

Series: The Doctrine of Creation Pt. 5b  
"God Filled" Pt. 2  
Gen. 1:24-31  
6-11-17 Sun PM

**Review our Lessons:**

Lesson # 1: "Before Creation" Gen. 1a  
Lesson # 2: "God Created" Gen. 1:1b-2  
Lesson # 3: "God Formed" Gen. 1:3-13 [Day 1-3]  
Lesson # 4: "God Filled" Pt. 1, Gen. 1:14-23 [Day 4-5]  
**Lesson # 5:** "God Filled" Pt. 2, Gen. 1:24-31 [Day 6]

**Review our Creation Days:**

Day 1- Earth, Light, and Time  
Day 2- Water and Sky  
Day 3- Plant Life  
Day 4- Sun, Moon, and Stars  
Day 5- Fish and Fowl  
**Day 6-** Land Animals and Man

6. Day Six [vs. 24-31].

1. The Creation of Beasts [vs. 24-25].

Day 3- dry land; Day 6- land creatures.

God filled the skies with heavenly luminaries and flying birds. He filled the seas with fish. Now on the sixth day, the apex of creation, God filled the land with animal life and man.

"Cattle" refers to animals that could be tamed [domestic] and "beasts" to wild animals or the dinosaurs like Behemoth [Job 40:15].

The word "living creature" some suggest means animals have a soul "breathing creature." *Nephesh* in the Hebrew.

The animals were formed out of the dust of the earth like man [vs. 24a, 2:7]. Both go back to the dust of the earth after death [Ecc. 3:19-20].

Animals and humans are different. Both have a soul but only man was breathed into the nostrils and had a living spirit being and bore the image of God [2:7].

2. The Creation of Man [vs. 26-31]. **4 thoughts**

A. *God created man in His image* [vs. 26-27; 3:22; 11:7].

Here we see a deliberation among the eternal Godhead. God was not speaking to the angels because they were not created in the image of God “our image after our likeness.”

Note 2:7, the word “formed” suggests a divine design and a divine designer. Adam means “taken out of the ground”; but his life came from God.

We note several truths here:

1. Man was created by God.

We were not a product of chance or at the top of the evolutionary ladder.

2. Man was created in God’s image.

We can have a relationship with God. We have minds, emotions, wills, and inner nature that enable us to know and worship God.

This image was marred by sin and the fall [Eph. 4:18-19], but can be renewed thru faith in Christ “new man.”

v. 27: “Image” speaks of a spiritual relationship. Humanity has the capability to have a relationship with their Creator.

*B. God told them to replenish the earth and have dominion [1:28].*

“Replenish” means to fill the earth with people. This command was primarily to Adam and Eve, because God has not made everybody to have children.

This is not a command to you and me to bear as many children as we can. It was to the heads of the human race God gave this command.

“Dominion” means Adam and Eve were given stewardship over God’s creation [Ps. 8:6-8; 15:16]. Man was intended to represent God on earth and rule as His agents on earth.

Adam lost dominion when he sinned and now sin reigns over the earth. Jesus the last Adam gains back what the first Adam lost.

*C. Man was a vegetarian until after the flood [1:29-30].*

During the Millennium, beasts will again be vegetarian [Isa. 11:7]. Man was originally told to eat vegetables and fruit, but after the flood it was okay to eat meat (Gen. 9:1-4).

**Next Week-** the Seventh day [2:1-4].