

Life

In the Upside-Down World

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Two young fellows were discussing their futures. One, named Sam, was very positive and the other one, Nick, was very unsure. Sam was sure his college education would carry him to the heights of success and money-making, while Nick had a very dismal outlook for the world he lived in.

This was not a strange conversation. I suppose one like this was carried on by many young people in facing their futures. What does the future hold for anyone?

The future is always judged by the past. History repeats itself constantly. From the beginning of time, back in the Garden of Eden, this world has been upside-down. Because of this, a person has difficulty planning his future. Often, people have become very successful because they did not follow their original plan, but they sort of stumbled on to something that worked for them. This leaves a thinking person wondering what to do.

You may wonder why I always blame bad times on the fall of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden. This is because God's plan as to how humans are to live was aborted. With the sin of Adam and Eve, the world would never be the same again; in fact, it turned upside-down.

But you can't take my word for this. There is a book with much more authority which teaches success in life called the Bible.

Going back to the two young men, Nick and Sam, let us check out their futures. Twenty years later, Sam was a part of a big company with a big salary and all the comforts of life. But, to get there, he followed a very selfish course with two divorces and a number of children whom he really did not know very well.

Nick had a very different course of life. He recognized the world was upside-down and he would have to get a compass to be successful in this world. He turned to the Bible to understand the history of the world. He learned that when a person disobeys any part of the Creator's original design, things just do not work properly.

The world is not bad; it's just turned upside-down by sin and Satan. When humans continue to disobey God, as did Adam and Eve, the world will never work right by any of their efforts. The first rule of a highly successful person is to obey God first.

This was something Nick learned in his journey of life. He was successful in another way. He dedicated himself to helping people who were having a hard time in the upside-down world. He followed the Creator's instructions. He found the best way to operate in life was to live for others.

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