

## CHAPTER ONE

# THE “WHY” OF DIVINITY

What you are about to read is not speculation or supposition. It is based on God’s truth and will give you answers to questions that have been raised through the ages:

- Why were we placed here on Planet Earth?
- What was God’s intent and purpose for us?
- Exactly how was man made?

After reading the title of this book, perhaps you have a few additional questions: “What is Divine DNA?” “Is it something we automatically receive at birth?” “How can I know if it resides in me?”

The foundation of this truth comes from Psalm 8 when David declares:

O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set thy glory above the heavens. Out of the mouth of babes and sucklings hast thou ordained strength because of thine enemies, that thou mightest still the enemy and the avenger. When I consider thy heavens, the work of thy fingers, the moon and the stars, which thou hast ordained; What is man, that thou art mindful of him? and the son of man, that thou visitest him? For thou hast made him a little lower

than the angels, and hast crowned him with glory and honour. Thou madest him to have dominion over the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet. (Psalm 8:1-6)

The Divine DNA starts with, and encompasses, three different revelations and truths:

- Number one: God made man a little lower than the angels (verse 5). This is DIVINITY.
- Number two: God crowned man with glory and honor (verse 5). This is DIGNITY.
- Number three: God made man to rule over all the works of His hands and to put all things under His feet (verse 6). This is DOMINION.

## SOLVING THE PUZZLE

So exactly what is divinity? It is that which is attributed to the Divine – who is God Almighty.

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*Since the beginning of time,  
people have been searching for answers to understand  
the meaning of their experience.*

The psalmist was no different. His statement above reflects this eternal quest. After considering a God who, with the touch of His hand, created the moon, stars, and heavens, David asks, “What is man that You are mindful of him?” (Psalm 8:4 NKJV).

This was a thirst the psalmist was trying to quench.

To solve the puzzle, we have to return to the first chapter of Genesis where we find Moses writing about the Almighty’s creation. In fact, I like to say that before you turn to Genesis 1, you have to go back to Genesis *zero* – which simply says: God!

Why? Because out of the Creator, all things began. Please understand that God did not begin. He has no beginning and no ending; He just *is*. Everything that exists came out of Him.

So, what we read in the first verse of the Bible is not the original beginning because the earth already existed by that time, and we are looking at its *destruction*.

You may ask, “How was that possible? Destruction before creation?”

Let’s look at what Scripture tells us. It provides the answer to “What is Man?” and why God made us.

The Bible states, “*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth*” (Genesis 1:1). The original world was made exactly like Him, perfect in splendor.

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*The earth was not formed as a wasteland,  
but was created just as glorious  
as heaven itself was made.*

It has always been God’s desire that His will be done on earth as it is in heaven (Matthew 6:10). In other words, heaven and earth are to be in agreement with one another – both made in grandeur and glory.

## THE FALLEN ANGEL

However, a cataclysmic event occurred in the beautiful world God had created – the world prior to the one written about in the second verse of the Bible, where we find, “*The earth was without form, and void*” (Genesis 1:2).

Yet before man, even before light, the Bible describes the fall of Lucifer into the realm of earth. We learn that God said he was the “*anointed cherub . . . and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee*” (Ezekiel 28:14-15).

Satan was made in the splendor and majesty of God. He was an angelic musician, the worship leader in heaven. The Bible says of him: “*The workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy*

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*pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created*" (verse 13). When the wind of God blew through him, he presented melodies to the Almighty.

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***Satan's pride and ambition proved to be his undoing.***

Scripture records: "*For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High*" (Isaiah 14:13-14).

It was because of this haughty, arrogant attitude that God declared, "*Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit*" (verse 15).

Lucifer, the anointed angel, did not speak these words out loud. The Bible tells us Satan held these thoughts "*in thine heart*" – and the all-knowing God instantly banished him from heaven. So, to the devil's surprise, the next thought he entertained was on earth.

## **A BARREN WORLD**

When Satan fell to earth, total confusion broke loose.

As is recorded in the first chapter of Genesis, after the downfall of Lucifer, this planet became a vast wasteland. Even more significant, "*darkness was upon the face of the deep*" (verse 2).

We know that the Almighty does not create darkness because Scripture tells us, "*God is light, and in him is no darkness at all*" (1 John 1:5). There is only one conclusion: God has no darkness to get darkness from!

The Hebrew words for "*without form and void*" let us know that the earth was a barren, purposeless place, a state of chaos with no order.

God didn't make it this way, yet this is the result of Satan's presence.

## REDESIGNING THE EARTH

You may ask, “What does this have to do with our Divine DNA?”

This leads us back to discovering why God formed man.

The Creator looked down on the scene and made the decision to reorganize and restructure the earth to its original splendor and beauty.

Next, we find God separating light from darkness and night from day. He brings down the waters, which were above the firmament. Dry land appears, vegetation and fruit trees spring to life, and everything begins to reproduce after its own kind. There is harmony and order again. The birds are flying, the fish are swimming, the stars are shining, the moon is rising for the night shift, and the sun is ruling the day.

The world is blessed just as the Lord ordained it to be.

Then God, in all of His infinite wisdom, after He has rearranged His earth and returned it to its original grandeur, says to Himself, “How can I be sure that what I have created stays in harmony and agreement? How can I make certain it remains in order and retains the glorious splendor I intended – and manifests My brilliance and glory?”

From His vantage point in heaven, He sees Lucifer, a back-slidden angel who has wreaked havoc in this realm. Yet God had now restructured everything to the way He first desired it to be.

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*The Creator questioned,  
“How can I be assured this never happens again?”*

## THE ANSWER TO CHAOS

God’s answer for the turmoil, destruction, and disorder that plagued Planet Earth by the presence of Lucifer was this: “*Let us make man*” (Genesis 1:26).

Glory to God!

This meant man would be the answer to all of the upheaval the enemy brought to the earth realm. So man was placed here to govern so he could keep the order, beauty, splendor, and majesty which was now displayed.

The Bible records, *“And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth”* (Genesis 1:26).

Our heavenly Father not only made the decision to create man, but also to allow him to have “dominion” – to govern and be the steward of the earth.

Why was this control and oversight necessary? It was so the enemy (who now resided on earth) could no longer destroy what God had created.

This means that one of the reasons man was made was as a punishment for Lucifer’s rebellion. We need to understand that when Satan fell from the heavens, he was delighted because he was no longer subjected to the governing power of the Almighty. Remember, he always wanted to be his own god, and his uprising is exactly what got him kicked out of heaven. The Lord said, “There is none like Me” – and cast him down.

In his new domain called earth, Satan began to set up his kingdom, his order, his throne. The result was total confusion and disorder. Yet the devil was in his element since he was totally in charge.

## **SATAN’S NEW MASTER**

It is at this juncture God steps in to redesign what He has made. He is ready to create man and give him the power to govern the earth just as God would rule heaven.

So once more, Lucifer is about to be subservient – to again have an authority over him. This time it wouldn’t be God; his new master would be man.

In essence, the Almighty was telling Satan, “I am going to lock you into a living arrangement with man, and he will have dominion over you. Not only did you once have to serve Me, but now you are required to serve him. You are going to be under man’s authority and rule!”

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*Lucifer didn’t escape dominion when he was barred from heaven. He soon learned that he had a new master in the form of man.*

You can almost hear the devil wailing and screaming when he heard God say, “Let us make man in our image and after our likeness.”

The concept of “image” deals with who man is and what he is – so that God would be made manifest in us. In addition, we were created in His “likeness” – dealing with how man is to function – again, like the heavenly Father, with authority and dominion.

This answers the question of why God made man. It was not only to reflect the image of the Creator, but to represent the Father here on earth.

“Represent” is a compound word. “Re” is a prefix, and “present” is what it is to do. So, to “re-present” God is what man was intended to accomplish. In the creation of Adam, we see God being presented again. The first man was the *re-presentation* of God.

Now that the “why” question has been dealt with, let’s look at “how” God made man. It is here we begin to tap into the Divine DNA.