

The Journey

Series 01: Creation

Week 07: God Made Eve

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Review (Where We Have Been)

God knows His creation intimately.

When God made Adam, He knew what his needs would be and lovingly planned to meet them.

Review Questions...

- ✓ Why didn't God consult Adam before putting him into the garden? *God is the creator and He has the authority to put Adam wherever He wanted.*
- ✓ What does it mean to be made in God's image? *We were fashioned with mind, emotions, and will so that we could know, love, and obey God.*
- ✓ If Adam would have chosen the Tree of Life, what would that have said about him? *Adam would not forget that God created him. Because God created him God has full authority over his life. Adam would remember that God is the sustainer of his life.*
- ✓ What did God mean when He said that Adam would die? *Immediate Spiritual Death - cut off from a spiritual relationship with God. Future Physical Death - one day his soul and spirit would leave his body. Eternal Death - he would be separated from God forever.*

I may deal with Eternal Death - What is Separation from God?

A party? No, it is the complete absence of grace, mercy, comfort, joy, peace, kindness, love, healing, provision, relationships, help, guidance, hope, light, relief, beauty and more. WHY? When you reject God you also reject all the good He brings and gives to us. Hell is God giving people what they lived and longed for... complete and total freedom from God.

Big Idea

Today we are moving from creation and inhabitation to *relation* and *multiplication*.

Genesis 1:26-27 (ESV) Then 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 birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

- We know that God created woman on the same day He created man and all the animals.
- And we know that God formed man from the dust of the ground and breathed life into him. (Genesis 2:7)

Information (What They Need to Know)

Why did God decide that Adam needed a wife/helper?

Genesis 2:18 (ESV) Then the Lord God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.”

- God decided that it was not good for man to be alone.

God did not consult Adam. He created Adam and knew what was best for him. It was God’s decision to create a female companion for Adam.

- God decided based on His wisdom and love for man.

God loved and cared for Adam. He wanted Adam to know the joy and security found in human love and fellowship. For Adam to reach his full potential he would need a suitable companion.

- God wanted man to fulfill His purpose for placing him on earth.

✓ So, what was man's purpose? Manager of all living things on the earth.

Genesis 1:27-28 (ESV) So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. **28** And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

Obviously, if Adam remained alone, he would not be able to take care of the whole earth and all of its animal inhabitants. He needed a wife, and it was necessary for them to have children so the human race would grow numerically. As they spread over the whole of the earth, God's purposes for mankind, the earth, and all the animals would eventually be fulfilled.

- Firm Foundations

What is the result of God bringing the animals to Adam to be named by him?

Genesis 2:19-20 (ESV) Now out of the ground the Lord God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. **20** The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him.

No animal was suitable to be Adam's companion or helper.

Man knew he was different from the animals

Why? Man is created in God's image

Man is the ruler over the animals and is naming the animals

Man needed someone made in God's image to be his companion

Adam needed someone who could interact with him and communicate with him on the same intellectual and emotional level. He needed someone who would share the same interests and enjoy the same activities he enjoyed. - Firm Foundations

Only God could provide a suitable companion for Adam.

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How did God solve man's problem?

Genesis 2:21-22 (ESV) So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. **22** And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

God created a female companion for Adam

God created the woman from Adam's side.

God created woman in His image as well

-So, she would also have the intellect to know God, and with emotion love God, and with her will she could choose to obey God.

-She had a perfect mind, emotions, and a will so that she could communicate with God and Adam.

God created marriage and He married the first man and woman as a pattern for all humanity.

Genesis 2:23-24 (ESV) Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she

was taken out of Man.” **24** Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

So, now what?

Genesis 1:28 (ESV) And God blessed them. And God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

Now that they were married they were expected to have lots and lots of children.

God created man and woman naked and they were not embarrassed or ashamed.

Genesis 2:25 (ESV) And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Adam and his wife lived together in love and purity.

Humanity and marriage were created by God. This is what He planned, intended, and created.

Application (What Do We Need to Do?)

Concluding Thoughts...

Why is God’s perfect plan for humanity and marriage important?

- Because God knows what is best for us.
- God gave this to us because he has our best in mind.
- God’s plan has not changed.
- How should we respond?
 - Understanding, Obedience, Proclamation