

**Lesson 17**  
**“Man, His Creation And Fall”**

1. The Word of God was WRITTEN and PRESERVED for man.
2. The Word of God is God’s MESSAGE to man.
3. Every truth in Scripture is RELATED TO MAN.
4. The only TRUE source of knowledge, about man and his ORIGIN, that is FACTUAL and ACCURATE is the Word of God. God was THE ONLY ONE who was there and therefore the only One who knows what happened.
5. Jesus knows all about man because He WAS MADE FLESH. John 1:14
6. Jesus was made in the LIKENESS OF MAN as was found in appearance AS A MAN.  
Philippians 2:7 & 8
7. Jesus was the CREATOR of man and of ALL things. Colossians 1:16
8. Man is the CROWNING WORK of God in creation. Genesis 1:26 & 27
9. To CREATE means to make SOMETHING out of NOTHING. Genesis 1:1
10. All three persons of the TRINITY played a role in the CREATION of man. Genesis 1:26
11. Genesis 1:26 & 27 is the GENERAL account of the creation of man while the PARTICULAR SPECIFIC AND DETAILED account is found in Genesis 2:7, 21, 22, & 23

**Special Notation**

To be made in the image and likeness of God offers two possibilities. Since God is a spirit it would not mean our body, soul, and spirit since God has no body therefore the image of God would mean emotion, intellect, and will. He has all three and we have all three. A second possibility just very recently occurred to me that could well mean our body, soul, and spirit. That possibility is that we are made in the likeness of Christ who had a body while on earth, presently has a body and appeared in a body in the Old Testament on several occasions. Since Jesus is the same yesterday, today and tomorrow could it be that He has always had a body? Even in eternity past? In the New Testament we read that He is the image of the invisible God and that in Him dwells all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. If He (Christ) has always had a body, and we know that He will always have one, then we could well carry the physical image of God in the person of Christ.

12. The Scriptures clearly teach that man is BODY, SOUL and SPIRIT. 1 Thessalonians 5:23 and Hebrews 4:12
13. God FORMED A BODY for man in Genesis 2:7.

14. Man's BODY is the means of "WORLD CONSCIOUSNESS." It is EXTERNAL and VISIBLE and is the seat of our five senses, sight, smell, hearing, touch and taste.
15. Man's SOUL is the seat of EMOTIONS, MEMORY, AFFECTION, CONSCIENCE and REASON and is the means of "SELF CONSCIOUSNESS." Mark 14:34, Psalm 42:1-6
16. The word HEART is used synonymously with SOUL. Hebrews 10:22

### **Special Notation - Genesis 2:7**

The transfusion of the "breath of God" (the Spirit) into the "formed man" (the body) produced a soul. The union of the body and spirit caused man to become a living soul.

17. The SPIRIT of man is the difference between man and all other creatures. Hebrews 12:9 and 1 Corinthians 2:10-12
18. The spirit is the deepest part of man which contains the faculties of HOPE, WORSHIP, PRAYER, ADORATION, and REVERENCE. Therefore the spirit is man's GOD CONSCIOUSNESS. 1 Corinthians 2:11
19. Facts about man before the fall:
  - a. He was created as a MAN not an infant. Genesis 2:7
  - b. He had the ability to REASON and MAKE CHOICES. Genesis 2:16 & 17.
  - c. He had great INTELLECT. Genesis 2:19
  - d. He could THINK and SPEAK in words, sentences and paragraphs abstractly. Genesis 2:23
20. He had RESPONSIBILITIES:
  - a. To FILL the earth. Genesis 1:28a
  - b. To RULE OVER the animal kingdom. 1:28b
  - c. To WORK AND CARE for the garden. 2:15
  - d. He was to be OBEDIENT to God. 2:17
21. Prior to the fall all men were VEGETARIANS. Genesis 1:29; 2:16
22. The rules of vegetarianism remained in effect until AFTER NOAH'S FLOOD. Genesis 9:3
23. God allows man freedom of choice so that man is more than just a PUPPET ON A STRING. Adam and Eve CHOSE TO SIN. Genesis 3:1-6
24. Satan tempted Eve by:
  - a. CASTING DOUBT on God's Word. Genesis 3:1
  - b. by LYING Genesis 3:4

- c. by appealing to her PRIDE Genesis 3:5
25. The FALL OF MAN is recorded in Genesis 3:6.
  26. The fall of man SEPARATED him from God. Man was HIDING, God was SEEKING.  
Genesis 3:8-10
  27. The results of the fall were IMMEDIATE. Genesis 3:7, 10, 17, 18, 19 & 23.
  28. Eve did not get her name until AFTER THE FALL (3:20) and prior to the fall she had ADAM'S name. (5:2)
  29. We are all BORN INTO SIN because of Adam. Romans 5:12, 1 Corinthians 15:22; Psalm 51:5
  30. God PROVIDED for our SALVATION. Genesis 3:15; Galatians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 15:45, 47; 2 Corinthians 5:17; 2 Timothy 1:9 and John 5:24 among many others.

### Conclusion

All of us, regardless of pedigree, are born in sin. We are sinners by nature. All of us stem from Adam. Sin is a part of the inherited nature. The only antidote for the poison of sin is faith in Jesus Christ. Most people think they are “good,” and probably they are, but the question is not one of being good or bad. The question is: since “all have sinned,” have they accepted God’s plan of grace? Have you?