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LESSON 1

Origin of Humanity

Overview

To understand what the Bible has to say about race, we must start at the beginning. Mankind was created directly by God, in his image, and on the sixth day of history. All people are born into the one race—the human race. We all have a common ancestor, a truth which has great implications for how we view and treat other people.

Observe It

1. Who is God?
2. Who is man?
3. What are the consequences of sin?

Main Point: We are ALL human beings created by God in his _____ and born into the race of Adam. There is _____ race: the human race.

Explore It

Use the space provided to answer the following questions.

1. Read Genesis 1:26–27, Genesis 9:5–6, and James 3:8–9. Who bears the image of God?
2. Read Psalm 8, Hebrews 2:16, Matthew 6:26, and Romans 5:8. How does God view man?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 3:18, Romans 8:29, and Colossians 1:15. What is the image of God?

4. Read Genesis 6:5 and Romans 3:23. How was the image of God affected by the fall?

Apply It

1. Where does a person's value come from?
2. What does it mean to be created in the image of God?
3. Why is a biblical perspective of origins so important to the topic of racism?

4. In what ways have you seen your thinking or actions fail to reflect this biblical perspective? What steps will you take to correct your thinking/actions?

Live It

1. Memorize Romans 3:23. Consider the implications of this verse as it relates to humanity and the image of God. How does this verse add to the discussion of prejudice?
2. Name someone you struggle to think well of. This could be a person you look down on, someone who annoys you, or someone you have simply overlooked. Pray for this person each day this week and find a way to demonstrate that he/she is valuable to God and to you. Bring your stories to share next time.
3. This week we talked about how all humanity comes from the same ancestor, Adam, and shares the same value as God's creation in his image. Read Psalm 96 and Isaiah 59 and use the chart provided to compare the nature of God with the nature that is common to all mankind.

God is . . . Psalm 96

Man is . . . Isaiah 59:1–13