

New Creation

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

Main Idea:

The "New Creation" in History

1. The First _____ (Genesis 1-3)

- a. God is the only true _____ Being
- b. When God Creates, He either breathes _____ into what was _____ or into what was not yet _____

2. The First _____

- a. The fact that Adam and Eve did not immediately _____ from eating the fruit is God's first case of _____
- b. The fact that an _____ animal was used to cover the _____ is God's first case of _____

The "New Creation" in Scripture

1. The case of _____ (Acts 9:1-9)

- a. Christ used Paul's _____ to change his present and the _____ for the _____
- b. _____ is the only religion where the worst of the worst can become confident _____ for the best of the best.

2. The case of The _____ (John 4)

- a. Christ took someone _____ by the world and her own _____ and used her to _____ her community.
- b. Lifestyles dominated by sin and _____ can be breathed back to life in an _____ by God's _____

The "New Creation" in Our Lives

1. Where _____ Abounds... (2 Cor. 5:17-21) (Roman 5:20-21)

- a. _____ abounds more through the _____ of the innocent for the sins of the _____
- b. Where _____ destroyed the original creation through His _____, Christ brings _____ and life through His righteousness and _____

2. Where _____ Abounds...

- a. _____ abounds more through _____ (John 20:30-31)
- b. Do you _____ God can breathe life into EVERYTHING that seems _____?

The "New Creation in Eternity"

1. The _____ will be _____

- a. Chasing _____ (Isaiah 64:17). What was lost will one day be _____.
- b. God's children and the earth itself _____ for its future _____. (Romans 8)
- c. God _____ a work He _____. (Phil. 1:6)

Action Steps

1. How has the “New Creation” changed how you view yourself?
2. In what ways can the “New Creation” change your community?
3. What aspects of a future “New Creation” excite you?