## Radical Gospel: Radical Faith The Gospel - God's Idea (Part 2) Selected Scripture

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<u>Everything</u> began with God-His <u>proclamation</u> -His <u>Word</u> (Genesis 1:1-3; John 1:1-5; Psalm 33:6-9)

## Creation:

- was designed to direct our <u>a t t e n t i o n</u> to the Creator the <u>g I o r v</u> of God (Psalm 8; 19:1- 6; Job 40:3-4)
- gave mankind the <u>r e s p o n s i b i l i t y</u> to be God's <u>s t e w a r d</u> over His creation (Gen 1:27-31; Psalm 8:6-8)
- intended that mankind would <u>r e s p o n d</u> to God in <u>w o r s h i p</u> (Romans 1:25; Psalm 29:1-11; 104:1-35; 147:1-9; Job 38-39; Revelation 14:6-7; 16:8-11)

The point of creation is that we would recognize and rejoice in God's  $\underline{g}$  o o  $\underline{d}$  n  $\underline{e}$  s  $\underline{s}$  and  $\underline{g}$  l o r  $\underline{v}$ . (Ps 135:3-7; 145:9-21)

But <u>s i n</u> and the <u>f a l l</u> had an effect on mankind **and** creation (Romans 1:20-23; 8:18-24)

## Everything was affected by the fall, including:

- relationships (Gen 3:6-24; 4:1-12; Lev 25:8-54;
   Deut 10:19; 15:7-8; Matt 22:34-40; Eph 2:11-22;
   2 Cor 5:11-21; James 4:1-6)
- <u>creation</u> itself (Gen 9:2-3; Lev 25:1-7; Exo 20:10; Deut 25:4; 22:10; 22:4; Exo 23:4-5)
- <u>d i s e a s e</u> and <u>d e a t h</u> (Gen 2:15-17; 5:5,8,11 etc; 50:26; Matt 9:35; Mark 5:35-43; John 11:4,11,14)

All of this reminds us that the <u>g o s p e l</u> is at the <u>h e a r t</u> of the restoration of more than just <u>m a n k i n d</u>, but the restoration of <u>a l l t h i n g s</u> (Revelation 21:5)