

# Victorious Femininity

A. We live in the midst of a confused culture wherein the most fundamental aspects of humanity are frequently blurred and distorted.

1. In our last lesson we reminded ourselves of fundamental facts:

- a. In the beginning, God created (*Gen 1:1-25*)
- b. God created human beings (*Acts 17:25-28; Isa 43:6-7; Psa 148*)
- c. Human beings are created in God's own image (*Gen 1:26-27a; 5:1; 9:1-6; James 3:8-9*)
- d. Gender is one of the most basic expressions of the image of God (*Gen 1:27b*)

2. When God said, "Let us make man in our image" (*Gen 1:26*), what did he have in mind?

- a. Provide (*Gen 2:15*) - work, keep, order, maintain
- b. Pursue (*Gen 2:16-17*) - learn, explore, enjoy, teach
- c. Protect (*Gen 2:17*) - guard, contend, act, lead
- d. Partner (*Gen 2:18*) - connect, participate, commune, help

B. But God also created "female" in his own image. What did he have in mind?

## I. "Have You Not Read...?" (*Matt 19:4*) - The Fundamental Facts

A. Having read eight times about what is "good," we come to a jarring \_\_\_\_\_ (*Gen 2:18a*).

B. God took it upon himself to make "a \_\_\_\_\_" (*ezer - one who supplies strength in the area that is lacking in "the helped"*) for the man (*Gen 2:18b*).

C. This helper would need to be someone " \_\_\_\_\_ " (corresponding to) man (*Gen 2:18c*).

D. Of all the other living \_\_\_\_\_, there was not found "a helper fit" for Adam (*Gen 2:19-20*).

E. So the LORD God fashioned a specific and perfect helper for man (*Gen 2:21-23*).

1. Completely \_\_\_\_\_ in their value and in their full humanity (*Gen 1:27*)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ in the way they relate and function, a distinction grounded in the nature of God (*1 Cor 11:3*) and his very good creation (*1 Tim 2:13*)

3. Equally made in God's image, equally in need of \_\_\_\_\_ (*Rom 3:23*), equally \_\_\_\_\_ (*Gal 3:28; 1 Pet 3:7*), and equally to be resurrected and glorified as \_\_\_\_\_ of God (*1 John 3:1-2*)

F. \_\_\_\_\_ is an institution designed and defined by God wherein man and woman can be joined together in a sacred covenant that glorifies God in a unique way (*Gen 2:24; Eph 5:31-32*).

## II. What Does Victorious Femininity Look Like? Input From a Wise Source

A. The woman \_\_\_\_\_: opposite of victorious femininity (*Prov 9:13-18; 5:3-6*).

B. The woman \_\_\_\_\_: epitome of victorious femininity (*Prov 9:1-6, 10; 31:30; 3:13-20, 5-8*).