



## The Purpose of Marriage

### Genesis 1:26-28; 2:18-25

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On the sixth day of creation, God created mankind in His image. In His image (imago Dei), He created both male and female. Immediately after creating Adam and Eve, God created the holy institution of marriage.

Second only to our relationship with God, no other union is as vital as that of marriage. It is the foundation of society. The health of any culture is directly related to the health of its families. For this reason, the sanctity of marriage has always been under attack (Gen. 3:1).

In our text, God created the holy institution of marriage and revealed His purpose for the marital relationship.

### Main Thought...

➔ God created marriage with a clear \_\_\_\_\_ in mind.

1. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ the glory of God's image (1:26a, 27).

2 Cor. 5:14-15, 17; 1 Cor. 10:31b; 1 Chron. 16:28-29

2. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ over God's creation (1:26b).

Ps. 8:1, 3-6; Mt. 7:24-27

3. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ godly children (1:28).

Ps. 127:3-5; Eph. 6:4

4. We are to \_\_\_\_\_ God's gift of companionship (2:18-25).

Mt. 19:4-6; Heb. 13:4; Ecc. 4:9-12

### Final Thoughts...

➔ Is your marriage \_\_\_\_\_ in the glory of God?

➔ Is your marriage \_\_\_\_\_ by a three-fold cord?