

Series: Imago Dei

Sermon: Image Bearing, Work, and Creation

Scripture: Genesis 1:26-28, 2:15 (ESV)

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²⁶ Then God said, "Let us make man 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 living thing that moves on the earth."

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.

- I. We labor as servant-kings. (Gen. 1:26-28; 2:15)
 - a. *God's Design*
 - b. *God's Purpose*

Two Implications:

1. Work is essential to human flourishing.
2. There is good work and bad work.

- II. We labor in confidence. (Eph. 1:22-23; 1 Cor. 15:58; Rev. 21-22)

[His work was] part of the True Reality that would live and be enjoyed forever.

Tim Keller, *Every Good Endeavor*, p. 13