

*God's Self-Portrait*  
**Genesis 1:24-27**

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Introduction: A drumroll in glory

1. Our Humility

- a. Being made last means that our humility here is the opposite of Christ's glory
- b. By "stuffing day six full," God highlights for us that we share a day with the beasts. Sharing the day with the beasts does not mean that we are beasts—the obvious concern of the text is directly against that. But it certainly does remind us that we are but creatures! Psalm 8.

2. Our Glory

- a. The drumroll (already mentioned in the introduction)
- b. The difference
  - i. Not "according to their kind"—only one kind
  - ii. Rather, "according to God's likeness" ... everything communicates something about God, but man is His only self-portrait: making, forming, filling, protecting, preparing, empowering, having dominion, speaking, observing, discerning, moral, delighting in abundance of life, in relationship... delighting in God Himself

Conclusion: Our greatest glory is not even that we are made in the image of God, but something far more astonishing: that He would become one of us (!!).