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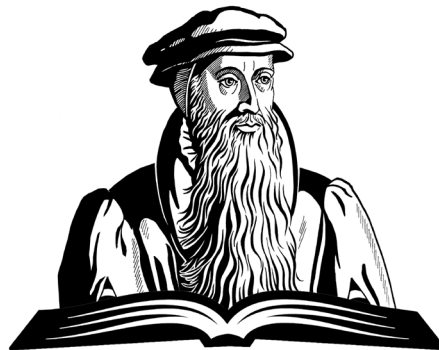
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Man: A Special Place in God's Creation

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Lesson 3

Man: A Special Place in God's Creation

Genesis, chapter 2

Memory Verse

“And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.”

Genesis 2:7

The Seventh Day

In the opening verses of Genesis 2, we read that God “rested on the seventh day.” This rest is in relationship to God’s creative work. Everything was as it should be. It does not mean, however, that God stopped working completely. Although God is not creating material things, he continues to work in many ways. Providentially, God cares for his creation. He keeps the world from feeling the full effects of man’s sin. God sends his ministers to preach the gospel on the Sabbath day. God blesses that word, by the Spirit, to the hearts of the hearers.

Man's Special Place in Creation

In Genesis 1, God gave us a general overview of the days of creation. In Genesis 2, God draws our attention to a special part of his creation. He gives us greater detail about the creation of man. God made man in a special way. He “breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul” (Genesis 2:7). Unlike the rest of creation, man was created in the image of God. Man was to have a special place. As the psalmist says, “What is man...for thou hast made him a little lower than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour” (Psalm 8:4–5). Man was to have dominion over the earth and communion with his Creator.

Because of the fall into sin, man by nature does not have communion and fellowship with God. In the heart of the natural man, there is hatred of God. However, it is still possible to have that communion and fellowship with God. This communion is not obtained by obedience to the law, “but received by grace, through faith” (Ephesians 2:8).

A Covenant of Works

In his abundant goodness, God gave Adam full use of the garden of Eden. As a test of Adam’s gratitude, God excluded one tree—the tree of the knowledge of good and evil. God also told Adam that if he ate of the tree, he would die. However, it also meant that if Adam was obedient, he would live forever.

Review Questions

Fill in the blanks with the missing words from Scripture:

1. "And God blessed the seventh day, and _____ it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made."

2. "And the LORD God planted a garden _____ in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed."

3. Match the river with the description.

Hiddekel - the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.

Pison - That is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria.

Euphrates - that is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold.

Gihon - no description is given.

4. "And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest _____ eat: but of the tree of the _____ of _____ and _____, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely _____."

5. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an _____ for him."

6. After Adam fell asleep, God took a _____ from Adam to form a woman.

- a) Shin bone
- b) Rib bone
- c) Thigh bone
- d) Back bone

7. "And Adam said, This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall be called _____, because she was taken out of _____. Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall _____ unto his wife: and they shall be _____ flesh."

Discussion Questions

1. What does it mean when the Bible says God “rested? Did God rest from every work? Explain.

2. How does God’s “activity” on the seventh day indicate how a Christian should view that day?

3. It is written in Ephesians 5:28, “So ought men to love their wives as their own bodies. He that loveth his wife loveth himself.” Explain how this can be seen in the creation of the woman found in Genesis chapter 2.
