WHY IS THE WORLD MESSED UP? Shaping Your Worldview - Part 4

I. THE REASON:
 Romans 5:12 (NCV) "Sin came into the world because of what one man did, and with sin came death." Ecclesiastes 7:20 (NLT) "There is not a single person in all the earth who is always good and never sins." Romans 8:7 "Your sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws and it never will." Romans 12:2a "Don't copy the behavior or customs of this world." Psalm 24:4 "Only those with clean hands and pure heartswill receive a blessing from the Lord."
II. THE RESULT:
1. Natural
Romans 8:20 (TEV) "Creation was condemned to lose its purpose" Romans 8:22 (TEV) "All of creation groans with pain"
2. Physical
 2 Corinthians 4:16 (NCV) "Our physical body is becoming older and weaker." 1 Corinthians 15:22 (NLT) "Everyone dies because all of us are related to Adam, the first man." Romans 8:21 (NLT) "All creation anticipates the day when it will join God's children in glorious freedom from death and decay." 3. Emotional
 Job 6:20 (NIV) "They are <u>distressed</u>, because they had been confident; they arrive there, only to be <u>disappointed</u>." Romans 7:18 (Mes)"I realize <u>I don't have what it takes</u>. I can will it, but I can't do it."
4. Relational
Genesis 3:7 (NLT) " they suddenly felt shame at their nakedness. So they strung fig leaves together to cover themselves."
5. Spiritual
 Job 6:18 (CEV) "I am like a caravan, lost in the desert searching for water." Ephesians 4:18 (Mes) "They've refused for so long to deal with God that they've lost touch not only with God, but with reality itself." Lamentations 3:24"So deep in my heart I say, 'Lord, You are all that I need. I can depend on You."

III.	THE RATIONALE:
1. T	To give us
	Iteronomy 30:15 (TEV) "Today I am giving you a choice between good and evil, and between life and death." lesiastes 3:17 (LB) "In due season God will judge everything man does, both good and bad."
2. 1	To show us
	lesiastes 3:18 (NLT) "God allows people to continue in their sinful ways so He can test them. That way, they <u>can see for themselves</u> that they are no better than animals." nans 7:19 (NLT) "When I want to do good, I don't. And when I try not to do wrong, I do it anyway"
3. T	To demonstrate to us
	eter 3:9 (NLT) "The Lord isn't being slow about His promise to return, as some people think. No, He is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to perish, so He is giving more time for everyone to repent."
IV.	OUR RESPONSE:
1	God's grace daily.
	that one man. But now, how much greater is the result of what was done by one other man, Jesus Christ! All who receive God's abundant grace and are freely put right with Him will rule in life through Christ."
2	this place is temporary.
	Im 119:19 (TEV) "I am here on earth <u>for just a little while</u> ." Hebrews 13:14 (LB) "This world is not our home; we are looking forward to our everlasting home in heaven."
3	man made solutions.
	emiah 2:13 (NLT) "My people have done two evil things: They have forsaken Me – the fountain of living water. And they have dug for themselves cracked cisterns that can hold no water at all!"
4	with God's love.
Phil	lippians 2:15 (Mes) "Go out into the world uncorrupted, a breath of fresh air in this squalid and polluted society. Provide people with a glimpse of good living and of the living God. <u>Carry the light-giving message into the night.</u> "