I am Creative.

Genesis 1:1-5 NASB

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John 1:1-2 TPT

"In the beginning the Living Expression was already there. And the Living Expression was with God, yet fully God. 2 They were together - face to face, in the very beginning. 3 And through his creative inspiration this Living Expression made all things, for nothing has existence apart from Him."

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"We are *Created* to be *Creative*."

Creativity for each of us is different, but Creativity for Father is consistent.

What is **Creativity** to you?

What does this mean? It means that we need to understand Creativity from His perspective so that we can truly operate in creativity, *spiritually*.

What are you worshipping?

How we are "creatively" doing something is a reflection of the heart.

Our creativity comes from the heart and out of the heart, the mouth speaks.

For example: If all we do is worship money, we may work hard and be creative in our jobs, but our heart is not looking to and relying on God... it is looking to and relying on money, so that is a byproduct of our worship. Whereas, if we worship Father, we will work hard and be creative in our everyday lives, and because our heart is looking to and relying on God, the promises, and things that He intended and established for us will be the byproduct of our worship.

Matthew 12:33-37 NASB: 33 "Either assume the tree to be good as well as its fruit good, or assume the tree to be bad as well as its fruit bad; for the tree is known by its fruit. 34 You offspring of vipers, how can you, being evil, express any good things? For the mouth speaks from that which fills the heart. 35 The good person brings out of his good treasure good things; and the evil person brings out of his evil treasure evil things. 36 But I tell you that for every careless word that people speak, they will give an account of it on the day of judgment. 37 For by your words you will be justified, and by your words you will be condemned."

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Understanding the *Truth*.

Creativity is everything.

Without creativity, we wouldn't be here. Father operated in creativity to build everything that we can see, feel, sense, and touch. And in turn, He hardwired that into our very being. Into our identity, in Him; original intent; made in His image, Gen 1:26–27 NASB.

Do *not* agree with a *lie* that *you* are not Creative.

To deny creativity is to deny His creation. It is to deny His purposes for you.

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| Gen 1:2: Father | + Holy | Spirit, | working | alongside | as one |
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Observed, evaluated (Holy Spirit = wisdom)
Planned, strategized (in/with wisdom, Holy Spirit)

Another word for **observed**: notice, perceive, discern, discover

Another word for **planned**: organize, arrange, think out, design, prepare

Gen 1:3-5: Established

("God said", "God called", Father's Voice / Identity)

As this chapter continues, you see how each 'creation' benefitted the next that was to come. Each step in the process was specific and needed for the next.

This demonstrates the reality of when we hear from Holy Spirit, the instruction is always specific.

Include Him in your creative process.

The "process" is a key foundation for creativity.

How do you do this? Relationship.

"The **Marketplace** is the *access point* to His Creation. **Creativity** is the *access point* to His Vision. In order for His creation to establish His vision, it will require RELATIONSHIP and CREATIVITY."

Including Him in your process is not just: I have a need, "Jesus, help me." Including Him in your process THROUGH RELATIONSHIP is engaging with Him.

Engaging is not difficult. This, if anything, is the easiest step to take and the most important.

This is worship. This is prayer. To engage Him is to speak to Him. Share your thoughts. Explain your situation. Tell him your worries. We all know that He already knows, but He wants us to seek Him. He wants us to ask.

Matthew 7:7-8 TPT: "Ask, and the gift is yours. Seek, and you'll discover. Knock, and the door will be opened for you. For every persistent one will get what he asks for. Every persistent seeker will discover what he longs for. And everyone who knocks persistently will one day find an open door." Do this and watch Him work through you. Acknowledge and include Holy Spirit in your creative process. Engage. Pray. Worship. What He has for you is good. Trust Him.

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SCRIPTURES TO REFLECT

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REFLECTION PROMPTS

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What changes need to take place in order to come into alignment scripture?

• In what ways can you apply the revelation you are receiving to your everyday life?

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