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Announcements:

- The time has come to furnish our new Sunday School Rooms! We have already received \$250 towards these things, and we have an additional \$1000 pledged! Additional donations above and beyond regular tithing would help tremendously. Let's have these rooms completed before we resume Sunday School classes.
- Haven of Hope Baby Bottles: Please fill a baby bottle with your spare change, some cash, or even a check to help this local ministry guide young women in crisis pregnancies into life-honoring decisions.

Image and Likeness

Genesis 1:26-27

Big Idea: God made mankind as his image in creation giving mankind unique privileges, intrinsic value, and covenant obligations. See also Genesis 5:1, 9:6; 1 Corinthians 11:7; James 3:9; Matthew 22:17-22.

Introduction:

"Beginnings" is a series of sermons from the Pentateuch that seeks to provide a foundation for all faith and study by emphasizing its teachings concerning the covenants, and the one who eventually fulfills those covenants, Jesus Christ. Matthew 5:17-18; John 1:1-3, 1:14; Luke 24:27; 2 Timothy 3:16-17; 2 Peter 1:21; Hebrews 1:1-4.

Unique Privileges

- Dominion: Rule, Reign, Authority and Responsibility. Genesis 1:26-28, 2:5-8.
- Blessings: Genesis 1:28.
- Soul/Spirit: Ecclesiastes 12:7; Genesis 6:3.
- Intellect: Cognition, self-awareness, language.
- Morality: Romans 5:12-21.

Intrinsic Value

- Value for all humanity: Genesis 9:6; Matthew 5:21-22.
- Equality of Gender: Genesis 1:26-27; Ephesians 5:21-33
- Equality of 'Race': The Bible recognizes only one "race" of men. Acts 17:26; Matthew 28:18-20; Ephesians 2-3; Revelation 5:9, 7:9.

Covenant Obligations

- More on this next time. See Romans 5:12-19.
- Take back the Reign. Romans 5:14, 17.
- Repent and Believe. Ephesians 4:24; Colossians 3:10; Romans 8:29; Philippians 1:6.
- Share the Gospel. Matthew 28:18-20.
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