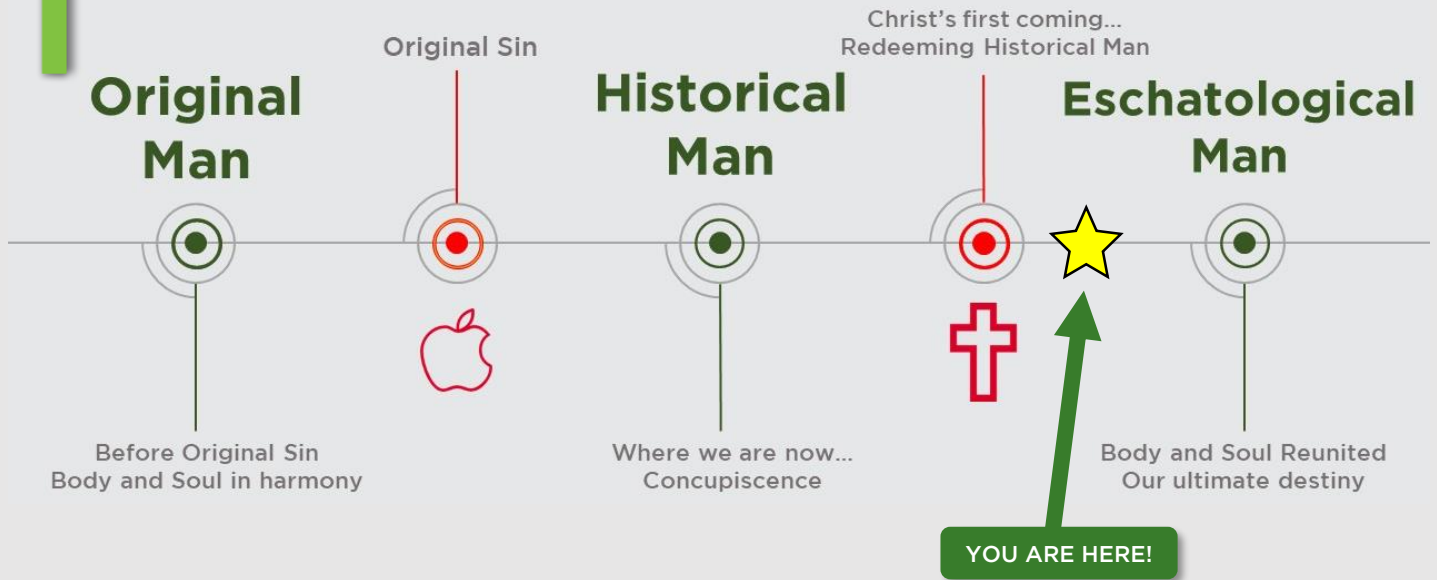


# ORIGINAL NAKEDNESS

## A Bird's Eye View

# 1

To understand Original Nakedness, John Paul II points out our human timeline:



# 2

John Paul II begins his *Theology of the Body* by going back to “Original Man.”

## ORIGINAL EXPERIENCES



John Paul II brings us back “To the beginning” before the fall of Original Sin. He calls this time our “Theological Pre-History.” (TOB 4:2)

He points out 3 original experiences of man. These original experiences help us understand our identity and God’s plan for humanity.

# 3

Original Nakedness.

“The man and his wife were both naked, yet they felt no shame.”  
Gen. 2:25



### Key Points about Original Nakedness:

- Nakedness here refers to something deeper than simply being “without clothing”
- No barriers in communication between humans (TOB 12:4)
- Man was fully aware of the meaning of the body (TOB 12:3)
- Man could see the world and others as God sees (TOB 13)
- Man and woman saw & knew one another with all of the peace of the interior gaze (TOB 13:1)
- Man & woman possessed the ability to relate to one another without fear of being used or exploited

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