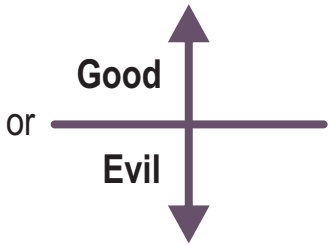
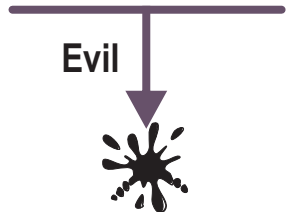
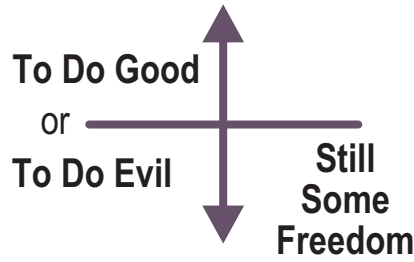



ESSENCE OF DEPRAVITY – INABILITY

The Bible teaches a moral inability of man that is the result of the Fall (Ge.3:6). Depravity is a condition in which the sinner WILL not and CAN not repent of his sin on his own. Depravity is concerned with consequences, but not for sin itself. In fact, it likes sin.

MAN IN EDEN <i>Ge.1-2</i>	FALLEN MAN <i>Ge.3</i>	MAN REDEEMED <i>Ga.3:13</i>	MAN IN HEAVEN <i>Rv.22:3</i>
NEED NOT SIN	CANNOT BUT SIN	CAN SIN BUT NEED NOT	CANNOT SIN
FREEDOM TO DO... 	FREEDOM TO DO ONLY... 	FREEDOM AND PREFERENCE... 	FREEDOM ONLY TO DO GOOD... 

DEPRAVITY DESCRIBED

- ☹ *His heart is “deceitful and desperately wicked” (Je.17:9)*
- ☹ *Is “dead in transgressions” (Ep.2:5)*
- ☹ *He will not seek God (Ro.3:10-11)*
- ☹ *Cannot understand the things of God (1Co.2:14)*
- ☹ *Suppresses the truth of God in unrighteousness (Ro.1:18)*

THEOLOGICAL RESULT

- ☹ *We are born corrupted by sin*
- ☹ *Our minds are darkened and we cannot see or understand the truth*
- ☹ *Our hearts are defiled so that we do not love the truth*
- ☹ *Our wills are in bondage to sin*
- ☹ *We cannot believe the gospel in ourselves. This requires the HS*

DEPRAVITY MANIFESTED

- ☹ *He hides from God*
- ☹ *It harms his relationships*
- ☹ *He gives half-truths and evades*
- ☹ *He claims to be the victim - It is God's fault*
- ☹ *Blame shifting for self-protection in his proud wickedness*