

"ACCEPTING YOURSELF" IS SAYING "I SEE WHERE I AM, I KNOW I HAVE VALUE, BUT I DESPERATELY NEED TO MAKE CHANGES."

Genesis 1:26-27 God said, "Let Us make mankind in Our image, according to Our likeness" So God did create mankind in His image (the image of God), male and female.

1. If a dictator erects images of himself all over the empire, what is he saying & trying to do? _____
2. If God has personality (emotions, intellect, moral boundaries, and will), and if we are created in His likeness, what do we have? _____
3. God chose to erect His image all over this world, who did He choose to be His image? _____

Isaiah 45:5 - I am the Lord, and there is no other; Besides Me there is no God.

1. Y N Does it appear that God approves of Himself, and that He accepts Himself as God Almighty?
2. If you are created in the "image" of God, God expects you to "accept yourself" as a person, as a creation of God, as a masterpiece of God, even though you have failures, disobedient times, and depression. How are you doing in this battle?

3. Y N Don't you think that accepting (acknowledging) yourself for WHO you are and WHERE you are is a mandatory step toward fulfilling God's desire for you to demonstrate & display the image of God to those around you?

IS IT POSSIBLE THAT THE WORLD AROUND US IS NOT EXPECTING PERFECTION IN OUR LIVES, BUT RATHER, IS WATCHING TO SEE HOW WE HANDLE OUR IMPERFECTIONS?

Deuteronomy 31:8 - Do not be afraid or discouraged, for the LORD will personally go ahead of you. He will be with you; he will neither fail you nor abandon you.

1. When we are afraid or discouraged, what is good to know? _____
