

The Doctrine of Marriage *vis a vis* Obstacles to a Godly Marriage

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I. God's Institution of Marriage (Gen. 1 & 2)

D. Order of Creation; Relationship of Husband and Wife. (Gen. 2)

Genesis 2:4-9;15-25 (KJV)

These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens, ⁵And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground. ⁶But there went up a mist from the earth, and watered the whole face of the ground. ⁷And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul. ⁸And the LORD God planted a garden eastward in Eden; and there he put the man whom he had formed. ⁹And out of the ground made the LORD God to grow every tree that is pleasant to the sight, and good for food; the tree of life also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge of good and evil. . . ¹⁵And the LORD God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it.

¹⁶And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: ¹⁷But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die. ¹⁸And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him. ¹⁹And out of the ground the LORD God formed every beast of the field, and every fowl of the air; and brought them unto Adam to see what he would call them: and whatsoever Adam called every living creature, that was the name thereof. ²⁰And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air, and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him. ²¹And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon Adam, and he slept: and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof; ²²And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. ²³And Adam 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. ²⁴Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. ²⁵And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed.

vs. 7: Remember "the Image of God?"

Who's created first? What's the Order of Creation? What's the Order of the Godhead? Does this order denote superiority? What then? Giver - Gifted. By degree or perfectly?

Trees of Promise....

Promise -> faith -> works

Gospel: Tree of Life;

Law: Tree of Knowledge.

God teaches good and evil. What's good? What's evil?

What's not good?

Sinful vs. holy? Perfect vs. Imperfect. Complete vs. Incomplete.

Faith waits. Promises are fulfilled.

Duality and convergence.

Adam source; Eve resourced

- existence/life.

- Word of God-to believer.

- seed - fertile soil (seminates - inseminated).

- naked/ no barrier.

What is the order of Creation; What does it mean? Who spoke, who listened? Who inseminates whom? Who gives, who is given to? Once given who has more? Why this order? What's it got to do with God; to God's relationship to man and the nature of his giving? Word to faith?