



MAN

BLOCK THREE

GENESIS

2:7

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IMPORTANT POINTS

1. Every individual is like God – 1 person, 3 parts.
2. Every individual is designed to have dominion over God's other creations.
3. Every individual is invited to rest with God in His finished work.
4. You are a unique individual with special value.
5. You will live forever – the question is, where?

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth." So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

GENESIS
1:26-27

Man is made in the likeness and image of God.

And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

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Man, like God, is 3 parts yet 1 man.

And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him."

GENESIS
2:18

And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

GENESIS
2:21-22

God created man on the 6th day. Man's first day of existence was God's 7th day of creation, His day of rest. Man was created first to rest in God's finished work.

So, we can conclude that we are first invited to rest in God's finished work.

God purposed man to have dominion over all creation on the earth.

Dominion is understood to be both the right and power to govern and control. Man is God's steward.

COMMENTARY

Man, like God, is a three-part being. God formed man's body from the dust of the ground; breathed into man's nostrils the Spirit of Life; and man became a living soul. The scriptures rightly identify God as the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit – God in three persons, the Holy Trinity. Man was purposefully created a triune being like God – Spirit, Soul, and Body.

Once created, God did not find it best for man to be alone. God further divided man into two genders, man and woman. He gave to each gender the qualities and capacities of life which are necessary to fulfill their ordained roles and responsibilities according to His plan. God does not intend for His relationship with man to take the place of man's relationship with man ... both relationships are important to God and to man.

