

Week 4 – Created in the Image of God

Genesis 1:26-31, 2:4-25

Having established what the creation narrative teaches us about God, we can now ask and accurately answer the question, “What does the creation narrative tell us about _____?”

I. **We are _____ by _____.** (1:26, 27; 2:7; also see Ps. 139:13-16, Is. 26:16, 45:9; Ps. 103; 13, 14)

a. A proper understanding of our humanness should lead to both honor and _____. We are of great worth (made in the image of God, the pinnacle of creation) but possess great _____.

b. The only reason that we have a life is because _____ gave us one! (Acts 17:24-28)

II. **We are made in _____.** (1:26, 27)

a. Image-bearing is about _____ and _____ our Maker. (Gen. 5:3)

b. As long as we are human we are, by definition, in the image of God. All human life, redeemed or not, is infinitely _____. (Gen. 9:6, James 3:9)

c. The truth that we are image-bearers lies at the heart of all true _____ and _____. (Matt. 22:17-22)

III. We are distinctly _____ or _____. (1:27)

IV. We are _____. (1: 26, 28; 2:15; 2:9, 16, 17)

a. Obedience is never about being a “good girl.” It’s always about _____ and _____ a good God! The rules and our God-given freedom to obey or not exist for _____. (Ps. 119)

	Genesis 1	Genesis 2
Structure	Chronological	
Scope	The entire universe	
Subject	God	
Emphasis	God’s sovereignty	

b. Every human being on the planet is responsible to Holy God to uphold His standard of _____ righteousness, to obey every command, and to worship and serve their Maker with their whole hearts. *This is why we desperately need Jesus!*

V. We are relational (2:4, 18-25)

a. Three things that God intends for every marriage

i. Every marriage should be _____.

ii. Every marriage should _____.

iii. Every marriage should be a _____ union.