



Lesson Title: *What Is Man – Lesson One: God Why Are You So Mindful of Man?*

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📖 Text: Psalms 8:4–5; Genesis 1:26

INTRODUCTION: A RETURN TO ORIGINAL INTENT

Today we will explore:

- God's original design and prophetic intention for man
- What was lost through the fall: function, dominion, order, presence, glory
- Why Jesus came — not just to save us from hell but to **restore purpose**

Genesis 1:26 – “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness...”

HEBREW WORD STUDY: MAN – אָדָם (Adam)

Letters: Aleph (א) – Dalet (ד) – Mem (מ)

A. א – Aleph

- Symbol: Ox head = strength, divine authority
- Aleph represents God Himself — man begins with God
- Without Aleph, Adam becomes **Dam** (blood): flesh without spirit
- With Aleph, man becomes a **living soul** – Genesis 2:7
- Nishmat chayyim = breath of life → impartation of spirit & function

Job 32:8 – “There is a spirit in man, and the breath of the Almighty gives understanding.”

B. ד – Dalet

- Symbol: Door = access, choice, movement
- Man is the **doorway** between heaven and earth
- Charged to steward, guard, and represent God in creation

Genesis 2:15 – “To tend (avad) and keep (shamar)”

- **Avad** = to serve, cultivate, worship
- **Shamar** = to guard, protect, maintain order
- Adam was a priest, not a farmer — cultivating presence and guarding order

C. מ – Final Mem

- Symbol: Water = depth, mystery, divine flow
- Final form = sealed vessel, concealed mysteries
- Man was created to **contain the deep things of God**
- A vessel for divine revelation, spirit, and covenant purpose

John 20:22 – Jesus breathes on the disciples: “Receive the Holy Spirit”

John 7:38 – “Out of his heart shall flow rivers of living water”

REVELATION:

Aleph – You begin in God

Dalet – You are His door

Mem – You carry His mystery

IMAGE – תְּסֵלֶם (Tselem)

Letters: Tsade (צ) – Lamed (ל) – Final Mem (ם)

A. צ – Tsade



- Pictograph: Hook or man bowed = righteousness, pursuit
- Drawn to God by design — like a divine magnet
- Psalm 42:1 – “My soul pants for You...”
- Psalm 42:7 – “Deep calls to deep...”

We are **wired for divine attraction** — image is both reflection and connection.

B. ל – Lamed

- Symbol: Shepherd’s staff = instruction, authority
- We are created to **represent divine rulership**
- God’s authority placed in man to reflect His dominion

C. מ – Final Mem

- Hidden depth, mystery, divine container
- God’s glory and presence were designed to dwell within man
- Tselem = visible expression of invisible God

LIKENESS – דמויות (D’mut)

Letters: Dalet – Mem – Vav – Tav

A. ו – Vav

- Symbol: Nail or hook = connection
- Joins heaven and earth, spirit and flesh
- Speaks of reconciliation, divine-human oneness

B. ת – Tav

- Symbol: Cross or mark = covenant, seal, completion
- Represents finality, redemption, and ownership

LIKENESS = A Blueprint

- Not just similarity — it’s **identity in function and behavior**
- Man was made to **live, love, and rule like God**

PSALM 8:4 – “WHAT IS MAN THAT YOU ARE MINDFUL OF HIM?”

Mindful – Hebrew: זָכַר (Zakar)

- To remember, act with intention, covenantal mindfulness
- God doesn’t casually remember man — He moves toward us with divine purpose

Romans 8:29 – “Predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son...”

Hebrews 1:3 – Jesus, the express image of the Father

Even before the fall, God had a plan for restoration

- Vav and Tav in D’mut prophetically point to Jesus — the Nail, the Cross

FINAL THOUGHT:

God’s mindfulness = His active intention to restore man to original identity

Jesus didn’t just redeem us — He reconnected us to divine image and function



“You are not random — you are remembered.”



“You are not lost — you are being restored.”

Christ is the Vav and the Tav — He’s the connection and the seal.



He came not just to forgive sin — but to recover your design.