

Euthanasia - what does the **Bible** say?



Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, in our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air, over the livestock, over all the earth, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.
(Genesis Chapter 1 v 26-27)



"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations."
(Jeremiah Chapter 1 v 5)



Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit lives in you?

If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him; for God's temple is sacred, and you are that temple.
(1 Corinthians Chapter 3 v 16-17)

QUESTIONS

Genesis Passage:

What does it say about who created us?

What does it say about our relationship with animals?

Jeremiah Passage:

This passage says that God knows each of us; that God knows us individually.

What does this say about our place on earth?

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1 Corinthians Passage:

A temple has certain characteristics. It is a special place, treated with special respect. It is thought of as a house of God, a place where He is worshipped. This passage in 1 Corinthians is saying that because Jesus died and paid for the wrong things that people have done, He has made it possible for people to live really close to God, so close in fact, that He has chosen to make them His temple.

What is a temple? What is it used for? Who owns it? Who has the right to destroy it?

EXTENSION TASK.

- Using your thoughts from this worksheet, explain what the Apostle Paul, (who wrote 1 Corinthians) is saying when he says, "you are God's Temple."
- What does this mean for a Christian and their approach to Euthanasia?
- Draw a picture of a temple and put your thoughts around it. 