

# **Moral Clarity Marriage**

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Genesis 2:21–22 (ESV)

<sup>21</sup>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. <sup>22</sup>And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man.

**Man was created from the dust of the ground then God breathed life into him. Then God took a rib from man's side and created woman. God also breathed life into her. Then God brought the woman, HIS divine creation, to the man.**

Genesis 2:23 (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."

**When man said, "This at last," he meant, "God, you got this right!" or "Wow, Hallelujah, things are looking up now!" The glory of God was reflected in both the man and woman. The composite of their uniqueness was in totality a reflection of God.**

Genesis 1:27 (ESV)

So God created man **in his own image,**  
in **the image of God** he created him;  
**male and female he created them.**



**God intended men and women to be different. Because God created these differences that would reflect the totality of God, **Satan wants to destroy any acknowledgement male and female uniqueness.** However, **God wants to magnify these differences.** Since the “composite” of men and women in total reflect God, God instituted the marriage relationship where these differences may complement one another.**

Genesis 2:24 (ESV)

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and **they shall become one flesh.**

**The NT gives us more revelation concerning the marriage relationship. God specifically reveals that the marriage relationship is to reflect Christ and the church. In this relationship God commands the man exhibit self-sacrificial love to his wife, which is to reflect the love Christ has for HIS Bride, the church.**

Ephesians 5:25 (ESV)

Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.

**After Paul make this profound revelation, he then goes back to the beginning of time and quotes Genesis 2:24 to show God’s clear divine intent!**

Ephesians 5:31 (ESV)

“Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.”

**After quoting Genesis, Paul gives the divine interpretation concerning the marriage covenant.**

Ephesians 5:32 (ESV)

This mystery is profound, and **I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.**

**After stating this profound mystery, God reveals the eternal fulfillment of the marriage covenant in the last book of the Bible and how it is a picture of the believers eternal relationship with Christ.**

Revelation 19:7 (ESV)

Let us rejoice and exult  
and give him the glory,  
**for the marriage of the Lamb has come,  
and his Bride has made herself ready.**

**Now some are single and they say how does this apply to me? God says that the unmarried person has the greatest opportunity to demonstrate the unhindered full intimate relationship with Christ.**

1 Corinthians 7:8 (ESV)

To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is good for them to remain single, as I am.

1 Corinthians 7:32–35 (ESV) **No O/H**

<sup>32</sup> I want you to be free from anxieties. **The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord.**

<sup>33</sup> But **the married man** is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, <sup>34</sup> and his interests are divided. And **the unmarried woman** is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But **the married woman** is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. <sup>35</sup> I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and **to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.**

**Married or single, it is our relationship with Christ that paramount! With that in mind let us read the entire section connected with the marriage relationship Let the Word of God flow over you like water!**

Ephesians 5:17–21 (ESV) **O/H v.17**

<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is de/bauch/ery, but **be filled with the Spirit,** <sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>21</sup> **submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ.**

**“Here is the picture!”**



Ephesians 5:22–25 (ESV)

<sup>22</sup> Wives, [submit] to your own husbands, **as to the Lord.** <sup>23</sup> For the husband is the head of the wife even as Christ is the head of the church, his body, and is himself its Savior. <sup>24</sup> Now as the church submits to Christ, so also wives should submit in everything to their husbands.

<sup>25</sup> **(And this is why! Because God has commanded!)** Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her.

Ephesians 5:28–33 (ESV)

<sup>28</sup> In the same way husbands should love their wives as their own bodies. He who loves his wife loves himself.  
<sup>29</sup> For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as Christ does the church,  
<sup>30</sup> because we are members of his body. <sup>31</sup> “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and hold fast to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.” <sup>32</sup> **This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church.** <sup>33</sup> However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

**Satan’s primary goal is to destroy marriage as God established it and therefore Satan lays the foundation to destroy the family as God intended. God through Jesus Christ has defeated Satan and through trusting Jesus restored HIS divine creation.**

John 3:16–17 (ESV)

<sup>16</sup> For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him **(AND HAVE MORAL CLARITY!).**

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