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HEARING BECOMING SERVING

On Being Creatures

The Dignity and Beauty of Being Human - Souls and Bodies

Matthew Mason: Seminar 2

HOW TO USE THIS RESOURCE

This seminar is the second in a series of four. You can watch the seminars on your own or with your church, small group, or friends. Alongside these notes, there is a handout to accompany the seminar (<https://tinyurl.com/3h5a2j6n>). The questions/reflections below may help you discuss and work through how to apply what you've learnt to your own life. Start the video and then pause it when suggested to look at the question(s).

WATCH THE VIDEO:

[Seminar 2:
https://tinyurl.com/mm32e5zz](https://tinyurl.com/mm32e5zz)



To watch the video, scan the QR code or go to @KeswickConvention on YouTube and search for Matthew Mason

SEMINAR OUTLINE

Are we more than just our bodies? This seminar looks at the creation of man and woman, what the Bible teaches about the soul-body relationship and the ways we, as living creatures, are different from animals.

QUESTIONS

Watch the video and pause it at 20:05 minutes. (<https://tinyurl.com/mm32e5zz>)

1. What does the creation of Adam and Eve tell us about God and about ourselves?

Restart video at 20:05 minutes (<https://tinyurl.com/yeytm9xs>) and watch until 43:32 minutes.

2. In what ways has society embraced the view that we are just our bodies?
3. In what ways has society embraced something like Plato's view that our body is only a prison for our soul?
4. How does the fact that we are ensouled (animated/living) bodies help you understand what will happen to you when you die and when Jesus returns?

Restart video at 43:32 minutes (<https://tinyurl.com/mvfенrhp>) and watch until the end.

5. How would you answer a friend who said, 'Humans are not really any different from animals.'
6. 'When you listen to God's voice in Scripture and speak to him in worship and prayer you are the most human you will ever be' (Matthew Mason). Why is this the case?



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REFLECTION/PRAYER

- When there are parts of our bodies we don't like and parts that don't work, it is easy to lose sight of the truth that we are, 'fearfully and wonderfully made' (Psalm 139:14). This week meditate on this psalm and worship the divine Master Craftsman.
- The Bible teaches that from the beginning God made us male and female. Pray for the young people you know who are struggling personally with this truth and those unsure how to respond to society's different message. Pray that they would find their identity and security in Christ.
- Isn't it amazing that God chooses to speak to humans, and he gives us the ability to listen and respond? Don't waste the privilege. Buy a new daily devotional or download a Bible App to reboot your time with God.