

International Bible Lesson

Five Applications from Genesis 1:26-31; 2:4-7

1. God specifically created people in the image of God; therefore, each person has supreme value and every person should be treated with respect.
2. God created both male and female in the image of God, and Paul wrote: “There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus” (Galatians 3:28). Therefore, in Christ Jesus, many problems created by Adam’s sin can be overcome.
3. God gave people a life and abilities that were different from all other life by personally breathing the breath of life into man; therefore, people are spiritual beings with special God-given abilities and God-given purposes.
4. In the beginning, God gave people the ability to rule over all living creatures, which would include the abilities to reason and rightly care for each creature according to their kinds.
5. In the beginning, all living creatures including people were given only plants to eat; therefore, all living creatures were to live in harmony under the wise rule of the people God created.

Your Application — Your Takeaway Notes

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