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Man Compared to Animals:

- 1) Man:
 - a. Man has body and soul, and spirit.
 - i. Job 33:4; 1The 5:23; Mat 10:28
 - b. Man's soul came from God the Father and goes back to Him after death.
 - i. Ecc 3:21; 2Cor 5:1; Ecc 12:7
 - c. Man fell, man waits on earth for Judgement.
 - i. See point #3 on Vol. 1 "Why do I need Jesus Christ".
 - d. Man will be judged because of sin.
 - i. See point #6 on Vol. 1 "Why do I need Jesus Christ".
 - e. Man sacrificed animals as burnt offerings, and as an atonement for sin according to guidelines from the Lord God.
 - i. Gen 8:20; Lev 1; 1Chr 16:29
 - f. Man can be redeemed from sin by Jesus' sacrifice.
 - i. Rom 8:3; 1Cor 5:7
 - g. Redeemed man inherits two titles, king and priest.
 - i. 1Pet 2:9; Rev 1:6

2) Animals:

- a. Animals have body and soul and can be subject to spirit.
 - i. Gen 6:7; Mark 5:13
- b. An animal's spirit (soul) goes to the earth after death.
 - i. Ecc 3:21
- c. Animals are part of the earth system
 - i. Gen 1:24
- d. Animals are not judged because sin is not imputed to them, as they can't follow God's Law.
 - i. Rom 5:13
- e. Animals were sacrificed as burnt offerings, and as an atonement for sin according to guidelines from the Lord God.
 - i. Gen 8:20; Lev 1; 1Chr 16:29
- f. Animals cannot be redeemed because sin is not imputed to them.
- q. Animals have no inheritance

3) Conclusion:

- a. The animals of the earth cannot go to Heaven, because redemption is not available to them, and they cannot go to Hell because sin is not accounted to them. They are part of this world, and are relegated to it, alone. This means, by definition, animals of the earth are inferior to man.
- b. In contrast, man was cast out to the earth due to sin. Man can be saved and reconciled to the Father, accounting him innocent and ready to go home to Heaven, while the unrepentant man dies guilty of breaking God's Law and goes to Hell, awaiting judgment from the Father.

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Some scenarios from the Old Testament:

1) Man kills beast:

- According to the Lord God, the man is not put to death.
 - The Lord God allows the consumption of animals. (Gen 9:3; Act 10)
 - The animal sacrifice was necessary, and guidelines were instituted by the Lord God. Abel's sacrifice is the first recorded animal sacrifice; the covenants of the Lord God toward man are often put into effect by an animal sacrifice.

2) Beast kills man:

- According to the Lord God, the beast is put to death.
 - Gen 9:5-6 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. 6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

3) Beast kills beast:

 The living beast is not put to death, death by another beast is natural for animal life.

4) Man kills (murders) man:

- According to the Lord God, the living man is put to death.
 - Gen 9:5-6 And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man; at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man. 6 Whoso sheddeth man's blood, by man shall his blood be shed: for in the image of God made he man.

5) Man owns a beast; the owned beast kills another man:

- According to the Lord God, the beast is put to death, but the owner is acquitted.
 - **Exo 21:28** If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten; but the owner of the ox [shall be] quit.

6) Man is known to have a dangerous beast; the owned dangerous beast kills a man:

- According to the Lord God, both owner and beast are put to death
 - **Exo 21:29** But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past, and it hath been testified to his owner, and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman; the ox shall be stoned, and his owner also shall be put to death.