

# **Our Family Foundation**

**Genesis 1:26-28; 2:18-25, 3:6-13**



## **The Church Is A Family**

We are created by God to be part of God's family and to establish ourselves in a local church family.

**Hebrews 3:6** *But Christ was faithful as a Son in the household of His own Father, and we are members of this household (family) if we hold on to the end.*

**Ephesians 2:19** *Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God...*

## **We Are Image-Bearers**

**Genesis 1:26-28** *Then God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness; let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, 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. 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. NKJV*

# **We Are God's SPECIAL CREATION**

Genesis 2:15-22 is the design for human relationships

Interdependency

# What Happens When We Fail To Live Within The Lord's Boundaries? Genesis 3:6-13

We start **HIDING** from the Lord and one another

We **SEPARATE** from the Lord and one another

We are **DISHONEST** with the Lord and one another

We feel **GUILT** and **SHAME** and **BLAME**

**ALL SIN** leads to **DEATH**

## Remember Who You Can Be!

**1 Corinthians 6:18** *I will be a Father to you, And you shall be **My sons and daughters**, Says the Lord Almighty.*

**Isaiah 64:8** *Yet, O LORD, you are our Father. We are the clay, you are the potter; **we are all the work of your hand.***

**John 1:12-13** *Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, **he gave the right to become children of God--children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God.***

**1 John 3:1** *How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that **we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!***

