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Gen 2:20-25 20 So Adam gave names to all cattle, to the birds of the air, and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper comparable to him. 21 And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place. 22 Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man. 23 And 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." 24 Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be **joined to his wife**, and they shall become one flesh. 25 And they were both naked, **the man and his wife**, and were not ashamed.

- **From the beginning of time, God gave Adam a wife! Not a girlfriend, not a date, not a friend with benefits, not a friend of the opposite sex, but a wife.**
- **God gave Adam a job before He gave him a wife.**
- **You were created to Love God, before you love anyone else.**

Mark 12:28 Then one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, perceiving that He had answered them well, asked Him, "Which is the first commandment of all?" 29 Jesus answered him, "The first of all the commandments is: 'Hear, O Israel, the LORD our God, the LORD is one. 30 **And you shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.**' This is the first commandment. 31 And the second, like it, is this: '**You shall love your neighbor as yourself.**' There is no other commandment greater than these."

- **Finding a Godly person is easy when you know what God has given you to look for.**

Proverbs 18:22 He who finds a wife finds a good thing, and obtains favor from the Lord.

- **Tonight we will focus on what the woman should be looking for. Since she is the one who should be found not doing the finding.**

Ephesians 5:25

25 Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her, 26 that He might sanctify and cleanse her with the washing of water by the word, 27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish. 28 So husbands ought to love their own wives as their own bodies; he who loves his wife loves himself. 29 For no one ever hated his own flesh, but nourishes and cherishes it, just as the Lord *does* the church. 30 For we are members of His body, of His flesh and of His bones. 31 *"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."* 32 This is a great mystery, but I speak concerning Christ and the church. 33 Nevertheless let each one of you in particular so love his own wife as himself, and let the wife *see* that she respects *her* husband.

1 Peter 3:7 (AMP)

7 In the same way you married men should live considerately with [your wives], with an intelligent recognition [of the marriage relation], honoring the woman as [physically] the weaker, but [realizing that you] are joint heirs of the grace (God's unmerited favor) of life, in order that your prayers may not be hindered and cut off. [Otherwise you cannot pray effectively.]

Finding a Godly Man

1. **A Godly Man is loving.**
 - a. **"As Christ loves the church and gave himself for her."**
 - b. **Before he loves his wife, he loves his mom, he loves his sister, and he loves others.**
2. **A Godly man is an Exhorter**
 - a. **With his life and words, Giving love, affection, Value, Identity, Self-Esteem, and Communication to his wife.**
3. **A Godly man makes his wife feel beautiful.**
 - a. **Exemplifying her strengths.**
 - b. **Building her Value. In Looks, In Gifts, In Spirit.**
4. **A Godly man is independent and self sufficient.**
 - a. *"For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh."*
 - b. **He has a place to call his own, for which he is building and making into a home for a family and a place for his wife to rule.**
5. **A Godly man is a protector.**
 - a. **"honoring the woman as [physically] the weaker, but [realizing that you] are joint heirs of the grace (God's unmerited favor) of life"**
 - b. **He guards his wife physically as well as emotionally and spiritually.**
 - c. **Physical Protection, Emotional Protection (With his mouth, and the opinions of others), Spiritual Protection (With his Prayer life, and prayer leadership)**
6. **A Godly man is a provider.**
 - a. **Every woman desires provision, wealth, comfort, and financial security.**
 - b. **Duet 8:18 "And you shall remember the LORD your God, for it is He who gives you power to get wealth, that He may establish His covenant which He swore to your fathers, as it is this day.**
7. **A Godly man is a leader.**
 - a. **He gives direction, vision for the future.**
 - b. **Lead not force, Jesus is the greatest example, referred to as a Sheppard.**

- c. **Psalm 23:1-3** 1 The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He makes me to lie down in green pastures; He leads me beside the still waters. 3 He restores my soul; He leads me in the paths of righteousness For His name's sake.