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Teaching Resource

This tool is designed for use in local church discipleship settings.

These might include large gatherings of the church's teaching ministry, Adult Bible Fellowship, Sunday School, Small Groups, or other Bible Studies.

Recommended Schedule

(60-75 Minutes)

1. Group Welcome and Opening Prayer (:05)
2. Teacher's Introduction of the Lesson Topic (:05)
 - *Create an introduction from the [Humanity statement](#)*
3. View the Lesson Video as a Group (:15)
 - *Link to the [Humanity video](#)*
4. Highlight Key Biblical Themes from the Statement & Video (:15-25)
 - *Teacher clarifies technical concepts and further explores the content*
5. Group Discussion (:15-20)
 - *Distribute and discuss the questions provided on the following page*
6. Closing Remarks or Praise Chorus and Prayer (:05)

Additional Discipleship Recommendations:

- Provide learners with a key memory verse from the content
- Provide a copy of the statement as a pre-study or post-study tool



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Group Discussion Questions

Discuss answers to the following questions related to this study. As you share ideas and formulate answers to the questions, work to incorporate key scripture verses that relate directly or indirectly to Humanity study.

1. The Bible presents humanity as unique among the created order. Man and woman alone were created in the Image of God. *Scripturally, in what ways is humanity like God that is unique or unlike other created things or beings?*
2. God created Humanity. He first created *man*... and then created woman “out of man”. Together, their humanness captures what the Bible means by the *image of God*. The uniqueness of man and woman, and their similarities, are not evolutionary mistakes but deliberate actions of God. *Being consistent with scripture, how are men and women both similar and dissimilar?*
3. In scripture, sex and gender among humans are designed to be complimentary and align parallel to one another. Their origin, structure, and purpose are divinely established.¹ *In what ways does today’s culture and society attempt to separate, eliminate, or circumvent the divine order scripture places on the concepts of human sex and gender?*
4. After the moral Fall of humanity (Gen 3), sin radically disfigured human nature. *What are ways sin has impacted the human mind, body, and relationships with other people and with God?*
5. God offers humanity the opportunity to be forgiven, reconciled, and redeemed. *How does the gospel of Christ change people and begin to restore our lives and relationships to God’s original design?*

¹ <https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/essay/gender-and-sexuality/>

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Ordination and Mentoring Resource

This tool is designed for use in local church and district settings. These might include groups of pastors, church planters, or ordination candidates.

Recommended Ordination Preparation or Mentoring Meeting Schedule (60-75 Minutes)

Before the Meeting: *Provide the candidate/mentee with a copy of the statement for pre-meeting study preparation*

1. Welcome and Opening Prayer (:05)
2. Mentor's Introduction of the Lesson Topic (:05)
Create an introduction from the [Humanity statement](#)
3. View the Lesson Video (:15)
 - *Link to the [Humanity video](#)*
4. Q & A Time (:15-30)
 - *Discuss relevant theme questions provided on the following page*
5. Highlight Key Biblical Themes from the Statement & Video (:15)
 - *Mentor clarifies technical concepts and deepens the content*
6. Closing Remarks and Prayer (:05)

Additional Discipleship Recommendation:

- Provide candidate/mentee with a key memory verse from the content

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Ordination Candidate or Ministry Mentee Discussion Questions

Use the following questions to quiz and examine ordination candidates or ministry mentees. Encourage them to discuss their answers to the following questions related to this study. As they share ideas and formulate answers to the questions, encourage them to incorporate key scripture verses that relate directly or indirectly to this Humanity study. Be prepared to give guidance as needed.

1. The Bible presents humanity as unique among the created order. Man and woman alone were created in the Image of God. *Scripturally, in what ways is humanity like God that is unique or unlike other created things or beings?*
2. God created Humanity. He first created *man*... and then created woman “out of man”. Together, their humanness captures what the Bible means by the *image of God*. The uniqueness of man and woman, and their similarities, are not evolutionary mistakes but deliberate actions of God. *Being consistent with scripture, how are men and women both similar and dissimilar?*
3. In scripture, sex and gender among humans are designed to be complimentary and align parallel to one another. Their origin, structure, and purpose are divinely established. [\(source\)](#). *In what ways does today’s culture and society attempt to separate, eliminate, or circumvent the divine order scripture places on the concepts of human sex and gender? How should the church respond?*
4. After the moral Fall of humanity (Gen 3), sin radically disfigured human nature. *How has sin impacted the human mind, body, and relationships with other people and with God? How do we minister to these people?*
5. God offers humanity the opportunity to be forgiven, reconciled, and redeemed. *How does the gospel of Christ change people and begin to restore our lives and relationships to God’s original design?*

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