

## **Monday**

### **A Unique Creation**

Hand-made things are much more expensive than things made by a machine. Hand-made things are unique; they are one-of-a-kind. Mankind is unique in creation. What makes us unique? What makes us so special?

1. Read Genesis 1:3, 6, 9, 11, 14, 20, 24 – What did God use to create?
2. God created by speaking everything into existence. Read Genesis 2:4-7 – According to verse 7, there were three distinct things about man's creation that made him different from the rest of creation. What are they?
3. God didn't form anything else with His hands. He didn't breathe life into anything else. Nothing else is said to be a living soul. Man is unique and separate from the rest of creation. How does that make you feel?
4. God had a purpose for making man the way He did. He had a plan for mankind. Read Genesis 1:26-29 – What was God's plan for man in relation to the rest of creation?
5. What does that mean that God wants man to have dominion over creation?
6. How do we show and exercise dominion over the earth?

God made you with His own hands. That makes you very special. You are different from the rest of creation. You are not an animal. People have a special place in creation. God put us there for a reason, not to be dictators over creation, but to use it for our benefit and to take care of it.

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Man has a privileged position in creation. We were given the privilege and responsibility of exercising dominion over the earth. God made man a living soul. No other part of creation can make that claim. What does that mean? What responsibility does that give me?

1. Because God made man a living soul, he will live forever. Man was originally made eternity. The Bible describes only two places people go when they die. Read Luke 16:19-31 – What are they?
2. This passage mentions Abraham's Bosom which was the temporary resting place for Old Testament saints. Where do saved people go today?
3. Where do unsaved people go today?
4. Read Revelation 20:14 – Where will Hell eventually be thrown?
5. Go back to Luke 16. How does Jesus describe Hell in this passage?
6. Is there any relief?
7. Is there any way out for those in there?
8. According to verse 29, whom did God send to warn people about Hell?

God has warnings all through His Word concerning your eternal destiny. God has provided a way so that you don't have to live forever in Hell. You can live forever in Heaven. John 14:6 tells us that Jesus is the only way to get to Heaven. He died on the cross, shed His blood, paid the penalty for our sin, and rose again. Believing in Him and His work alone will get you to Heaven.

**Wednesday**  
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God made man with His own hands in His own image. That makes you very special. Every other part of creation was spoken into existence, but God made man with His hands. How should that fact affect me? How should I then respond to God?

1. Read Psalm 139:14 – What is one of the ways we should respond to God in light of our unique creation?
2. What reason did David give for praising God?
3. What two words did David use to describe the way he was made?
4. To whom did David give the credit for creation?
5. David was fully convinced in his soul that God deserves the credit for what He has done. Read Ecclesiastes 12:1 – Whom did Solomon say we should remember?
6. When did he say was the time to remember?
7. Why do you think he mentioned specifically the days of your youth?
8. Youth is a busy time. There is a lot to do. It is easy to get so busy that you forget all about Him. What are some things in your life that could cause you to forget God?
9. Solomon finished that chapter by giving his reason for remembering God now. He tells all about getting old. How should that affect your service for God now?

Make sure you take time today to praise God and remember Who He is. He created you. You are special to Him. Make sure you give Him the credit and glory for what He has done!

**Thursday**  
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The fact of that God made you with His own hands makes you special. You are distinct from the rest of creation. That ought to affect you, your attitude, and your response to God. You should respond in praise. How else?

1. Read Psalm 103:13-14 – What does the Lord do for those who fear Him?
2. God pities those who fear Him like a father pities his children. How is that?
3. According to verse 14, what does God know about us?
4. What does He remember?
5. We ought to respond to God in humility. Read Psalm 100:3 – What should we know about God?
6. This verse reminds us in two ways Who made us. In what two ways was that fact stated?
7. Why do you think the same statement was made twice?
8. To Whom does that verse say we belong?
9. Why do you think God compared us to sheep?
10. If we are made of dust, God made us, and we belong to Him, do we have any reason to be proud?

There is no way we could respond to God in pride. We didn't make ourselves, we are made of dust as it is, and we don't belong to ourselves. We must remain humble in every area of life!

## **Friday** **A Unique Creation**

The fact that you are hand-made by God should change your perspective on life. It should change your behavior. You should give God praise for His creation. You should also remain humble. How else should you respond to God?

1. Read I Corinthians 6:19-20 – Pretend that you can hear Paul’s tone of voice as he’s speaking. He asks, “What?” as if he’s totally in shock that the Corinthian people don’t already know this. There were three things mentioned in verse 19 that they should have already known. What are they?
2. What does it mean that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost or Holy Spirit?
3. Who has given us the Holy Spirit?
4. Paul wanted the Corinthian people to know that they don’t belong to themselves. What is his basis for making that statement?
5. Your life doesn’t belong to you. It’s tempting to think or even to say to your authorities, “This is my life.” Well, it isn’t. What talents and abilities has God given you that you can use for Him?
6. What conclusion does Paul reach at the end of verse 20 concerning the body that God made for you?
7. God wants us to respond to Him by glorifying Him with our body. How can you do that today?

The body that God has given you doesn’t belong to you. God made it, and you ought to glorify God with it. Your life is not yours; it’s God’s. Let Him control it!

## **Saturday** **A Unique Creation**

Our unique creation should effect a change in your behavior. It should cause you to praise God, remain humble, and glorify Him with your body. How else should you respond to Him?

1. Read Romans 12:1-2 – What did Paul ask the people in Rome to present to God?
2. In what three ways did Paul tell them to present their bodies?
3. God wants you to present your body to Him as a living sacrifice. God wants you to surrender your life to Him. It is a natural response to the fact that you were created so specially. What kind of service did Paul say that this is?
4. After what should Christians not pattern their life?
5. The world is a system of thought. It lives for the present without any thought or concern for eternity. What will the person who patterns his life after that philosophy have to show for it in the end?
6. What should they do instead?
7. Renewing your mind is removing thought patterns that resemble the world and replacing them with thought patterns that resemble God and His values. How can you do that?
8. What thought patterns do you need to change?
9. What will you prove when you do this?

It makes good sense to surrender your life to God since it doesn’t really belong to you anyway. You are not a robot, and God will not force you. He wants you to surrender to Him willingly!

## **Sunday** **A Unique Creation**

It is amazing to think that God Himself designed and made each of us with His own hands. God never makes mistakes. He made you just as He wanted you with your strengths and weaknesses. He did it for a reason. What would be the reason for making you with weaknesses?

1. Read II Corinthians 12:7-10 – What was given to Paul?
2. Why did Paul say he received it?
3. What did Paul do to try to get rid of his weakness?
4. What was God's response to Paul's prayer?
5. How is God's strength made perfect or complete?
6. What was Paul's response to God's answer?
7. In what things does Paul take pleasure?
8. Why does he take pleasure in these?
9. Read Romans 8:28-29 – How many things work together for good to them that love God?
10. According to verse 29, what is God's goal for Christians?

God gave you your strengths and weaknesses so that He could use them all to make you more like Him. Your strengths allow you to serve Him. Your weaknesses allow you to trust Him and rely on Him. His strength is made perfect in weakness. If you had not weaknesses, you would have no reason to rely on God. Thank God for your weakness so you can see God's power in your life!