

GENESIS 1:24-31

Evidence Found in His Image

What being made by God says about who you are.



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¹⁸Then Herod, when he saw that he was tricked by the wise men, became furious and killed all the male children in all that region who were two years old and under according to the time that he had ascertained from the wise men.¹⁹ Then was fulfilled by the prophet Jeremiah:

²⁰"A voice was heard in Ramah, weeping and loud lament, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be comforted, for they are no more."

The Return to Nazareth

²¹But when Herod died, behold the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother and flee to the land of Israel, for those who seek to kill the child are dead."²² And he rose and took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel, when he heard that Archelaus reigned in Judea in place of his father Herod. And being warned in a dream not to go there, he withdrew to the district of Galilee.²³ And he went to a city called Nazareth, so that what the prophets might be fulfilled, called a Nazarene.

John the Baptist Prepares the Way

³In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea, saying, "The kingdom of heaven is at hand."⁴ This was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah:

⁵"The voice of one crying in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord; make his paths straight.'"

⁶Now John wore a garment of camel hair and a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey.⁷ Then many went out to him, and they were baptized in the Jordan river, confessing their sins.⁸ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to him, he said to them, "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? ⁹Bear fruit in keeping with repentance.¹⁰ And do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father,' for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham."¹¹ Even now the axe is laid

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Do not eat the bread of a miser, Nor desire his delicacies; For as he thinks in his heart, so is he. "Eat and drink!" he says to you, But his heart is not with you.

(Proverbs 23:6-7 NKJV)

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The Sermon on the Mount

⁵Seeing the crowds, he went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

The Beatitudes

⁶And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

⁷"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."

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¹⁵ And a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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(Psalm 139:13-18 NKJV)

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The Return to Nazareth

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Beloved, I beg *you* as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by *your* good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

(1 Peter 2:11-12 NKJV)

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²⁰ One said to him, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."²¹ And the other said, "I have anointed you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."²² Then a voice came from heaven, saying, "This is my Son, the Beloved; with him I am well pleased."

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Then the LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.

(Genesis 2:15 NKJV)

¹⁴ Or "the kingdom of heaven has come near." ¹⁵ Or "going to Egypt in the wilderness." ¹⁶ Some manuscripts read "until." ¹⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ¹⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ¹⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ²⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ³⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁴⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁵⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁶⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁷⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁸⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹¹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹² Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹³ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁴ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁵ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁶ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁷ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁸ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ⁹⁹ Or "my Son, the Beloved." ¹⁰⁰ Or "my Son, the Beloved."

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PART TWO

The Image of Man Is Evidence of the Reality of God



- 1 Our intelligence points to the wisdom and intelligence of our Creator (Psalm 139:14; **Romans 1:18-23**).
- 2 Our moral awareness points to the holiness and righteousness of our Creator (Romans 2:12-16).
- 3 Our need for fellowship points to the relational nature and love of our Creator (Prov 27:17; Heb 10:24,25).
- 4 Our creativity reflects the beauty, order, and imagination of our Creator (Psalms 19:1-4).
- 5 Our capacity for work and stewardship reflects the purposeful activity of our Creator (Genesis 2:15).
- 6 These qualities do not save us, but they do _____ we were fashioned to reflect Someone _____ than ourselves.

PART THREE

We Have a Responsibility to Bear God's Image Faithfully



is about to search for the child, to destroy him."¹⁴ And he rose and took the child and his mother by night and departed to Egypt¹⁵ and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had said by the prophet:¹⁶

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¹⁵"A voice

was heard

from the

east saying,

"The King

of the East

is here."

And he

came to

Jerusalem

and said,

"Peace be

unto thee,

because thou

art called a

city of truth."

But thou,

Jerusalem,

that killest

the prophets

and stonest

those who

testify against

thee, how

often will I

wish to gather

thy stones to

throw thee

down!"¹⁷

Then he

turned and

went to the

temple and

said, "You

say, 'I will

build a house

for me, and

I will dwell

in it; and I

will build a

temple for me,

and I will

dwell in it."

But the

temple that

I will build

is not of

stone and

brick, but

to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.¹⁸

¹⁹"I baptize you with water for repentance, but

¹⁷Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

John Begins His Ministry

¹⁸"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth."

¹⁹"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for they shall receive the crown of life."

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"You are the salt of the earth; but if the salt loses its flavor, how shall it be seasoned? It is then good for nothing but to be thrown out and trampled underfoot by men. "You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all *who are* in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

(Matthew 5:13-16 NKJV)

¹⁷"You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve."

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¹⁹"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

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- 1 Our conduct should reflect the **character** of the God we represent (Matthew 5:16).
- 2 Our **words and actions** should never bring reproach on the name of God (James 3:9-10; Ephesians 4:29; Matt 26:74).
- 3 Through Christ, we should continually _____ into the image we were created to reflect (2 Corinthians 3:18; Colossians 3:10).
- 4 The gospel not only forgives sinners; it also restores image-bearers.



CONCLUSION

Your Life Bears Witness to the God Who Made You

- 1 _____ person bears evidence of the Creator.
- 2 Though sin distorts that image, God has not _____ His design.
- 3 In Christ, what was marred can be _____, and what was broken can be restored.
- 4 Therefore, let us live in a way that clearly reflects the God whose _____ we bear.

