

## 第一篇

### 神永远的定旨与一个新人

诗歌：

读经：创一 26 ~ 28，弗二 15 ~ 16，四 24，六 10 ~ 13，西三 10

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- 创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。
- 弗 2:15 在祂的肉体里，废掉了那规条中诫命的律法，好把两下在祂自己里面，造成一个新人，成就了和平；
- 弗 2:16 既用十字架除灭了仇恨，便借这十字架，使两下在一个身体里与神和好了；
- 弗 4:24 并且穿上了新人，这新人是照着神，在那实际的义和圣中所创造的。
- 弗 6:10 末了的话，你们要在主里，靠着祂力量的权能，得着加力。
- 弗 6:11 要穿戴神全副的军装，使你们能以站住，抵挡魔鬼的诡计，
- 弗 6:12 因为我们并不是与血肉之人摔跤，乃是与那些执政的、掌权的、管辖这黑暗世界的以及诸天界里那邪恶的属灵势力摔跤。
- 弗 6:13 所以要拿起神全副的军装，使你们在那恶的日子能以抵挡，并且作成了一切，还能站立得住。
- 西 3:10 并且穿上了新人；这新人照着创造他者的形像渐渐更新，以致有充足的知识；

## 纲要

壹 永远的定旨—历世历代的定旨—是神在已过的永远里所作永远的计划—弗三 11，一 9、11，罗八 28：

弗 3:11 这是照着祂在我们的主基督耶稣里，所立的永远定旨；

## Message One

### God's Eternal Purpose and the One New Man

Hymns:

Scripture Reading: Gen. 1:26-28; Eph. 2:15-16; 4:24; 6:10-13; Col. 3:10

- Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.
- Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.
- Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.
- Eph 2:15 Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace,
- Eph 2:16 And might reconcile both in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it.
- Eph 4:24 And put on the new man, which was created according to God in righteousness and holiness of the reality.
- Eph 6:10 Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.
- Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil,
- Eph 6:12 For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.
- Eph 6:13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
- Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

## Outline

I. **The eternal purpose—the purpose of the ages—is the eternal plan that God made in eternity past—Eph. 3:11; 1:9, 11; Rom. 8:28:**

Eph 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord,

弗 1:9 照着祂的喜悦，使我们知道祂意愿的奥秘；这喜悦是祂在自己里面预先定下的，  
弗 1:11 我们既在祂里面，照着那位按祂意愿所决议的，行作万事者的定旨，蒙了预定，也就在祂里面成了所选定的基业，  
罗 8:28 还有，我们晓得万有都互相效力，叫爱神的人得益处，就是按祂旨意被召的人。

## 一 神在宇宙中的定旨，是要产生一班完全和祂一样一式的人；这就是圣经独特的题目—约一 12～13，约壹三 2：

约 1:12 凡接受祂的，就是信入祂名的人，祂就赐他们权柄，成为神的儿女。  
约 1:13 这等人不是从血生的，不是从肉体的意思生的，也不是从人的意思生的，乃是从神生的。  
约壹 3:2 亲爱的，我们现在是神的儿女，将来如何，还未显明；但我们晓得祂若显现，我们必要象祂；因为我们必要看见祂，正如祂所是的。

### 1 在生命、性情、形像、外表、荣光、荣耀和外在的彰显上，这班人要 and 神一样一式—启四 2～3，二一 10～11、18。

启 4:2 我立刻就在灵里；看哪，有一个宝座安置在天上，又有一位坐在宝座上。  
启 4:3 那位坐着的，显出来的样子好象碧玉和红宝石，又有虹围着宝座，显出来的样子好象绿宝石。  
启 21:10 我在灵里，天使带我到一座高大的山，将那由神那里从天而降的圣城耶路撒冷指给我看。  
启 21:11 城中有神的光荣；城的光辉如同极贵的宝石，好象碧玉，明如水晶；  
启 21:18 墙是用碧玉造的，城是纯金的，如同明净的玻璃。

### 2 神定旨的完成是要借着将神圣的生命分赐到祂所拣选并救赎的人里面；当神的生命作到祂的子民里面时，在他们里面就起了一种新陈代谢的反应，使他们被变化而成为与神一样一式—约三 15，约壹五 11～12，林后三 18，罗八 29。

约 3:15 叫一切信入祂的都得永远的生命。  
约壹 5:11 这见证就是神赐给我们永远的生命，这生命也是在祂儿子里面。  
约壹 5:12 人有了神的儿子，就有生命；没有神的儿子，就没有生命。  
林后 3:18 但我们众人既然以没有帕子遮蔽的脸，好象镜子观看并返照主的荣光，就渐渐变化成为与祂同样的形像，从荣耀到荣耀，乃是从主灵变化成的。

Eph 1:9 Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself,  
Eph 1:11 In whom also we were designated as an inheritance, having been predestinated according to the purpose of the One who works all things according to the counsel of His will,  
Rom 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.

## A. The purpose of God in the universe is to produce a group of people who will be exactly the same as He is; this is the unique subject of the Bible—John 1:12-13; 1 John 3:2:

John 1:12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the authority to become children of God, to those who believe into His name,  
John 1:13 Who were begotten not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.  
1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been manifested what we will be. We know that if He is manifested, we will be like Him because we will see Him even as He is.

### 1. In life, nature, image, appearance, radiance, glory, and outward expression, they will be the same as God—Rev. 4:2-3; 21:10-11, 18.

Rev 4:2 Immediately I was in spirit; and behold, there was a throne set in heaven, and upon the throne there was One sitting;  
Rev 4:3 And He who was sitting was like a jasper stone and a sardius in appearance, and there was a rainbow around the throne like an emerald in appearance.  
Rev 21:10 And he carried me away in spirit onto a great and high mountain and showed me the holy city, Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God,  
Rev 21:11 Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.  
Rev 21:18 And the building work of its wall was jasper; and the city was pure gold, like clear glass.

### 2. God's purpose is accomplished by the divine life dispensed into His chosen and redeemed people; as God's life is wrought into His people, a metabolic reaction takes place within them that causes them to be transformed and become the same as God—John 3:15; 1 John 5:11-12; 2 Cor. 3:18; Rom. 8:29.

John 3:15 That everyone who believes into Him may have eternal life.  
1 John 5:11 And this is the testimony, that God gave to us eternal life and this life is in His Son.  
1 John 5:12 He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have the life.  
2 Cor 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

罗 8:29 因为神所预知的人，祂也预定他们模成神儿子的形像，使祂儿子在许多弟兄中作长子。

Rom 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

## 二 “人”在圣经里是个重大的辞—创一 26，诗八 4～6:

## B. Man is a great word in the Bible—Gen. 1:26; Psalms 8:4-6:

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

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诗 8:4 便说，人算什么，你竟顾念他？世人算什么，你竟眷顾他？

Psa 8:4 What is mortal man, that You remember him, / And the son of man, that You visit him?

诗 8:5 你使祂比天使微小一点，并赐祂荣耀尊贵为冠冕。

Psa 8:5 You have made Him a little lower than angels / And have crowned Him with glory and honor.

诗 8:6 你派祂管理你所造的，使万物，

Psa 8:6 For You have caused Him to rule over the works of Your hands; / You have put all things under His feet:

1 神的心意在于人，神的思想集中于人，神的心也在人身上。

1. God's intention is with man, God's thought is focused on man, and God's heart is set upon man.

2 完成神计划的是人，彰显神的是人，击败神仇敌的是人，将神的国带到人类中间的也是人。

2. It is man who fulfills God's plan, it is man who expresses God, it is man who defeats God's enemy, and it is man who brings the kingdom of God into the human race.

3 人是神显现的凭借，人是神行动的凭借，人也是神行政的凭借—结一 26、5、10。

3. Man is the means of God's manifestation, man is the means of God's move, and man is the means of God's administration—Ezekiel 1:26, 5, 10.

结 1:26 在他们头以上的穹苍之上，有宝座的样式，象蓝宝石的样子；在宝座的样式以上，有一位的样子好象人的样子。

Ezek 1:26 And above the expanse that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, like the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was One in appearance like a man, above it.

结 1:5 又从其中显出四个活物的样式来。他们显出来的样子是这样：有人的样式，

Ezek 1:5 And from the midst of it there came the likeness of four living creatures. And this was their appearance: They had the likeness of a man.

结 1:10 至于脸的样式，四活物前面各有人脸，右面各有狮子的脸，左面各有牛的脸，后面各有鹰的脸。

Ezek 1:10 As for the likeness of their faces, they had the face of a man; and the four of them had the face of a lion on the right side, and the four of them had the face of an ox on the left side, and the four of them had the face of an eagle.

## 三 神永远的定旨是要得着一个团体人彰显祂并代表祂；这是神创造人的定旨—创一 26～28，五 1～2，弗三 11，一 9、11。

## C. The eternal purpose of God is to have a corporate man to express Him and represent Him; this was God's purpose in creating man—Gen. 1:26-28; 5:1-2; Eph. 3:11; 1:9, 11.

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创 1:27 神就按着自己的形像造人，乃是按着神的形像造他；创造他们有男有女。

Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

创 5:1 适当的后代记在下面。当神创造亚当的日子，乃是按着祂的样式造的。  
创 5:2 神创造他们有男有女；在他们被创造的日子，神赐福给他们，称他们的名为亚当。  
弗 3:11 这是照着祂在我们的主基督耶稣里，所立的永远定旨；  
弗 1:9 照着祂的喜悦，使我们知道祂意愿的奥秘；这喜悦是祂在自己里面预先定下的，  
弗 1:11 我们既在祂里面，照着那位按祂意愿所决议的，行作万事者的定旨，蒙了预定，也就在祂里面成了所选定的基业，

Gen 5:1 This is the book of the generations of Adam. When God created Adam, He made him in the likeness of God.  
Gen 5:2 Male and female He created them, and He blessed them and called their name Adam, on the day when they were created.  
Eph 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord,  
Eph 1:9 Making known to us the mystery of His will according to His good pleasure, which He purposed in Himself,  
Eph 1:11 In whom also we were designated as an inheritance, having been predestinated according to the purpose of the One who works all things according to the counsel of His will,

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## II. “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness”——Gen. 1:26:

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### 一 圣经里对于神和人的关系，有一个奥秘的思想——26 节，结一 26，约壹三 2 下，启四 3 上，二一 11 下:

### A. In the Bible there is a mysterious thought concerning the relationship between God and man—v. 26; Ezek. 1:26; 1 John 3:2b; Rev. 4:3a; 21:11b:

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。  
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约壹 3:2 亲爱的，我们现在是神的儿女，将来如何，还未显明；但我们晓得祂若显现，我们必要象祂；因为我们必要看见祂，正如祂所是的。  
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启 21:11 城中有神的荣耀；城的光辉如同极贵的宝石，好象碧玉，明如水晶；

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Ezek 1:26 And above the expanse that was over their heads was the likeness of a throne, like the appearance of a sapphire stone; and upon the likeness of the throne was One in appearance like a man, above it.  
1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been manifested what we will be. We know that if He is manifested, we will be like Him because we will see Him even as He is.  
Rev 4:3 And He who was sitting was like a jasper stone and a sardius in appearance, and there was a rainbow around the throne like an emerald in appearance.  
Rev 21:11 Having the glory of God. Her light was like a most precious stone, like a jasper stone, as clear as crystal.

### 1 神渴望成为与人一样一式，并使人成为与祂一样一式——约壹三 2 下。

约壹 3:2 亲爱的，我们现在是神的儿女，将来如何，还未显明；但我们晓得祂若显现，我们必要象祂；因为我们必要看见祂，正如祂所是的。

### 1. God's desire is to become the same as man is and to make man the same as He is—1 John 3:2b.

1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been manifested what we will be. We know that if He is manifested, we will be like Him because we will see Him even as He is.

### 2 神的心意是要将祂自己在基督里作到我们里面，使祂自己与我们一样一式，并使我们与祂一样一式——弗三 17 上。

弗 3:17 使基督借着信，安家在你心里，叫你们在爱里生根立基，

### 2. God's intention is to work Himself in Christ into us, making Himself the same as we are and making us the same as He is—Eph. 3:17a.

Eph 3:17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

## 二 “我们要…造人” 启示，神格的三者之间，为着人的创造，举行了会议—创一 26 上：

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

### 1 在已过的永远，三一神决定要创造人，这指明人的创造乃是为着三一神永远的定旨—弗三 9 ~ 11。

弗 3:9 并将那历代隐藏在创造万有之神里的奥秘有何等的经纶，向众人照明，

弗 3:10 为要借着召会，使诸天界里执政的、掌权的，现今得知神万般的智慧，

弗 3:11 这是照着祂在我们的主基督耶稣里，所立的永远定旨；

### 2 神造人的心意是要完成祂神圣的经纶，将祂自己分赐到人里面—提前一 4，罗八 11。

提前 1:4 也不可注意虚构无稽之事，和无穷的家谱；这等事只引起辩论，对于神在信仰里的经纶并无助益。

罗 8:11 然而那叫耶稣从死人中复活者的灵，若住在你们里面，那叫基督从死人中复活的，也必借着祂住在你们里面的灵，赐生命给你们必死的身体。

## 三 神按着祂自己的形像，照着祂的样式造人—创一 26 上：

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

### 1 神的形像，指神里面的所是，是神属性内里素质的彰显，这些属性最显著的是爱（约壹四 8）、光（一 5）、圣（启四 8）、义（耶二三 6）。

约壹 4:8 不爱弟兄的，未曾认识神，因为神就是爱。

约壹 1:5 神就是光，在祂里面毫无黑暗；这是我们从祂所听见，现在又报给你们的信息。

启 4:8 四活物各个都有六个翅膀，周围和里面统满了眼睛；他们昼夜不歇息地说，圣哉，圣哉，圣哉，主神是昔是今是以后永是的全能者。

耶 23:6 在祂的日子，犹大必得救，以色列必安然居住；人要称呼祂的名，耶和華我们的义。

### 2 神的样式，指神的形状（腓二 6），乃是神身位之素质与性质的彰显。

## B. Let Us make man reveals that a council was held among the three of the Godhead regarding the creation of man—Gen. 1:26a:

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

### 1. The decision to create man was made in eternity past, indicating that the creation of man was for the eternal purpose of the Triune God—Eph. 3:9-11.

Eph 3:9 And to enlighten all that they may see what the economy of the mystery is, which throughout the ages has been hidden in God, who created all things,

Eph 3:10 In order that now to the rulers and the authorities in the heavenlies the multifarious wisdom of God might be made known through the church,

Eph 3:11 According to the eternal purpose which He made in Christ Jesus our Lord,

### 2. God's intention in creating man was to carry out His divine economy for the dispensing of Himself into man—1 Tim. 1:4; Rom. 8:11.

1 Tim 1:4 Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God's economy, which is in faith.

Rom 8:11 And if the Spirit of the One who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who indwells you.

## C. God created man in His own image, according to His likeness—Gen. 1:26a:

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### 1. God's image, referring to God's inner being, is the expression of the inward essence of God's attributes, the most prominent of which are love (1 John 4:8), light (1:5), holiness (Rev. 4:8), and righteousness (Jer. 23:6).

1 John 4:8 He who does not love has not known God, because God is love.

1 John 1:5 And this is the message which we have heard from Him and announce to you, that God is light and in Him is no darkness at all.

Rev 4:8 And the four living creatures, each one of them having six wings apiece, are full of eyes around and within; and they have no rest day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God the Almighty, who was and who is and who is coming.

Jer 23:6 In His days Judah will be saved, / And Israel will dwell securely; / And this is His name by which He will be called, / Jehovah our righteousness.

### 2. God's likeness, referring to God's form (Phil. 2:6), is the expression of the essence and nature of God's person.

腓 2:6 祂本有神的样子，不以自己与神同等为强夺之珍，紧持不放，

### 3 神造人成为祂自己的复本，使人有盛装神并彰显神的性能—林后四 6 ~ 7，三 18。

林后 4:6 因为那说光要从黑暗里照出来的神，已经照在我们心里，为着光照人，使人认识那显在耶稣基督面上之神的光荣。

林后 4:7 但我们有这宝贝在瓦器里，要显明这超越的能力，是属于神，不是出于我们；

林后 3:18 但我们众人既然以没有帕子遮蔽的脸，好象镜子观看并返照主的荣光，就渐渐变化成为与祂同样的形像，从荣耀到荣耀，乃是从主灵变化成的。

### 四 神按着祂的形像，照着祂的样式造人，因为祂的心意是要进到人里面并与人成为一—弗三 17 上。

弗 3:17 使基督借着信，安家在你心里，叫你们在爱里生根立基，

### 五 神按着祂自己的形像造人，好使人借着祂的经纶得着祂的生命和性情，因而成为祂的彰显—提前一 4，约三 16，彼后一 4，林后三 18：

提前 1:4 也不可注意虚构无稽之事，和无穷的家谱；这等事只引起辩论，对于神在信仰里的经纶并无助益。

约 3:16 神爱世人，甚至将祂的独生子赐给他们，叫一切信入祂的，不至灭亡，反得永远的生命。

彼后 1:4 借这荣耀和美德，祂已将又宝贵又极大的应许赐给我们，叫你们既逃离世上从情欲来的败坏，就借着这些应许，得有分于神的性情。

林后 3:18 但我们众人既然以没有帕子遮蔽的脸，好象镜子观看并返照主的荣光，就渐渐变化成为与祂同样的形像，从荣耀到荣耀，乃是从主灵变化成的。

### 1 因着我们是神类造的，我们人性的美德就有盛装神圣属性的性能—十 1，十一 10。

林后 10:1 然而我保罗，就是那如你们所说，在你们中间，见面的时候是卑鄙的，不在的时候，向你们却是放胆的，亲自借着基督的温柔与和蔼劝你们，

林后 11:10 基督的真实在我里面，这夸口在亚该亚一带，是不会在我身上被堵住的。

### 2 神按着祂的形像造人，意思是神创造人有一个心意，要人成为神的复本，神的复制，使神得着团体的彰显；这个复制使神喜乐，因为祂的复制看起来

Phil 2:6 Who, existing in the form of God, did not consider being equal with God a treasure to be grasped,

### 3. God created man to be a duplication of Himself so that man may have the capacity to contain God and express Him—2 Cor. 4:6-7; 3:18.

2 Cor 4:6 Because the God who said, Out of darkness light shall shine, is the One who shined in our hearts to illuminate the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

2 Cor 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels that the excellency of the power may be of God and not out of us.

2 Cor 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

### D. God created man in His image and according to His likeness because His intention is to come into man and to be one with man—Eph. 3:17a.

Eph 3:17 That Christ may make His home in your hearts through faith, that you, being rooted and grounded in love,

### E. God created man in His own image so that through His economy man may receive His life and nature and thereby become His expression—1 Tim. 1:4; John 3:16; 2 Pet. 1:4; 2 Cor. 3:18:

1 Tim 1:4 Nor to give heed to myths and unending genealogies, which produce questionings rather than God's economy, which is in faith.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that everyone who believes into Him would not perish, but would have eternal life.

2 Pet 1:4 Through which He has granted to us precious and exceedingly great promises that through these you might become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption which is in the world by lust.

2 Cor 3:18 But we all with unveiled face, beholding and reflecting like a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, even as from the Lord Spirit.

### 1. Because we were created according to God's kind, our human virtues have the capacity to contain the divine attributes—10:1; 11:10.

2 Cor 10:1 But I myself, Paul, entreat you through the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who (as you say) in person am base among you, but while absent am bold toward you,

2 Cor 11:10 The truthfulness of Christ is in me, that this boasting shall not be stopped as it regards me in the regions of Achaia.

### 2. For God to create man in His image means that God created man with the intention that man would become a duplicate of God, the reproduction of God, for His corporate expression; this reproduction makes God happy because it

象祂，说话象祂，生活象祂—约十二 24，罗八 29，来二 10，约壹三 1～2。

约 12:24 我实实在在地告诉你们，一粒麦子不落在地里死了，仍旧是一粒；若是死了，就结出许多子粒来。

罗 8:29 因为神所预知的人，祂也预定他们模成神儿子的形像，使祂儿子在许多弟兄中作长子。

来 2:10 原来万有因祂而有，借祂而造的那位，为着要领许多的儿子进荣耀里去，就借着苦难成全他们救恩的创始者，这对祂本是合宜的。

约壹 3:1 你们看，父赐给我们的是何等的爱，使我们得称为神的儿女，我们也真是祂的儿女。世人所以不认识我们，是因未曾认识祂。

约壹 3:2 亲爱的，我们现在是神的儿女，将来如何，还未显明；但我们晓得祂若显现，我们必要象祂；因为我们必要看见祂，正如祂所是的。

### 叁 “使他们管理…，要…遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理” —创一 26、28:

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

#### 一 神给人管治权，目的是要征服神的仇敌，那背叛神的撒但—26、28 节：

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

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#### 1 地上所爬的一切爬物预表那蛇撒但，和他的使者，以及跟随撒但的鬼—26 节，三 1、14，后十二 4、7、9，太二五 41，参路十 19。

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

创 3:1 耶和華神所造的，惟有蛇比田野一切的活物更狡猾。蛇对女人说，神岂是真说，你们不可吃园中所有树上的果子么？

looks like Him, speaks like Him, and lives like Him—John 12:24; Rom. 8:29; Heb. 2:10; 1 John 3:1-2.

John 12:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, Unless the grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it abides alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

Rom 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

Heb 2:10 For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and through whom are all things, in leading many sons into glory, to make the Author of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

1 John 3:1 Behold what manner of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and we are. Because of this the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

1 John 3:2 Beloved, now we are children of God, and it has not yet been manifested what we will be. We know that if He is manifested, we will be like Him because we will see Him even as He is.

### III. “Let them have dominion...Fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion”—Gen. 1:26, 28:

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

#### A. God’s intention in giving man dominion is to subdue God’s enemy, Satan, who rebelled against God—vv. 26, 28:

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

#### 1. The creeping things that creep upon the earth typify Satan, the serpent, and his angels, as well as the demons, who follow Satan—v. 26; 3:1, 14; Rev. 12:4, 7, 9; Matt. 25:41; cf. Luke 10:19.

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more crafty than any other animal of the field that Jehovah God had made. And he said to the woman, Did God really say, You shall not eat of any tree of the garden?

创 3:14 耶和華神對蛇說，你既作了這事，就必受咒詛，比一切的牲畜和田野的活物更甚。你必用肚子行走，終身吃土。

启 12:4 它的尾巴拖拉着天上星辰的三分之一，摔在地上；龙站在那将要生产的妇人面前，等她生产之后，要吞吃她的孩子。

启 12:7 天上起了争战，米迦勒和他的使者与龙争战，龙和它的使者也争战，

启 12:9 大龙就被摔下去，它是那古蛇，名叫魔鬼，又叫撒但，是迷惑普天下的，它被摔在地上，它的使者也一同被摔下去。

太 25:41 然后祂又要对那左边的说，你们这被咒詛的，离开我，进入那为魔鬼和他的使者所预备的永火里去。

路 10:19 看哪，我已经给你们权柄，可以践踏蛇和蝎子，并胜过仇敌一切的能力，绝没有什么能伤害你们。

## 2 创世记一章二十八节的“制伏”含示，神在地上与祂的仇敌撒但之间进行着一场激烈的争战；谁赢得地，谁就得胜。

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

## 3 神有一个难处，这个难处就是背叛神的天使长撒但，成了祂在宇宙中，特别是在地上的仇敌一赛十四 12 ~ 14，结二八 12 ~ 18：

赛 14:12 明亮之星，清晨之子啊，你何竟从天坠落！你这击败列国的，何竟被砍倒在地上！

赛 14:13 你心里曾说，我要升到天上；我要高举我的宝座在神众星以上。我要坐在聚会的山上，在北方的极处。

赛 14:14 我要升到高云之上；我要使自己与至高者一样。

结 28:12 人子啊，你要为推罗王举哀，对他说，主耶和華如此说，你完美全备，满有智慧，全然美丽。

结 28:13 你曾在伊甸神的园中，佩戴各样宝石，就是红宝石、黄玉、金钢石、黄璧玺、红玛瑙、碧玉、蓝宝石、红玉和绿宝石，带着黄金；又有精巧的鼓和笛在你那里，都是在你受造之日预备齐全的。

结 28:14 你是那受膏遮掩约柜的基路伯；我将你安置在神的圣山上；你在发光如火的宝石中间往来。

结 28:15 你从受造之日所行的都完全，直到在你中间察出不义。

结 28:16 因你贸易很多，你中间就被强暴的事充满，以致你犯了罪。所以我将你当作俗污之物，从神的山驱逐你。遮掩约柜的基路伯啊，我已将你从发光如火的宝石中除灭。

Gen 3:14 And Jehovah God said to the serpent, Because you have done this, / You are cursed more than all the cattle / And more than all the animals of the field: / Upon your stomach you will go, / And dust you will eat / All the days of your life.

Rev 12:4 And his tail drags away the third part of the stars of heaven, and he cast them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to bring forth, so that when she brings forth he might devour her child.

Rev 12:7 And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels went to war with the dragon. And the dragon warred and his angels.

Rev 12:9 And the great dragon was cast down, the ancient serpent, he who is called the Devil and Satan, he who deceives the whole inhabited earth; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast down with him.

Matt 25:41 Then He will say also to those on the left, Go away from Me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.

Luke 10:19 Behold, I have given you the authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you.

## 2. Subdue in Genesis 1:28 implies that a war is raging on earth between God and His enemy, Satan; whoever gains the earth will have the victory.

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

## 3. God has a problem, and this problem is Satan, the archangel who rebelled against God and became His enemy in the universe and especially on the earth—Isa. 14:12-14; Ezek. 28:12-18:

Isa 14:12 How you have fallen from heaven, / O Daystar, son of the dawn! / How you have been hewn down to earth, / You who made nations fall prostrate!

Isa 14:13 But you, you said in your heart: / I will ascend to heaven; / Above the stars of God / I will exalt my throne. / And I will sit upon the mount of assembly / In the uttermost parts of the north.

Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; / I will make myself like the Most High.

Ezek 28:12 Son of man, take up a lamentation for the king of Tyre, and say to him, Thus says the Lord Jehovah, O you who sealed up perfection, full of wisdom and perfect in beauty,

Ezek 28:13 You were in Eden, the garden of God. Every precious stone was your covering, sardius, topaz, diamond, chrysolite, onyx, jasper, sapphire, carbuncle, and emerald, with gold. The workmanship of your tambourines and your pipes was prepared with you on the day that you were created.

Ezek 28:14 You were the anointed cherub who covered the Ark; indeed I set you, so that you were upon the holy mountain of God; you walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

Ezek 28:15 You were perfect in your ways from the day that you were created, until unrighteousness was found in you.

Ezek 28:16 By the abundance of your trading they filled your midst with violence, and you sinned. So I cast you out as profane from the mountain of God, and I destroyed you, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

结 28:17 你因美丽心中高傲，又因荣光败坏智慧；我已将你摔倒在地，将你摆在君王面前，好叫他们目睹眼见。

结 28:18 你因罪孽众多，贸易不义，亵渎了你的圣所。故此，我使火从你中间发出，烧灭你，使你在所有观看的人眼前变为地上的炉灰。

## a 神给人权柄管理祂所造的万物，为要制伏祂的仇敌而解决祂的难处—创一 26。

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

## b 人特别要治理全地，甚至要制伏这地，因为这地已经由神背叛的仇敌所篡夺—28 节。

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

## 4 神需要人运用神的权柄管理一切的爬物，神也需要人制伏并征服背叛的地，使神得以为着祂的国度恢复地—太六 9 ~ 10。

太 6:9 所以你们要这样祷告：我们在诸天之上的父，愿你的名被尊为圣，

太 6:10 愿你的国来临，愿你的旨意行在地上，如同行在天上。

## 二 神给人管治权，目的是要恢复地—创一 28:

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

### 1 神造人的用意，乃是要为祂自己恢复地—26 节。

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

### 2 人被神所造，对地有管治权，要制伏、征服这地，因而为神恢复这地—26、28 节。

创 1:26 神说，我们要按着我们的形像，照着我们的样式造人，使他们管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟、地上的牲畜和全地并地上所爬的一切爬物。

创 1:28 神就赐福给他们；又对他们说，要繁衍增多，遍满地面，并制伏这地，也要管理海里的鱼、空中的鸟和地上各样行动的活物。

Ezek 28:17 Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; you corrupted your wisdom by reason of your brightness. I cast you to the ground; I presented you before kings that they may look at you.

Ezek 28:18 By the multitude of your iniquities in the unrighteousness of your trading you have profaned your sanctuaries. Therefore I sent forth fire from your midst; it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all those who look at you.

## a. In order to subdue His enemy and thus solve His problem, God gave man authority to rule over all things created by God—Gen. 1:26.

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

## b. Man especially must rule over the earth and even subdue the earth because the earth has been usurped by God's rebellious enemy—v. 28.

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

## 4. God needs man to exercise His authority over all the creeping things, and God needs man to subdue and conquer the rebellious earth so that God may recover the earth for His kingdom—Matt. 6:9-10.

Matt 6:9 You then pray in this way: Our Father who is in the heavens, Your name be sanctified;

Matt 6:10 Your kingdom come; Your will be done, as in heaven, so also on earth.

## B. God's intention in giving man dominion is to recover the earth—Gen. 1:28:

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

### 1. God created man with the intention of recovering the earth for Himself—v. 26.

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

### 2. Man was created by God to have dominion over the earth, to subdue it, to conquer it, and thereby recover the earth for God—vv. 26, 28.

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of heaven and over the cattle and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.

Gen 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 heaven and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.

3 神想要得回地；地成了一个有决定性的地方，是撒但想要持有、神也想要得回的地方。

三 神给人管治权，目的是要人运用神的权柄管治地，使神的国得以临到地上，神的旨意得以行在地上，神的荣耀得以彰显在上一太六 10、13 下。

太 6:10 愿你的国来临，愿你的旨意行在地上，如同行在天上。

太 6:13 不叫我们陷入试诱，救我们脱离那恶者。因为国度、能力、荣耀，都是你的，直到永远。阿们。

肆 召会作为一个新人，就是神心意中团体的人，这个新人要完成双重的定旨，就是有神的形像以彰显神，并为着神的国与神的仇敌争战—弗二 15，四 24，六 10～13，西三 10：

弗 2:15 在祂的肉体里，废掉了那规条中诫命的律法，好把两下在祂自己里面，造成一个新人，成就了和平；

弗 4:24 并且穿上了新人，这新人是照着神，在那实际的义和圣中所创造的。

弗 6:10 末了的话，你们要在主里，靠着祂力量的权能，得着加力。

弗 6:11 要穿戴神全副的军装，使你们能以站住，抵挡魔鬼的诡计，

弗 6:12 因我们并不是与血肉之人摔跤，乃是与那些执政的、掌权的、管辖这黑暗世界的以及诸天界里那邪恶的属灵势力摔跤。

弗 6:13 所以要拿起神全副的军装，使你们在邪恶的日子能以抵挡，并且作成了一切，还能站立得住。

西 3:10 并且穿上了新人；这新人照着创造他者的形像渐渐更新，以致有充足的知识；

一 圣经启示一个新人不是一个单独的人，乃是一个团体、宇宙的人—弗二 15，四 24，西三 10～11：

弗 2:15 在祂的肉体里，废掉了那规条中诫命的律法，好把两下在祂自己里面，造成一个新人，成就了和平；

弗 4:24 并且穿上了新人，这新人是照着神，在那实际的义和圣中所创造的。

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西 3:11 在此并没有希利尼人和犹太人、受割礼的和未受割礼的、

3. God wants to regain the earth; the earth has become a crucial place, a place that Satan wants to hold and a place that God wants to regain.

C. God's intention in giving man dominion is for him to exercise God's authority over the earth in order that the kingdom of God may come to the earth, the will of God may be done on the earth, and the glory of God may be manifested on the earth—Matt. 6:10, 13b.

Matt 6:10 Your kingdom come; Your will be done, as in heaven, so also on earth.

Matt 6:13 And do not bring us into temptation, but deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

**IV. The church as the one new man is the corporate man in God's intention, and this new man will fulfill the twofold purpose of bearing God's image to express Him and of fighting against God's enemy for God's kingdom—Eph. 2:15; 4:24; 6:10-13; Col. 3:10:**

Eph 2:15 Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace,

Eph 4:24 And put on the new man, which was created according to God in righteousness and holiness of the reality.

Eph 6:10 Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.

Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil,

Eph 6:12 For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.

Eph 6:13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

A. The Bible reveals that the one new man is not an individual but a corporate, universal man—Eph. 2:15; 4:24; Col. 3:10-11:

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Col 3:11 Where there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcision and uncircumcision, barbarian, Scythian,

化外人、西古提人、为奴的、自主的，惟有基督是一切，又在一切之内。

slave, free man, but Christ is all and in all.

## 1 这一个新人乃是团体的神人：

## 1. The one new man is a corporate God-man:

### a 第一个神人，就是神的长子，是这团体神人一新人—的头—罗八 29，弗四 15。

### a. The first God-man, the firstborn Son of God, is the Head of this corporate God-man—the new man—Rom. 8:29; Eph. 4:15.

罗 8:29 因为神所预知的人，祂也预定他们模成神儿子的形像，使祂儿子在许多弟兄中作长子。

Rom 8:29 Because those whom He foreknew, He also predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brothers;

弗 4:15 惟在爱里持守着真实，我们就得以在一切事上长到祂，就是元首基督里面；

Eph 4:15 But holding to truth in love, we may grow up into Him in all things, who is the Head, Christ,

### b 许多的神人，就是神许多的儿子，是这团体神人一新人—的身体—16、24 节。

### b. The many God-men, the many sons of God, are the Body of this corporate God-man—the new man—vv. 16, 24.

弗 4:16 本于祂，全身借着每一丰富供应的节，并借着每一部分依其度量而有的功用，得以联络在一起，并结合在一起，便叫身体渐渐长大，以致在爱里把自己建造起来。

Eph 4:16 Out from whom all the Body, being joined together and being knit together through every joint of the rich supply and through the operation in the measure of each one part, causes the growth of the Body unto the building up of itself in love.

弗 4:24 并且穿上了新人，这新人是照着神，在那实际的义和圣中所创造的。

Eph 4:24 And put on the new man, which was created according to God in righteousness and holiness of the reality.

## 2 我们这些在基督里的信徒，都与基督是一，成为这个新人；我们众人乃是这一个新人的各部分—二 15 ~ 16，四 24：

## 2. We, the believers in Christ, are all one with Christ to be the new man; we all are parts of the one new man—2:15-16; 4:24:

弗 2:15 在祂的肉体里，废掉了那规条中诫命的律法，好把两下在祂自己里面，创造一个新人，成就了和平；

Eph 2:15 Abolishing in His flesh the law of the commandments in ordinances, that He might create the two in Himself into one new man, so making peace,

弗 2:16 既用十字架除灭了仇恨，便借这十字架，使两下在一个身体里与神和好了；

Eph 2:16 And might reconcile both in one Body to God through the cross, having slain the enmity by it.

弗 4:24 并且穿上了新人，这新人是照着神，在那实际的义和圣中所创造的。

Eph 4:24 And put on the new man, which was created according to God in righteousness and holiness of the reality.

### a 宇宙中有许多信徒并有许多地方召会，但只有一个新人—西三 10，四 15 ~ 16。

### a. There are many believers and many local churches, but there is only one new man in the universe—Col. 3:10; 4:15-16.

西 3:10 并且穿上了新人；这新人照着创造他者的形像渐渐更新，以致有充足的知识；

Col 3:10 And have put on the new man, which is being renewed unto full knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,

西 4:15 请问在老底嘉的弟兄和宁法，并他家里的召会安。

Col 4:15 Greet the brothers in Laodicea, as well as Nymphas and the church, which is in his house.

西 4:16 这书信在你们中间念了之后，务要叫在老底嘉的召会也念，你们也要念从老底嘉来的书信。

Col 4:16 And when this letter is read among you, cause that it be read in the church of the Laodiceans also, and that you also read the one from Laodicea.

### b 所有的信徒乃是这一个团体、宇宙新人的组成分子。

### b. All the believers are components of this one corporate and universal new man.

## 二 这一个新人乃是战士，与神的仇敌争战—弗六 10 ~ 13：

## B. The one new man is a warrior fighting against God's enemy—Eph. 6:10-13:

弗 6:10 末了的话，你们要在主里，靠着祂力量的权能，得着加力。

Eph 6:10 Finally, be empowered in the Lord and in the might of His strength.

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并且作成了一切，还能站立得住。

- 1 战士不是召会的身分，而是召会作为新人的一方面。
- 2 召会这团体的新人是一个战士，信徒们一起组成这新人。
- 3 我们必须在基督的身体里，在一个新人里，打属灵的仗，绝不能单独作战。

Eph 6:11 Put on the whole armor of God that you may be able to stand against the stratagems of the devil,  
Eph 6:12 For our wrestling is not against blood and flesh but against the rulers, against the authorities,  
against the world-rulers of this darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenlies.  
Eph 6:13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God that you may be able to withstand in the evil day,  
and having done all, to stand.

1. The warrior is not a status of the church but an aspect of the church as the new man.
2. The church as the corporate new man is the warrior, and the believers together make up this new man.
3. We must fight the spiritual warfare not individually but in the Body, in the one new man.