

THE POWER OF SEX

On the sixth day

Genesis 1:27 *So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.*

The creation of Adam

Genesis 2:7 *the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground . . .*

The declaration “It is not good.”

Genesis 2:18 . . . *“It is not good for the man to be alone . . .*

The investigation

Genesis 2:20 . . . *But for Adam no suitable helper was found.*

The creation of Eve

Genesis 2:22 *Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man . . .*

The presentation

Genesis 22:2 . . . *and he brought her to the man.*

The proclamation

Genesis 2:24 . . . *be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.*

The celebration

Genesis 1:31 *God saw all that he had made, and it was very good . . .*

Timeless Lessons

1. Sex is designed to be enjoyed in marriage.

Genesis 1:31 *God saw all that he had made, and it was very good . . .*

2. Sex creates a bond.

Genesis 2:24 . . . *be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.*

1 Corinthians 6:16 *Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.”*

3. Sex outside of marriage hurts us.

1 Corinthians 6:18 *Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body.*

4. Casual sex is taking; marital sex is giving.

1 Corinthians 7:3 *The husband should not deprive his wife of sexual intimacy, which is her right as a married woman, nor should the wife deprive her husband. 4 The wife gives authority over her body to her husband, and the husband also gives authority over his body to his wife.* NLT

5. Sex reserved for marriage elevates women.