

Genesis 1:26-27

☐ Monday - The Picture Distorted.

Adam was the canvas upon which the image of God was painted. But the Fall ruined this beautiful image. Man-made religions, philosophies, psychologies, and myriad of self-help books try in vain to redraw the image of man without knowing what the picture should even look like. Mankind's search for meaning, significance, and gender identity are all symptoms of the human race's growing identity crises. We all like sheep have gone astray. Who can save us? Read Romans 3:10-18, 23-24

☐ Tuesday - The Image Redrawn.

There was only one hope for the image of God in man to be restored: The original subject of the portrait had to come and have his likeness redrawn on the canvas of humanity. And so, Christ came to show us what the image of God looks like in the flesh. In Christ alone is man rehumanized and renewed in the likeness of God. Yes, Christ is our only hope of wholeness. Colossians 3:10

☐ Wednesday - Christ is the image of God.

Scripture declares, "No one has seen God at any time; the only begotten God has explained Him" (John 1:18). Christ "is the *image* of the invisible God" (Col. 1:15). And so, in the incarnation of Jesus Christ we see perfect humanity and the true image of God in man. Dear friend, "Turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face" and there you will discover who you were truly meant to be. Read 1 John 3:1-3

☐ Thursday - Renewed in His Image.

The process of spiritual growth, called sanctification, may be defined as the continuous operation of the Holy Spirit by which He delivers the justified sinner from the pollution of sin, and renews his whole nature in the image of God (Berkhof). In a nut shell, sanctification is the restoration of the image of God in man. The Apostle Paul writes, "Put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him" (Col. 3:10). Read Rom. 8:29, 1 Cor. 3:18

☐ Friday - The Dignity and Sanctity of Human Life.

Man is the peak of God's creation, the crowning achievement of all that God has created. As such, every human being has dignity and value because every human being is made in the image of God. So then, as those created in the image of God, let us treat our fellow image-bearers with dignity and respect. Read Romans 13:8