

Text: Genesis 1:26-2:3
Topics: Creation of mankind, sabbath
Series: Genesis: The Beginning of His-tory

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Humanity: Divine Design

I. Proclamation (26-28)

Every human being has a God-given dignity and purpose.

II. Provision (29-31)

God provided food for all His creation within His creation.

III. Pattern (2:1-3)

God declared the seventh day of creation week a holy day.

Application Questions - *These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group for even more benefit.*

1. What would be the logical conclusion about a person's self-worth and purpose if they believed man evolved through natural processes over billions of years? Do you see any examples of this today?

2. Read Genesis 1:24-31. What day of creation is this? What was created?

3. The account of the creation of man is in Genesis 1:26-27. What does it mean, and not mean, to be created in the image and likeness of God?

How does that meaning affect our understanding of "Us" and "Our" (v. 26)?

How should knowing this affect a person's identity and self-worth?

4. What purposes for human life are given in verses 26 and 28? Explain what this means and should look like.

5. Knowing God created the world and mankind should have an effect on how we treat other people and the natural world. Give some examples.

What are some of the things we see in society that contradict this?

6. What does verse 29 tell us about God? Consider God's provision, and the hunger in our world. What does it reveal about mankind? About yourself?

7. Read the account of the seventh day of creation week in Genesis 2:1-3. What three things did God do? What do each of these words mean?

8. The sabbath rest will become part of the Old Testament law (Exodus 20:8) and Israel will be chastised for disobeying it (E.g. Neh. 13:18). There is no New Testament command to keep it. What should be the Christian's response to the concept of sabbath rest, and why?