

MESSAGE NOTES

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Created in the Image of God

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Genesis 1

What does it mean to be created in the image of God? We are:

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| • Rational | • Artistic |
| • Moral | • Spiritual |
| • Relational | • |

The greatest confirmation that we are created in the image of God is found in Jesus Christ.

1. Jesus came to earth and **took on flesh** (Philippians 2:7).
2. Jesus placed the **highest value** upon individuals.
3. Jesus opposed those who **took advantage** of others (Matthew 23).
4. Jesus gave us His Word and sent us His Holy Spirit.
5. Jesus is **conforming us** into His image (Colossians 1:15 & Romans 8:29).

THE ONE THING:

Will you choose to reflect Him, or to insult Him?

NEXT STEPS

- Memorize Genesis 1:26-27.
- Look for the reflection in yourself and affirm it in others.
- Am I denying anyone today's truth?
- Purchase the small book entitled *The Image of God* by Glenn Sunshine.

DISCOVERY QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY OR GROUP STUDY

1. What are you thankful for? What challenge or stress are you facing?
(Consider praying about these together.)
2. Read Genesis 2:1-10 together (at least twice), and take turns retelling it in your own words as if sharing with a friend who isn't here.
3. What stands out to you and why? What do these verses tell us about God? What do these verses tell us about humanity/about us?
4. If this is God speaking, how will you apply it to your life?
(Aim for a specific: "**I will...**" step of obedience.)
5. Who will you share with before we meet again?
(Name a specific person you want to **share with**.)

You can use the discovery questions to study any passage of Scripture together. If you'd like to learn more about the discovery group process, connect with marcus@oakwoodnow.org

A resource for your group, family, or to share with your neighbors...
["Discovering Peace in Turmoil: Resting in God."](#)

Three-Column Study is a tool to help us personally delight in God's Word as we spend time with Him daily.