

WONDERFULLY

MADE

WHAT IT MEANS TO BE HUMAN

BY
FOR

GOD

OVERVIEW OF 3 WEEKS

As a human being...

- How should I see myself? (last week, 7/10)
- How should I see God? (this week, 7/17)
- How should I see others? (end of the month, 7/31)

REVIEW

As a human, you are *wonderfully made!*
You are wonderfully made *by God,*
and you are wonderfully made *for God.*

MADE BY GOD & FOR GOD

- **Romans 11:36.** “For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever.”
- **Colossians 1:16.** “For by him, all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him.”
- **Revelation 4:11.** says, “**Worthy are you**, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for you created all things, and **by** your will they existed and were created.”

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, **what is man that you are mindful of him,** and the son of man that you care for him?

Psalm 8:3-4

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Our representation of God is either accurate or slanderous, but never morally neutral. This being so, **God can never be indifferent to wicked behavior.** He is committed to clear his good name and avenge himself upon those who persist in misrepresenting him.

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Part 4 – Image Restored. God is on a mission to redeem & restore shattered image-bearers into the perfect image of Jesus Christ.

Death says you are less important than you've ever allowed yourself to believe. The gospel says you are far more loved than you've ever imagined.

You are not too important to die. But you are important enough that God gave his only begotten Son, so that if you believe in him you will not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16). You will not be defined by death.

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