

The Creation of Man

Post-Fall "God's Image" Reminders

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Part 2

Genesis 1:12 So God created human beings^[a] in his own image.

In the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them. NLT

1. God's image is distorted but is not totally lost

Morally. We do good from times to time But...We are now sinful/

Intellect. /we think kindness and ways to help others but...We have distorted and often times selfish thinking

Relationships. We love and have compassion from time to time but...Anger and selfishness.

Ecc 7:29 But I did find this: God created people to be virtuous, but they have each turned to follow their own downward path."

2. Through Jesus we are progressively recovering God's image

If we live a faithful life as a believer we should look more like Jesus each year we live.

Col 3:10 Put on your new nature, and be renewed as you learn to know your Creator and become like him.

II Cor 5:17 This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!

II Cor 3:18 So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

Rom 8:29 For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn^[a] among many brothers and sisters.

How does he do this?

The Holy Spirit will utilize the following....

Scripture

Prayer

Community

Leaders/teachers

Other believers

The “big three” will create change.

Repentance

Serve

Generosity

Fruit Basket Gal 5:22- But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

Evangelism

3. **We will be completely restored to God’s image at Christ’s return.**

I Cor 15:49 Just as we are now like the earthly man, we will someday be like^a the heavenly man.

Rom 8:29 For God knew his people in advance, and he chose them to become like his Son, so that his Son would be the firstborn^a among many brothers and sisters.

I John 3:2 Dear friends, we are already God’s children, but he has not yet shown us what we will be like when Christ appears. But we do know that we will be like him, for we will see him as he really is.

-Morally

-Spiritually

-Mentally

-Relationally

-Physically



Close:

"The people of God are not merely to mark time, waiting for God to step in and set right all that is wrong. Rather, they are to model the new heaven and new earth, and by so doing awaken longings for what God will someday bring to pass." **Philip Yancey**