



What Makes a Man?

NorthRidge Church

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then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature. – Genesis 2:7 (ESV)

Man's _____ ... "the Lord God formed the man"

Man's _____ ... "of dust from the ground"

Man's _____ ... "breathed into his nostrils the breath of life"

Man's _____ ... "the man became a living creature"

While this is specifically defined as "Adam's" Creation ... it actually becomes the nature of all of humanity ... thus all humanity was ...

Made for God's _____ ... (2:4-7)

Made in _____ upon God ... (2:5-7)

Made for _____ with God ... (2:7)

What Makes a Man – His Design

1. God gave Adam _____ ... Gen. 2:15, 19-20
Cf. Colossians 3:23-24; 2 Thess. 3:10; 1 Tim. 5:8
2. God gave Adam a _____ ... Gen. 2:17-17
Cf. Isaiah 1:19; Ps. 119:36; 1 Sam. 15:22; Jn. 14:15
3. God gave Adam a _____ ... Gen. 2:18, 21-24
Cf. Gen. 2:24; Prov. 18:22, 31:10; Eph. 5:23-30

Sin and It's Corruption of God's Design ...

1. Work ... _____/_____ ... Gen. 3:17-19
2. Obedience ... _____ ... Gen. 3:1-15

3. Relationship ... _____/_____ ... Gen. 3:16

What Now?

Men, we cannot undo the effects of sin nor will we ever fix the results of it. However, we must diligently work toward _____ and _____ toward godliness unless there arises a generation that knows not the ways of God. (Judges 2:10)

Appointment with God – Prayer Focus

WORSHIP and the ROLE OF MUSIC

"Rise up, O Lord, in all Your power. With music and singing we celebrate Your mighty acts."—Ps. 21:13

- **Music—A Response to God's Power ...**
God's power demands a response—and music is often the most immediate and heartfelt way to offer it. See Ps. 149!
- **Music—A Tool for Teaching and Remembering**
In Deuteronomy 31, God instructs Moses to write down a song and teach it to the people of Israel so they won't forget His words. Music has always been a powerful tool for memorizing truth. See Ps. 119!
- **Music—Spiritual Warfare**
When King Jehoshaphat faced a vast enemy, God instructed him to send the musicians ahead of the soldiers (2 Chron. 20). As they sang, God confused the enemy and brought victory. Music can disarm darkness, stir faith, and release joy. Worship is warfare! See Ps. 91!
- **Music and the Heart of the Worshiper**
Music isn't just about the sound—it's about the heart. God isn't impressed if our hearts are far from Him. When music flows from a heart of love and awe, it is a sweet offering to the Lord. David was called a man after God's heart—and he was a musician. His psalms show us raw honesty, deep worship, and vibrant faith. That's what God is looking for. See MOST of the Psalms! BEFORE: For in the days of David and Asaph there were leaders of the singers, songs of praise and songs of thanksgiving to God. Nehemiah 12:46, NASB

NOW: We have worship leaders and praise teams. Please pray...

- For our times of worship...that they be all God purposes them to be and that we come prepared to worship.
- For the interim worship leader, Josh Tackitt.
- For the praise teams.
- For the search team to find the one God has prepared for us.
- For the worship leader God is preparing to come to NR.

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Man's **Origin** ... "the Lord God formed the man"

Man's **Composition** ... "of dust from the ground"

Man's **Endowment** ... "breathed into his nostrils the breath of life"

Man's **Resulting Nature** ... "the man became a living creature"

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Made for God's **Purpose** ... (2:4-7)

Made in **Dependence** upon God ... (2:5-7)

Made for **Relationship** with God ... (2:7)

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1. God gave Adam **Work to Enjoy** ... Gen. 2:15, 19-20
Cf. Colossians 3:23-24; 2 Thess. 3:10; 1 Tim. 5:8
2. God gave Adam a **Will to Obey** ... Gen. 2:17-17
Cf. Isaiah 1:19; Ps. 119:36; 1 Sam. 15:22; Jn. 14:15
3. God gave Adam a **Woman to Love** ... Gen. 2:18, 21-24
Cf. Gen. 2:24; Prov. 18:22, 31:10; Eph. 5:23-30

Sin and It's Corruption of God's Design ...

1. Work ... **Toil/Distorted Motivation** ... Gen. 3:17-19
2. Obedience ... **Temptation and Tempter** ... Gen. 3:1-15

3. Relationship ... **Loss of Intimacy/Conflict** ... Gen. 3:16

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