

GOD'S PLAN FOR MARRIAGE
LESSONS FROM THE CREATION OF WOMAN
Genesis 2:18-25

- I. **THE LORD GOD REVEALS THE PURPOSE FOR A WIFE:** She is a truly needed companion and suitable helper (18)
 - A. Adams problem revealed by God: Lack of human companionship (18a)

 - B. God's solution: Creation of woman, a helper, suitable for him (18b)

- II. **THE LORD GOD'S PROVISION OF A WIFE FOR ADAM, only after revealing his need, apart from his help or input (19-22)**
 - A. God Prepares Adam, by revealing his need and removing his input (19-21a)

 - B. Creation of Eve: Woman was created for and from man and given to him (21b-22)

- III. **THE RESULT...GOD CREATES A DIVINE PARTNERSHIP (23-24)**
 - A. Adams joyous proclamation (23)
 - 1. Appreciation of God's gift: "at last" wow! A suitable helper

 - 2. Evaluation of God's gift: She is part of me

 - B. God's declaration reveals the basis of marriage: leave parents, cleave together in a one flesh relationship (24)

- IV. **A SIN FREE PICTURE OF MARRIAGE WE CANNOT UNDERSTAND (25)**