

Gen 2:18-25 The Woman

III. God Creates Woman

A. A Helper

1. Alone – not good (v.18)
2. Helper עֵזֶר (ayzer, helper) (v.18)
3. comparable to man (v.18) נֶגֶד (neged, opposite part, counterpart, mate)
4. Naming the animals (vv.19-20) Dominion, and meeting the animals
5. Nothing suitable for man (v.20) Nothing that was his KIND.

B. Making the Woman (vv. 21-22)

1. First Surgery – a costectomy (v.21)
2. First Healing – closed it up (v.21)
3. The Rib (v.21)
 - a) Just a *rib*? More than a rib. צֵלַע (Tselah, side 19, chamber 11, rib 2)
 - b) Why a *rib*?
4. Made (literally *built*) a Woman בָּנָה (bena, built)(v.22)
5. Brought her to the Man (v.22)

C. Adam's Song/poem (v.23)

1. Bone of my bone (rib)
2. Flesh of my flesh (surrounding tissue)
3. Calls her Woman (אִשָּׁה, isha, woman, soft)
4. Because taken from Man (אִישׁ, ish, general term for man)

D. The Institution of the Institution (Marriage) (v.24)

1. Man leaves mother and father
2. Cleave, cling, be joined to his wife
3. They become ONE flesh
4. The basis for submission **1Cor 11:7-10, 1 Tim 2:11-113**

E. Final State (v.25) - Perfect

1. Naked – nude, fully or partially, probably fully
2. Not ashamed
 - a) Knew nothing but good, no evil in them
 - b) No reason for shame, the marriage bed is undefiled

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Genesis 2:18–25 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And the LORD God said, “*It is* not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable to him.” ¹⁹ Out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought *them* to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that *was* its name. ²⁰ So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him.

²¹ And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. ²² Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.

²³ And Adam 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.”

²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.

²⁵ And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

1 Corinthians 11:7–10 (NKJV)

⁷ For a man indeed ought not to cover *his* head, since he is the image and glory of God; but woman is the glory of man. ⁸ For man is not from woman, but woman from man. ⁹ Nor was man created for the woman, but woman for the man. ¹⁰ For this reason the woman ought to have a *symbol of authority on her* head, because of the angels.

1 Timothy 2:11–13 (NKJV)

¹¹ Let a woman learn in silence with *all submission*. ¹² And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence. ¹³ For Adam was formed first, then Eve.

Genesis 1:27–28 (NKJV)

²⁷ So God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created *them*. ²⁸ Then God blessed *them*, and God said to *them*, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”