

# Human Nature

Man • Biblical Roles • Christ's First Advent

Doctrines D-F

## This Week's Journey

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### Man Created & Fallen

Made in God's image, lost through sin

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### Biblical Roles

Men & women in God's design

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### The First Advent

Christ came to redeem us

## MEMORY VERSE

*"So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him;  
male and female He created them."*

— Genesis 1:27



# Man Created and Fallen

Made in God's Image, Lost Through Sin

## Core Truth

We believe that man was originally created in the image and after the likeness of God, and that he fell through sin, and, as a consequence of his sin, lost his spiritual life, becoming dead in trespasses and sins, and that he became subject to the power of the devil.

## KEY SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

### Genesis 1:26-27

God created man in His own image—the foundation of human dignity

### Genesis 2:17

Man given dominion, warned of death through disobedience

### Genesis 3:1-6

The serpent deceived; Adam willfully disobeyed—humanity fell

### 1 John 3:8

Sin is of the devil—apart from God's intervention, we're in bondage



## My Notes

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# The Biblical Role of Women and Men

Equal in Worth, Distinct in Design

## Core Truth

Both man (Adam) and woman (Eve) were created by God, equal as persons, yet distinct by divine design in their manhood and womanhood. God has made a distinction in both responsibility and authority between male and female based on creation order rather than inherent superiority or inferiority.

## 1. Creation

Man's headship over woman was established by God before the fall and did not originate as a result of sin.

### Genesis 1:26-27

Equal as persons, both in God's image

### Genesis 2:18-23

Woman created as helper; headship established

### 1 Corinthians 11:3, 8-12

Divine order in relationships

### 1 Timothy 2:11-13

Order based on creation sequence

## 2. Marriage & Family

God established heterosexual marriage as the only acceptable pattern. Husbands should lead in love.

### Genesis 2:18-25

Marriage instituted by God

### Mark 10:6-9

What God has joined together

### Ephesians 5:22-33

Marriage reflects Christ and the Church

### 1 Peter 3:1-7

Mutual submission and honor

## 3. Redemption & Ministry

Women and men alike through personal faith in Christ enjoy the benefits of Christ's redeeming work.

### Galatians 3:26-29

All one in Christ Jesus (salvation context)

### 1 Peter 4:10

Each one has received a gift to serve

### 1 Corinthians 12:4-31

Diversity of gifts, one Spirit

### 2 Timothy 2:15-16

Be diligent in study—approved workers

## 4. Women in Ministry

God desires to use women in significant ministry roles:

**John 4:39**

Personal evangelism—the woman testified

**Romans 12:7**

Teaching women and children

**Titus 2:4-5**

Counseling and mentoring women

**2 Timothy 1:5, 3:15**

Family ministry—teaching children



**My Notes**

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# The First Advent

Christ Came to Save

## Core Truth

The eternal Son of God came into this world that He might: **manifest God to men, fulfill prophecy**, and **become the Redeemer of a lost world**. To this end He was born of the virgin, and received a human body and sinless human nature.

## HIS INCARNATION

### Luke 1:30-35

Born of the virgin Mary, conceived by the Holy Spirit

### John 1:1-2, 14, 18

The Word was God... became flesh and dwelt among us

### Philippians 2:5-8

Humbled Himself, taking the form of a servant

### Isaiah 9:6

Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father

### Luke 2:40

The Child grew and became strong in spirit

### Hebrews 4:15

Tempted in all points like us, yet without sin

## HIS MISSION & SUBSTITUTIONARY DEATH

### John 1:11

He came to His own, but His own did not receive Him

### John 1:29

Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world

### 1 Timothy 2:6

He gave Himself as a ransom for all

### Romans 3:25-26

God presented Him as a propitiation through His blood

### 2 Corinthians 5:14

One died for all, therefore all died

### Hebrews 10:5-14

By one offering He perfected forever those being sanctified

### 1 Peter 3:18

The just for the unjust, to bring us to God

### Acts 2:22-24

Delivered by God's purpose, raised from the dead

## HIS RESURRECTION & PRESENT MINISTRY

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### **John 20:20**

Showed them His hands and side—risen bodily

### **Philippians 3:20-21**

Will transform our bodies like His glorious body

### **Hebrews 1:3**

Purged our sins, sat down at the right hand

### **Hebrews 7:25**

Ever lives to make intercession for us

### **Ephesians 1:22-23**

Head over all things to the church, His body

### **1 John 2:1**

We have an Advocate with the Father—Jesus Christ



## Discussion Questions

**1** What does it mean to be created in God's image, and how does sin affect that image in us?

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**2** How do complementary roles between men and women reflect God's wisdom rather than inequality?

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**3** Why was it necessary for Christ to be both fully God and fully man to accomplish our salvation?

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**4** How does Christ's present ministry as our Intercessor and Advocate affect your daily life?

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**5** What is one way you can apply this week's teaching about human nature and Christ's redemption?

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### Watch Week 2 Video

Scan to access the video lesson and additional resources for Week 2.

### Next Week: Salvation (Doctrines G-K)

Salvation Through Christ • Extent of Salvation • Sanctification • Eternal Security • Assurance