

18. Blackout of the soul describes the vacuum that is created by absence of doctrinal principles and into which cosmic thought rushes to fill the void. This condition of reversionism is described in Ephesians 4:7 where the word “futility” [NASB & NIV] translates the Greek noun **ματαιότης, mataiotēs**, which means emptiness and therefore a vacuum into which cosmic viewpoint adds to the problem of psychopathic arrogance.
19. When such a person contends he does not have a sinful nature and therefore does not sin, he must deny the real imputation at physical birth of Adam’s original sin to his genetically formed sinful nature.
20. This kind of delusion would be impossible if this person had remained positive. Hamartiology, the study of sin, is one of the eleven categories of systematic theology that one learns when he is consistent in Bible study.
21. Consistency in one’s spiritual growth can only occur inside the divine power system at gate 4 where the believer develops the three spiritual skills: (1) the filling of the Holy Spirit, gate 1 of the divine power system which is acquired through rebound, combined with (2) the Grace Apparatus for Perception at gate 4, and (3) the development of the ten problem-solving devices.
22. Those who know truth cannot become psychopathic. A believer may suffer a legitimate medical condition due to chemical imbalances in the brain or from neural malfunction due to injury or disease.
23. However, a physically healthy believer who is consistent in Bible study and believes the messages it conveys is a mentally stable person that cannot be deceived by cosmic thought.
24. Those without truth in the soul are easy targets for cosmic propaganda and become converts to the Dark Side by being brainwashed.
25. Remember, propaganda is what the Dark Side does to you; brainwashing is what you do to yourself.
26. You cannot be brainwashed if you can’t be propagandized. And the greatest defense against cosmic propaganda is a large inventory of biblical ideas, principles, and doctrines.
27. Knowing truth is a sure defense against outside assault from the cosmic systems and internal insurgency from the sinful nature. Without truth you will fall victim to deception and its doctrines of demons.
28. Such is the case for the person under scrutiny in verse 8. He is deceived into believing he has no sinful nature and therefore does not sin.