



FALLEN HUMANITY

A Systematic Study of Anthropology & Hamartiology

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1. Humans: Created _____

A. Both _____

B. Human Creation: _____

C. “Image” & “Likeness” = _____

D. Theories:

1)

2)

E. _____ on the Image of God

F. _____ Re: the Image of God

1) People _____

2) The Practical _____ of People

3) The _____ in Harming People

4) My Sanctification: _____ God’s Image

2. Humans: Created _____

A. _____ & _____

B. Re: Our _____

1) Many Have Taught _____

• *Gnosticism / Various Antinomian Groups / Docetism*

2) Christ's Body _____

3) Our Bodies _____

4) Our Bodies _____

5) Our Bodies _____

6) Body _____

C. Are We Primarily _____?

D. Are We Primarily _____?



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1. Humans: Created in “God’s Image”

- **Genesis 1:26-30**

A. Both Male & Female

1 Peter 3:7

husbands, live in an understanding that honors to the word of the Lord as a vessel, since through you of the grace of your prayers made

Galatians 3:26-28

in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

1. Humans: Created in “God’s Image”

B. Human Creation: Uniquely “God-Like”

- “God’s Image” = *not said of any other*
- *Animals?*

Isaiah 11:6

The wolf shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together; and a little child shall lead them.

Proverbs 12:10

Whoever is righteous has regard for the life of his beast, but the mercy of the wicked is cruel.

1. Humans: Created in “God’s Image”

- Gen.1:26 “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness”

C. “Image” & “Likeness” = Synonyms

- Tselem = *image / similar to / semblance*
- Demuth = *likeness / similar to (often abstract)*

Ezekiel 23:14

*She saw men portrayed on the wall, the **images** of the Chaldeans portrayed in vermilion*

Psalms 58:3-4

*The wicked are estranged from the womb; they go astray from birth, speaking lies. They have venom **like** the venom of a serpent,*

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D. Theories:

- 1) *Bodily Image*
- 2) *Personhood*

John 4:24 *God is spirit*

Luke 24:39

See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.”

Animated / Alive

Intellect / Rational

Emotions / Feelings

Volitional / Decision-Maker

Relational / Social

Moral / Ethical

Dominion / Jurisdiction

Creative / Artistic

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E. Effects of the Fall on the Image of God

- *Damaged, Not Destroyed*
- *Defaced, Not Erased (Ryrie)*

Psalm 8:3-8 *When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, what is man that you are mindful of him, and the son of man that you care for him? Yet you have made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor. You have given him dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under his feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the heavens, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas.*

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F. Implications Re: the Image of God

1) *People First*

Pentti Linkola
(Ecophilosopher)

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“**Earth First! Journal**”

“The extinction of the human ov

species

inevitable

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“**Earth First! Journal**”

“I suspect that

eradicating small pox

was wrong. It played a

important part in

balancing ecosystems.”

– John Davis

Kenneth Boulding
(Oxford Graduate / author)

“Human happiness & human

[fertility] is not as important as

a wild & health

of us can only

virus to come

Edward Abbey
(**Environmentalist**)

“I’d rather kill a

human being than

a snake”

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F. Implications Re: the Image of God

1) People First

2) The Practical Priority of People

3) The Fear of God in Harming People

Genesis 9:6

Whoever sheds the blood of man, by man shall his blood be shed, for God made man in his own image.

James 3:9

With [our tongues] we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse people who are made in the likeness of God... these things ought not be so.

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4) My Sanctification: A Restoration of God’s Image

Romans 8:29

For those whom

he foreknew

also predestined

to be conformed

to the image

of his Son

2 Corinthians 3:16-18

But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is

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Colossians 3:5-9

Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity... On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you too once walked, when you were living in them. But now you must put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and obscene talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old self with its practices and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator.

2. Humans: Created with Two Facets

- **Genesis 2:7**

A. Dust & Breath

- **Material & Immaterial**
- **Hardware & Software**
- **Body & Spirit**
- **When separated = Death!**

James 2:26

For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead.

Matthew 27:50

Jesus cried out again with a loud voice and yielded up his spirit.

Acts 7:59

And as they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit."

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B. Re: Our Material Bodies

1) *Many Have Taught: Body = Bad / Spirit = Good*

- *Gnosticism* • *Various Antinomians* • *Docetism*

1 John 4:2

By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is from God

1 Corinthians 6:12-14

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B. Re: Our Material Bodies

2) Christ's Body was Resurrected

3) Our Bodies are Important to God

Psalm 139:13-15

For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother's womb. You are God, my Father; you are the Lord, my God. Wonderful are your works, O Lord; wonderful are your thoughts, O Lord. How precious are your eyes to me; how precious are your thoughts, O Lord. How precious are your eyes to me; how precious are your thoughts, O Lord. How precious are your eyes to me; how precious are your thoughts, O Lord. How precious are your eyes to me; how precious are your thoughts, O Lord.

Ephesians 5:28-29

In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself. For never hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ loves the church.

2 Corinthians 7:1

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, bringing holiness to completion in the fear of God.

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4) Our Bodies are Graced by God's Presence

5) Our Bodies Will Be Redeemed

1 Corinthians 6:15

Do you not know that your bodies are members of his body, of his flesh and of his bones? Shall I take the members of his body and make them members of a prostitute?

1 Corinthians Or do you not know that your body is a member of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Romans 8:21-24

the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to corruption and obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies. For in this hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees?

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6) Body Care is Often Overdone

1 Timothy 4:8

for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of more value in every way, as it promises for the present life and the life to come.

1 Samuel 16:7

the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected them; for the LORD sees what the heart desires: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart."

1 Peter 3:3-4

Do not let your adornment be external—the braiding of hair and the putting on of gold jewelry, or the clothing you wear—but let your adornment be the hidden person of the heart in the imperishable beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which in God's sight is very precious.

Proverbs 31:30-31

Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised. Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the gates.

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C. Are we Primarily Three Parts?

- *“Trichotomy” = Body / Soul / Spirit*
- *Claim: “Soul” = earthly / animal life / animation*
“Spirit” = God-related / immortal / heavenly

1 Thessalonians 5:23

Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 4:12

*For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning **the** thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

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- **Problems: Not the Depiction in Gen.1**

Other Distinctions Unaccounted For

Mark 12:30

And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.'

Kim Riddlberger

"With its roots in Plato's distinction between body and soul, and Aristotle's further division of soul into 'animal' and 'rational' elements, the trichotomist notion of human nature as tri-partite is unmistakably Greek and pagan, rather than Hebrew and biblical. As Louis Berkhof notes..."

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D. Are we Primarily Two Parts?

- “**Dichotomy**” = **Material / Immaterial**
- “**Soul**”?

Genesis 2:7

the LORD God took
the man of **dust**
the ground and
breathed into his
nostrils the **breath**
[**spirit**] of life, and
man became a
creature [**soul**]

Acts 2:41

So those who
received the word
were baptized,
and there were
added to the church
about three
thousand **souls**.

1 Peter 2:25

For you were
straying like
sheep, but now
return to the
Shepherd and
Overseer of
souls.

Matthew 6:25

Therefore I tell you,
do not be
anxious about your
body, what you will eat or
what you will drink, nor about
your body, what you will wear.
Is not **life** [**soul**] more
important than
all these things?
and the body more
important than
clothing?

Matthew 20:28

the Son of Man
came not to be
served but to
serve, and to give
his **life** [**soul**] as a
ransom for many.



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