



BONE OF MY BONES

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A BIBLICAL STUDY - Genesis 2:18-25



“IT IS NOT GOOD THAT MAN SHOULD BE ALONE”

At what event do you most hear the reading of this passage? Each time you hear it, what is the similar message? In this lesson we hope to deepen our understanding of this passage.

1. What was God’s intent in creating woman? 2:18

- Use “alone” in Genesis 2:18 and “alone” in Eccl. 4:8-10 to give understanding of why “it is not good that man should be alone.” How does this most often differ from the world’s perspective?

2. From what did God form every animal and every bird? 2:19

- Why did God *bring* them all to Adam? Why is this so amazing? Ps. 8:3-9

3. Adam did not find a “help meet” for him (2:20) as he did for all the animals. Why did God create man at a separate time from the woman?

Use I Cor. 11:7-12; 14:34; I Tim. 2:11-14 to compare and contrast.

Man

Woman

4. The same word for “deep sleep” in 2:21 (8639) is used in Job 33:14-17 and Prov.19:15. How is this an interesting use of 8639?

5. When the Lord brought the woman to Adam, what was his response?

- Vs. 23
- Vs. 24

The literal Hebrew translation of Genesis 2:24 is “...they shall *become* one flesh.” Why is the word “*become*” more significant than the KJ translation “...they shall *be* one flesh?”

6. What is the spiritual picture of marriage? Eph. 5:22-33; Rev. 19:9

- What is the spiritual picture of “bones” and “flesh”? Ps. 51:8; Luke 24:39; II Cor. 10:3
- What is the spiritual picture of “leave” and “cleave”? Eph. 5:30-32

FINAL THOUGHTS...

It appears through conversation that at some time in a marriage, an overwhelming majority feel they’ve made a mistake in the person they’ve chosen to marry. Is this possible for a child of God? Why or why not?

After studying these passages, why did God create marriage?

What does God expect from His children regarding marriage?

What did our parents teach us concerning marriage? What will our children say our marriage has taught them?



“ Submitting yourselves to one another in the fear of God.”
- Eph. 5:21

HEBREW DEFINITIONS



1. HELP MEET (5828) “*ayser*” - to aid. Taken from primary root, to surround.
2. ALONE (905) “*bad*” - separation, by implication, a part of the body, branch of a tree. Found in Genesis 2:18.
3. ALONE (259) “*echad*” - united; one. Found in Eccl. 4:9-10.
4. DEEP SLEEP (8639) “*tardaymaw*” - a lethargy or by imp. A trance.
5. CLEAVE (1692) “*dabaq*” - to impinge, i.e. cling or adhere. Literal translation of cleave in Gen. 2:24 is “cling.”
6. LEAVE (5800) “*azab*” - to loosen, relinquish, permit

“For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh.

This is a great mystery: but I speak of Christ and the church.”
Ephesians 5:30-32