

“THE ORIGIN OF EVERYTHING”

“THE INCREDIBLE STORY OF CREATION, CORRUPTION AND COVENANT”

PART 9

“A MATCH MADE IN HEAVEN... DESIGNED FOR LIFE ON EARTH”

“What God Hath Joined Together”

(Genesis 2:18-25; Part 2)

INTRODUCTION:

MARRIAGE AS GOD INTENDS:

- 1. MARRIAGE IS THE PRODUCT OF THE CREATIVE WORK OF GOD.**
- 2. MARRIAGE IS TO BE PATTERNED AFTER THE COVENANT FAITHFULNESS OF GOD.**
- 3. MARRIAGE HAS BEEN PERVERTED (LIKE EVERY OTHER RELATIONSHIP) BY THE CORRUPTING PRESENCE OF SIN.**
- 4. MARRIAGE IS POSSIBLE THROUGH THE CONSTRAINING LOVE OF CHRIST.**
- 5. MARRIAGE IS TO BE A PICTURE OF THE QUINTESSENTIAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN CHRIST AND THE CHURCH.**

- **DEFINITIONS: MARRIAGE IS AN EXCLUSIVE, PERMANENT, ONE-FLESH RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN A MAN AND A WOMAN WHICH IS ESTABLISHED, GUARDED, GOVERNED AND GUIDED BY A COVENANT.**

1A. MARRIAGE IS THE PRODUCT OF THE CREATIVE WORK OF GOD:

- *The Divine Intent and Edenic Objective was that marriage, as with every other aspect of life lived within God's Creation, would result in man's flourishing.*

1B. God's Pattern (Genesis 1:27)

“God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

2B. God's Proclamation (Genesis 2:18a)

Then the LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone...”

3B. God's _____ (Genesis 2:18b-23)

“I will make him a helper suitable for him.”

4B. God's _____ (Genesis 2:24-25)

"For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh..."

1C. _____

2C. _____

3C. _____

PART 2:

2A. MARRIAGE IS TO BE PATTERNED AFTER THE COVENANT LOVE OF GOD.

1B. It is primarily an _____.

2B. It is _____.

3B. It is based upon a _____.

4B. It is maintained by _____.

1C. ...to a _____.

2C. ...to a _____.

3C. ...to a _____.

4C. ...to a _____.

5B. It is demonstrated by _____.

6B. It is _____.

CONCLUSION: