

# FROM CREATION TO THE CROSS



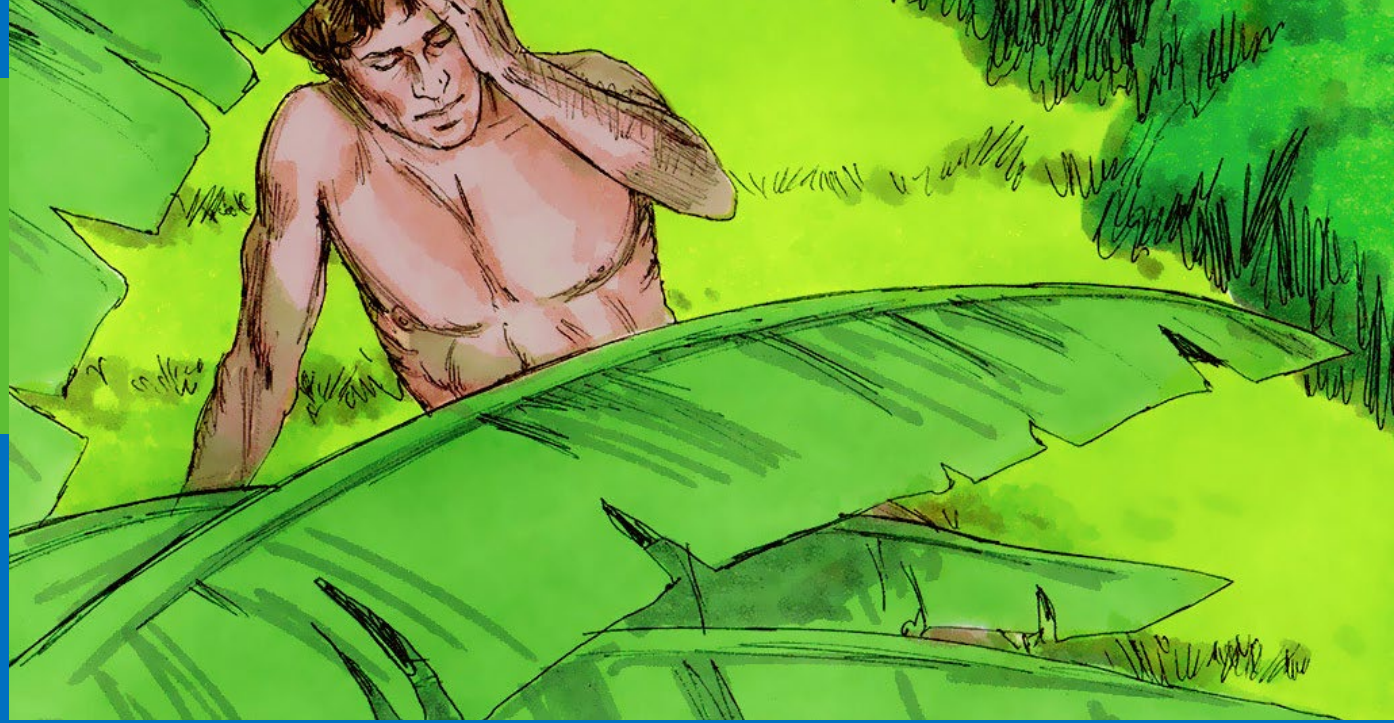


Then God said,  
"Let Us make man in **Our image**,  
according to **Our likeness**;

Genesis 1:26

**LET US MAKE MAN IN OUR OWN IMAGE**

**The Trinity At Creation**  
**God Created** the Heavens and Earth  
**Jesus Created** All Things  
**The Spirit moved upon the waters**



**Did Jesus recognize the Trinity (God in Three Persons)?**

And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying,  
"All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth.  
Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations,  
baptizing them **in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,**

Matthew 28:18-19

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# THE IMAGE OF GOD IS NOT A BODY



**GOD'S IMAGE  
IS  
INVISIBLE**

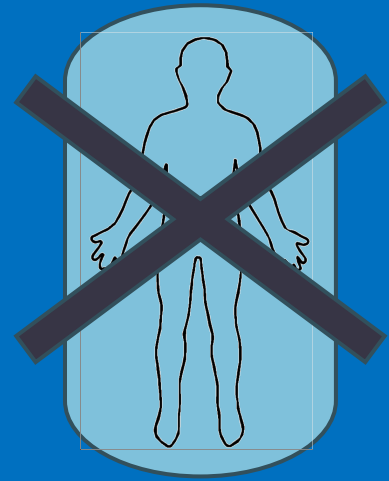
**God is Spirit**

**God is Spirit**, we must worship him in spirit.

For since the creation of the world

**His invisible *attributes* are clearly seen,**  
being understood by the things that are made,  
*even* His eternal power and Godhead,  
so that they are without excuse,

**He is the image of the invisible God,**  
the firstborn over all creation.



**John 4:24**

**Romans 1:20**

**Colossians 1:15**

# THE INVISIBLE IMAGE OF GOD



**God is one God in three Persons**

...in the Name of **the Father**, and of **the Son**, and of **the Holy Spirit**

**Matthew 28:19**

**God is Life Eternal**

Unto the King, **immortal**, invisible, to God who alone is wise.

**1 Timothy 1:17**

**THOUGHT**

How precious also are **Your thoughts** to me, O God!

How great is the sum of them! **Psalm 139:17**

**WILL**

God has **a Will** (Desire with Direction – Ability to Choose)

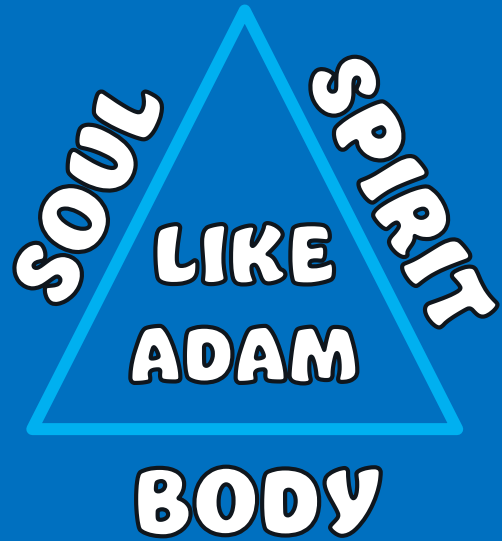
**First Thessalonians 4:13; 5:18, First Peter 2:15**

**EMOTION**

**God is Love**

He who does not love does not know God, for **God is Love**

**First John 4:8**



# THE IMAGE OF ADAM

**THE SONS OF ADAM ARE BORN IN HIS IMAGE**  
And Adam...begot a **son in his own likeness, after his image** – Genesis 5:3

**THE SON OF GOD TOOK ON THE IMAGE OF ADAM**  
**And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us**

John 1:14

**God sent His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh**

Romans 8:3

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify **you completely**;  
and may **your whole spirit, soul, and body**  
be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

First Thessalonians 5:23



# THE IMAGE OF GOD THAT ADAM LOST

## IN THE GARDEN



## IN THE WORLD

- **IMMORTAL**: MAN COULD LIVE FOREVER
- **KNOWS ONLY GOOD** (INNOCENT)
  - THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD
  - NO SHAME OR GUILT
- **PERFECT KNOWLEDGE OF GOD**
  - NOT BY HUMAN WISDOM
  - NOT FROM ANY SOURCE BUT GOD
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  - GOD ALLOWED MAN TO CHOOSE LIFE
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# Why did God become a man?

Animals could only replace man  
Until the promise came.

Romans 5:25-19

## ADAM

By **one man's** offense ... death

By **one man's** disobedience ... sinners

## CHRIST

By the grace of **one man** .. life

By **one man's** obedience .. righteousness



**ALL ANIMAL SACRIFICES**

**It *was* symbolic  
for the present time**

in which both gifts  
and sacrifices are offered  
**which cannot make him** who  
performed the service **perfect**  
in regard to the conscience—  
Hebrews 9:9

**Symbolic**

**Temporary**

**Partial**

# GOD BECAME FLESH – THE LAST ADAM



**THE PROMISE**  
Genesis 3:15



**BECAME FLESH**  
John 1:14



**WE BEHELD HIS GLORY**  
John 1:14; Matthew 17:2



**SUFFERED DEATH**  
Hebrews 2:9

# THE IMAGE OF GOD IS RESTORED IN CHRIST

THEREFORE, IF ANYONE IS IN CHRIST,

**HE IS A NEW CREATION;**

OLD THINGS HAVE PASSED AWAY;

BEHOLD, ALL THINGS HAVE BECOME NEW.

SECOND CORINTHIANS 5:17

# THE IMAGE OF GOD IS RESTORED IN CHRIST

HAVING BEEN BORN AGAIN,  
NOT OF CORRUPTIBLE SEED **{IMAGE OF ADAM}**  
BUT INCORRUPTIBLE, **{IMAGE OF CHRIST}**  
THROUGH THE WORD OF GOD **{BY FAITH}**  
WHICH LIVES AND ABIDES FOREVER,  
FIRST PETER 1:23

**THE IMAGE OF GOD IS RESTORED IN CHRIST**

**AND THAT YOU PUT ON THE NEW MAN  
WHICH WAS CREATED ACCORDING TO GOD,  
IN TRUE RIGHTEOUSNESS AND HOLINESS.**

**EPHESIANS\_4:24**

**AND HAVE PUT ON THE NEW MAN  
WHO IS RENEWED IN KNOWLEDGE  
ACCORDING TO THE IMAGE OF HIM  
WHO CREATED HIM.**

**COLOSSIANS 3:10**

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1 Corinthians 15: 1-5a

# THE GOSPEL OF CHRIST

I declare to you  
the gospel which I preached to you  
by which also you are saved

Christ died for our sins  
according to the Scriptures

He was buried,

**Proof He Died**

He rose again the third day  
according to the Scriptures

He was seen...

**Proof He Arose**



