

# Fine Wine

## Daniel 12:4 (NASB95)

4 “But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the **end of time**; many will go **back and forth**, and **knowledge will increase.**”

## Acts 20:28–30 (NASB95)

28 “Be on guard for yourselves and for all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood.

29 “I know that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock;

30 and from among your own selves men will arise, **speaking perverse things**, to draw away the disciples after them.

## 2 Timothy 3:13 (NASB95)

13 But evil men and impostors will proceed from bad to worse, **deceiving and being deceived.**

## Why did God create marriage?

### 1. To replicate God's nature and image.

#### Genesis 1:26–27 (NASB95)

26 Then God said, “Let **Us** make man in **Our** image, according to **Our** likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

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

#### Ephesians 4:24 (NASB95)

24 and put on the new self, which in the **likeness of God** has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.

#### James 3:9 (NASB95)

9 With it we bless our Lord and Father, and with it we curse men, who have been made in the **likeness of God**;

### 2. To extend God's kingdom authority on earth.

#### Genesis 1:26b (NASB95)

26 Then God said, "...; and let them **rule** over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the cattle and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth."

#### **Genesis 1:28 (NASB95)**

28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and **subdue** it; and **rule over** the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over every living thing that moves on the earth."

### **3. To generationally perpetuate the nature of God and the values of His kingdom.**

#### **Exodus 3:15 (NASB95)**

15 God, furthermore, said to Moses, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'The **LORD**, the God of your fathers, the God of **Abraham**, the God of **Isaac**, and the God of **Jacob**, has sent me to you.' This is **My name forever**, and this is My memorial-name to **all generations**."

### **4. To multiply God's human family w/ Godly & righteous offspring.**

#### **Genesis 1:28a (NASB95)**

28 God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be **fruitful** and **multiply**, and **fill** the earth, and **subdue** it; ..."

#### **Psalms 127:3–5 (NASB95)**

3 Behold, **children** are a **gift** of the LORD, the fruit of the womb is a **reward**.

4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, so are the children of one's youth.

5 How blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them; They will not be ashamed When they speak with their enemies in the gate.

#### **Malachi 2:10 (NASB95)**

10 "Do we not all have one father? Has not one God created us? **Why do we deal treacherously each against his brother** so as to profane the covenant of our fathers?"

#### **Malachi 2:13–16 (NASB95)**

13 "This is another thing you do: you cover the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping and with groaning, because He no longer regards the offering or accepts it with favor from your hand.

14 "Yet you say, 'For what reason?' Because the LORD has been a witness between you and the wife of your youth, against whom **you have dealt treacherously**, though she is your companion and your wife by **covenant**."

**15** “But not one has done so who has a remnant of the Spirit. And what did that one do while he was seeking a godly offspring? Take heed then to your spirit, and let **no one deal treacherously** against the wife of your youth.

**16** “For I hate divorce,” says the LORD, the God of Israel, “and him who covers his garment with wrong,” says the LORD of hosts. “So take heed to your spirit, that you **do not deal treacherously.**”