II Peter 1:4
For by these He has granted to us His precious and magnificent promises, so that by them you may become partakers of the divine nature.

I John 3:2
Now we are children of God, and it has not appeared as yet what we will be. We know that when He appears, we will be like Him, because we will see Him just as He is.

I Corinthians 15:49
Just as we have borne the image of the earthy, we will also bear the image of the heavenly.

Hebrews 1:3a
He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature.

Ephesians 5:1
Therefore, be imitators of God, as beloved children.

Isaiah 59:2a
Your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God.

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Notes:

I. Man is made to \( r \) God's image.

II. We reflect God's image by \( s \) the earth.

Humans are called to rule over both \( p \) and \( a \).

III. We reflect God's image by imitating His \( c \).

Our main goal then is to be like \( C \).
Scripture References:
(New American Standard Bible (NASB) is used unless otherwise indicated)

**Genesis 1:26-31**

Then God said, “Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness, and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” 27God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him, male and female He created them. 28God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it, and rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth.” 29Then God said, “Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the surface of all the earth, and every tree which has fruit yielding seed; it shall be food for you; 30and to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the sky and to every thing that moves on the earth which has life, I have given every green plant for food”; and it was so. 31God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

**Psalm 8:6-8 (NLT)**

You gave them charge of everything you made, putting all things under their authority—

7 The flocks and the herds
and all the wild animals,

8 The birds in the sky, the fish in the sea,
and everything that swims the ocean currents.

**Genesis 2:8**

The Lord God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed.

**Genesis 2:9a**

Out of the ground the Lord God caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food.

**Isaiah 11:6**

The wolf will dwell with the lamb, and the leopard will lie down with the young goat, and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little boy will lead them.

**Isaiah 11:8**

The nursing child will play by the hole of the cobra, and the weaned child will put his hand on the viper’s den.

**Isaiah 35:1-2a (NLT)**

Even the wilderness and desert will be glad in those days. The wasteland will rejoice and blossom with spring crocuses. 2Yes, there will be an abundance of flowers.

**Isaiah 35:7 (NLT)**

The parched ground will become a pool, and springs of water will satisfy the thirsty land. Marsh grass and reeds and rushes will flourish where desert jackals once lived.

**Isaiah 35:9**

No lion will be there, nor will any vicious beast go up on it; these will not be found there. But the redeemed will walk there.

**II Corinthians 10:5c**

We are taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ.

**Colossians 3:9-10**

Do not lie to one another, since you laid aside the old self with its evil practices, 10and have put on the new self who is being renewed to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created him.

**Ephesians 4:23-24**

And that you be renewed in the spirit of your mind, 24and put on the new self, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

**Romans 8:29**

For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son.