

The Most Profound Decision Ever Made

[A decision that effects every human being that will ever exist]

Genesis 1:26-27 *“Then God said “let us [Father, Son and Holy Spirit] make human beings in our **image and** in our **likeness** and let them rule over our creation ... so God created human beings in His **image**, male and female He created them.”*

Before this decision came to fruition God created over many millennium of time animals that were **not** in His image just to show how unique the human being was to be.

Genesis 2:18-20 [Amplified Bible] *“Now the Lord God said, it is not good [sufficient, satisfactory] that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper meet [suitable, adapted, completing] for him. And out of the ground the Lord God formed every [wild] beast **and** living creature of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to Adam to see what he would call them; and whatever Adam called every living creature, that was its name. And Adam gave names to all livestock, and to the birds of the air, and to every [wild] beast of the field; **but for Adam there was not found a helper meet [suitable, adapted, completing] for him.**”*

Among all the animals Adam, the first human, found none compatible to himself.

So God then created a woman.

Genesis 2:21-24 [Amplified Bible] *“And the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and while he slept He took one of his ribs – a part of his side – and closed up the [place with] flesh instead of it; And the rib or part of his side which the Lord God had taken from the man, He built up and made into a woman and brought her to the man. Then Adam said, This [creature] is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh. She shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of a man. Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall become united and cleave to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.”*

Only Eve the first human female was compatible to Adam.

Human beings are unique, they are not just another species of animal that has evolved.

We were created for a unique purpose by a loving God.

The Creation is in two parts, first the “*image*”. The original Hebrew text denotes “*image*”, to be a shadow or resemblance **not the real thing**.

Note:- At first God only created humans in His “*image*” no mention of “*likeness*”.

This “*likeness*”, the second half of the original intended creation, in the original Hebrew “*likeness*” refers to “*character*” [literally “*two for one*”, a son having the same character as the father.]

Such a “*likeness*” can only be formed by a very intimate, long time relationship.

How can we find an example of the very “*likeness*” of the Creator God?

Hebrews 1:5-6 [Living Bible] *“For God never said to any angel, “**You are my Son**, and today I have given you the honour that goes with that name.” But **God said it about Jesus**. Another time he said, “I am his Father and he is my Son.” And still another time, when his firstborn Son came to earth, God said, “Let all the angels of God worship him.”*

John 14:8-10 [Living Bible] *“Philip said, “Sir, **show us the Father** and we will be satisfied. Jesus replied, “Don’t you even yet know who I am, Philip, even after all this time I have been with you? **Anyone who has seen me has seen the Father!** So why are you asking to see him? Don’t you believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say are not my own but are from my Father who lives in me. And he does his work through me.”*

When we look to the life of Jesus Christ we not only have a clear understanding of what God’s “likeness” is.

Also as we become Jesus Christ’s disciples [people who follow a teacher] and allow Him [Jesus] to live in us through the active indwelling of the Holy Spirit, we will through this intimate relationship put on the “likeness” of God.

This is the only way we can fulfil the very purpose of our being given life as human beings.