THE FIRST WEDDING A STORY OF HOW GOD MADE MARRIAGE



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Rebecca

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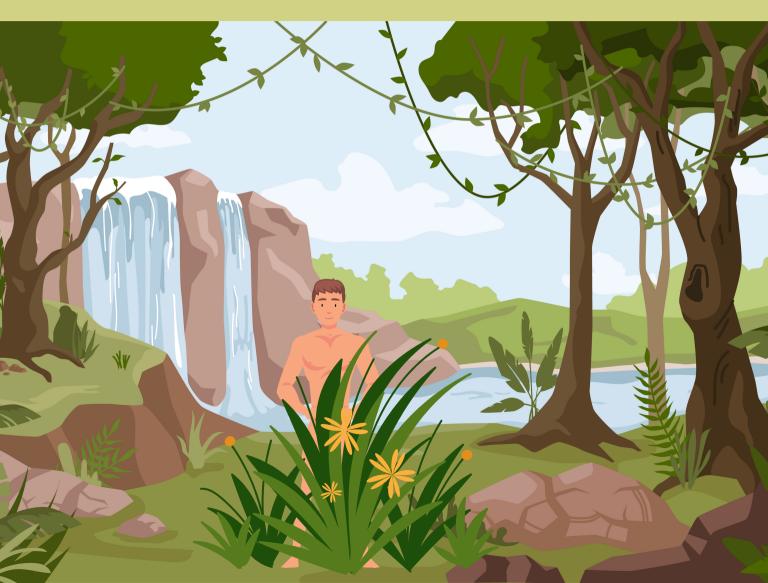
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"Teach me Your way, O LORD; that I may walk in Your truth; unite my heart to fear Your name. " Psalm 86:11. ESV

THIS IS A TRUE STORY ABOUT HOW GOD MADE MARRIAGE

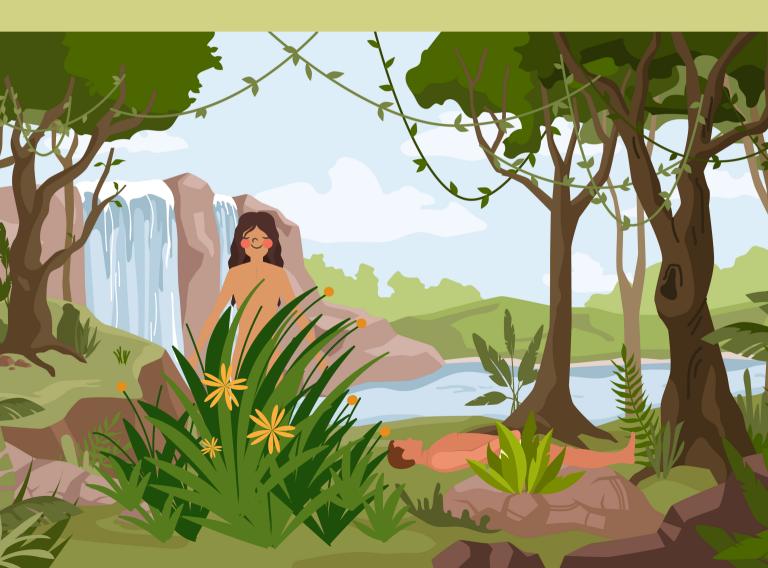
Once upon a time long ago in the most beautiful garden in the world there lived a man named Adam.



Adam was brand new to God's world because God had just made him and even though Adam had all kinds of animals to keep him company, God wanted him to have a partner who would be like him.



So one day God caused Adam to Fall asleep and he took a part of Adam's body, a rib from his side, and He made Eve, the very first woman



God had made the best of his creation, a man and a woman. We call a man a male and a woman a female.

"So God created human beings in His own image. In the image of God He created them; male and Female He created them." Genesis 1:27

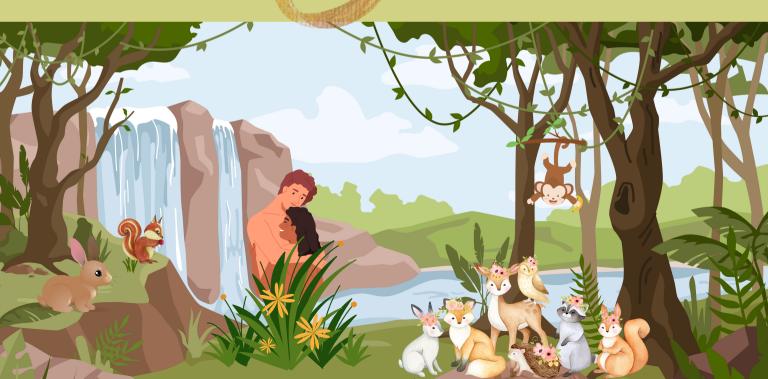


Male



After God made Eve He brought her to Adam and He married them and they became husband and wife. This was the very first wedding; a wedding where God joined one man and one woman together to be married for life.

"This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one." Genesis 2:24.



Adam was very happy to have someone who was a part of him, someone who was like him. And Eve was very happy to be with someone who she could be an important helper to in their life together.



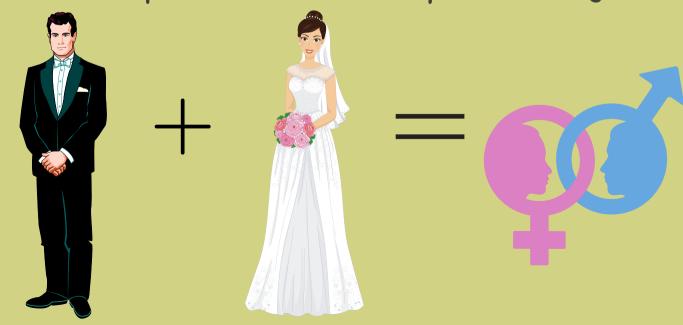
God did all of this to show us His his rules for being married.

God give us rules to obey for marriage because He wants only the best for us. He knows what a marriage should be because He invented marriage.



Here are God's rules for getting married. God made these rules so that they should never ever be changed. A man can only marry a woman and a woman can only marry a man. Also, a man can marry only one woman and a woman can marry only one man.

one man plus one woman equals marriage

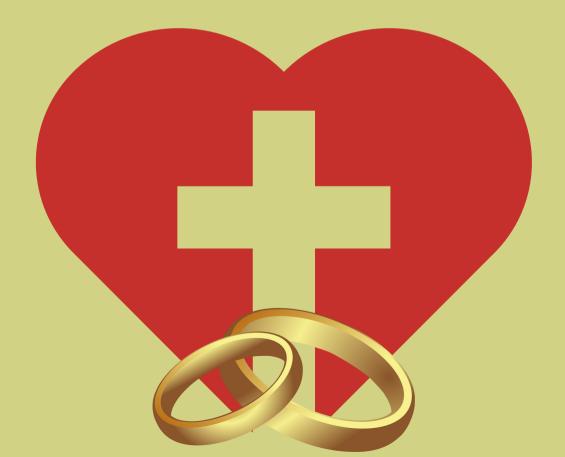


When a man and a woman marry each other it also means that they promise to love and be faithful to each other and that they will be together for life as a husband and a wife.

To be faithful to someone means that you will always be there for them. You can be trusted to always do what's right for that person.



God made marriage to be sacred. Sacred means to have great respect for something. Marriage is sacred because it's a living symbol of God's relationship with His people and it can only be that living symbol if we have respect for God and obey His rules for marriage.



Some people try to make up their own rules for marriage that are very different from God's rules. This is wrong because God is the only one who knows what is good and right all the time and He gave us these rules because He loves us very much.

> So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them

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. For a husband is the head of his wife as Christ is the head of the church. He is the Savico of his body, the church. As the church submits to Christ, so you wives should submit to your husbands in everything.
For husbands, this means low your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her to make her hoy and chean, washed by the cleaning of Cord's word. He dd his to present here to himself as a glorious church without a spot or winkle or any other blemish. Instead, she will be holy and without fault.

God's Rules for marriage are written in the Bible.

Marriage is God's wonderful gift to us. We can trust God's rules for marriage because God loves us and gives us these rules for our own good.



He knows that when we obey His rules we will live a life that's filled with His joy and peace.

God took great care in creating you because He loves you. He loves you so much that He made rules for your life to keep you from being hurt. God knows everything and you do not. You can trust the rules that God made for every part of your life.



Thank you, God, for the gift of marriage and showing us in the very first wedding Your rules for marriage.

Please help me to obey all of your rules. And please help me to always remember how much You love me.

In Jesus Name,

Amen



A word to to parents.

This e-book is written as an exceptional resource for you to be able to influence your precious children toward a mentally and spiritually healthy life as God intended them to live.

The book's focus is to assist you in helping your child to understand God's design for marriage.

Traditional marriage, marriage between one man and one woman, which is the fundamental building block for family as well as the foundation for a healthy, productive and thriving society, is under heavy attack.

This attack on traditional marriage is a direct and deliberate attack on God's created order.

Through LGBTQ idealogies, a war has been declared on our children which shows no sign of letting up.

The lies that are being taught in favor of same sex marriage are directly aimed at our children at a younger and younger age. This is why it's imperative that we begin to instill a godly perspective about marriage in them at as young an age as possible because it's much easier to instill God's truth from the start, than to try to undo the lies that they have been told.

We must get to our children with God's truth about marriage first, before the world get to them with it's lies. These lies are becoming increasingly complex and would seem very convincing were it not for knowing ahead of time God's definitive stance on marriage. If our children have God's Word in regard to marriage firmly entrenched in their hearts and minds they will be able to identify the lies by screening them through a biblical lens.

. It's also extremely helpful for our children to know that when it comes to marriage, the state is not the one that defines marriage. Marriage was created by God. And because God Himself instituted marriage, He is the only one who gets to define it.

I encourage you to be diligent, steadfast, in teaching your children the truth when it comes to the sinfulness of same sex marriage. Strive to find ways to expose them to positive examples of marriages being lived out according to God's design. And educate them by reading books like this with your child(ren). Pray over them and with them. Finally, point them in the right direction by consistently pointing them to Christ, our one and only model for how we should live.

"Oh, that their hearts would be inclined to fear Me and keep all My commands always, so that it might go well with them and their children forever!" Deuteronomy 5:29. NIV

Recommended Resources

<u>"Sacred Marriage"</u> by Gary Thomas <u>"What Does the Bible Really Teach About Homosexuality?"</u> by Kevin DeYoung "Is God Anti-Gay?" by Sam Alberry "<u>Can You be Gay and Christian?</u>" by Michael Brown <u>"Outlasting the Gay Revolution. Where Homosexual</u> <u>Activism is Really Going and How to Turn the Tide.</u>" by Michael L. Brown

Online Resources/Sermons

Focus on the Family. God's Design for Marriage

Marriage, God's Design. Alistair Begg

Assault on God's Design for Marriage. John MacArthur

Voddie Baucham on Homosexuality