

GLEANINGS

GOD'S IMAGE

We know, according to the scriptures, that Adam and Eve were created in the image of God.

“Then God said, “Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.” (Genesis 1:26 NIV)

When the Bible tells us that Adam and Eve were made in the image of God, it does not mean that they had a nose because God has a nose or that they had two arms because God has two arms. That is not the image of God in which they were made.

God is a trinity, that is, our God manifests himself to us in three ways. God the Father represents the intellect of God. God the Son represents the material part of God. God the Holy Spirit represents the spiritual part of God. It is impossible for us to understand, with our human minds, how God can be three and yet He is one. We find, however, that in John 14:9 Jesus told his disciples that *“he that hath seen me hath seen the Father.” (NIV)*

Man is also a trinity. In fact, man is the only creation of God that was created a trinity. We have a material body (1st Corinthians 15:44), a spiritual body (1st Corinthians 15:44) and we have intellect, that is, we have the ability to think and make decisions of our own free will (Romans 7:15-25 and Joshua or Josue 24:14-15). It is the spiritual body that is born again at the moment of salvation, not the material body. We will speak more about this in a future article.

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