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## LESSON 14 – THE CREATION OF MAN

**Main Point:** *Man is created with dignity, body and soul, to glorify God.*

“We must concentrate in particular upon man because that is the special concern of the Scriptures. They have been given to us in order that we might arrive at a knowledge of the truth concerning ourselves and our relationship to God.” – Martin Lloyd-Jones

### **I. Created and, Therefore, Under Authority (Creation relating to Creator)**

A. Divine counsel held before man was created

B. Man is created distinct. He did not evolve.

1. Gen. 1:20-25 (God made creatures according to their kinds)
2. Gen. 1:26 (God made man after His own likeness)

C. Man has a Creator who necessarily has authority over him (Gen. 1:28; 2:15-17; Rom. 11:36; Col. 1:16; Rev. 4:11; Rom. 9:20-21; Rom. 1:18-25)

### **II. The Substance of Man**

A. Material

1. The LORD God formed man of dust from the ground (Gen. 2:7).
2. The LORD God made woman of the man’s rib. (Gen. 2:22).

B. Immaterial

The LORD God breathed into his nostrils the breath of life (Gen. 2:7; Psalm 104:29; Job 33:4)

C. Two Parts or Three?

1. Trichotomy (Body, soul, & spirit)
  - a. Thess. 5:23; Heb. 4:12

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2. Dichotomy (Body & soul)
  - a. Bodies & souls (Matt. 10:28); bodies & spirits (1 Cor. 7:34)
  - b. Grief ascribed to soul (Isa. 54:6; John 13:21) & to spirit (John 12:27; 2 Peter 2:8)
  - c. At death, soul departs (Gen. 35:18; Matt. 10:28) OR spirit departs (Psalm 31:5; Acts 7:59)

### D. The Intermediate State

1. At death, the Body and Soul are temporarily separated.
2. To be away from the body is to be at home with the Lord (2 Corinthians 5:6-8)
3. The separation is only temporary (1 Corinthians 15:42-44)

### III. Created with Dignity

- Life is sacred because man is created in the image of God. The way we relate to others is derived from the way we relate to God