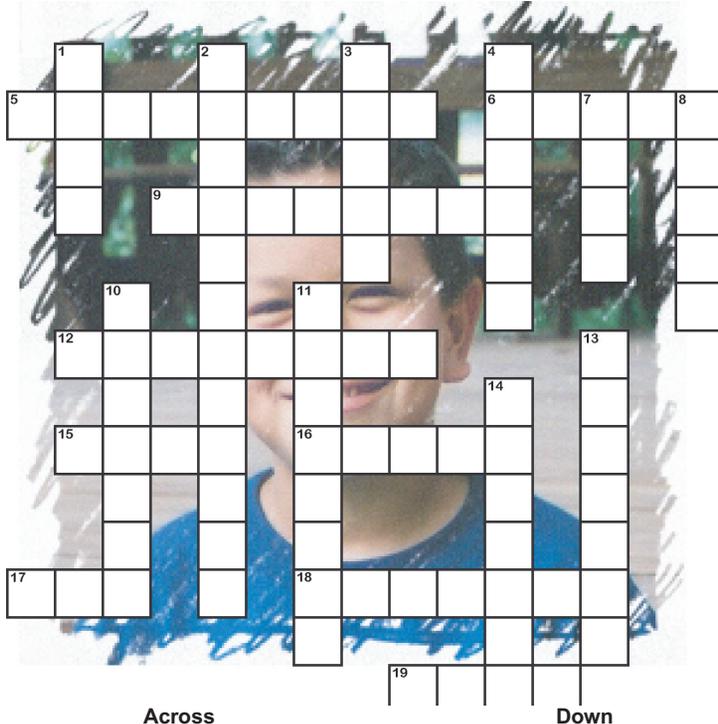
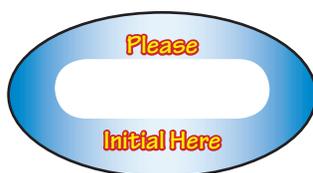


Crossword Puzzle



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| 5. Man is altogether a vessel, a _____. | 1. God said very _____! |
| 6. The _____ was created for man. | 2. Without _____ there is no rest. |
| 9. Man was created according to God's _____. | 3. Man's spirit is the most special part of his _____. |
| 12. The highest point of God's _____ is man. | 4. Man is altogether a _____. |
| 15. The _____ item of God's creation was man. | 7. Without satisfaction there is no _____. |
| 16. Man is in God's _____. | 8. God formed the _____ spirit within man. |
| 17. _____ rested... | 10. Man was _____ in God's image... |
| 18. Man's soul is mind, _____ and will. | 11. God rested because all His work of creation was _____. |
| 19. The last _____ that God created in Genesis chapter one was man. | 13. The _____ were created to contain the earth. |
| | 14. Man's spirit is for him to _____ and contain God. |

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The Truth and Experience of God's Salvation

- Lesson One -

Man's Creation

I. Overview.

The highest point of God's creation of the universe and all of the creatures on the earth was His creation of man. As the highest point, man was created last. All other things had to be created before man, because all the other things were for man. Man, however, was created for God. We can see this because man was created



**All human beings
are created
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in God's image and likeness. Man is just like God in many ways. Because man is in the image of God, he has the ability to express God.

All the living things that God created have a body and a soul. Man is the only being that was also created with a spirit. Man's spirit was created within him as a special organ for him to contact God and to contain God. Because man is able to contain God, and because he was created in God's image, he is also able to express God. This is at the heart of God's purpose.

II. Memory Verse.

“And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over... all the earth...”

(Gen. 1:26)

III. Lesson.

The last item that God created in Genesis chapter one was man. This fact tells us two things. Firstly this tells us that all things created before man were created for man. Secondly, this shows us that man was purpose of the creation and that he was created for God. The Bible tells us that after God created man, He said “very good!”, and then He rested. God rested because all of His work of creation was finished. God finished His work of creation with the highest point. This was man. Man was created for God’s purpose and satisfaction. The fact that God rested indicates to us that God was very satisfied with man, for without satisfaction, there is no rest.

Man is Unique Among All God’s Creation

Man is unique. All other creatures were created according to their own kind. Only man was created according to God’s kind. Man was created in God’s image and according to God’s likeness. This means that man closely resembles God and even appears like God. God’s image is expressed in the human soul, the personality, through the mind, emotion, and will. Among all the different kinds of living beings that God created, only man has God’s wonderful image! Because man was created according to God, he is able to understand God’s purpose, love God’s desire and choose God’s will.

Man Has a Spirit

Man is also unique because man was created with a spirit. When God breathed the breath of life into man He formed the human spirit within him. Only man has a spirit. Therefore, man’s spirit is the most special part of his being.



Only man has a human spirit.

The Bible shows us that the creation of man’s spirit is as great a matter as the creation of the heavens and the earth. This is because the whole purpose of the heavens and the earth is wrapped up with man’s spirit. The heavens were created to contain the earth. The earth was created for man. And man was created with a spirit to contain God Himself! How marvelous!

What is man? Man is altogether a vessel, a container. Man is a very special three-part vessel. His body was made to receive and contain food, his soul was made to receive and contain knowledge and his spirit was made to receive and contain God. In this way man can become God’s expression.

--- Questions for Discussion ---

1. What was the last item of God’s creation?

2. What makes man unique among all the things that God created?

3. In what special way was man created?

4. What is man’s spirit for?

