



MADE IN GOD'S IMAGE

By Brett Hickey

God created creatures as big and strong as the African elephant, as ferocious as the bear and the lion, and as fast as the cheetah and yet man has "dominion" over them all. The child at a zoo viewing safely the massive rhinoceros, powerful gorilla, and poisonous snakes, remind us of our special place. God said in Genesis 1:26, "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."

We are made in the image of God! Yet what does that mean exactly? Just how special are we? Our intellect does not rival God's, yet He blessed us here far above all other creation. Though inferior to His own, God blessed us with a special measure of creativity. We have created land vehicles that travel over 760 miles an hour, manned aircraft that reach speeds of over six times the speed of sound, and space probes that have traveled over 10 billion miles in space.

Our ability to communicate separates us as beings made in God's image. We can speak, read, and write. The parrot may say, "Polly wants a cracker," but is Polly really hungry and does she even know her name? An African Grey Parrot was trained to speak with a 100 word vocabulary. That impresses because other animals have no vocabulary. While most mammals let out little more than grunts, whines, and squeals, the English language has over 170,000 words. Many people speak multiple

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languages: Cleopatra VII spoke nine languages, Queen Elizabeth I spoke ten, and Noah Webster mastered twenty-three languages.

Communication makes Scripture meaningful. 2 Peter 1:21, "for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit." So, instead of grazing all day or chasing cars and cats, man has true purpose. God tells us how we can have abundant lives, happy homes, and experience a righteous, productive existence. We read in 2 Timothy 3:16-17, "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

We can express gratitude, pour out our hearts'

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concerns and relay requests to God in prayer. Being made in the image of God elevates us far above even the most sophisticated animals.

Being made in God's image means we can know right and wrong. When a lion kills a wildebeest, steals from a hyena, eats one of its young, or has multiple mates, we do not label it evil or guilty of wrongdoing, but when man steals, kills, abuses a child, or is unfaithful to his mate, we see these acts as moral failures. We also have the capacity to love and to forgive our enemies. After someone inflicts an injury on you, you can pause, reflect, and choose to take the high road; animals cannot.

We learn further in 1 John 1:3 that man may have "fellowship ... with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ..." Jesus says in John 15:4, "Abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in Me." What a blessing to be made in the image of God, and yet, what tremendous responsibility!



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Upcoming Gospel Meetings

March 8-12

CHURCH OF CHRIST in Grapevine

713 North Lucas Drive

Grapevine, TX

Speaker: Doug Hawkins

7:30 pm (8th - 10th)

6:00 pm (11th)

10:00 am & 2:00 PM (12th)

We support Brett Hickey's message, and the truths taught in the Bible for all mankind. We assist bringing this TV program to the north Texas area, and are glad you have watched the program! We would like you to visit any of our worship services!

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Allen, TX

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Arlington, TX

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Bridgeport, TX

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Phalba CHURCH OF CHRIST

Hwy 198 between Maybank & Canton
at Hwy 316 intersection
Phalba, TX

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Red Oak, TX

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