

teous under punishment for the day of judgment, and especially those who indulge the flesh in (its) corrupt desires and despise authority. Daring, self-willed, they do not tremble when they revile angelic majesties, whereas angels who are greater in might and power do not bring a reviling judgment against them before the Lord.

Ps 8:3-5 When I consider Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, The moon and the stars, which Thou hast ordained; What is man, that Thou dost take thought of him? And the son of man, that Thou dost care for him? Yet Thou hast made him a little lower than God [or, the angels], And dost crown him with glory and majesty!

[3] Humans are created by God

Gen 1:27 And God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

[4] Humans are dependent on God

Acts 17:25, 28 neither is He served by human hands, as though He needed anything, since He Himself gives to all life and breath and all things; . . . for in Him we live and move and exist, as even some of your own poets have said, "For we also are His offspring."

[5] Humans are under the control of God

Isa 44:24-28 Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, and the one who formed you from the womb, "I, the LORD, am the maker of all things, Stretching out the heavens by Myself, And spreading out the earth all alone, Causing the omens of boasters to fail, Making fools out of diviners, Causing wise men to draw back, And turning their knowledge into foolishness, Confirming the word of His servant, And performing the purpose of His messengers. (It is I) who says of Jerusalem, 'She shall be inhabited!' And of the cities of Judah, 'They shall be built.' And I will raise up her ruins (again.) (It is I) who says to the depth of the sea, 'Be dried up!' And I will make your rivers dry. (It is I) who says of Cyrus, '(He is) My shepherd! And he will perform all My desire.' And he declares of Jerusalem, 'She will be built,' And of the temple, 'Your foundation will be laid.'"