

Genesis 2:18, 21-25

¹⁸Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him."

²¹So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh at that place. ²²The Lord God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man. ²³The man said, "This is now bone of my bones, And flesh of my flesh; She shall be called Woman, Because she was taken out of Man."

²⁴For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

SERMON NOTES

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When Marriage Is More

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Ever think that life is meant to be more?

Philippians 3:14 *I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.*

Creation of woman – literally true, symbolically true.

Our response is marriage (permanent partnership of male and female)

Successful standard/practice

- Husband HONORS wife

1 Peter 3:7 *You husbands in the same way, live with your wives in an understanding way, as with someone weaker, since she is a woman; and show her honor as a fellow heir of the grace of life, so that your prayers will not be hindered.*

- Wife HELPS husband

Ephesians 5:22 *Wives, be subject to your own husbands, as to the Lord.*

1 Corinthians 11:3 *But I want you to understand that Christ is the head of every man, and the man is the head of a woman, and God is the head of Christ.*

- Both live HONESTLY (openly)

"They were naked and unashamed." (v. 25)