Embrace Holy Living



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Genesis 1:26-31

I recently found a photograph of my wife from our early days of dating that was very striking. She was gazing off into the distance; to me the image conveyed her great beauty and intelligence. Inspired, I made a pencil drawing of the photograph, eventually managing to capture those key elements, and the framed picture still has pride of place on my desk. Sadly I have been unable to repeat this accomplishment.

Picasso once claimed that his great rival Matisse would make a drawing, then copy it 10 times or more, convinced every time that the latest one was best. Picasso said, "In fact, most of the time, it was the first attempt."\*

God created humankind at the first attempt and He did not need a photograph from which to copy. He made us in His own image, from scratch, and when He had finished He was completely satisfied.

If the God of the universe is satisfied with His creation, who are we to argue? In His great wisdom, he made each of us exactly the way He wanted. We are perfect in his eyes!

\* Gyula Brassaï, *Picasso and Company* (Garden City: Doubleday, 1966).

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