

CIVIL GOVERNMENT



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Chiastic Structure (X)

5:6-10 God alone is worthy of worship and service

5:11 Accuracy in language about God

5:12-15 Management of labor and property

5:16 Society depends upon functional marriage & family

5:17 Life is to be respected & preserved

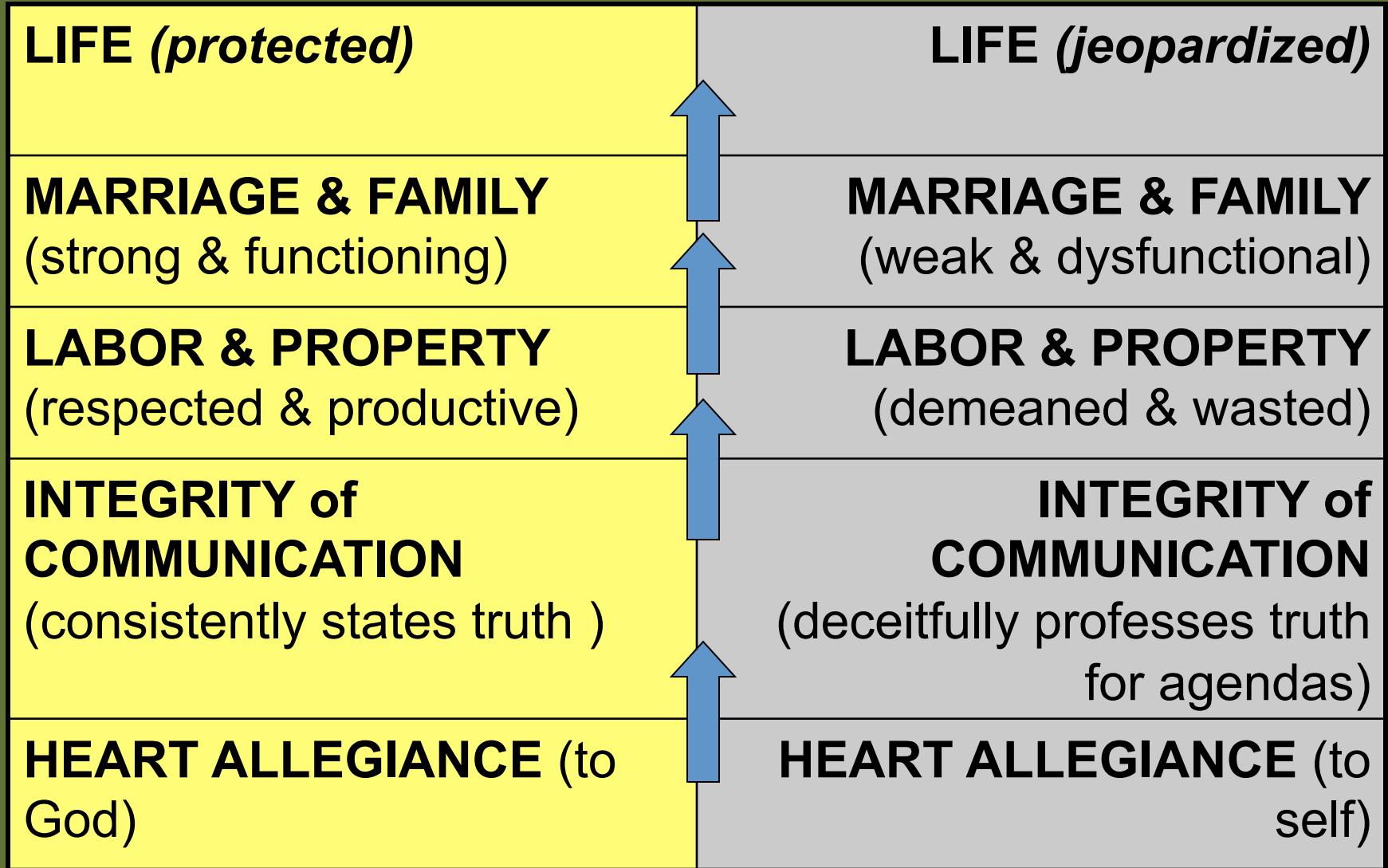
5:18 Marriage is to be protected

5:19 Property is to be protected

5:20 Accuracy in language of judicial proceedings

5:21 Self is not worthy of worship and service

God's Design of Society



Structure of Chapters 6 & 7

Chapter 6	Chapter 7
6:1-9, 20-25 The commands & the procedures of learning them well	7:1-5, 17-26 Holy war & the procedures of executing it
6:10-19 The (heart) relationship with Yahweh	7:6-16 The (contractual) relationship with Yahweh

“Now the commander of the garrison, the mayor, and the elders shall administer justice fairly, and the people shall bring their cases. . . .If anyone brings a case. . . too involved, he shall refer it to the king.”

O. R. Gurney, The Hittites, p. 93

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