

Session #3

Genesis 1:27,31	So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him. Then, God
	saw that everything He created was good.

1. Why do you think God started out the Bible talking about His image?

The word referring to God's image ('image") is used 5 times just in Genesis. In Hebrew, "image" means "a resemblance", "a representative (created after the form & pattern of someone)".

Exodus 20:1-2 1. You shall have <u>no other gods</u> except Me. 2. You shall not make for yourself <u>a carved image</u> to worship.

How did God begin this conversation about "images"?

When we worship the true person & heart of God, we are worshipping & honoring His <u>image</u>. (God's way) When we replace God with anything else (man-made), it becomes an <u>idol.</u> (Man's way) "God's Way" = God is holy, powerful, and worthy; He provides a life path for us; He is the giver of value. "Man's Way" = Man inherits a sinful nature; he rejects God's provided path; he retains all his value from God.

2. Please comment: God created mankind with individual value; man does not believe it.

Genesis 3:1 The serpent said to the woman, "<u>Did God really say</u> you shall not eat of every tree of the garden"?

3. Where did we get this idea?

 Genesis 2:16-17
 God said to Adam, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from that particular tree, you shall surely die."

 Genesis 3:2-3
 The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat the fruit of the trees of the garden; but of the tree which is in the midst of the garden, God said you shall not eat it, nor touch it, lest you die."

 4.
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 Was God specific about which tree not to eat from?

 5.
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 Was the woman specific about which tree not to eat from?

 6.
 What detail did Eve add that God did not say?

Genesis 1:26 – God said, "Let Us make mankind in Our image, according to the pattern of Our character".