

DAY 6

Creation Of Man

Genesis 1: 26-27

²⁶ Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." ²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

I The trinity "Let Us...Our image"

- A. Saw trinity in creation days 1-5
 - 1. God created - Spirit hovered - Word was Spoken
- B. God is a being of relationships
 - 1. Trinity in communion and communication - perfect relationship
 - a. God has never been alone
 - 2. The Trinity (all of God) in council engaged in the purpose of creating man.
 - a. The time is now right. God had prepared a place for us.
 - 3. God purposed man (just as the firmament 1:6) Vs. 26

26: Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness;
6: Then God said, "Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters." ⁷ Thus God made the firmament

II Love of Father to Son: (because He is a God of personal relationships)

- A. In this relationship God promised His Son a bride.

Titus 1:1-2 Paul, a bondservant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect and the acknowledgment of the truth which accords with godliness, ² in hope of eternal life which God, who cannot lie, promised before time began,

- 1. **Titus:** Eternal life **Promised** before time began. So who did He promise? The Son

I Pet. 1:20 He indeed was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,

- 2. **I Peter:** Jesus was **Predestined** as redeemer of fallen man...before we were made

2 Tim. 1:9 who has saved us and called *us* with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was given to us in Christ Jesus **before time began,**

- 3. **II Timothy:** **Purposed** before creation

- B. Earth created to "house" man - that God would redeem - causing Glorification to Him.

- 1. Culmination Rev 19:6-9

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⁶ Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out "Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. ⁷ Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; ⁸ it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"— for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. ⁹ And the angel said to me, "Write this: Blessed are those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb." And he said to me, "These are the true words of God."

C. Illustrations of the Marriage of the Lamb:

1. Matthew 22:1-10

22 And Jesus answered and spoke to them again by parables and said: ²“The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, ³ and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. ⁴ Again, he sent out other servants, saying, ‘Tell those who are invited, “See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle *are* killed, and all things *are* ready. Come to the wedding.’” ⁵ But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. ⁶ And the rest seized his servants, treated *them* spitefully, and killed *them*. ⁷ *But when the king heard about it*, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. ⁸ Then he said to his servants, ‘The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. ⁹ Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.’ ¹⁰ So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding *hall* was filled with guests.

a. The Loving Father prepared the celebration for the son

2. Matt 25 1-12

25 “Then the kingdom of heaven shall be likened to ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Now five of them were wise, and five *were* foolish. ³ Those who *were* foolish took their lamps and took no oil with them, ⁴ but the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps. ⁵ But while the bridegroom was delayed, they all slumbered and slept. ⁶ “And at midnight a cry was *heard*: ‘Behold, the bridegroom is coming; go out to meet him!’” ⁷ Then all those virgins arose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ And the foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us *some* of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’ ⁹ But the wise answered, saying, ‘No, lest there should not be enough for us and you; but go rather to those who sell, and buy for yourselves.’ ¹⁰ And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the wedding; and the door was shut. ¹¹ “Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, ‘Lord, Lord, open to us!’” ¹² But he answered and said, ‘Assuredly, I say to you, I do not know you.’

a. Awaiting the Groom - explain about groom leaving after betrothal

i. Jn 14:3 In regards of going to prep for bride

³ **John 14:3** And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

3. John 3:29 The disciples of John were fearful because people were instead following Christ

John 3:29 He who has the bride is the bridegroom; but the friend of the bridegroom, who stands and hears him, rejoices greatly because of the bridegroom’s voice. Therefore this joy of mine is fulfilled.

D. God, a being surrounding Himself with relationships, Creates man.

III. We are created in His Image

A. Body, Soul & Spirit 3 part being

"we are capable of God consciousness" Dr. Arthur Pierson

1. Man is a relational being - a must have (because we are in His Image)
 - a. "in Our Image" = 1 word in Heb. Tsalem - to carve, cut or chip off.
 - b. Same word used for the mice and tumors in 1 Sam. chapter 6
2. Relationships are imperative, especially with the creator God
 - b. The show "Alone" most get too lonely for the one Million dollar prize

B. Different than other created living things.

1. Gen. 2:7 God breathed into Adam's nostrils the breath of life.
 - a. Man a living, 3 part being.
2. These are some things we have that beasts do not:
 - a. Self consciousness
 - b. ability to reason
 - c. appreciation for beauty
 - d. a moral awareness
 - e. THE ABILITY TO PERSONALLY RELATE

C. We were created eternal.

1. Rev 13:8

⁸ All who dwell on the earth will worship him, whose names have not been written in the Book of Life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world

2. Eternity "set eternity in our hearts" (Eccl. 3:11, 21) "Spirit ascends..."

¹¹ He has made everything beautiful in its time. Also He has put eternity in their hearts, except that no one can find out the work that God does from beginning to end.
²¹ Who knows the spirit of the sons of men, which goes upward, and the spirit of the animal, which goes down to the earth?

3. Tree of life.

- a. Gen 2:9 - two trees mentioned - one could not be eaten

⁹ And out of the ground the LORD God made every tree grow that is pleasant to the sight and good for food. The tree of life was also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.

- b. Gen 2:17

¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

- c. Gen 3:22-24 - Why did God protect the tree of life?

²² Then the LORD God said, "Behold, the man has become like one of Us, to know good and evil. And now, lest he put out his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live forever"— ²³ therefore the LORD God sent him out of the garden of Eden to till the ground from which he was taken. ²⁴ So He drove out the man; and He placed cherubim at the east of the garden of Eden, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to guard the way to the tree of life.

- i. Partaking = eternal separation from God
- ii. No chance for redemption - (Romans 5:12, 1 Cor. 15:50-51)

- iii. ⁵⁰ Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God; nor does corruption inherit incorruption. ⁵¹ Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed

d. Rev 20:11, 15 The great white throne

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.
15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

i. everything dissipates except man.

c. 2 Pet 3:10 The great un-creation

¹⁰ But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

D. We were created in the image of God and created:

1. To be redeemed
2. To Glorify God
3. To be eternal
4. To have an **eternal relationship** with God VIA Jesus Christ
5. To be the gift from God the Father to the Son