

The Oaks Community Church  
Worship Guide



October 15, 2023

I. **Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving**

Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods. Psalm 95:1-3 (NIV)

II. **Family Confession & Greeting**

**The Oaks Priority #5**

We are an international church. We emphasize God's love and plan to reach every nation, tribe, and tongue and incorporate all people groups into His church.

After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb." Revelation 7:9, 10 (NIV)

**GOD'S DESIGN FOR THE HUMAN FAMILY**

III. "Men, Women, Marriage, & The Fall"  
Genesis 2 & 3  
Pastor Gary Barber

- Introduction - The increasing confusion of our present culture
- God's Good Creation

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." God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. God blessed them; and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth, and subdue it.... God saw all that He had made, and behold, it was very good." Gen. 1:26-28, 31a

Then the LORD God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being [soul]. The LORD God planted a garden toward the east, in Eden; and there He placed the man whom He had formed. Out of the ground the LORD God caused to grow every tree that is pleasing to the sight and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of the knowledge of good and evil.... Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it.  
Genesis 2:7-9, 15 (NASB)

The LORD God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die."  
Genesis 2:16, 17 (NASB)

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him.... So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then He took one of his ribs and closed up the flesh at that place.  
Genesis 2:18, 21 (NASB)

- "Ezer" – a strong and effective helper; often used of Yahweh as Israel's helper

The Lord God fashioned into a woman the rib which He had taken from the man, and brought her to the man.  
Genesis 2:22 (NASB)

The man said, "This is now bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.  
Genesis 2:23-25 (NASB)

- Deception, Disobedience, Distortion, Alienation, and Death from rejecting God's Design and Plan – Genesis 3

Now the serpent was more crafty than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said, 'You shall not eat from any tree of the garden'?" ....When the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was desirable to make one wise, she took from its fruit and ate; and she gave also to her husband with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loin coverings.  
Genesis 3:1, 6, 7 (NASB)

- The consequences and the curse of sin

To the woman He said, "I will greatly multiply your pain in childbirth, in pain you will bring forth children; yet your desire will be for your husband, and he will rule over you.... By the sweat of your face you will eat bread, till you return to the ground, because from it you were taken; for you are dust, and to dust you shall return."  
Genesis 3:16, 19 (NASB)

- Grace, Sacrifice, and Covering

- ❖ Restoration through Christ

Do not be drunk with wine, which will ruin you [is debauchery/reckless living], but be filled with the Spirit... Yield [Submit; Be subject; yielding/submitting] to each other out of reverence [respect; fear; awe] for Christ. Wives, yield to [submit to; be subject to; to] your husbands, as you do to the Lord, because the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ is the head of the church. And he is the Savior of the body, which is the church. As the church yields [submits; is subject] to Christ, so you wives should yield [submit; be subject] to your husbands in everything [Col. 3:18; 1 Pet. 3:1–6]. Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved the church [Col. 3:19; 1 Pet. 3:7] and gave himself for her to make her holy [sanctify her], cleansing her in the washing of water by the word.

Ephesians 5:18:21-26 (EXB)

➤ Prayer and Reflection

#### IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

##### Stewardship Principle #6

Above God's tithe, we give building offerings for people to have consecrated places to worship and serve the Lord.

LORD our God, all this abundance that we have provided for building you a temple for your Holy Name comes from your hand, and all of it belongs to you. I Chronicles 29:16 (NIV)

##### **3 Ways to Give:**

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3. In person through the worship service offering or using the offering boxes

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