

Redeeming Relationships



Setting the Stage

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Ephesians 5:15-21 (ESV)

15 Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, 16 making the best use of the time, because the days are evil. 17 Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. 18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, 19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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The gospel power for
healthy relationships flows
from the Holy Spirit
actively at work in us.

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Genesis 1:26 (ESV)

26 Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

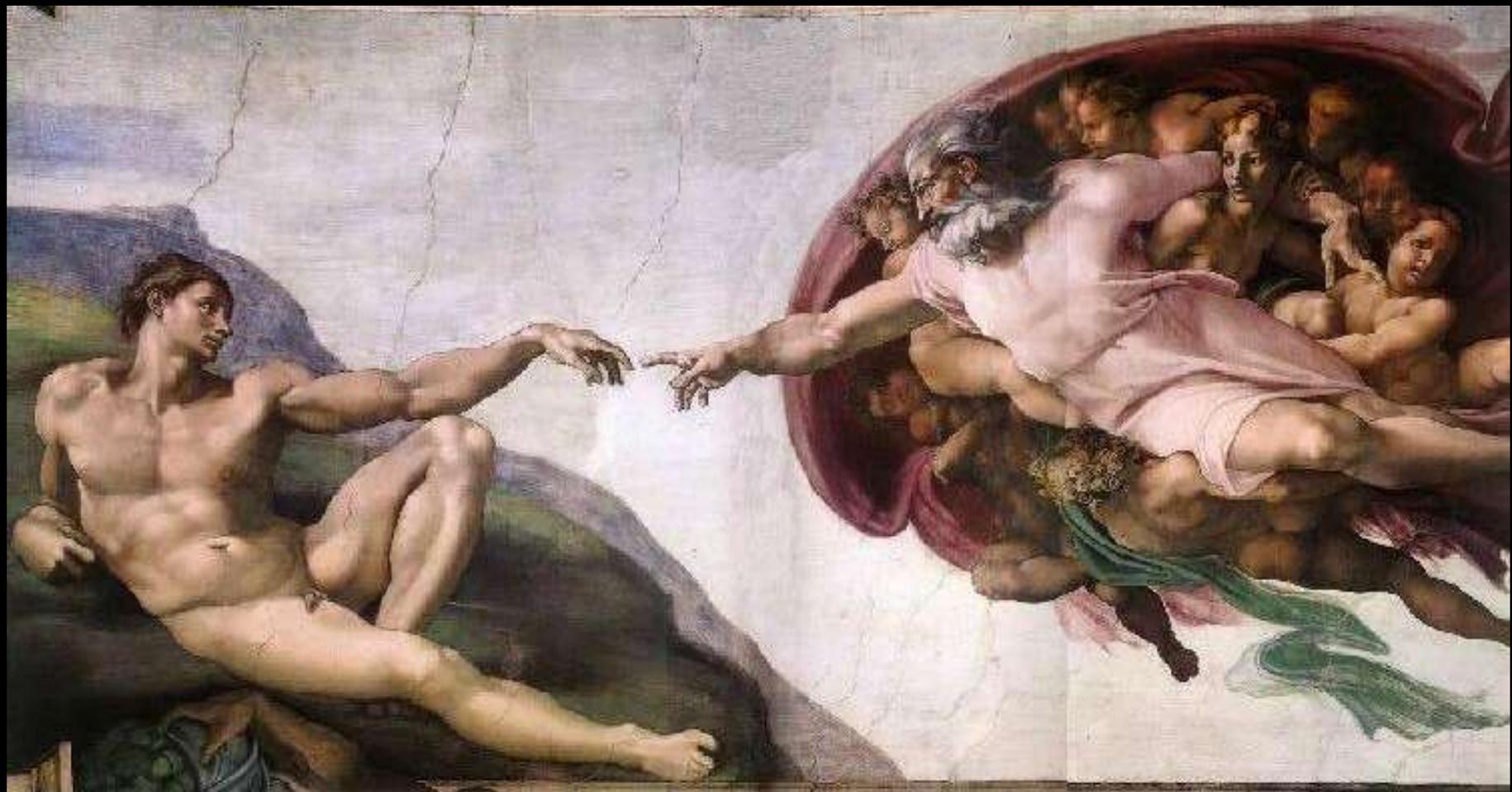
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Genesis 1:27-28 (ESV)

27 So God created man in his own image,
in the image of God he created him;
male and female he created them.

28 And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

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of God means human
beings are *to steward*
the earth God created.

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Being made in the
image of God means
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to relate to God.

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Genesis 1:26a (ESV)

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Being made in the image
of God means human
beings are *to relate*
to each other.

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Genesis 1:27 (ESV)

27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

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Human beings are created in
the image of God, which
means we steward the
world, we relate to God,
and relate to one another.

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Creation, Fall...

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Creation, Fall,
Redemption...

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Ephesians 1:7-8 (ESV)

7 In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace, 8 which he lavished upon us, in all wisdom and insight.

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Ephesians 2:1-3 (ESV)

1 And you were dead in the trespasses and sins
2 in which you once walked, following the course
of this world, following the prince of the power of
the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons
of disobedience— 3 among whom we all once
lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the
desires of the body and the mind, and were by
nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind.

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Ephesians 2:4-6 (ESV)

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— 6 and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

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Ephesians 2:12-14 (ESV)

12 Remember that you were at that time separated from Christ, alienated from the commonwealth of Israel and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. 13 But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. 14 For he himself is our peace, who has made us both one and has broken down in his flesh the dividing wall of hostility.

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Ephesians 4:1-3 (ESV)

1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, 2 with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, 3 eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

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19 addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, 20 giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, 21 submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.

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