Growing In Christ Lesson #3 - Mankind: God's Handiwork Hand Out Scriptures to read www.amazingfacts.tv

Key Thought: God created humanity in His own image; sin defiled that image. God's plan is to restore that image in us. , *Rom. 5:12–19*, , *Mark 12:13–17*.

Memory Verse

Psalm 100:3 "*Know ye that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves*".

"What a piece of work is a man, How noble in Reason, how infinite in faculties, in form and moving how express and admirable, In action how like an Angel! in apprehension how like a god, the beauty of the world, the paragon of animals. Shakespeare, *The Tragedy of Hamlet*

Creation and Human Origins

Gen. 1:27 "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them".

*Jude 14 (NKJV) Now Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied about these men also, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of His saints,... Bible timeline. The begats

Romans 5:14 (*NKJV*) Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

The reign of death started with Adam not dinosaurs.

1 Corinthians 15:20–23 (*NKJV*)²⁰ But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.²¹ For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.²² For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.²³ But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ's at His coming.

*Genesis 3:20 (NKJV) And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

The Image of God: Part 1

Genesis 1:26 (*NKJV*)²⁶ Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

Mark 12:15–17 (*NKJV*)¹⁵ Shall we pay, or shall we not pay?" But He, knowing their hypocrisy, said to them, "Why do you test Me? Bring Me a denarius that I may see it." ¹⁶ So they brought it. And He said to them, "Whose image and inscription is this?" They said to Him, "Caesar's." ¹⁷ And Jesus answered and said to them, "Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." And they marveled at Him.

'Give your money stamped with Caesar's image to him. But give yourselves stamped with God's image, to the creator.' "

Ice Core Dating?

2-mile-long core (3,053.44 meters) from the Greenland ice sheet, providing a record of at least the past 110,000 years. July 15, 1942 50 years under the ice found 250' down

The Lost Squadron The Recovery Of P-38 "Glacier Girl" Real blood from a *T. rex*

have actually been found. The story starts with a beautifully preserved *T*. *rex* skeleton unearthed in the United States in 1990.

Mary H. Schweitzer, a paleontologist at North Carolina State University in Raleigh. "Finding these tissues in dinosaurs changes the way we think about fossilization, because our theories of how fossils are preserved don't allow for this [soft-tissue preservation]," Schweitzer said.

Volcanic Rock Dating

P. Clementson performed detailed studies on modern volcanic rock, and endeavored to obtain their radiometric ages. All of the uranium-lead ages he produced for the volcanic rock he studied were vastly older than the rock's true age. A majority of the tested rocks put forth ages of over a billion years, when in fact it was known that the rocks had been formed in very recent history. A candle burning - Ridiculous Dates. Tree rings

The Image of God: Part 2

Genesis 2:19–20 (*NKJV*) ¹⁹ Out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.

Genesis 2:21–25 (*NKJV*)²¹ And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. ²² Then the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. ²³ And Adam said: "This is now bone of my bones And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man." ²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed. Woman was made in the image of man.

*Acts 17:26 (NKJV) And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their preappointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, Genesis 3:20 (NKJV) And Adam called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living.

A Defiled Image

Colossians 3:10 (*NKJV*) and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, **1 John 3:8** (*NKJV*) He who sins is of the devil, for the devil has sinned from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil.

Talk about the demoniac two extreme polar opposite images. Mark 5 **Romans 5:12–19** (NKJV)¹² Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—¹³ (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. ¹⁵ But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many.¹⁶ And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in condemnation, but the free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification.¹⁷ For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) ¹⁸ Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men,

resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the

free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. ¹⁹ For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Restoration

Romans 8:29 (*NKJV*) For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.

*Ephesians 4:23–24 (*NKJV*) ²³ and be renewed in the spirit of your mind, ²⁴ and that you put on the new man which was created according to God, in true righteousness and holiness.

2 Corinthians 3:18 (*NKJV*) But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

*2 Corinthians 5:17 (NKJV) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

Through the power of Christ, men and women have broken the chains of sinful habit. They have renounced selfishness. The profane have become reverent, the drunken sober, the profligate pure. Souls that have borne the likeness of Satan have become transformed into the image of God. This change is in itself the miracle of miracles. - AA 476