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Images of the Invisible God
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Sermon Discussion Notes **Celebration Church**

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Key Text: Genesis 1:26

➤ **We are Created in God's Image**

- We see the God in His Son, Jesus (John 14:9).
 - Sin distorts our image of God (Isaiah 1:4-6; Romans 1:22-23).

➤ **Jesus is the Perfect Image of God**

- Jesus desires us to be with Him (Song of Solomon 2:8-10).
 - Turn toward Jesus (Revelation 1:10-13).
- Jesus is the glory of God (John 1:1-14).
- Jesus is the image of the invisible God (Colossians 1:13-15).
- Sin is a veil that keeps us from seeing the glory of God (2 Corinthians 4:3-4).

➤ **Our Image is to be Conformed to His Image**

- We are predestined to be like Christ (Romans 8:29; 2 Corinthians 3:18; Colossians 3:9-10; I John 3:2).
 - We must obliterate our self-image in order to conform to the image of Christ.
 - **Matthew Henry:** "This takes in the whole of sanctification, of which Christ is the great pattern and sampler: to be spirited as Christ was, to walk and live as Christ did, to bear our sufferings patiently as Christ did. Christ is the express image of his Father, and the saints are conformed to the image of Christ. Thus, it is by the mediation and [intervening] of Christ that we have God's love restored to us and God's likeness renewed upon us, in which [these] things consist the happiness of man."

➤ **Our Worship is an Expression of the Image of Christ to the World**

- We express the image of Christ through:
 - Good works (Matthew 5:16)
 - Fruitfulness (John 15:8; Galatians 5:22-23)
 - Unity (Romans 15:5-6)