Christian Beliefs Week 8: Questions Ch 7: What is man?

- Did anyone take a step of faith this week that they want to share to encourage us? Maybe it's to have a spiritual conversation or trust God in something. We want to spur each other to take steps of faith.
- People are the pinnacle of God's creation. Why can we say that?
- Both men and women are image bearers of God. In what ways is our image like God?
- What does Scripture mean by "soul" and "spirit"? Are they two different things or interchangeable?
- Where do our souls come from?
- We were intentionally created, male and female. Why?
- Man and woman are equal in personhood and importance, just as members of the trinity are equal in their importance and yet are still distinct persons.
- There are differences in roles, just as there are different roles within the Trinity.
- What is our purpose in life?
- We have been given clear responsibilities as God's image bearers. In what ways do you think we represent Him?

Discussion Questions:

- What are some specific examples of ways we can fulfill the purpose we were created for?
- What does it mean to be created in God's image?
- What are our responsibilities as God's image bearers?
- How does knowing humans are created in God's image affect your view of self? How does it affect your view and treatment of others?
- Do you think that God has made us so that we become more happy or less happy when we grow to become more like Him? In which areas would you like to make more progress into the likeness of God?
- How does this teaching of male/female roles compare with some of the attitudes expressed in society today?