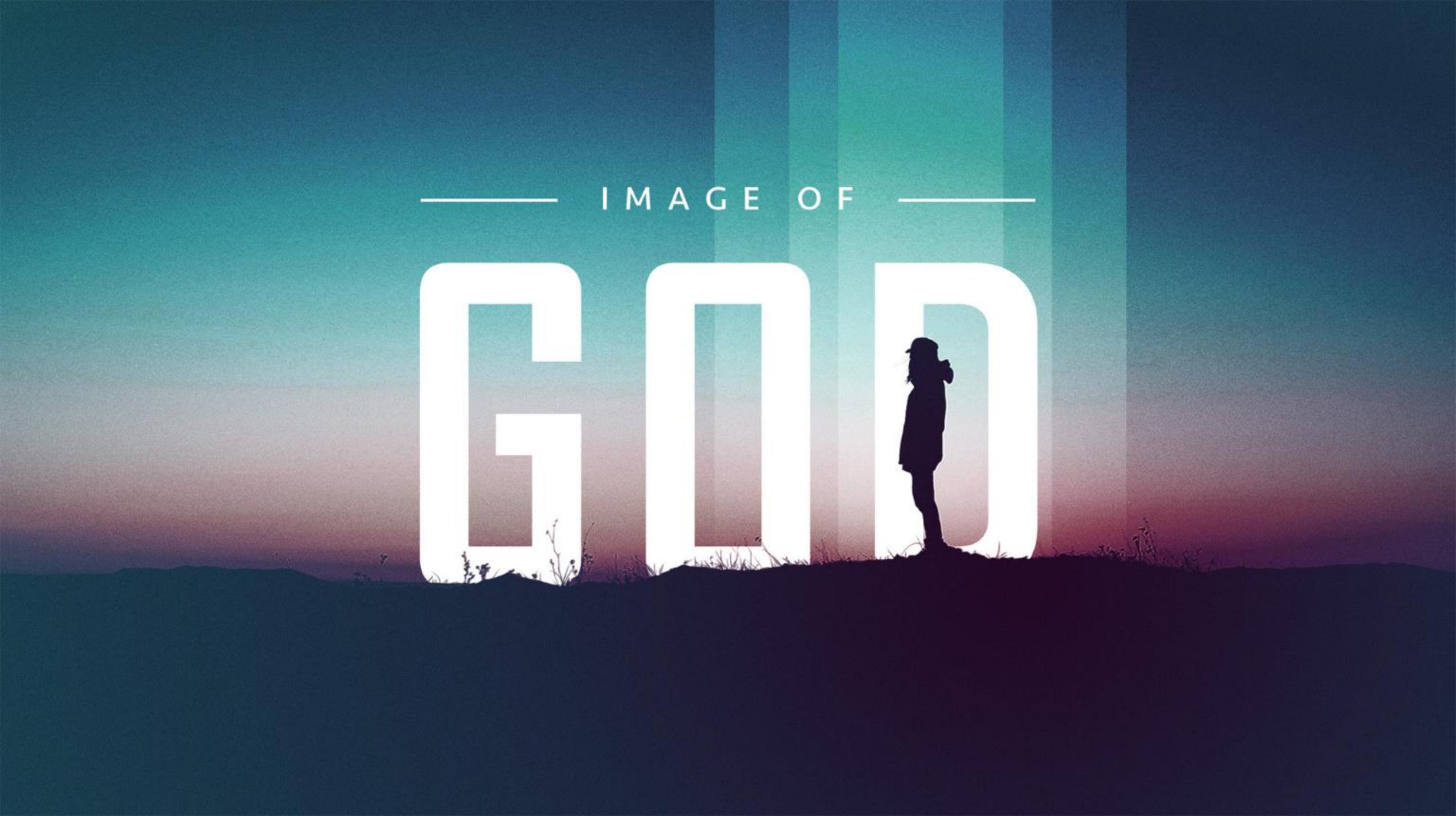


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GOOD

A silhouette of a person stands on a dark hill, looking towards the right. The word "GOOD" is written in large, white, bold, sans-serif capital letters, positioned behind the person. The letters are illuminated from behind, creating a bright glow. The background is a sunset sky with a gradient of colors from dark blue at the top to orange and red near the horizon. The overall mood is contemplative and hopeful.

*“Let us make man  
in our image”*

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**GOD**

The background of the entire image is a sunset or sunrise over a range of hills. The sky transitions from a deep blue at the top to a warm orange and red near the horizon. In the bottom right corner, a silhouette of a person stands on a hill, looking towards the horizon. The text 'IMAGE OF GOD' is overlaid on this scene, with 'GOD' in large, bold, white letters.

*“Let us make man  
in our image”*

*Genesis 1:26*

We read this phrase often but  
what does that *practically* look  
like in our walk with God?

# Genesis 1:27

Focus of man's creation: "God's Image"  
(Chiasm: in Hebrew order of words)

A – So ... CREATED

B – GOD

C – man IN HIS OWN IMAGE,

C' – IN THE IMAGE

B' – OF GOD

A' – CREATED he him; male and female  
created he them.

# What this “image” initially looked like

- We don't initially have divine revelation explicitly telling us what “God's image” refers to.
- We gain a little insight into what was not initially included. Cp. Gen. 3:22

# Whatever God's Image *is*...

- It is closely tied to humans *procreating* and *having dominion over* other earthly creation.  
**Gen. 1:26-28 (Gen. 2:15)**
- Humans are the only earthly creation with His image: *in that sense we are a holy creation!*
  - Greater detail of man's creation vs. the others.
  - Looking back on His creation: "very good". **v. 31**

# “Light” shed on the subject

- We are told that Jesus is the “express image” of God. Heb. 1:3 (2 Cor. 4:4; Col. 1:15)
- So, what we learn about Jesus’ image gives us insight into the type of image God created us with and that which we should emulate ‘in Christ’. Rom. 8:29

Christ mirrors God...  
Christians mirror  
Christ

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## 1 Corinthians 13:12

*For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.*

## 2 Corinthians 3:18

*But we all, with unveiled face,  
beholding as in a mirror the glory of  
the Lord, are being transformed into  
the same image from glory to glory,  
just as by the Spirit of the Lord.*

# Bearing the “image of God”

## *Living like Jesus*

- It means to have the *mind of Christ*. Phil. 2:3-5
- It means *loving like God*: both our brethren and our enemies... the way God. Matt. 5:43-48
- It means to *have dominion* the way Jesus taught and lived. Cp. Mk. 9:35; 1 Pet. 5:1-4; Jn. 13:1-8