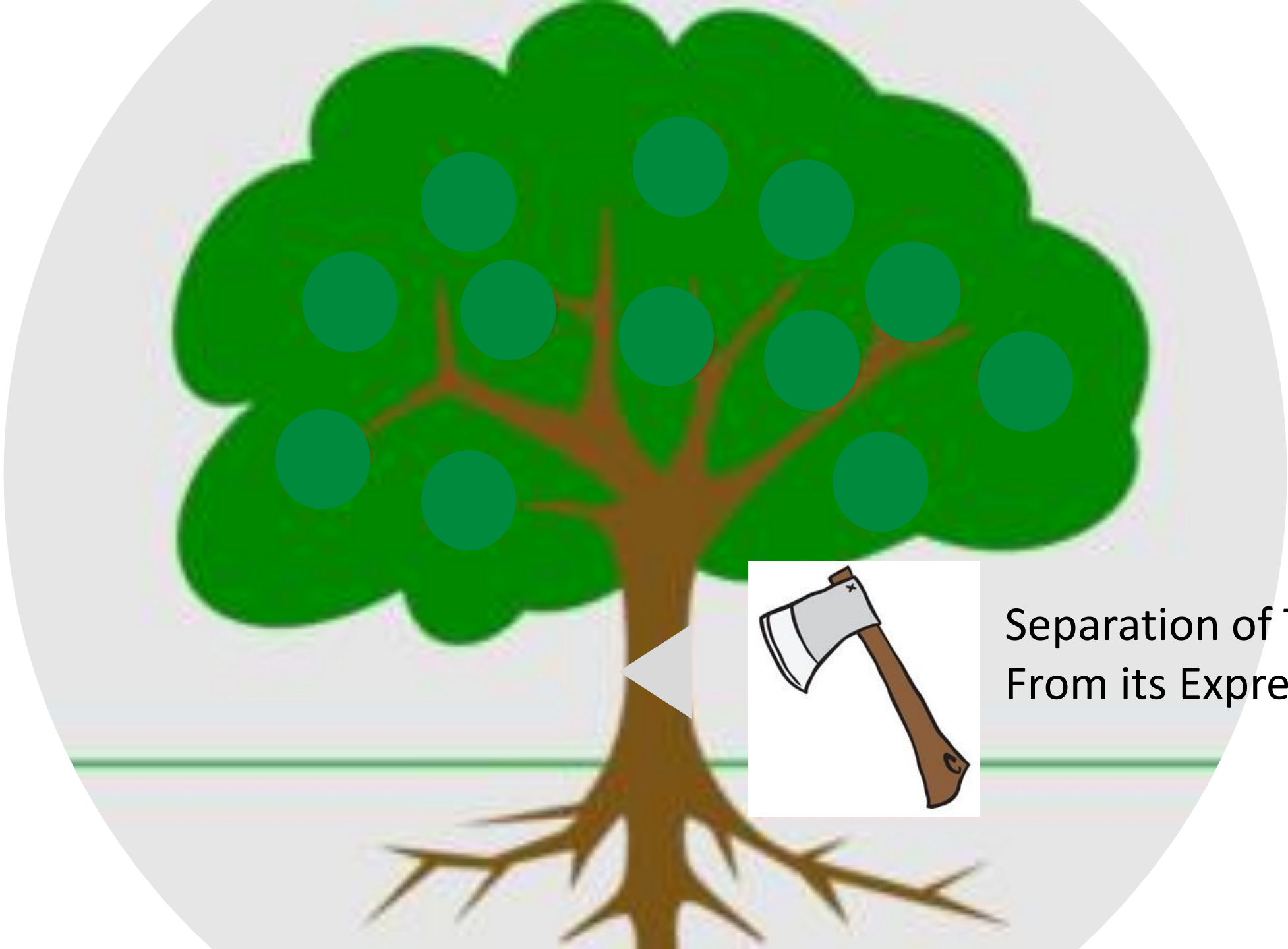
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Nature of the Tree is obvious
Because of the Fruits



Fruitless Tree can be
Identified via Botany



Separation of Tree
From its Expression



Nature of the Tree
Reasserted next Season



Enough seasons and
More Fruit.
Seed is in the Fruit
But Nature is in the Root

Jesus - Matthew 7:17-19

Even so, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

What are some
Other examples from
The scripture where we
Learn truth from God's
Creation?

Four words- *

Sin- OT chata' to miss, NT hamatano to miss the mark

Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God"

Trespass- OT 'asham to be guilty; NT paraptoma a side slip, a deviation made willfully or intentionally

Galatians 6:1 Brethren, if a man is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, considering yourself lest you also be tempted.

Transgression- OT pasha' to revolt; NT parabaino to go contrary to, violate a command

Psalms 32:1 Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.

Iniquity- OT 'avon perversity or moral evil; NT adikia injustice, moral wrongfulness of character, life, or act; NT anomia wickedness (translated as iniquity or lawlessness)

2 Timothy 2:19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: "The Lord knows those who are His," and, "Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity."

*Note many modern paraphrases and same sense translations lump all of these words as 'Sin'

Regarding Jesus – Isaiah 53

Verse 5 - But He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities (pesha' to revolt, 'avon moral evil)

Verse 6- the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all ('avon moral evil)

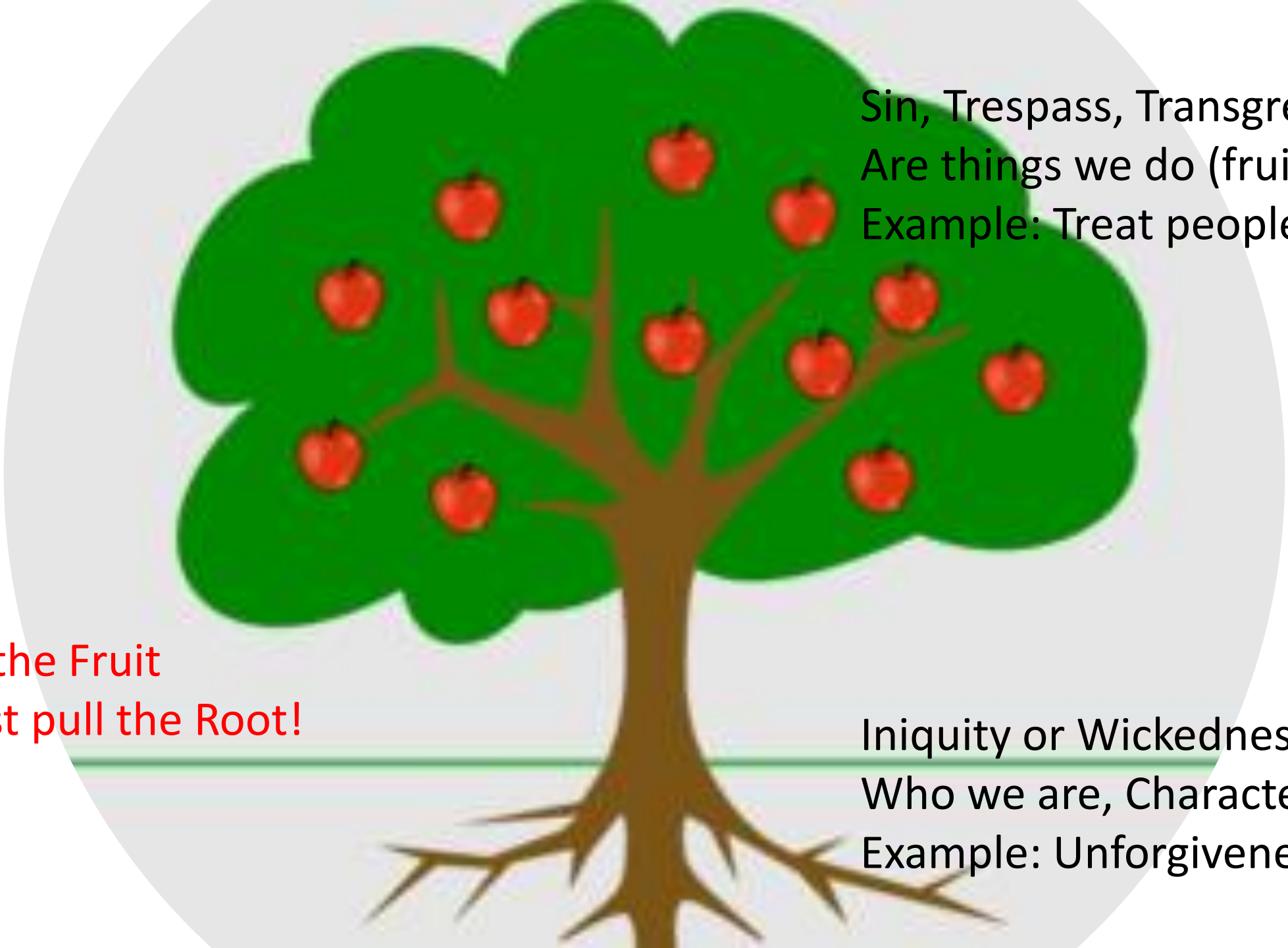
Verse 8- For the transgressions of My people He was stricken (pesha')

Verse 10- You make His soul an offering for sin ('asham to be guilty [trespass])

Verse 11- By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, For He shall bear their iniquities ('avon)

Verse 12- And He bore the sin of many, (chata' to miss, chet' sin/guilt)

And made intercession for the transgressors (pesha', pasha')



Sin, Trespass, Transgression
Are things we do (fruits)
Example: Treat people poorly

To stop the Fruit
You must pull the Root!

Iniquity or Wickedness is
Who we are, Character (roots)
Example: Unforgiveness

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity

Iniquity, Wickedness, Moral Evil (also translated as lawlessness)- enters our character in two ways

1. God's purposeful visitation *Exodus 20:5-6* 'visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children' Paqad – to visit with friendly or hostile intent [modern English Bibles translate as punish, but the Hebrew means visit]
 - Examples – Violence, Alcoholism, Abuse often run in families, these are fruits with underlying root causes
 - Why? God does not just heal individuals, He heals families.
 - *Isaiah 58:12* Those from among you shall build the old waste places; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; and you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In.

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity, cont.

Iniquity, Wickedness, Moral Evil (also translated as lawlessness) - enters our character in two ways

2. We start new iniquities in our own lives

- Examples –

- Children internalize lies especially when told by Father or Mother (you are no good, you will never amount to anything)
- Child abuse causes deep seated brokenness in forms of anger, hatred, poor self image, unforgiveness, unholy decisions, guilt, shame
- Dishonoring father or mother against the 5th commandment brings binding unhealthiness into our lives [the first commandment with a promise]
- Dishonoring God brings life consequences, God's promises are conditional and have both thesis and antithesis: the promise of tithing/giving works both ways to blessing or lack of blessing

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity, cont.

- Paul tells us that - *2 Thessalonians 2:7b the mystery of lawlessness is already at work*
- Paul also informs us – *2 Timothy 2:19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.”*
- In Isaiah 53 we read that the Messiah to come would be ‘*bruised for our iniquities*’, that the Father ‘*has laid on Him the iniquity of us all*’, ‘*For He shall bear their iniquities*’. Now in the New Testament we read of Jesus ‘*who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself His own special people, zealous for good works.*’ *Titus 2:14*

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity, cont.

Regardless of how Iniquity or Wickedness started, God wants to deliver us from it

- *Isaiah 59:2 But your iniquities have separated you from your God; and your sins have hidden His face from you, so that He will not hear. (leaving these unchallenged hinders our walk in Christ)*
- *Ezekiel 22:30 So I sought for a man among them who would make a wall, and stand in the gap before Me on behalf of the land, that I should not destroy it; but I found no one. (God looks for those who will challenge wickedness)*
- *Isaiah 53:11b By His knowledge My righteous Servant shall justify many, for He shall bear their iniquities. (Ultimately Jesus has become the solution to man's problem with wickedness)*
- *Isaiah 58:12 Those from among you shall build the old waste places; you shall raise up the foundations of many generations; and you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, the Restorer of Streets to Dwell In. (In Christ we are empowered to minister reconciliation and restoration of damaged souls)*

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity, cont.

Discovery, Confession, Renunciation

Recurring bad fruits: Sin, Trespass, Transgression, if not obvious then seek God for the Roots which cause it (Iniquity)

John 8:58 Jesus said to them, "Most assuredly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I AM."

- *When your father said/did that, I AM*
- *When you were abused, I AM*
- *When you made that unholy decision, I AM*

Jesus created Time, He is not bound by it, He can remind you of what happened and the decisions you made.

Pulling the Roots of Iniquity, cont.

Confess, Renounce, Forgive (the bad fruit will stop in Jesus' name)

Once the iniquity (the root cause) is identified-

- Confess to God and a fellow believer what happened and what unholy decision you made
- Renounce those decisions and decide to trust in God who is the Just Judge, give up your revenge, God will repay
- Forgive those who were involved: the other person(s), God, and yourself
- Pray to break the power of the visitation of iniquity off of your family

The Israelites understood this – See Leviticus 26:39-42