

How does our world see man and mankind?

- 1. Man is nothing but a body and after death nothing personal of man exists. (_____)
 - 2. Man is a part of the never- ending circle of life. In death man transitions to a different part of the whole. (_____)
 - 3. Man is the highest evolved creature and as such must take responsibility for themselves and the world. (_____)
 - 4. Man is a special creation of God made in His image & for His glory and consisting of both a material & an immaterial part. (_____)
1. Man uniquely is created in the _____ of God for the _____ of God.
- a. The _____ of God - **Genesis 1:27** - *So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*
- 1) Man is made in the image of God in that we have personality - We possess a mind, emotions and will that enable us to relate
- 2) Man is made in the image of God in that we have morality - We have the ability to know and do right and wrong – **Ephesians 4:24 & Colossians 3:10**
- 3) Man is made in the image of God in that we have spirituality - We have an immaterial part of us as does God – **1 Corinthians 2:11**
- 4) Man is made in the image of God in that we have physicality - We, like God, have expression through that which is physical. We have a material part of us. – **Genesis 2:7b**
- b. The _____ of God - **Romans 11:36** - *For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen.*

2. Man uniquely is given _____ over all the earth

- a. Man is given a specific command - **Genesis 1:28** - *And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”*
 - b. Man is put in a specific place - **Genesis 2:15** - *The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it.*
 - c. Man is described in a specific way - **Psalms 8:4–6** - *What is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. ⁶ You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet,*
3. Man uniquely has a personal _____ with God.
- a. God and man converse - **Genesis 2:16a** - *And the LORD God commanded the man, saying....*
 - b. God and man meet - **Genesis 3:8** - *And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day....*
4. Man uniquely is given a _____ to obey God
- Genesis 2:16–17** - *And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, “You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, ¹⁷ but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die.”*
5. Man uniquely is _____ by God.
- a. Adam names the animals - **Genesis 2:19** - *Now out of the ground the LORD God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name.*

b. God names Adam and Eve - **Genesis 5:1–2** - *This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created man, he made him in the likeness of God. ² Male and female he created them, and he blessed them and named them Man when they were created.*

6. Man uniquely _____ and takes the creation with him.

a. The _____ - **Genesis 3:6–7** - *So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.*

b. The _____ - **Genesis 3:8** - *And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.*

- Physical Death – **Genesis 5:3ff** - *...and he died.....*

- Spiritual Death - **Ephesians 2:1** - *And you were dead in the trespasses and sins* - **Romans 3:10-11** and **5:12**

7. Man uniquely has _____ in the eyes of God.

a. Our value to God is because we are made in His image - **Genesis 9:6**
- *“Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image. See **James 3:9***

b. Our value to God is seen in the price He paid to bring us to Himself – **1 Peter 1:18–19** - *Knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold, ¹⁹ but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. – See **1 Peter 3:18** and **1 John 2:1-2***

