

Series: Imago Dei

Sermon: Image Restored

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-28, Romans 8:29 (ESV)

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Genesis 1:26-28 (ESV)

²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and 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.

²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every creeping thing that moves on the earth."

In God's original design, mankind was to be:

- 1) In right relationship with God.
- 2) In right relationship with each other.
- 3) In right relationship with ourselves.
- 4) In right relationship with creation.

Romans 5:12-19 (ESV)

¹² Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned—

¹³ for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law.

¹⁴ Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come.

¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many.

¹⁶ And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification.

¹⁷ For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ.

¹⁸ Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men.

¹⁹ For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

1 Corinthians 15:20-22 (ESV)

²⁰ But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

²¹ For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

²² For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive.

1 Corinthians 15:45-49 (ESV)

⁴⁵ Thus it is written, "The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit.

⁴⁶ But it is not the spiritual that is first but the natural, and then the spiritual.

⁴⁷ The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven.

⁴⁸ As was the man of dust, so also are those who are of the dust, and as is the man of heaven, so also are those who are of heaven.

⁴⁹ Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the man of heaven.

The First Adam:

- We are born in his likeness.
- We inherit his nature.
- We receive his death.

The Second Adam:

- We are reborn in His likeness.
- We inherit His nature.
Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- We receive His life.

Romans 8:29 (ESV)

²⁹ For those whom He foreknew He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, in order that He might be the first-born among many brothers.