

LIFE'S PURPOSE

1 What is man's foremost purpose in life?

Man's foremost purpose in life is to glorify God, and to enjoy Him forever.



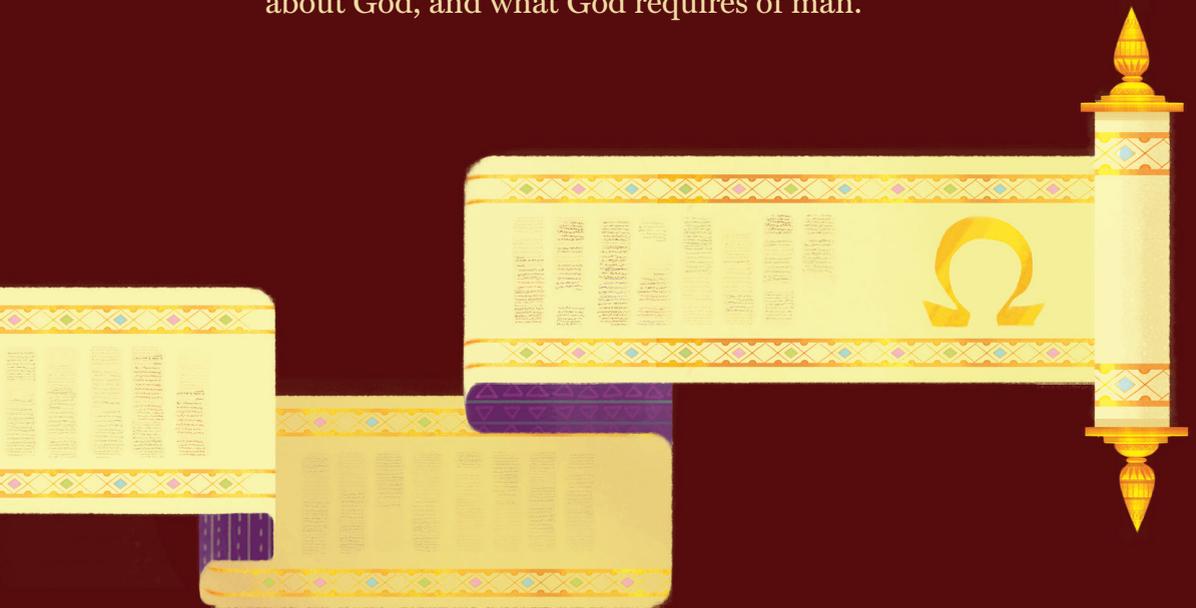
HOLY SCRIPTURE

2 What rule has God given to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him?

The Word of God, which is the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, is the only rule to direct us how we may glorify and enjoy Him.

3 What do the Scriptures firstly teach?

The Scriptures firstly teach what man should believe about God, and what God requires of man.



WHAT WE SHOULD BELIEVE ABOUT GOD

4 What is God?

God is a Spirit, infinite, eternal, and unchangeable, in His being, wisdom, power, holiness, justice, goodness, and truth.

5 Are there more gods than one?

There is only one, living and true God.

6 How many persons are there in God?

There are three persons in God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one God, the same in being, equal in power and glory.





GOD'S PLAN

7 What are the decrees of God?

The decrees of God are His eternal purposes, according to the counsel of His will, where for His own glory He has ordered and settled everything that happens.

8 How does God carry out His eternal purposes?

God carries out His eternal purposes in the works of creation and providence.



CREATION

9 What is the work of creation?

The work of creation is, God's making everything of nothing, by the word of his power, in six days, and all very good.

10 How did God create man?

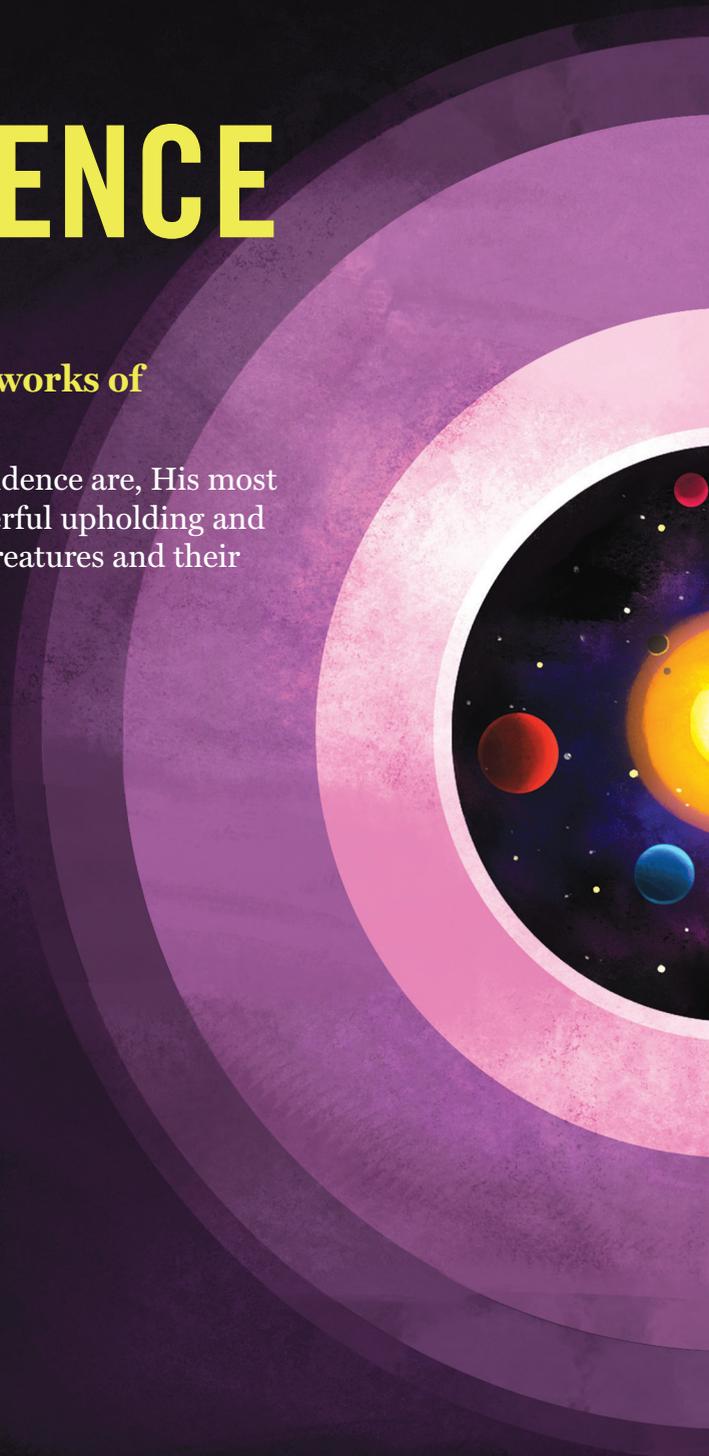
God created man, male and female, after His own image, in knowledge, righteousness, and holiness, with rule over the creatures.



GOD'S PROVIDENCE

11 What are God's works of providence?

God's works of providence are, His most holy, wise, and powerful upholding and ruling over all His creatures and their every action.





12 What special act of providence did God do for man whom He created?

After man's creation, God entered into a covenant of life with him, requiring perfect obedience; forbidding him to eat of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil or he would die.