IMAGE is Everything Part 7

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We were made in the image of <u>God</u>, not man or our <u>culture</u>. To improve our image we need to learn about God - be like <u>God</u>. Making our own ideas about God is a form of <u>idolatry</u>. God knowledge - His <u>self-revelation</u>. Self revelation – <u>Word</u>, <u>Creation</u>, <u>The Son</u>, <u>Cross</u> and <u>Church</u>. We destroyed the Image through our <u>sin</u>.

I. We are each <u>Individually</u> unique.

We are wonderfully made or maaaaaarvelous.

God's Word ignites your individuality.

With God as our Creator, we are individually $\underline{\text{creative}}$ creatures with fresh $\underline{\text{ideas}}$ (point to head). Genesis 1:26-30

As sinners, we took our individuality too far in our attempt to be 'I AM' imposter. Genesis 3:5.

Jesus' fight against Satan taught us that we have an indisputable identity. Matthew 4:1-3

Obedient Image bearers are symbols of self denial, not self indulgence. Luke 22:39-44

The church crystallizes your individual roles Acts 1:21-26

M. We were made to be a Moral Mirror and reflect the holiness of God.

Faith in the Word will frame your moral mirror.

As a moral creative creatures, we are to interpret and honor <u>creation's</u> divine<u>message</u>. Psalm 19:1-6, Psalm 50:6, Job 38:31

A Blurred Image becomes a self appointed Morality Maker Genesis 3:5, Proverbs 14:12.

Your moral responsibility is to trust what is Written. Matthew 4:4, 7, 10.

True Image bearers symbolize love, not hate, toward their enemies. Luke 23:32-34.

The church polishes our moral mirror. Acts 2:40-43

A. We have been given <u>Authority</u> and <u>responsibility</u> to <u>rule</u>.

We have been given authority over environments and not people.

We are to rule <u>environments</u> that enables people to fulfill God's purpose, not <u>man's</u> or <u>my</u> purpose.

Purchase a CD of this message and previous messages in the Rockpile or online at www.rockpilestore.com. To continue studying this message, download the Small Group Questions at www.therocksandiego.org. The Word (Key) establishes the boundaries of our authority Genesis 12:2.

A Blurred Image leads to a <u>diminished</u> level of authority. Genesis 3:20-24, Isaiah 14:12-15, 1 Timothy 6:6

As creative creatures we are to promote and protect creation's purpose. Genesis 2:15-20

Trusting in God's Word gives you authority over Satan's influence in your life. Genesis 4:8-11

Humble Image Bearers become a symbol of God's favor and blessing. Luke 23:38.

God honors those who honor Him. 1 Samuel 2:30

Our spiritual authority is exercised as part of the church.

G. We are intended to be God's friend.

Friendship with God comes when we obey God.

A blurred Image destroys your God relationship. Genesis 3:8-10

God's friends serve only Him as their Master. Genesis 4:10

As reliable creative creatures we are to <u>glorify</u> God for His creativity. Romans 1:20-25, Isaiah 45:18, Isaiah 43:7

Trusting Image bearers symbolize a life based on faith in the New Covenant. Luke 22:19-20

The church commissions us as God's ambassadors. Acts 2:14

E. Eternal Spirit

We were intended to live forever.

Trusting the Word (Key) secures God's eternal blessings.

A blurred Image can lead to eternal separation from God. Genesis 3:2-3, 16-17, 21-24

God has provided eternal provisions for us. Genesis 3:17, 4:1, 4, 7, 10, 11

We were created to worship our Creator into eternity. Revelation 4:11

Take advantage of the eternal provisions that have been made for you. Genesis 3:17, 4:1, 4, 7, 10, 11

Victorious Image bearers are a symbol of the hope given to them by the cross. Luke 23:39-43

We are assigned to convey an eternal message. Acts 2:29-39

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