



## October 1st Sermon Questions

### Foundations: Of the Image of God

#### Genesis 1:27

Icebreaker: If you could change your name, what would you change it to and why?

Discussion Questions: Read Genesis 1:27

1. If someone were to ask you the question "Who are you?" how would you respond? How do you typically define yourself (career/job, marital status, hobbies, etc.)?
2. How do you typically conceive of what it means to be made in the image of God? What is the image of God? What are its components and implications?
3. Martin Luther King Jr. once wrote, "The whole concept of the imago Dei, as it is expressed in Latin, the 'image of God,' is the idea that all men have something within them that God injected. Not that they have substantial unity with God, but that every man has a capacity to have fellowship with God. And this gives him a uniqueness, it gives him worth, it gives him dignity." Have you ever considered God's image as foundational for our relationship with him? How do you think this capacity to spiritually commune with God provides us with inherent worth and dignity?
4. In Genesis 1, man and woman are the only part of creation made "in the image of God" (v.27). What does that say about the unique status and purpose of humanity in the world?
5. One way you could define "sin" is by being caught up in your own image instead of reflecting God's image or placing more importance on your image than His image. What do you think about that explanation of sin? How is it a form of idolatry?
6. How might your daily life be altered if you defined yourself first and foremost as an image bearer of God who lives every day seeking to reflect God's image and point others to the gospel of Jesus, who is the perfect image of God-made flesh?