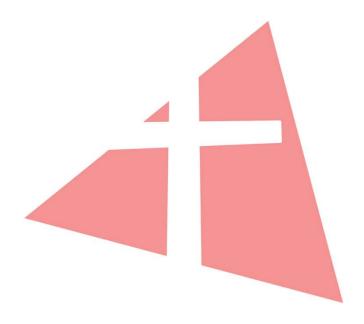
# Who am I? Creation, Fall and Restoration in Christ (Part 1)

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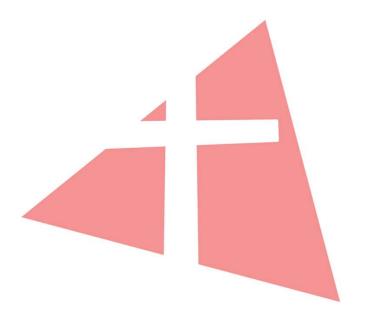
## **Our Series**

• Who is God? Who am I?



# Today's Focus

- Creation, Fall and Restoration in Christ
  - Stage 1: How God created Adam and Eve
  - Stage 2: What happened when they sinned
  - Stage 3: How Jesus already restored everything for us

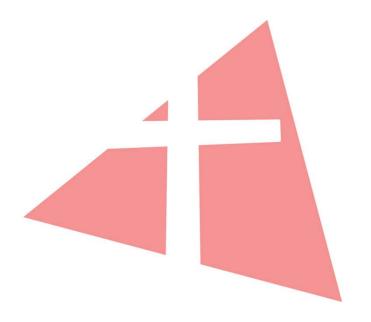


## One Message, Three Parts

- The next three sermons are really one big sermon
  - 3 parts of the same sermon
- Make sure you listen to all three parts
  - Leaving one out will give us a very wrong image of "who we are"

# **Today's Question**

- O How did God create Adam and Eve?
- Who were they before the fall?



## Why do I exist?

God created each and every one of us for His Glory

Isaiah 43:7 (KJ2000) Even everyone that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.

Isaiah 43:21 (KJ2000) This people have I formed for myself; they shall show forth my praise.

## A Parent-Child Relationship

- He created us as His children
- Aim: Grow us, so we will become like Him

Malachi 2:10 (KJ2000) Have we not all one father? has not one God created us? why do we deal treacherously every man against his brother, by profaning the covenant of our fathers?

Malachi 1:6 (KJ2000) A son honors his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a father, where is my honor? and if I be a master, where is my fear? says the LORD of hosts unto you, O priests, that despise my name. And you say, How have we despised your name?

## **A Love Relationship**

God created us to live in a love relationship with Him

Psalm 84:1-2 (KJ2000) How lovely are your tabernacles, O LORD of hosts! My soul longs, yea, even faints for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh cry out for the living God.

Psalm 84:10 (KJ2000) For a day in your courts is better than a thousand. I had rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in the tents of wickedness.

## Ruling the World

#### He created us to rule

Genesis 1:28-29 (KJ2000) And God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moves upon the earth. And God said, Behold, I have given you every plant bearing seed, which is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree, which has seed in its fruit; to you it shall be for food.

### **Good Works**

#### He created us for good works

Genesis 2:19-20 (KJ2000) And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was its name. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found a helper suitable for him.

## Community

• He created us for relationships with one another

Genesis 2:18 (KJ2000) And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.

## **God's Likeness**

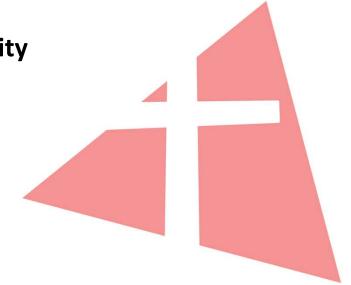
#### • He created us in His image

To reflect who He is

Genesis 1:26-27 (KJ2000) And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth. So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

# **Safety and Security**

God wanted Adam and Eve to live in perfect safety and security



## **Destiny**

#### Destiny

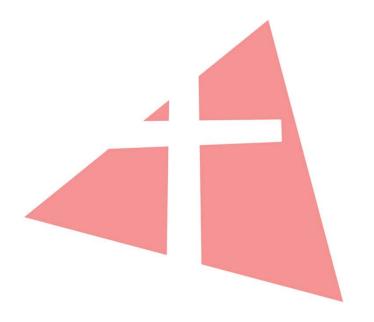
- Become fully like God's Son
- Live in the full presence of God

1 John 3:2 Beloved, now are we the children of God, and it does not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

Revelation 22:3-5 And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him: And they shall see his face; and his name shall be on their foreheads. And there shall be no night there; and they need no lamp, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God gives them light: and they shall reign forever and ever.

## God's Plan

- God put desires and longings into the heart of Adam and Eve
- His plan was to fulfill ALL those desires, in His time



## **Spoiler Alert**

- Sin added difficulties for us and detours to God's plan
- Nevertheless, we can be who God created Adam and Eve to be today!
  - We don't have to wait for heaven!

## In Conclusion

- God created Adam and Eve with desires
- God wanted to meet all their desires
- We can allow God to fulfill every Godly desire He put inside of us