

The Beginning of Man-The Manager

Genesis 1:26-2:3

Beginning

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Ps 139:14 I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Marvelous are Your works, And that my soul knows very well.

So what can we learn about Man; God's manager?

1. God created us for a **relationship**. 9:26-27
 - a. Man was created **like** all the rest of creation
 - b. Man was created **unlike** the rest of creation –
 - i. What we learn about God... Let *us* make man in *our* image.
 1. God existed in **communion** or community
 2. God enjoyed **communication**
 3. God operated as a **committee**
 - ii. What does that tell us about man?
 1. Man is created for **communion** with God.
 2. Man is created with **capacity** to communicate with God.
2. God created us with **regal dignity** 1:26-27– *Imago Dei*
 - a. We are made **in his image**/ or likeness.
 - b. We are made **as his image**.
3. God created us **to rule** his creation. 1:26-28
 - a. Man was given **responsibilities**.
 - b. Man was given **authority**. Let them have **dominion** over it ; let them **subdue** it.
4. God created us and **gave a rule** for the relationship.
 - a. There will always be **a test**.
 - b. Mankind **flunked** the test.
 - c. Why did God put a test in the garden?

Think about this:

- Are you **ready** for forever?
- Do you **revere** the God who made you?
- Have you **received** Jesus who died for you?
- Do you **respect** the other people made in his image?