

## Genesis 2:18-25, "A Greater Marriage"

*18 Then the Lord God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." 19 Now out of the ground the Lord God had formed every beast of the field and every bird of the heavens and brought them to the man to see what he would call them. And whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name. 20 The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him. 21 So the Lord God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. 22 And the rib that the Lord God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. 23 Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.*

### I. The institution of marriage

- Marriage is a \_\_\_\_\_
- Marriage is between a \_\_\_\_\_ and a \_\_\_\_\_
- Marriage becomes the \_\_\_\_\_ relationship
- The husband is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the home
- The wife is the husbands \_\_\_\_\_

### II. The blessings of marriage

- Humans were not created to be \_\_\_\_\_
- Christian \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ with another person
- Physical intimacy & pro-creation

### III. Love for His bride

- The phrase, "bone of my bone and flesh of my flesh" is a declaration and \_\_\_\_\_ of Adam's \_\_\_\_\_ to Eve

- Adam's role as a husband is to protect the \_\_\_\_\_ of his marriage
- Adam failed as a husband, and Eve failed as a suitable helper
- Christ is the \_\_\_\_\_ Adam, and the church is the spotless (without sin) bride
- Husbands are called to love their wives as Christ loved the church
- Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ so that His bride may \_\_\_\_\_

## Discussion questions for the family

- What is a covenant?
- Explain God's design for marriage.
- Why is Christian fellowship important?
- What is the primary relationship between humans?
- How did Christ succeed where Adam failed?

## Scripture Memorization for June

**Ephesians 5:25-27,** *25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her 26 to make her holy, cleansing her by the washing with water through the word, 27 and to present her to Himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.*

## Worship music for the week

- "King of Kings", by Hillsong
  - "God is for us", by CityAlight
  - "His mercy is more", by Matt Boswell and Matt Papa
  - "All Glory be to Christ", by Sovereign Grace
- *These songs can be found on YouTube or Spotify*