

## "The Thing That Sets Humans Apart" Genesis 1:26-31

- I. Introduction: God's grand announcement.
- II. What sets us apart from the animals: we bear God's image!
- III. In what ways do we image God?

A. We are rational beings, capable of consciously building a culture based on God's moral norms and decrees.

B. We are spiritual beings, capable of knowing God, revering God, and living in a devoted relationship with him.

- C. We've been appointed to rule over the earth.
- IV. The corresponding sanctity this rightly assigns to human life.A. A. The widespread disregard for human life.
  - B.The ongoing atrocity of legalized abortion.
  - C. A false dilemma: a child's life or a mother's success
- V. Conclusion: Highly value human life from conception on!