

# The Wonder of Man | Five (5) Stages of Growth Series

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“For He has not put the world to come, of which we speak, in subjection to angels. But one testified in a certain place, saying:

‘What is man that you are mindful of him, or the sone of man that you take care of him? You have made him a little lower than the angels;

You have crowned him with glory and honor, and set him over the works of Your hands. You have put all things in subjection under his feet.”

For in that He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not put under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than angels (Elohim), for the suffer of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. (Hebrews 2:5-9)

— Glory – (Heb. *Kabod*; Gr. *Doxa*):

- A. A most glorious condition, most exalted state.
- B. Splendor, brightness, magnificence, dignity, grace and preeminence
- C. Opinion, judgment, view: in the N.T. always a good opinion concerning one, resulting in praise, honor and glory.

— Honor – (Gr. *Timē*) (Tee-may’):

- A. A valuing by which the price is fixed.
- B. A valuing of the price paid or received for a person or thing bought or sold.
- C. Value and prestige which one has by reason of rank and state of office which he/she holds.

“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.’ (Gen. 1:26)

— Image – (Heb. *Tselem*)

- A. An outline or representation of an original, as a shadow is the outline of the original.
- B. From an unused root meaning to shade; a phantom, (fig.) illusion, resemblance, hence a representative figure.

— Likeness – (Heb. *Demuth*)

- A. Resemblance
- B. Concretely: model, shape
- C. Adverbially: like – fashion, like (-ness, as), manner, similitude

According to Genesis 1, we are created as a shadow of, and an outline of God. We resemble, concretely, the model, shape and fashion, likeness of God. Like as His manner and similitude.

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We are to Earth as God is to Heaven! We are like Him, made like Him, with the privilege and ability to think, reason and execute...like Him.

We are the God-kind! (Psalm 115:16)

Genesis 1:27, 28:

“So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female he created them. (Gen. 5:2)

Then God blessed them, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.

- Subdue – (Heb. *Kabash*) – To tread down; hence negatively to disregard; positively to conquer, subjugate /
  - + to subject, subdue, force, keep under, bring into bondage

God told Adam and Eve to subdue and have dominion over the earth. But what were Adam and Eve to subdue the earth with?

Since Adam was an exact duplicate of God, he had the same ability of God on an earthly level. (Psalm 115:16)

Mark 11:23 – Have faith in God (Have the God-kind of faith):

“For whosoever shall say unto this mountain, be thou removed and cast into the sea, and shall not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he says shall come to pass, he shall have whatsoever he says.”

“Truly I say to you that whosoever would say to this mountain, you must immediately be removed and you must immediately be cast into the sea, and would not doubt in his heart, but would believe that what he is saying is happening, it shall be to Him.” (TPNT)

If this is how God created the heavens and the earth, and He used faith-filled words to do it...forging creation through the agency of His Word... (John 1:1-5), then it stands to reason that if God did all this by the spoken word, then Adam was to subdue the earth in the same fashion in which God created it...And that was with words that were in agreement with the mind of God! Doing it the exact same way!

Genesis 2:7:

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life and man became a living soul (living being).”

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Now the translation of the Hebrew Scriptures is correct, but it is incomplete. It fails to communicate the essence of what the Lord God, our Heavenly Father, is attempting to convey/validate.

In other words, the translation states what it says, but does not state what God meant!

In the Chumash (Hebrew), which is the Torah in printed form (not the scroll, but codex), the historical ancestor of the modern book, it reads...a more precise and accurate interpretation:

“And man became a speaking spirit.”

Thus, the English translation is not wrong; it’s just incomplete.

Let’s unpack this:

Genesis 2:7

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”

Genesis 1:24

“Then God said, “Let the earth bring forth the living creature according to its kind: cattle and creeping thing and beast of the earth, each according to its kind; and it was so.

- Both phrases, “living being” and “living creature” in the Hebrew are synonymous – “Khah-ee Nephesh” (chay)
- But you know, and I know that we are not the same and we were not created the same.
- When God created the animals, (Gen. 2:19), He literally brought them to Adam “to see what he would call them (accosting). And the Bible says, “Whatever Adam called each living creature, THAT WAS ITS NAME!”
- So, what God observed was His God-kind duplicate acting just like Him. (Although he was just created, Adam had the mental ability, thought processes, oneness with God to be able to act/function just like His Creator.
- According to the late Dr. Myles Munroe, “God first decides what He wants. Then He decides what He wants it made out of. Then He speaks to what He wants it made out of. Then out of what He speaks to, comes forth what He said!”

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Gen. 2:7

“...and man became a speaking spirit.”

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The power of speech was given to man, not to the animals!

Animals can growl, roar, squeal, bark, croak, quack, hiss, and even grunt; however, only MAN (male and female) has the ability to capsule a thought into a word and literally frame his/her world and, ultimately, his or her destiny!

“The Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the heart knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.” (Romans 8:26b, 27)

“The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are the children of God, and if children, then heirs – heirs of God and joint-heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.” (Romans 8:17)

- Bear witness – Gr. *sumartureo* (From *sun* – with, *matueo* – testify)
  - We are united together to testify
- Together – Gr. *sundoxazo* (From *sun* – together with, *doxazo* – to render or esteem glorious)
  - To glorify together + approving
  - “As many as received Him, to them gave He the Power to become the sons of God, to those who believe on His name! (John 1:12)

A Word of faith spoken with the Holy Spirit power is the “medium of exchange” for all heavenly things or things in the unseen word.

In the natural, money is the medium of exchange for most earthly things. If I have enough money, I can purchase most anything in the natural or earthly realm.

Notice, I did not say, “If I have enough faith, I can receive what’s mine by promise.” It has to be enduring faith!

Hebrews 6:12 - “that you do not become sluggish [lazy], but imitate those who through faith and patience inherit the promises.”

Romans 12:3 - “For I say, through the grace given to me, to everyone, or every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think soberly, as God has dealt to every man the measure of faith.”

Matthew 17:20 – “For assuredly, I say to you, ‘If you have faith as a grain of mustard seed’, you will say to this mountain, ‘move here to there,’ and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to for you.”

- Mustard seed:
  - Smallest of seeds (never takes a lot of faith)
  - Cannot be hybridized / must remain pure (Don’t mix with “If it by thy will”)
  - Has uncanny ability to find moisture in arid places (Will work in any area of your life, no matter how dry)

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## Definition of Faith

- “Now Faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” (Heb. 11:1)

## Revelation of Faith

- “Insight from God, Agreement with God, and Obedience to God”! (Pastor Raphael Green)

## Location & Operation of Faith

- Believing in your heart, and confessing with your mouth. (Romans 10:10)

## Explanation of Faith

- Upon hearing a Word from God, you receive that Word. Then, you obey that Word, and persevere despite the conflict that comes because of your obedience.

## Overall Purpose of Faith

- To receive everything that Christ died for you to receive.

*Faith is not the accumulation of information. Faith is activation of revelation!*

Hebrews 11 is noted by some as the “Hall of Faith.” But in actuality, it should be called the “Hall of Works.”

- By faith, Abel offered God a more excellent sacrifice than Cain....
- By faith, Enoch did not see death, for God took him, for before he was taken, he had a testimony, He pleased God.
  - Then there are the ingredients...
- By faith, Noah, after receiving a divine Word of warning of things not yet seen, moved with godly fear, prepared an ark for the saving of his household....
- By faith, Abraham obeyed when he was called to go out to the place which he would receive as an inheritance. And he went out, not knowing where he was going.
- By faith Sarah herself also received strength to conceive seed, and she bore a child when she was past the age, because she judged Him faithful who had promised.
- By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises offered up his only begotten *son*, of whom it was said, “In Isaac your seed shall be called,” concluding that God [*who cannot lie*] was able to raise *him* up, even from the dead, from which he also received him in a figurative sense.
- By faith Jochebed and Amram, Moses parents, when he was born, hid him three months, because they saw *he was* a beautiful child; and they were not afraid of the king’s command.
- By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh’s daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing

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pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward.

- By faith he forsook Egypt, not fearing the wrath of the king; for he endured as seeing Him who is invisible. By faith he kept the Passover and the sprinkling of blood, lest he who destroyed the firstborn should touch them.

See Luke 17:5-10

- Faith is as a servant who needs not rest, but is called to serve, enjoying the enlistment, fulfilling the challenge.
- Faith is the profitable servant, born for one purpose and one purpose only: that is to make sure you receive everything that Christ died for, the things encapsulated within the great and precious promises whereby we may be partakers of the divine nature....

*“He [God] that is able to do exceeding, abundantly (Gr. huperperisos) above all that you ask [pray] or think [imagine] is linked directly to the power [Gr. dunamis] that worketh [Gr. energeo] in us.*

The only thing that determines the level and the amount of power that works in our life is the level of faith in the Word of God and the God of the Word. (Which inevitably includes the Name of Jesus!)

***“And His name, through faith in His name has made this man whole.”*** (Acts 3:16)

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## The Seven (7) Kingdoms (Mountains) of This World System

(Matthew 4:8, Luke 4:3-7)

### 1. Family

- The divinely appointed nucleus of humanity; a group consisting of parents (Father - male, Mother – female) and children living in a household governed by the truth of God’s Word, and in unison, led by the Holy Spirit.

### 2. Religion

- A social – cultural system of designated behaviors and practices, morals, worldviews, texts, sanctified places, prophecies, ethics, or organizations that relate humanity to supernatural, transcendental, or spiritual elements.

### 3. Education

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- The process of receiving or giving systematic instruction, especially in a school or university.
- Educator:
  - Doc, Duce – Lead
  - Prefix “E” – Out
  - Suffix “Ate” – The act of
  - Suffix “Or” – One who does
- “An educator is one who is engaged in the act of leading people out of ignorance.”

## 4. Business/Economy

- A person’s regular occupation, profession, or trade.
- The practice of making one’s living by engaging in commerce.
- It’s trade considered in terms of its volume or profitability.

## 5. Government

- The governing body of a nation, state or community.
- The system by which a nation, state or community is ruled.
- The act or manner of controlling or regulating a nation, organization or people.
- The relation between a governed and a governing word.

## 6. Media

- The main means of mass communication (broadcasting, publishing, and the internet), regarding collectively.
- The intervening substance or channel through which impressions are conveyed to the senses or a force acting on objects (persons) at a distance.

## 7. Arts & Entertainment

- The action of providing or being provided with amusement or enjoyment.
- An event, performance, or activity designed to entertain others.
- Amusement:
  - (Muse in Greek & Roman mythology)
  - Each of nine (9) goddesses
  - The daughters of Zeus & Mnemosyne, who preside over the arts and entertainment.
  - Muse means to think or to be absorbed in thought.
  - A-muse means the act of NOT thinking.

(Note: Johnny Enlow published a book concerning his prophetic dream regarding the seven (7) mountains of the world.)

**Matthew 4:8, Luke 4:3-7**

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“Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said to him, “All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this had been delivered to me, and I will give it to whomever I wish.

Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be yours.”

In essence, the devil was saying (just as he had with Adam and Eve), **“Let me show you how to cheat.”**

- Story of prison guard being taught by an inmate how to play cards.
- **Cheat:** Obtaining via a means contrary to the plan, will, Word, idea, and/or character of God.

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*“But without faith it is impossible to please Him (God) for he who comes to God must believe that He is (exists) and that He is a rewarder of him that diligently seeks Him.” (Heb. 11:6)*

The Revelation of Faith (Paster Raphael Green, St. Louis, MO):

- Insight from God
- Agreement with God
- Obedience to God

Man’s sin in the garden was not just disobeying God, but it was the fallacy of believing one can achieve life and success by acting independent of God.

Man was deceived by thinking he could be a god unto himself. Satan coaxed man into doing the exact same thing that made him fall.

Anytime we convince ourselves that we can live successfully while disagreeing with God, it will NEVER end well.

See the following:

- Isaiah 14:12-15
- Proverbs 53:6, 7
- Judges 17:6, 21:25
- Romans 1:18-24, 32

Anti-God, anti-life, anti-anointing, anti-Christ always equals satan. The enemy is diametrically opposed to anything God.

- John 10:10

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*"The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly."*

## How does satan cheat:

### 1. Family

- Removal of the earthly father, same-sex parents, no family relationship or conversation, banned discipline, removal of honor of mother and father, child abuse, removal of parental rights, abortion on demand and in the name of convenience. (And if a child survives, denial of medical attention, disguised under the Equality Act.

### 2. Religion

- The emergence of cults; manipulation, intimidation, and domination disguised as church; works righteousness, error in emphasis, racism disguised as Christianity, white supremacy, emergence of hate groups claiming to represent God (cross-burning), manifest destiny; misinterpreting Scripture, Hamite curse; idolatry

### 3. Education

- Indoctrination, suppression of truth, all out lies, increase of propaganda, misinformation, to lead into ignorance, half-truths, removal of landmarks (ancient), dismissal of scientific fact and replacing with "what I believe to be true", disinformation

### 4. Business

- Real Estate redlining, Ponzi schemes, tax fraud, tax evasion, cooking the books, discrimination/illegal loan practices, favoritism, illegal hiring/firing practices, white privilege, Jim Crow laws, formation of ghettos, projects (Foote Homes).

### 5. Government

- Unjust laws, crooked politicians, formation of democracy (rule by the people), unjust balances, deep state/illuminati/Luciferians, plutocracy, unfair voting laws, manifest destiny, slavery/free labor, love of money

### 6. Media

- Fake news, propaganda, biased statistics, misinformation ("much ado about nothing") useless info, pushing diabolical agendas, M.K. Ultra (mind control), repetition, false credible others, fear tactics

### 7. Arts & Entertainment

- The glorification of disfunction (gender dysphoria), substitution of entertainment with perversion, murder for sport, vengeance, enjoyment of vice, brainwashing children

When Adam & Eve sinned, they gave satan direct access to the soul of man (male & female). The death that entered their spirit became a breeding ground for evil.

- Soul – mind, will, imagination, emotions, and intellect

Man was deceived into trying to become a god unto himself: knowing and defining good and evil apart from God. Man didn't lose his God-given authority, he just gave satan access to his mind, will imagination, emotions and intellect to obscure truth and manipulate, intimidate and dominate.

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See Romans 1:20-23

- A fish living apart from water,
- A plant that is detached from nutrient rich soil or water,
- Man deciding to live apart from God,

**These things will hasten and bring about death!**

God cannot bring His will to pass in the earth without human permission, cooperation, and participation.

- What is possible for you to accomplish in your life, in your family, in your finances and career is dependent on your capacity to believe God and act on what you believe.
- Abundant Life is always choice driven, never desire or wish driven.
- Your future is linked directly to the quality of choices that you make.
- When the Bible speaks of renewing the mind, it is talking about the transformation of the decision-making process, not just remembering different Scriptures to be recited on demand.
- When we were first born again, we brought our old, inferior thought patterns into the kingdom of God. Thus, the new birth does not instantly change our behavior or thought process. That comes through the renewing the mind to the Word of God and developing conscious discipline.
- This is the development of mental power and stick-to-it-ness to make purposeful, accurate decisions on a consistent basis, which produces a successful life.

“If you continue in my Word, then you are my disciples indeed... (John 8:31, 32)

Remember, we serve God in three (3) ways:

Allegiance	→	Agreement
Obedience	→	Action
Continuance	→	Perseverance

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