

CREATED IN THE IMAGE OF GOD.

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INTRODUCTION:

- A. Read the text: **Genesis 1:26-27.**
- B. Regarding the text:
 - 1. What does it mean when we say that we are created in the image of God?
 - 2. What responsibilities go with this idea?
- C. In this lesson, we will study the phrase “Let us make man in our image...”
Genesis 1:26-27.

I. IN THE IMAGE OF GOD.

- A. **Genesis 1:26-27 “In our image.”**
 - 1. Man is different from the rest of God’s creation because man is made in the image of God. Not physically!
 - 1) We are the offspring of God (**Acts 17:29**).
 - 2) We have the ability to choose right from wrong (**Joshua 24:15**).
 - 3) We have an eternal part of our being. We have a soul (**Genesis 2:7**).
 - 2. The word IMAGE means a likeness.
 - 1) Carries with it the idea of essential nature.
 - a. **Psalms 100:3** - God made us.
 - b. **Ecclesiastes 7:29** -God made man upright.
 - c. **Ephesians 4:24** - Created in righteousness and true holiness.
 - d. **James 3:9** - Create in the similitude of God.
 - a) After the likeness.
 - b) **Genesis 5:1.**
 - 2) **1 Corinthians 15:50-54.**
 - 3. Since man’s physical being is different in all people, then the likeness in which we are created deals with our soul and the essence of our nature. That is, to be like God.

II. WHAT ARE OUR RESPONSIBILITIES TOWARD GOD?

- A. To remember that we belong to him (**Psalms 100:3; 1 Corinthians 6:20**).
- B. To walk as God walks (**1 John 1:7; 3 John vs. 4**).
- C. To be holy as God is holy (**1 Peter 1:16**).
- D. To love as God has loved us (**1 John 4:19**).
- E. That we should seek the Lord (**Acts 17:27; Matthew 7:7**).
- F. Do not strive with our Maker (**Isaiah 45:9**).

III. CONCLUSION:

- A. Mankind is the only living thing that has the assurance of an afterlife.
- B. We can look forward to an eternal bliss IF we will obey Him (**Romans 1:16; 1 Peter 1:22**).
- C. You make the choice to obey or to dismiss God’s word!