

IV. THE RESTORATION OF HUMANITY IN GLORY AND DOMINION

A. Jesus came on a rescue mission.

⁴ *"But when the fullness of the time had come, God sent forth His Son, born of a woman, born under the law,
⁵ to redeem those who were under the law, that we might receive the adoption as sons."*

Galatians 4:4-5

¹ *"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.
¹⁴ "And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth."*

John 1:1, 14

B. Jesus came to destroy the devil.

¹⁴ *"Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,
¹⁵ and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage."*

Hebrews 2:14-15

¹⁷ *"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new."*

II Corinthians 5:17

V. THE RESPONSE OF HUMANITY IS TO PRAISE GOD

⁹ *"O LORD, our Lord, How excellent is Your name in all the earth!"*

Psalms 8:9

BIBLE QUESTIONS ANSWERED

David Ask: What Is Man?

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Introduction:

A. Do you know how many questions there are in the Bible? A lot! There are over 3200 questions asked in the Bible. The first question is asked in Genesis 3 and the last question is asked in Revelation 18. The Bible is a book of both questions and answers!

These questions include numerous topics. Perhaps the most important category is that of Bible doctrine. Doctrine refers to essential beliefs found within the Bible which are systematically organized and understood.

Titus 2:1 instructs, *"But as for you, speak the things which are proper for sound doctrine."*

B. Join us for Bible Questions Answered as we answer seven compelling questions in the Bible about seven core areas of doctrine. Come and discover the essential teachings of the Christian faith and be equipped to know what you believe and why you believe it.

Aug 17	Satan Ask: Did God Really Say That?
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C. TEXT Psalms 8:1-9

David's question pertains to the doctrine of humanity.

⁴ *"What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him?"* Psalms 8:4

WHAT IS MAN? GOD CARES FOR HUMANITY!

HOW GOD CARES FOR HUMANITY

I. GOD'S CREATION WAS GLORIOUS AND PERFECT

¹ *"O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth, who have set Your glory above the heavens!"*

² *Out of the mouth of babes and nursing infants You have ordained strength, because of Your enemies, that You may silence the enemy and the avenger."* Psalm 8:1-2

A. Humanity was created in the image of God.

²⁷ *"So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them."*
Genesis 1:27

B. God called His creation after He made man; "very good"!

³¹ *"Then God saw everything that He had made, and indeed it was very good. So the evening and the morning were the sixth day."*
Genesis 1:31

C. Humanity became a subject of God's delight.

³¹ *"Rejoicing in His inhabited world, and my delight was with the sons of men."*
Proverbs 8:31

II. HUMANITY'S ELEVATION OVER CREATION

A. Man is relatively insignificant compared to God's immense power in creation.

³ *"When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained,*

⁴ *What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him?"*
Psalm 8:3-4

B. Despite this comparison man was given dominion over creation to manage the world God made.

²⁶ *"Then God said, 'Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.'"*
Genesis 1:26

III. SIN STOLE THE GLORY

Devil's strategy:

A. Doubting God's commandments and accepting Satan's lies.

¹⁶ *"And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, 'Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat;*

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.'"*
Genesis 2:16-17

¹ *"Now the serpent was more cunning than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, 'Has God indeed said, 'You shall not eat of every tree of the garden'?"*

⁶ *So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree desirable to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate. She also gave to her husband with her, and he ate."*

Genesis 3:1. 6

B. Running from God.

²⁵ *"And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed."*
Genesis 2:25

⁸ *"And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.*

⁹ *Then the LORD God called to Adam and said to him, 'Where are you?'*

¹⁰ *So he said, 'I heard Your voice in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; and I hid myself.'"*

Genesis 3:8-10

C. Sin resulted in death.

⁹ *"I was alive once without the law, but when the commandment came, sin revived and I died.*

¹⁰ *And the commandment, which was to bring life, I found to bring death."*
Romans 7:9-10