

Chapter 1 Module 5 – The Four Themes Part B

Foundation Scripture: Matt 24:35 Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words shall not pass away.

Overview: The original Adamic Commissions consist of **four secondary themes** of the Bible which come into fulfillment in the Ending Days as described in the Book of Revelation. Last week we studied the themes: #1 Replenish the Earth and #2 Dominion over the Earth. Today we look at #3 Living in the Image and Likeness of God and next week we'll cover #4 The Last Enemy.

A. Review

1. Replenish the earth

Luk 3:38 Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of **Adam**, which was the son of God. God wants mankind to replenish the earth, not just with people, but with His sons/daughters who are committed to obedience and therefore to holiness.

2. Dominion over the earth

Gen 3:1 Now the serpent was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said unto the woman, Yea, hath God said, Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? **Nota Bene:** Because God had given authority over the earth to Adam and because satan came as a serpent creeping on the earth, God could not interfere. It was Adam's job to protect.

3. God's Glory

Rom 3:23 All have sinned & fallen short of the Glory of God but Jesus took our sins.

Gen 3:11 The Glory of God on Adam.

Ex 34:30 The Glory of God on Moses.

Rev 1:1,17 The Glory of God as a representative; also the transfiguration of Jesus. (Matt 17:2)

Eph 6:12-18 The Glory of God in the Armor of God.

Gal 4:1-7 The Glory of God as an adult in the family of God as a joint-heir with Jesus. (Rom 8:17)

B. The Image and Likeness

Living in the image and likeness of God: God created us in His image and likeness so that we can live in fellowship and in holiness as His son, as His representative, and as His ambassador on earth.

1. Old Testament

a) Covenant Promises

Gen 1:26 And God said, Let us make man in our image (*representative figure*), after our likeness: (*resemblance as shape*) and let them have dominion over

Gen 1:27 So God created man in his *own* image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.

Gen 1:28 **And** God blessed them, and God said unto them, Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it: and have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

Jos 10:12 Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon.

2Ki 6:17 and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. v18 And when they came down to him, Elisha prayed unto the LORD, and said, Smite this people, I pray thee, with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

Psa 82:6 I have said, Ye are gods; and all of you are children of the most High.

b) Covenant Failure - unbelief

Gen 18:13 And the LORD said unto Abraham, Wherefore did Sarah laugh, saying, Shall I of a surety bear a child, which am old? v14 Is any thing too hard for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee, according to the time of life, and Sarah shall have a son.

2. New Testament

Just as God made Moses a god to pharaoh (Ex 7:1), God made Adam a god over the earth. In sinning, Adam turned this power over to satan, who said to Jesus "All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it." (Luke 4:6)

2Co 4:3 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

2Co 4:4 In whom the **god of this world** hath blinded the minds of them which believe not.

a) Covenant Promises

2Co 5:20 Now then we are ambassadors for Christ.

Joh 14:12 Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.

Joh 10:34 Jesus answered them, Is it not written in your law, I said, Ye are gods?

Joh 10:35 If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken; v36 Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world, Thou blasphemest; because I said, I am the Son of God?

2Pe 1:3 According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue:

2Pe 1:4 Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises: that by these **ye might be partakers of the divine nature**, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

b) Covenant Failure – Religion

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the **power of God** unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

2Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.

Jas 1:27 Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father is this, To visit the fatherless and widows in their affliction, and **to keep himself unspotted from the world.**

1Jn 3:2 Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.

1Jn 3:3 **And every man that hath this hope in him purifies himself, even as he is pure.**

3. Ending Days

a) Covenant Promises

Eph 5:26 That he might sanctify and cleanse it (*the church*) with the washing of water by the word, v:27 That he might present it to himself a **glorious church**, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

Eph 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; v12 For the **perfecting of the saints**, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ:

Mat 22:44 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool? (Ps 110:1; Matt 22:44; Mark 12:36; Luke 10:42; Acts 2:32; Heb 1:13)

1Co 12:27 Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular.

Heb 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God; v13 From henceforth expecting till his enemies be made his footstool.

Heb 10:14 For by one offering **he has perfected for ever** them that are sanctified.

Rev 11:15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.

b) Covenant Failure

Religious traditions.

Lack of understanding regarding covenant and the responsibilities of partners.

Fear.

Lack of knowledge regarding the Book of Revelation.