

others to live on land and to move in the air.

Mankind, on the other hand, was formed in the image of God. This means that, spiritually speaking, mankind is fashioned **with a spiritual soul**. Science proves that man is formed as a trichotomy; having a body, soul, and spirit. Animals are formed without a spirit, having only a body and soul (emotions), but no spirit. This means that no creature is capable to choose to obey or disobey God without a spirit.

Further, eternity is a spirit world for a future address for **all lost and saved spirit beings**. Since creatures are created without a spirit, how could they be present in a spiritual world upon physical death? This Scientific fact and truth of God's Word collectively prove that there is no such thing possible as a Rainbow Bridge as is proposed by many in this world.

Certainly, the Bible does speak about creatures being present in a future millennial kingdom:

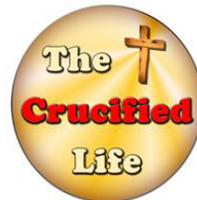
*Isaiah 11:6 (KJB) The wolf also shall dwell with the lamb, and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the young lion and the fatling together; and a little child shall lead them.*

This tells us that natural predators today will be tame in the future. However, it does not lead us to believe we will see "Fido" again. Creatures not spiritual cannot make a choice to follow God and be raised unto new spiritual life.

The loss of a pet due to death, whether it be a dog, a cat, a parakeet, or a pig, is personal and certainly a heart-breaking season of life, for people do truly love their pets and there is nothing wrong with being sad.

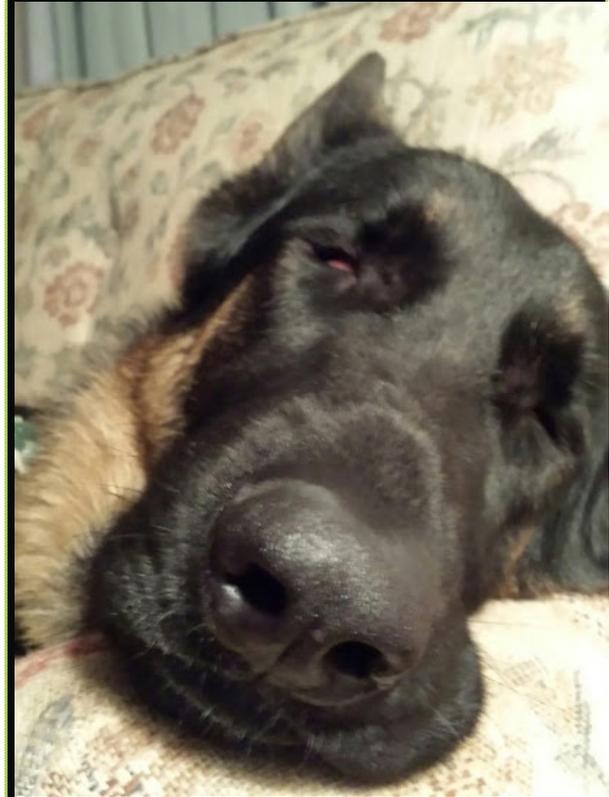
However, it is an opportunity to learn more about adoring God foremost and to discover the differences between man and beast. We know that God created all things and made creatures different from humans and with different purposes..

Every human is created in the image of God with the purpose to serve and savor God in spirit and truth (**John 4:24**). Each person must come to understand the preeminence of God, the importance of human life and God's placement of creatures beneath mankind and man having dominion and care over them.



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## When Your Pet Dies



WHAT  
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### The Rainbow Bridge Mindset

Nothing seems to be more popular in this world than owning and caring for pets. Pets today range from pigs to puppies, with dogs and cats being wildly popular. Pet ownership is so prevalent that it often seems as if many dogs own the house, rule the roost, and allow their human residents to come home at the end of the day to crash, and care for them, especially at meal time.

You think I am kidding about the special place pets occupy in the hearts of many, think for a moment about the wide range of expensive gourmet pet foods, plush toys, pet spas, and homemade treats that can be purchased and provided in the name of pampering and caring for pets,

Both pets and wild animals are both popular and protected by legislation. Do not think about harming a dog, or an eagle, or a leopard in the wilderness. You might face ridicule, arrest, and jail time. However, feel free to murder a human formed by God who is growing in the womb. This kind of murder is seen as freedom to choose abortion.

Along with with such fondness for pets, many folks believe pets (especially dogs) will live forever and upon their death walk on a rainbow bridge to an eternal paradise where their owners will see them again in the future in another life.

That is not what the Bible teaches. Let's consider what God's Word has to say about creatures and the created or concerning humans and all things on this earth. Let's begin with a verse about how God's truth is distorted concerning pets, people, and places:

***Romans 1:25 (KJB) Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.***

Do you see it? God addressed the worship and serving of creatures more than the Creator. That is exactly where we are at today. Certainly, if mankind worshiped and served God, who is the Creator, human babies would be considered much more important than pets and wild animals, sadly in many instances, the truth of this verse is raw and apparent.

Lets step back in time to the beginning of creation to better understand God's intentions for creatures, the creation, and the created.

### Creation, Creatures and Man

God created a wide array of ocean life, creatures in the air, land animals and He formed a man in this world on the fifth and sixth days of creation respectively.

On the fifth day of creation: ***Genesis 1:24-25 (KJB) And God said, Let the earth***

***bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. 25 And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good.***

The 6th day of creation God formed mankind, male and female after His identity: Each creature God created on the land, in the sea, and in the air was to multiply, or procreate after their own kind, and to multiply upon the earth and God called them good.

***Genesis 1:26-27 (KJB) And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth. 27 So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them.***

### God Gave Mankind an Image , A Spiritual Nature, and A Physical Body

As you can read from God's account of creation, He formed creatures differently, and for different purposes and even having different flesh than mankind (***1 Corinthians 15:39-41 (KJB)***). Animals and mammals of all sorts were created to dwell and multiply on this earth, All creatures collectively are to multiply after their kind, as a souless being. some were formed to exist in the oceans,