

## In the Beginning God made Man

In the beginning God made man and man was to rule over everything on earth: Gen 1:28, just as God ruled over everything in heaven. By this time one third of the Angels/Messengers had fallen from the graces of God; having revolted against God, He sentenced them to the lake of fire: Rev 12:4; Mat 25:41. Satan would cry unfair; therefore God would provide a new set of witnesses, providing a test that would allow to choose for or against God's plan. Man would choose to obey or not obey God: Gen 2:16-17. God would rule over man but man would rule over everything that was found over earth.

After the man named everything on earth the man was found to be lonely; so God made the woman from part of Adam. God brought the woman to the man, and Adam declared that she was his bone and flesh; and their bodies would come together in marriage: they became one flesh. Before Adam and Eve sinned there was perfect soul compatibility between the two of them, and no system of authority was necessary. They were always beneficial to each other and God would visit them in the Garden; there being nothing to inhibit their perfect fellowship with each other and God: Gen 2:18, 20-25.

Over time Eve was talked to by Satan being overcome by his deceit and ate of the fruit; and Adam being there ate also. Now all the systems of deceit and lies from Satan would flood into their minds: Gen 3:1-7. From this time forward in history those choosing for God would need to discern between God's plan of Truth and Satan's plan of Good and Evil. From this point in history there would need to be a system of rules from God designed to protect the human race from destruction. Much evil would result from the fall of mankind yet God would provide protection and blessing for those willing to concede with His plan: Gen 6:13-22. In the old times before there was the Written Word God used to talk to them personally in the form of a messenger, who often appeared to them as just being a man. These were not men but celestial beings bringing messages about salvation to the humans on earth: Gen 19:15-16. Man would need the knowledge of God in order to be happy: Col 1:9-11. Satan is against God's people being happy. Satan will cause much misery for God's people who are not well founded in His Word: 1Peter 5:8. More than anything Satan wants to destroy whatever he can about marriage. Marriage is the most beautiful thing God ever made and Satan despises its beauty and seeks to destroy it whenever possible.

After the fall of the man and woman God made the man's heart to be a Leader or ruler in the marriage, yet the man was to love her as his own body; nurturing and providing for her so she can appreciate him as she wants to do, anyway. The man needs to continually learn of this love from God: Eph 5:28-29. God needs to nourish and cultivate His love in the man so the man can love the woman as she needs and wants from him. God wants us to love Him for what He does for us, and the man wants the woman to love him for what he does for her. The man needs to desire for God, for God's blessing to man. If the man is pleasing to God then the man has what he needs to please a woman. It's important to know that only God can provide the suitable woman for the man and the man is helpless to find her apart from the Lord. Just as in the garden of Eden,

God Himself will provide the right woman through His omnipotent power: Gen 2:18; Prov 19:14.

A man needs to leave his father and mother's house and provide a place for himself and then a wife. This is the same as God providing everything for man prior to creating man. God will provide that a man establish himself before taking on a wife. First and foremost, God wants the man to be established in His Truth: Psa 119:9-16. With truth in the heart of the man, he can be a good husband to the woman and they will have beautiful things together because of the Lord's blessings. God is particularly interested in blessing these marriages, those who are willing to live in the statutes of God. God wants the man to have a kind and sympathetic love towards the woman because she is from God; one of God's creatures in the world that can be hostile. Most of all God wants the man to protect and nurture the woman just as God seeks to nurture man and have his love and adoration. In turn the woman will serve him through reciprocal love: 1Peter 3:6-7. The man not wrought from God is a beast only serving himself and his own lusts, seeking to control the woman rather than to serve and protect: 2Peter 2:14, 18; 2Tim 3:1-6.

God invests in us because He wants us to learn of His love; God wants the man to invest himself into the woman so she can experience all of God's love and design. Leaders of God will always seek to invest of what they have to the people rather than taking and oppressing. True leaders are genuinely interested in making the lives of others better and fuller; they are servants rather than being self-serving: Prov 20:28, 29:7. Without the recognition of God, who seeks to serve and help those looking to Him, life becomes a selfish pursuit for happiness. If a person starts his life with God having a streak of selfishness, then God's blessings and advancements can often be delayed in coming to us. Providing vigilance is maintained and God's Word remains on top in terms of our values then, after successfully passing through testing, the blessings are sure to come: Gen 39:7-23; Psa 24:4-5.

Taking a few steps back one must touch on issues regarding dating and romance. Young people must carefully consider what God has designed and to not cross lines in terms of sex. God wants people married before they have sex: 1Cor 6:18-20, 7:1-2. This protects the human race in many ways. First of all men and women have a sexual mechanism that was designed for one man or one woman. It is generally understood by the human race that being a virgin when getting married is a good thing; though in the times we are living there are a lot of yes and no signals at the same time. With all the yes and no's kids are not getting the right ideas, thinking that celibacy before marriage is optional. At this point is where we have fallen completely into a trap of Satan who seeks to pervert every good thing that God wants us to do. When we don't do things God's way there will always be a price to pay; there will always be repercussions that often affect our lives for years to come, putting us into an existence for less than God has intended: Prov chapter 5. The best way to avoid all the misery is to do God's will to begin with and not miss out on all the beauty God has intended for the Human Race, and particularly those willing to go with God all the way: Rom 12:1-2. Cleaving to God, wait for Him to provide the right person. More important than finding the right person is being the right person: Eph 4:17-24.

As for the woman: Don't trust a man who wants your body before marriage. Yet on the other hand don't tempt a man to want you that way; that is just as irresponsible and reflecting the absence of any true love. As for the men: Don't tempt a woman. Respect the woman. Know that she was designed to respond in wonderful ways but she is easily damaged. Men, if you are willing to seduce a woman you are not married to, you're headed for the most miserable and lonely life. In all my days I have never seen God's Word fall short when it says fornicators and adulterers will be judged: Heb 13:4; 1Cor 10:8,11.

We are living in times of great misery for the human race, and turning back to God's design is the only answer: Isa 45:22; 55:6-7. Men either have integrity and virtue from the Word of God or they don't. Young men need to develop a system of priorities that only God can provide. Young women will be silly and stupid without the Lord Jesus Christ functioning in their life. God loves a gentle and quiet spirit in a woman: 1Pet 3:4 and a temperate and gentle spirit in a man: 1Peter 3:7-8; Col 3:12.