

Sunday School Live Lesson

September 1, 2024

**Created in God's Image and
Identity**

Genesis 1:26-31; 2:4-7

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Questions for Us Today

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Do you believe in the Biblical Creation stories?

If so, why? If not, why not?

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Objective

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To better understand what Genesis tells us about the Creation.

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1. Bibliography

2. Points of Information: Moses

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3. Lesson Context

4. Lesson Text

5. Remember This

Points of Information – Moses

The first five Books of our Bible – known as the Pentateuch – are attributed to the hand of Moses. Jesus confirmed the writing of Moses. John 5:45-47.

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Moses initially was a reluctant spokesperson for God. He complained that he was not a good speaker. Exodus 4:10. God had a powerful plan for his life nonetheless.

Points of Information – Moses

Moses experienced a theophany – an in person encounter with God – on more than one occasion. Exodus 33:11 shows the close relationship between God and Moses: “The Lord spoke to Moses face to face, as a man speaks to his friend.”

Moses was not allowed by God to go into the Promised Land with the Children of Israel. But, he was allowed to see it from Mount Nebo. Deuteronomy 34:1.

Points of Information – Moses

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Moses lived for 120 years. Deuteronomy 34:7. His life can be divided into three periods of 40 years each: 1) in Egypt, as one of favor and ultimately as a prince in the palace of Pharaoh; 2) in the Midian desert, as a shepherd; and 3) in the wilderness, as the leader of the Children of Israel.

Moses is the only person in Scripture whom God Himself buried! Deuteronomy 34:5-6.

Points of Information – Moses

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Jesus was observed – by His three closest Disciples (Peter, James and John) – talking with Moses and Elijah on the Mount of Transfiguration. Matthew 17:1-3; Mark 9:2-4; Luke 9:28-30.

The importance of Moses in Scripture cannot be overstated. Moses is mentioned almost 800 times in our Bible. The final reference is in Revelation 15:3, where he is called “the servant of God.”

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The preceding Verses (before today's lesson text) give a detailed account of God's Creation of our world.

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Today's Verses speak to the Creation of humankind.

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Genesis is the first Book of the Pentateuch – the first five Books of our Bible – also known as the Torah.

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Today's lesson predates the stories of Noah, Abraham, and the other Patriarchs.

Genesis 1:26 [NLT]

Then God said, “Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us. They will reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, the livestock, all the wild animals on the earth, and the small animals that scurry along the ground.”

Genesis 1:27

So God created human beings in His own image. In the image of God He created them; male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:28

Then God blessed them and said, “Be fruitful and multiply. Fill the earth and govern it. Reign over the fish in the sea, the birds in the sky, and all the animals that scurry along the ground.”

Genesis 1:29

Then God said, “Look! I have given you every seed-bearing plant throughout the earth and all the fruit trees for your food.

Genesis 1:30

And I have given every green plant as food for all the wild animals, the birds in the sky, and the small animals that scurry along the ground – everything that has life.” And that is what happened.

Genesis 1:31

Then God looked over all He had made, and He saw that it was very good! And evening passed and morning came, marking the sixth day.

Genesis 2:4

This is the account of the creation of the heavens and the earth. When the Lord made the earth and the heavens,

Genesis 2:5

neither wild plants nor grains were growing on the earth. For the Lord God had not yet sent rain to water the earth, and there were no people to cultivate the soil.

Genesis 2:6

Instead, springs came up from the ground and watered all the land.

Genesis 2:7

Then the Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground. He breathed the breath of life into man's nostrils, and the man became a living person.

Remember this:

Since we were created in God's image, we should aim to reflect His goodness, His nature and His grace.

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Exodus 32:1-10

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