

Study 1: God, Man, & Creation

In this series of studies we will try to gain an understanding of the plan of God for mankind. This first study will look at God the Creator, and man, His ultimate creation. We will see how God loved and provided for Adam and Eve. We can get a glimpse from the garden experience of the plan God had before man rejected that plan in Genesis 3.

A. Creation

Read Genesis 1:24-31, and 2:7-9, 15-17.

1. How is mankind distinct from the other animals God created?
What does it mean that they are created in the image of God?
What are some of the ways in which man is like God?
2. How did God relate to Adam and Eve?
3. How did God provide for Adam and Eve?
4. What restrictions did He place on Adam and Eve?

B. The First Marriage

Read Genesis 2:18-25.

1. What insights does this detailed account of God's creation of Eve give as to God's plan for the relationship between a man and woman in marriage?
2. What are some of the purposes of uniting man and woman?
3. What was the relationship between Adam and Eve?

Conclusion

1. What was God's summary of His creation (His kingdom in the garden)? (Genesis 1:31)
2. What was good about creation as He intended it?
3. What is God's desire for mankind? (Matthew 22:37-39)
4. Are you experiencing the blessings of God's kingdom?