
“Come, Let Us Reason Together” About the Bible
Understanding Life’s Greatest Questions Through the Bible
Bible Study Series

“Come now, and let us reason together,” Says the Lord, “Though your sins are like scarlet, They shall be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They shall be as wool. (Isaiah 1:18)

LESSON ONE
Mankind’s Origin, Purpose, and Destiny

Estimated time to read the lesson: 7 - 8 minutes

Have you ever found yourself wondering about life’s deepest questions?

“Where did I come from?”

“Why am I here?”

“What’s my purpose?”

“Where am I going?”

These aren’t just the kinds of questions one asks during quiet moments. They’re the core questions of human existence. Thankfully, you’re not left in the dark. God’s Word, the Bible, offers clear, trustworthy answers that speak not only to your mind but to your heart and eternal souls.

Let’s take time to explore these questions through Scripture, allowing God’s voice to lead us to clarity and conviction.

Where Did I Come From?

It’s easy to look at the complexity of life and the universe and ask, **“How did this all begin?”** Modern science offers theories like evolution and the Big Bang, but the Bible tells something very different, and far more personal.

According to the Bible, we were created by God Himself. This was not done by chance or accident, but by God’s divine design.

“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle...’ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.” (Genesis 1:26–27)

Did you catch that? **God made you in His image.** That means human life is sacred. You have value and dignity, not because of what you do, but because of *who* made you.

The very next chapter describes the deeply personal way God formed man:

“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.” (Genesis 2:7)

You weren't spoken into existence like the stars or the seas. God *formed* and *breathed* life into him. That's intimacy. That's intentionality.

King David marveled at this truth, writing:

“For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...” (Psalm 139:13–14)

So where did you come from?

**From the loving hands of a Creator who knew you
before you were born and designed you for
something far greater than you can imagine.**

Why Am I Here?

Once you know you were made by God, the next question naturally follows: *Why? What’s the point of my life?*

The Bible gives three clear answers: you are here to glorify God, to enjoy fellowship with Him, and to take care of His creation.

➔ You Are Here to Glorify God

You were made to reflect God’s glory in how you think, speak, and love.

“Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him.” (Isaiah 43:7)

Your life has meaning because it was designed to bring glory to the One who made you.

➔ You Are Here to Have Fellowship with God

You are not just a creation—you’re invited into relationship with almighty God who desires closeness with you, not distance.

“That which we have seen and heard we declare to you, that you also may have fellowship with us; and truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.” (1 John 1:3–4)

Think about that: God wants fellowship with you. That’s why He sent Jesus, to restore the relationship broken by sin (Romans 5:10).

➔ You Are Here to Care for God’s Creation

From the very beginning, God gave mankind a responsibility: care for the world He made.

“Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish... birds... and every living thing that moves on the earth.” (Genesis 1:28)

“Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.” (Genesis 2:15)

You were made to work, to build, to steward, and to honor God through how you care for what He has entrusted to you.

What’s My Purpose?

So with all of this in mind, what is your day-to-day, real-world purpose? What is the guiding principle that should shape how you live?

The Bible doesn’t leave you guessing.

➔ **“Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all.”** (Ecclesiastes 12:13)

That’s it, the “whole duty” of man. Everything else in life, jobs, hobbies, and relationships, should flow out of this foundation: reverence for God and obedience to His Word.

Jesus echoed this when He was asked what the greatest commandment was:

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... And the second is like it: ‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’” (Matthew 22:37–39)

That’s your purpose: love God, obey Him, love others. This is where true peace and meaning are found.

And the beauty of it is, this purpose is the same for everyone. No matter your background, age, or circumstances, your life has the same divine aim: to walk with God and reflect His character in the world.

Where Am I Going?

Now you come to the final, and perhaps most sobering, question: *Where am I going?* What happens when life on earth is over?

The Bible is clear that life is temporary and eternity is certain.

“And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.” (Hebrews 9:27)

Everybody faces two appointments: death, and then judgment. But God, in His love, doesn’t leave you to face that alone.

He offers eternal life through His Son:

“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.” (John 3:16)

Eternal life isn't earned. It's a gift-which is received through faith and obedience to Christ and God's commandments.

Jesus is the only way to the Father:

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’” (John 14:6)

And the choices you make now determine where you will spend eternity.

“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.” (2 Corinthians 5:10)

But for those who walk with Jesus, there is hope and confidence:

“There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.” (Romans 8:1)

Conclusion: The Journey of Life and Beyond

So, let's bring it all together.

- **Where did you come from?** You were created by a loving God, in His image.
- **Why are you here?** To glorify Him, walk with Him, and care for His creation.
- **What is your purpose?** To fear God, keep His commandments, and love like Christ.
- **Where are you going?** Toward eternity. either with God, or separated from Him, depending on your response to Jesus.

Life is not random. It is rich with purpose and directed by the Creator of the universe. The invitation is open to all: to know God, walk in His ways, and secure the promise of eternal life through Christ.

The real question now is:

What will you do with these truths?

Questions to Confirm Understanding.

Estimated time to read answer the questions: 5- -7 minutes. With scripture lookup: 10 – 15 minutes.

Answer the following questions by circling True / False and Yes / No. Look up the scripture references given to determine the answers, or refer back to the discussion. An answer key with explanations of the correct answers is provided below.

Where Did I Come From?

1. **True | False** God created mankind in His own image. (Genesis 1:26–27)

2. **True | False** According to the Bible, mankind came into being by random chance. (Genesis 2:7)
3. **True | False** God personally formed man from the dust and breathed life into him. (Genesis 2:7)
4. **True | False** Human life has value because we are made in God's image. (Genesis 1:27)
5. **True | False** Did King David acknowledge that we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God? (Psalm 139:13–14)

Why Am I Here?

6. **True | False** We were created to glorify God. (Isaiah 43:7)
7. **True | False** According to Scripture, our purpose includes fellowship with God. (1 John 1:3–4)
8. **True | False** God desires to be distant and uninvolved with mankind. (1 John 1:3–4)
9. **True | False** Was mankind given responsibility to care for creation? (Genesis 1:28; Genesis 2:15)
10. **True | False** Having dominion over the earth means we can do whatever we want with it. (Genesis 2:15)

What's My Purpose?

11. **True | False** The whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His commandments. (Ecclesiastes 12:13)
12. **True | False** Jesus said the greatest commandment is to love God with all your heart, soul, and mind. (Matthew 22:37)
13. **True | False** Loving your neighbor is equally important as loving God. (Matthew 22:39)
14. **True | False** Is obeying God's commandments part of our daily purpose? (Ecclesiastes 12:13)
15. **True | False** Our personal happiness is the primary reason we exist, according to Scripture.

Where Am I Going?

16. **True | False** Every person is appointed to die once and then face judgment. (Hebrews 9:27)
17. **True | False** Jesus is one of many ways to the Father. (John 14:6)
18. **True | False** Only through Jesus can we receive eternal life. (John 3:16; John 14:6)
19. **True | False** (2 Corinthians 5:10)
20. **True | False** Those who are in Christ Jesus face no condemnation. (Romans 8:1)

Answer Key

Estimated time to read: 5 – 6 minutes

1: God created mankind in His own image. (Genesis 1:26–27) **True**

Scripture: *“Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness’... So God created man in His own image; in the image of God, He created him; male and female He created them.”*

Explanation: This passage reveals that humans were intentionally made by God to reflect His image. This gives every person inherent value and dignity.

2: According to the Bible, mankind came into being by random chance. (Genesis 2:7) **False**

Scripture: *“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”*

Explanation: Human life is not the result of chance. The Bible teaches that God personally formed man, showing divine intention and purpose.

3: God personally formed man from the dust and breathed life into him. (Genesis 2:7) **True**

Scripture: *“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.”*

Explanation: The act of forming and breathing into man signifies a personal and intimate creation by God.

4: Human life has value because we are made in God's image. (Genesis 1:27) **True**

Scripture: *“So God created man in His own image; in the image of God, He created him; male and female He created them.”*

Explanation: Your worth is not based on accomplishments or status but on the fact that you are made in the divine image.

5: Did King David acknowledge that we are fearfully and wonderfully made by God? (Psalm 139:13–14) **Yes**

Scripture: *“For You formed my inward parts; You covered me in my mother’s womb. I will praise You, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made...”*

Explanation: David recognizes God's careful and intentional design in human development, affirming our purpose and uniqueness.

6: We were created to glorify God. (Isaiah 43:7) **True**

Scripture: *“Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him.”*

Explanation: God created you with the express purpose of glorifying Him in your life.

7: According to Scripture, our purpose includes fellowship with God. (1 John 1:3–4) **True**

Scripture: *“Truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ. And these things we write to you that your joy may be full.”*

Explanation: God desires a relationship with you, not mere obedience. Fellowship brings joy and purpose to life.

8: God desires to be distant and uninvolved with mankind. (1 John 1:3–4) **False**

Scripture: *“Truly our fellowship is with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.”*

Explanation: God is not distant. He desires intimate fellowship with His creation.

9: Was mankind given responsibility to care for creation? (Genesis 1:28; Genesis 2:15) **Yes**

Scripture: *“Then the Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to tend and keep it.”*

Explanation: God assigned stewardship of the earth to humanity, calling you to care for His creation.

10: Having dominion over the earth means we can do whatever we want with it. (Genesis 2:15)

False

Scripture: *“To tend and keep it.”*

Explanation: Dominion includes responsibility and care, not exploitation or neglect.

11: The whole duty of man is to fear God and keep His commandments. (Ecclesiastes 12:13) **True**

Scripture: *“Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all.”*

Explanation: This summarizes the ultimate purpose of life: to honor God through reverence and obedience.

12: Jesus said the greatest commandment is to love God with all your heart, soul, and mind.

(Matthew 22:37) **True**

Scripture: *“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.”*

Explanation: Jesus confirmed that wholehearted love for God is the foremost commandment.

13: Loving your neighbor is equally important as loving God. (Matthew 22:39) **True**

Scripture: *“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.”*

Explanation: Jesus placed this second commandment alongside the first, emphasizing the importance of love for others.

14: Is obeying God’s commandments part of our daily purpose? (Ecclesiastes 12:13) **Yes**

Scripture: *“Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all.”*

Explanation: Obedience to God is not optional—it is central to your created purpose.

15: Our personal happiness is the primary reason we exist, according to Scripture. **False**

Scripture: *“Fear God and keep His commandments, for this is man’s all.” (Ecclesiastes 12:13)*

Explanation: Your ultimate purpose is to glorify God, not to pursue personal happiness above all else.

16: Every person is appointed to die once and then face judgment. (Hebrews 9:27) **True**

Scripture: *“And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment.”*

Explanation: This verse affirms that life is followed by divine accountability before God.

17: Jesus is one of many ways to the Father. (John 14:6) **False**

Scripture: *“Jesus said... ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.’”*

Explanation: Jesus declares Himself as the exclusive path to the Father, ruling out other means of access to God.

18: Only through Jesus can we receive eternal life. (John 3:16; John 14:6) **True**

Scripture: *“For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.”*

Explanation: Eternal life is a gift from God, made available only through faith in Jesus Christ.

19: Will everyone appear before the judgment seat of Christ? (2 Corinthians 5:10) **Yes**

Scripture: *“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad.”*

Explanation: No one is exempt from God's final judgment; everyone must give an account.

20: Those who are in Christ Jesus face no condemnation. (Romans 8:1) **True**

Scripture: *“There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.”*

Explanation: For those united with Christ through obedient faith, God offers freedom from condemnation.

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