Becoming Fully Human

A Christian Anthropology from Conception to Resurrection and the Renewal of All Things

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Preface: The Question Beneath Formation

Figure 1. Questions of human life

Inquiry	Guiding question
Creation	What is a human being?
Distortion	What has happened to us?
Life across the lifespan	How is this anthropology lived?
Restoration in Christ	Who reveals and restores humanity?
Resurrection	What becomes of embodied life?
New creation	What is the horizon of renewal?

Christ and grace belong to the whole of life, not to one period within it.

Preface: The Question Beneath Formation

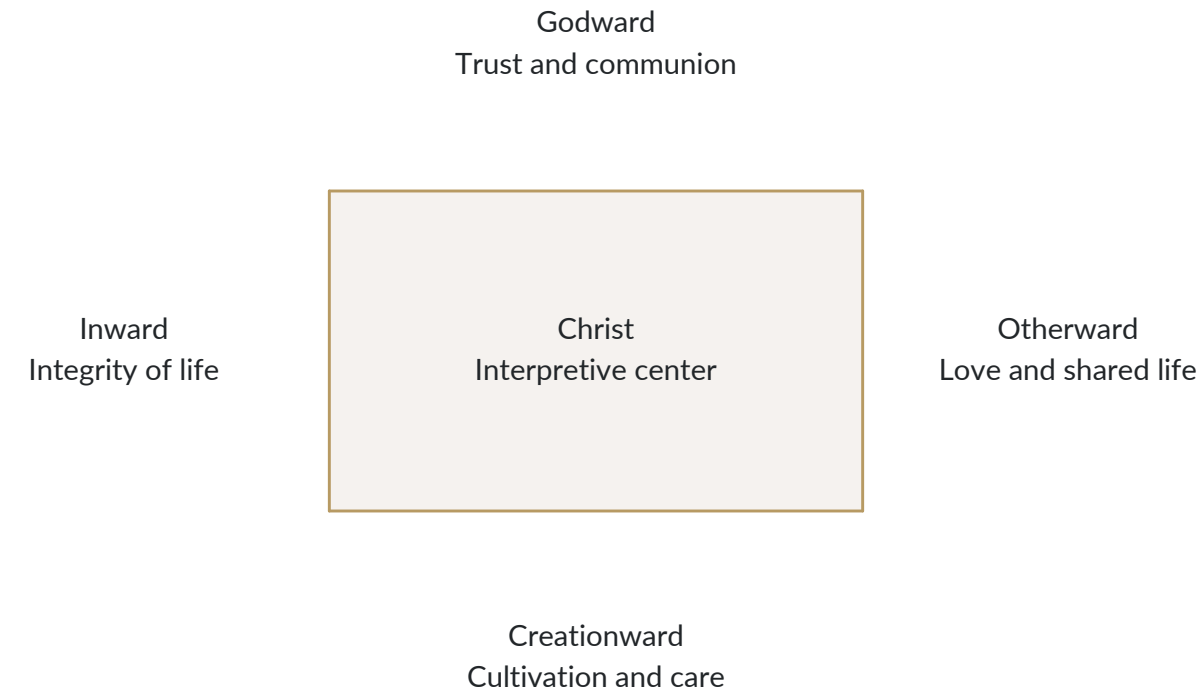
Figure 2. The six movements

Movement	Meaning within the whole
Receive	Life and love are received before achievement.
Become	As we change, we ask what our abilities should serve.
Give	We give in love without trying to own those we serve.
Surrender	We entrust to God what we cannot secure ourselves.
Receive Again	Resurrection is received through God's action.
Participate	We share life with God and serve within his promised renewal.

These movements overlap. They are not stages everyone must complete, a way to earn salvation, or a measure of anyone's worth.

Chapter 3: Created in the Image

Figure 3. Four directions of image bearing



These four relationships belong together in one person's life and are understood through Christ. They are not four separate abilities to measure.

Chapter 5: Created to Become

Figure 4. Developmental conversation

Perspective	Helps us notice	Limit of this lens
Piaget	Changing reasoning	Capacity does not establish purpose.
Vygotsky	Socially supported learning	Learning alone does not define the good.
Erikson	Identity and relationships throughout life	A stage account is not every life's schedule.
Attachment	Safety and closeness	Patterns are not fixed destiny.
Ecological contexts	Interacting environments	Influence does not erase agency.
Neuroplasticity	Possibilities of change	Change has limits and needs a purpose.

These lenses aid practical understanding. No single lens supplies the ultimate account of human purpose.

Chapter 19: Worship: Reorientation

Figure 5. Formation and deformation

Influences	How they shape us
Attention and stories	What becomes noticeable and meaningful.
Relationships and practices	What is received, repeated, and made familiar.
Habits and desire	How repeated patterns can shape what we seek.
Worship and love	What we trust most deeply and give our loyalty to.
Action and response	How we act on what we value and may learn to question it.

These influences interact without determining our choices or making holiness automatic.

Chapter 27: Formation in Christ

Figure 6. The anthropology beneath formation

Question	What it asks
Anthropology	What is a human being?
Telos	What is human life for?
Development	How do our abilities and patterns of response change?
Formation and deformation	What shapes the people we are becoming?
Whole Person Formation	How does our whole life take shape in Christ?
Vocation	How is life offered in faithful participation?
Resurrection and new creation	What future can only God bring?

These questions explain how the ideas relate. They are not steps that cause salvation or resurrection. Formation does not earn either.

Chapter 31: Resurrection: Receiving Again

Figure 7. Gift symmetry

Conception	Lived response	Resurrection
Life received	Life cared for and entrusted to God	Life received again through God's action

Both life's beginning and resurrection are gifts we cannot give ourselves. They are different events, and resurrection is not the result of development.