**Series:** The Mirror fo the Soul

**Title:** The Image of Man

**<u>Text</u>**: (Gen 5:1-3)

The Image of God: (Gen 1:26-29)

Human Rights: based on Image of God: (Gen 9:5-6)

All Humans Bear the Image of God: (Col 3:10-11)

All One blood: (Acts 17:24-26)

Image of God is seen in our Triunity:

**Image of God: seen in our Divine Capacities:** 

Reason: (Gen 1:26) "let them have dominion"

Creativity: (Gen 2:20) Adam named the animals

**Speech:**(Gen 2:23) *Adam said, This is now bone of* 

**Self Awareness:** (Gen 3:8) "hid themselves"

**Self Determination:** (Gen 3:6) "and he did eat."

Self Reflection: (Gen 3:12) I did eat

**Morality:** heard thy voice ... & I was afraid

**Image of God is a Status confirmed at Conception:** 

(Jer 1:5)

**Image of God confirms Rank in God's Hierarchy:** 

(Ps 8:5)

God gave us mirrors to see His Image in our souls.

I. The Word of God is a Mirror to the Soul:

II. Creation is a Mirror of the Soul:

III. The Emptiness of our Soul apart from God:

IV. The Death, Burial, & Resurrection of Jesus:

Jesus is the Image of God! (Col 1:16)

Jesus is the only perfect image of God (Jn 14:9)

(Col 2:9) (2 Cor 3:13-18)

Like a Mirror:

We Are Made to Reflect God to Others.

**Image of God and the Image of Man:** (Gen 5:1-3)

Adam was made in the Image of God

Sin Corrupts/Distorts the Image of God:

This was Adam's own likeness: (Rom 5:12-19)

Both Outward Physically & Inward Spiritually

**The Cause of Sin: PRIDE** 

Shows Satan's Beauty: (Ezek 28:12-14)

Satan corrupted by Pride: (Ezek 28:15)(Is 14:12-14)

All Contention is b/c of Pride: (Prov 13:10)

God hates Pride: (Prov 6:16-17)

Pride usurps Gods place as supreme: (Prov 16:5)

**Doing Sin**: (1 Jn 3:4) Contrary, Opposition, Willful,

Trample on the Laws of God: (Lev 26:27)

Sin is in Ignoring God's Law

Sin is Rebellion: (Jer 44:17)

Sin is Ingratitude: (Acts 17:28)

(Rom 1:21) Neither were they thankful

What ever is NOT of Faith in Sin: (Rom 14:23)

All Unrighteousness is Sin: (1 Jn 5:17)

Knowing to do Good & not doing it: (James 4:17)

Sin is Going beyond the Boundaries God has set.

#### Sin is Characterized like a...

(1 Kings 8:38) Oozing Sore

(Zech 3:3) Filthy Garment

(Zech 11:8) Loathing (Ezek 20:33)

(2 Cor 7:1) Filthiness

Scars, Defiles, Stains the Image of God in Man.

# **The Corruption of Sin in Creation:** (Gen 3) **The Curse of Sin:**

Penalty of Sin: Damnation (Mk 16:16) Power of Sin: Dominion (Rom 6:14) Presence of Sin: Defilement (Titus 1:15)

## **The Consequences of Sin:**

**Death:** (Eph 2:1, 6) dead in trespasses & sins,

**Disease:** (Mk 2:17) they that are sick...sinner

**Destitution:** (2 Cor 8:9) through his poverty...

**Defilement:** (Titus 2:15) *mind* & conscience is defiled

**Darkness:** (Jn 3:19-20) men loved darkness

**Spiritual Blindness:** (2 Cor 4:3-4) *blinded the minds* 

**Slavery to Sin:** (Jn 8:34) the servant of sin

#### **Still only one cure for Sin! The Blood of Christ!**

(1 Pet 1:18-19) (1 Jn 1:7) (Eph 2:13)

It is the Stronghold of UNBELIEF: (Rom 11:31-32)

### **The Cure for Sins** Control in our lives

Die to Self: Humble ourselves (Prov 8:13)(Ja 4:6, 10)

Confess it: Confession is Agreeing with God!

(1 Jn 1:9)

(Prov 28:13)

**Repent of it:** (Acts 8:22) commandeth all men every where to REPENT:

## Forsake it: is Pleasing & Glorifying to God!

(Rom 6:1-2)

(Rom 6:11) Dead to sin, alive to God.

(Eph 5:3-8) We should not be known for these things.

(2 Tim 2:19-22) Christians should Depart from Sin

**Be Filled With the Spirit:** (Gal 5:16)

## Choose Differently as part of your Worship of God!

(Eph 4:21-32) Put off the Old Man, Put on the New (Rom 6:12-13,19)

(1 Tim 4:12-16) Be an Example of Godliness, not sin.

(Rom 12:2) Changed through the Word

(Rom 8:29) The Goal is to be like Christ