


SWORD

Journal

Bible Study Method

Hebrews 4:12 says, “For the Word of God is living and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.”

This picture of a sword helps us to teach and learn from any passage from the Bible. When we think of a sword, we think of key questions that we need to ask.

These questions are designed to help us observe what the scriptures actually say and interpret them as the author intended. Then, we can apply them to our own lives.

The tip of the sword points to God.

“What do we learn about God?”

The hilt of the sword points to people

“What do we learn about people?”

The sword has two blades.

On one side we ask:

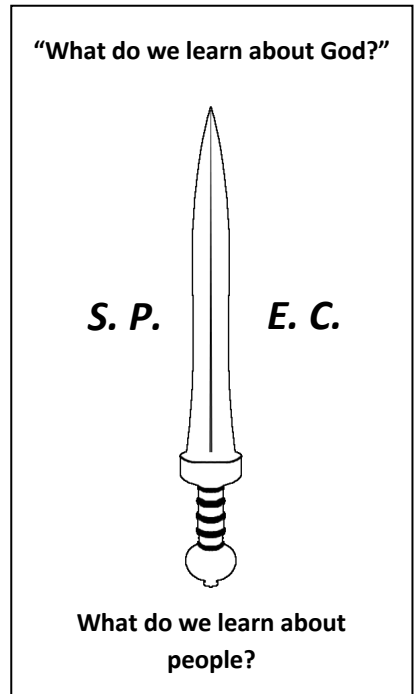
“Is there a SIN to avoid?”

“Is there a PROMISE to claim?”

On the other side we ask:

“Is there an EXAMPLE to learn from?”

“Is there a COMMAND to obey?”



After reading or telling any story from the Bible, ask these questions one at a time and search the story for answers. The answers you find will reveal the meaning of the story for our lives.

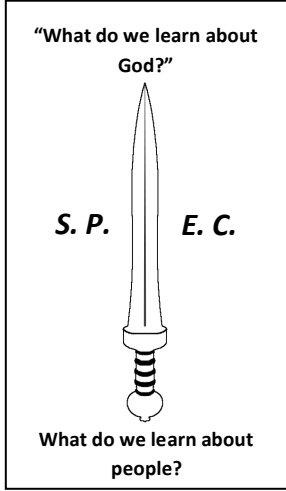
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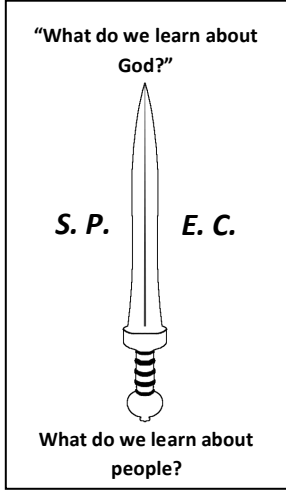
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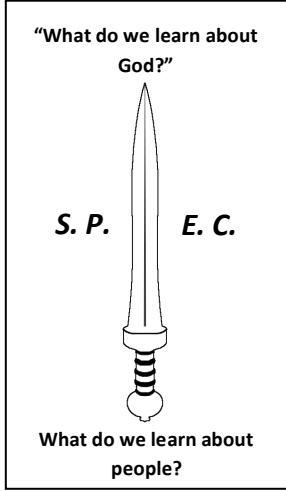
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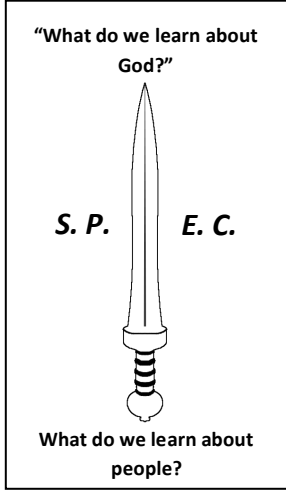
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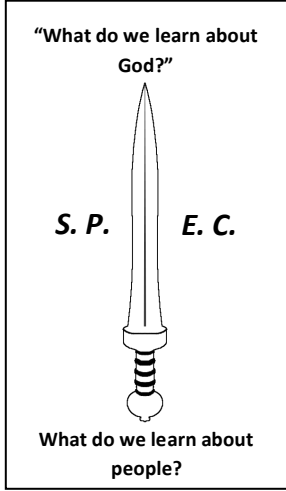
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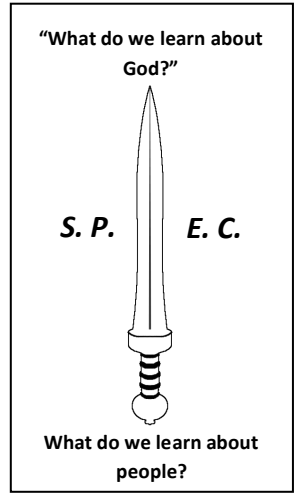
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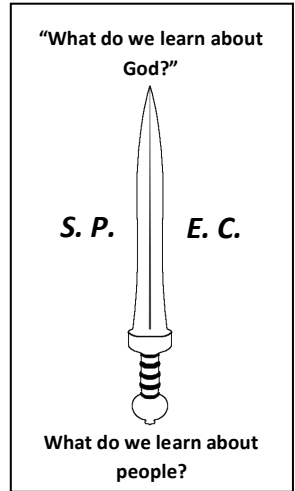
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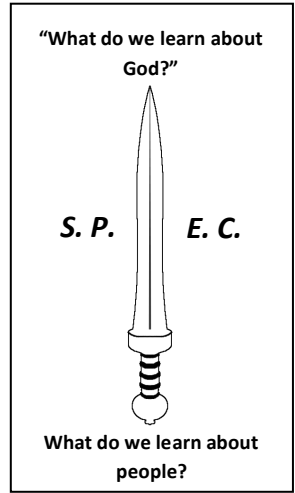
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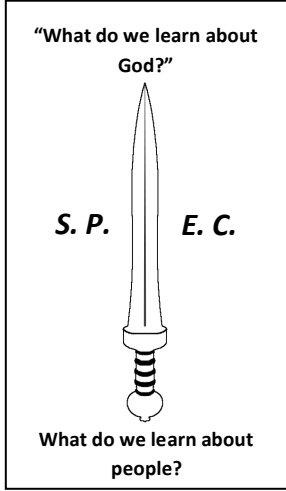
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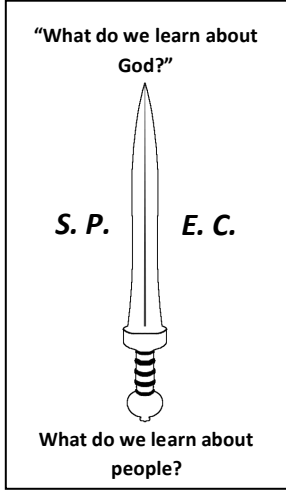
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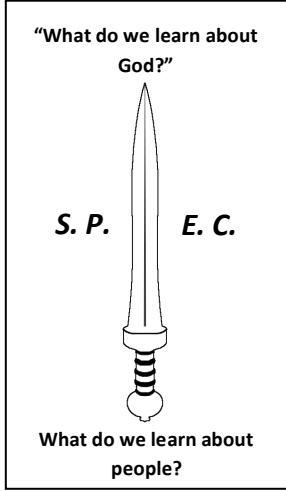
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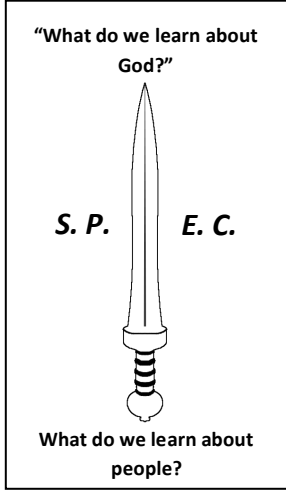
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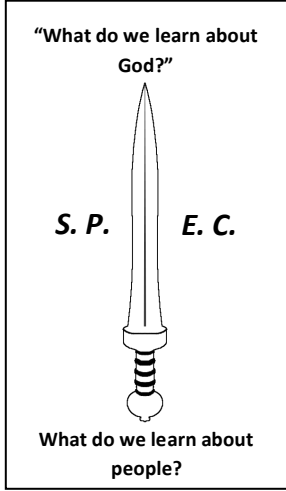
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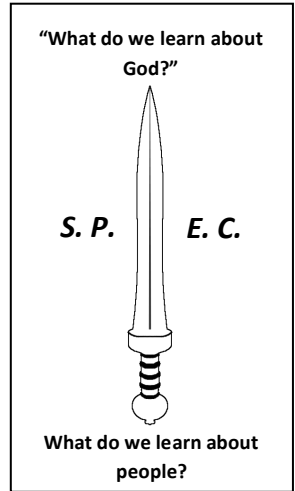
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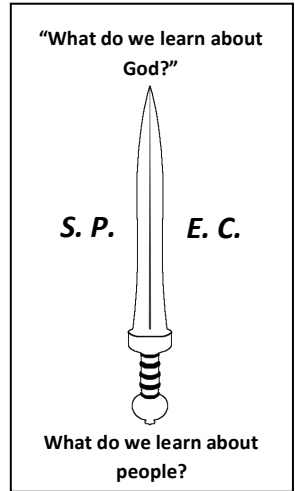
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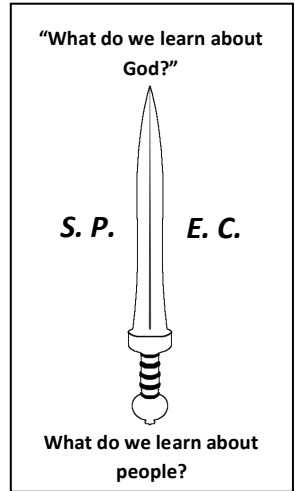
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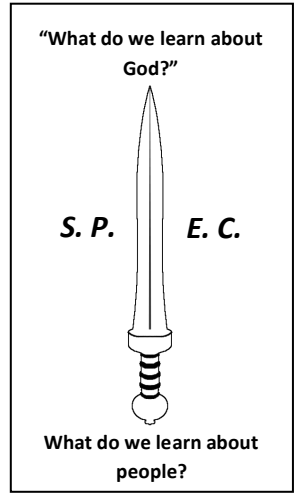
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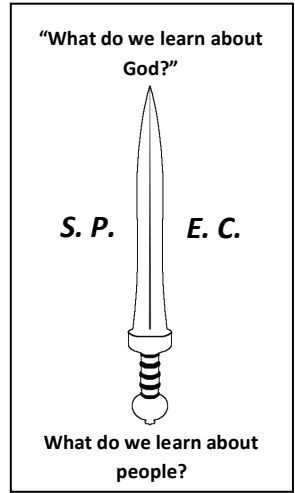
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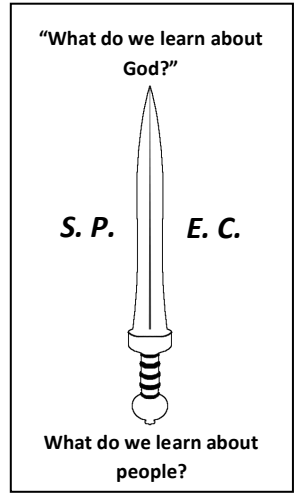
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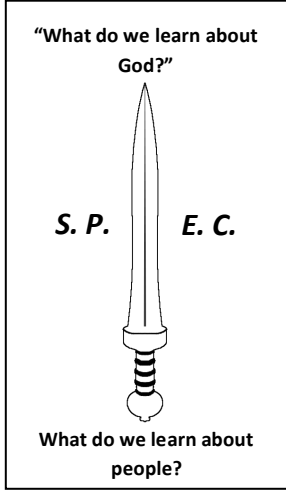
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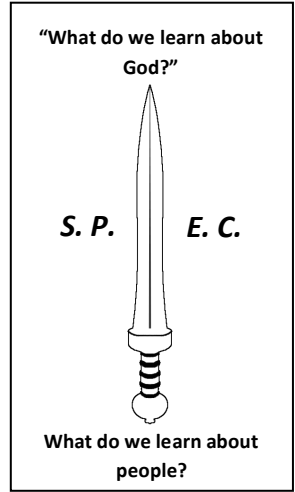
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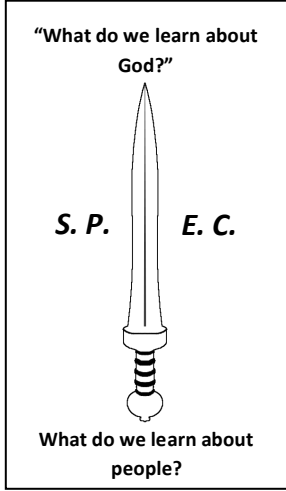
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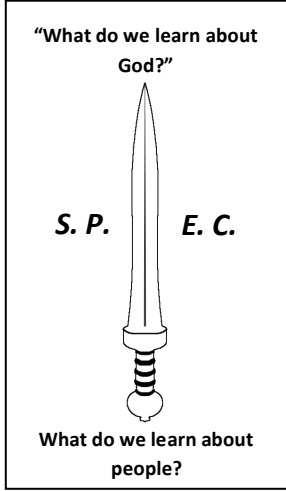
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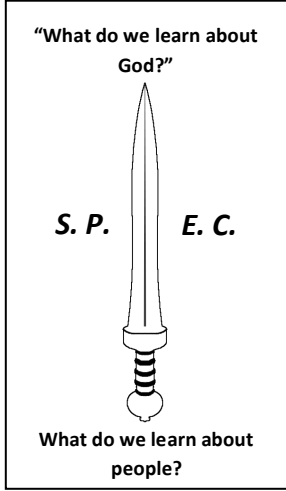
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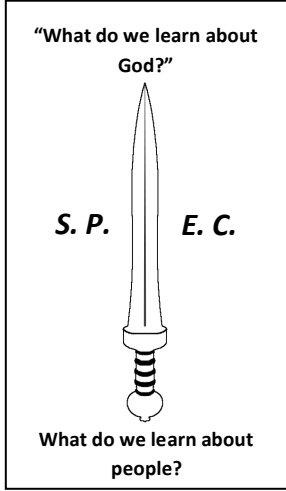
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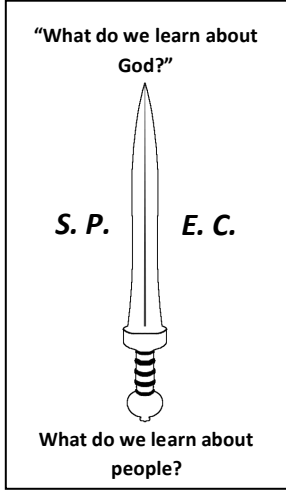
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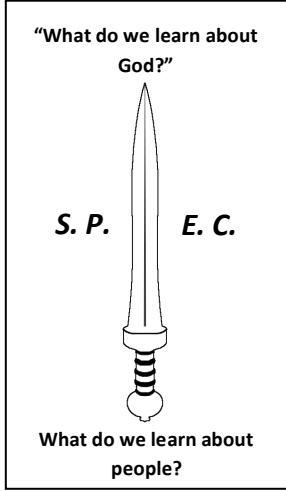
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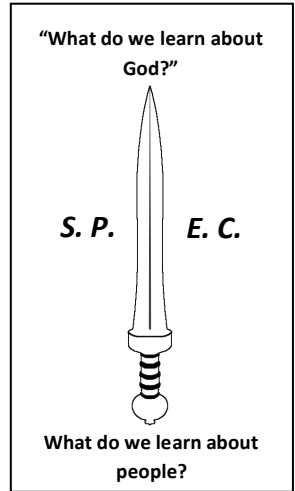
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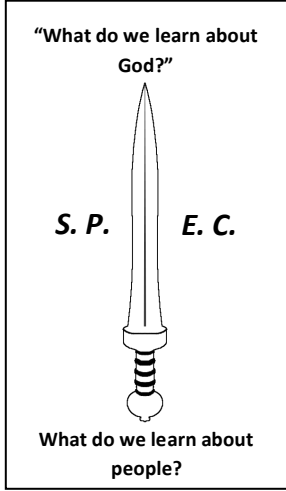
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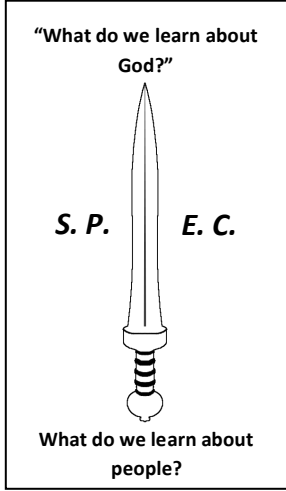
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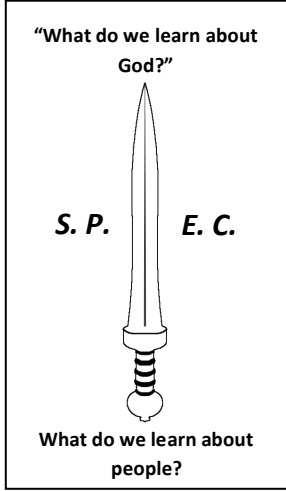
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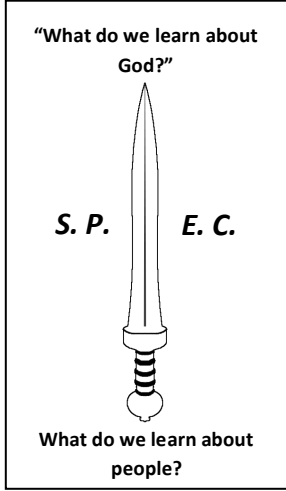
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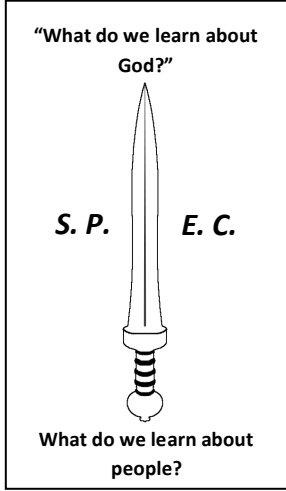
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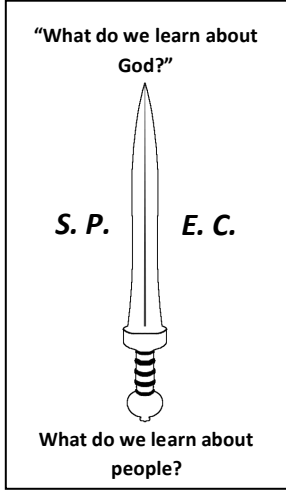
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