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## THE NEW SHAPE

## Day 3 / 11/09/2022 : Shepherd Elie Hamuli CREATED IN ADAM, RECREATED IN JESUS

## [Part 1]

In Genesis 1:1-5, we see that God created everything. And when the earth was dark, shapeless, and void, He corrected it. Creation started with God giving shape. So, to understand more about shape, it is essential to look in the book where it all started. Every gap must be filled with something because where there is emptiness, it is an invitation to darkness; hence, God created the light. It is important to note that there is nothing good in darkness. That is why God separated the light and the darkness. Wherever there is darkness, there is confusion, therefore, do not dwell in the dark but come to light.



In 1 Thessalonians 5:4-5, you can see that we are called to be the sons and daughters of light. As a child of the light, whenever something is not clear, rather leave it. All that God created has a shape, so shapes matter to God. When you see the beauty in His shaping, it will push you to praise God (see Psalms 104:24-25). Creation is an expression of God's

1 Peter 2:24 Acts 20:7 Romans 8:1 1 Corinthians 16:2 Acts 2:46 Mark 14:22–24 creativity and design. He communicates His glory, majesty, and might in creation.

The Bible says in Psalms 19:1 NLT, "The heavens proclaim the glory of God. The skies display his craftsmanship/handiworks." The Psalmist goes on to contemplate how wonderfully God created man in Psalms 139:13-16 TPT:

"You formed my innermost being, shaping my delicate inside and my intricate outside, and wove them all together in my mother's womb.

*I thank you, God, for making me so mysteriously complex. (Wonderfully and beautifully made).* 

Everything you do is marvelously breathtaking. It simply amazes me to think about it. How thoroughly you know me, Lord!

You even formed every bone in my body when you created me in the secret place; carefully, skillfully you shaped me from nothing to something.

You saw who you created me to be before I became me. Before I'd ever seen the light of day, the number of days you planned for me were already recorded in your book."

Notice that God made you in the secret place; therefore, having a personal relationship with Him is crucial. In today's world, many are unsaved in 'saved' families. Don't get lost in the crowd or the move; seek God for yourself and get in the secret place with Him. Furthermore, your body matters to God, who took His time to make you. He made each person unique. There is beauty in diversity, and when we lose diversity, we lose beauty.

Since God made you, you don't belong to yourself, you belong to Him, and He has made you His temple (See 1 Corinthians 6:19). Don't ever look down on yourself because you feel as if something is wrong with you. God doesn't make mistakes, so you are not a mistake. Whatever we can call a limitation, God can use that to bring us to greatness. God uses 'useless' things to confuse the 'wise' (see 1 Corinthians 1:27-29).

Something else to note in creation is how God appreciated all that He created. The Bible says that "He saw that it was good", and for humans, He said that "it was very good." God appreciated what He created; He did not wait for an external opinion. Therefore, nobody has the right to despise you because they did not make you. Depending on people's appreciation to feel validated can be harmful because people are unstable. So don't allow anybody to tell you that you're not beautiful or not enough. The One who created you appreciated His work (you) from day one.

The first chapter of Genesis highlights how God created something out of nothing. In Genesis 2:7, we see how man was formed, and God used dust, which is something negligible, to create man, His most valuable creature. Anytime there is nothing, don't limit God. The absence of substance doesn't limit God's ability to create. God does not need substance to start. God can give you something without needing something else. Our physical eyes can sometimes be an obstacle to our faith. We as humans tend to limit God by things that make sense, but God does not rely on any earthly source. Even if there's a recession, you don't have to limit God, but trust in His ability.

The more you believe, the more you see; the less you believe, the less you see (see John 11:40). To keep believing, you need to hear the Word of God. God is present, and you need to realize it. Our ignorance of His presence does not disprove the fact that He is present. The Bible says in Hebrews 11:1 NKJV, "Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen." Ask God to open the eyes of your heart.



## [Part 2]

In part 1, there is a focus on Genesis and how God created everything so beautifully to express His great power. For the first five days, He created everything around us, and on the sixth day, He created man in His image and rested on the seventh day. Man has a spirit that lives in a body with a soul. With time, Adam sinned and fell short of the man He was created to be. From the time the first man sinned, all men were brought out of God's presence, and one man's sin made everyone a sinner. You are not a sinner because you sinned, but because someone sinned and gave you the nature of sin.

"When Adam sinned, the entire world was affected. Sin entered the human experience, and death was the result. And so, death followed this sin, casting its shadow over all humanity, because all have sinned." Romans 5:12 TPT

"...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God," Romans 3:23 NKJV

When Jesus came to earth, He was fully God (He came as God) but was also fully human; He had a spirit that lived in a physical body with a soul. Jesus came to correct the shapelessness that came with the fall of man. As a man, He experienced everything that humans go through, which allows Him to relate to our sufferings. As God, He can be compassionate but to sympathize with man; He had to become a man. Compassion is the willingness to relieve the suffering of someone; sympathy is the ability to understand someone's pain. Jesus Christ was sent to feel our pain. He went through all that we went through, but the difference is, He overcame it. Whenever you go through something, He understands.

"For we do not have a High Priest who is unable to sympathize and understand our weaknesses and temptations, but One who has been tempted [knowing exactly how it feels to be human] in every respect as we are, yet without [committing any] sin."

Hebrews 4:15 AMP

On the seventh day of creation, God rested, and He did so because He was done with creating. Rest is not meant to be taken when you are tired but when you are done. Trying to rest while there is unfinished work creates anxiety. Proper rest must result from completeness, fulfillment, and not simply fatigue. When you're tired, you can take a break to recharge.

God's rest was disturbed with sin. Hence, He needed to get back to work to correct the disturbance caused by sin. God rested on the 7th day (Saturday), which is the Sabbath for the Jews until today. The Sabbath is the day on which God rested from creation. So, after man sinned against God, He started working again toward man's redemption. It is the very reason Jesus would work on a Sabbath, and the Jews hated Him for that (see John 5:16-17).

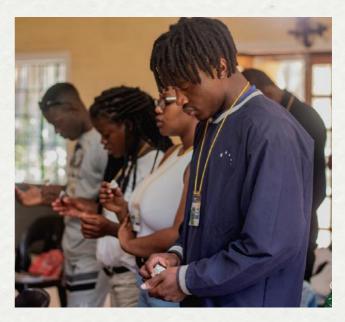
The first Adam failed, and so did the whole of creation. Jesus came as the second Adam and fully corrected the failure of the first Adam. The first Man was created on a Friday. In contrast, Jesus died on a Friday to end and cancel out the old creation and its condemnation (see 1 Peter 2:24). He resurrected not on Saturday (Sabbath) but the Sunday – the first day of the week; this was to redefine the Sabbath. Sunday marks the rest that celebrates the completeness of redemption. In creation, man must work six days and then rest on Saturday. However, in redemption, you enter rest first, and then you can work from rest, and that's why we celebrate on Sunday.

"Now on the first day of the week (Sunday), when we were gathered together to break bread (share communion), Paul began talking with them, intending to leave the next day; and he kept on with his message until midnight."

Acts 20:7 AMP

"Every Sunday, each of you make a generous offering by taking a portion of whatever God has blessed you with and place it in safekeeping. Then I won't have to make a special appeal when I come."

1 Corinthians 16:2 TPT



And even when Jesus was resurrected, He appeared to His disciples on Sundays. This purpose was to show that we are no longer under creation but under redemption. We don't put our trust in creation because that fell with Adam; we put our trust in redemption.

In redemption, we become partakers of the Holy Communion. The breaking of bread and drinking of His blood is a proclamation of the finished works of Christ. These elements carry redemptive power for those who take them with discernment. Therefore, we should worthily partake of the Holy Communion by being conscious of what they signify.

When we received Jesus as our Lord and Saviour, His death became our death, and His resurrection became our resurrection. Today, we are in Christ, dead and risen, and our feelings do not dictate that.



Sharing the communion elements is sacred but is not restricted to only being shared in a church service. According to Acts 2:46, the early church believers "broke bread from house to house," meaning they did it on their own. The Holy Communion is God's provision for us so that we don't have to suffer the sickness and death that the world is suffering.

"And as they were eating, Jesus took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Then He took the cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, and they all drank from it. And He said to them, "This is My blood of the new covenant, which is shed for many." Mark 14:22–24 NKJV

The Bible says, "without the shedding of blood, there is no forgiveness of sins." Jesus died for you. His blood was shed for the remission of your We communion sins. share in remembrance of Him; although He died over 2000 years ago, His finished work is still active in every believer's life. If sickness and death began with a simple act of eating, healing and health in our lives will start with a simple act of eating the bread of Life, which is Jesus Christ.

