

Today's Sermons
 Morning: "Consider Thy Ways"
 Evening: "Studies in Ephesians: Introduction & Overview"

**BIBLE
 QUESTIONS**
 (Answers Next Week)



11. Name Naomi's husband, sons and daughters-in-law.
12. Can one pray without uttering a sound?
13. What great man of God had sons who "turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and perverted judgment"?
14. Of what man was it said that he was worth ten thousands of others?
15. How many times was the temple built?
16. What young boy slew a lion and a bear?
17. What in the New Testament is called "the letter"?
18. Who said: "In your patience possess ye your souls"?
19. What man was shot with darts after he hung in an oak tree?
20. What man put up his monument before he died?

Answers to Last Week's
 Bible Questions
Did you get them all?

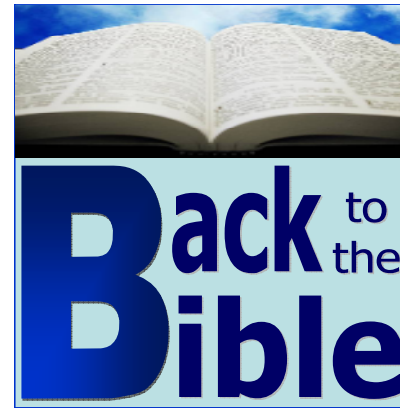
1. **Foolish virgins.** Matthew 25:8.
2. **Damascus.** 2 Corinthians 11:32=33.
3. **Jesus.** Luke 6:26.
4. **Zacchaeus.** Luke 19:1-8.
5. **Yes.** Joshua 17:3.
6. **Christ.** Luke 7:34.
7. **No.**
8. **Not a time.**
9. **Four.** Acts 26:5; Galatians 1:13-14; James 1:27.
10. **Samson.** Judges 14.



FOR THE RECORD

Sunday Bible Study	30
Sunday AM Worship	40
Sunday PM Worship	23
Wednesday Bible Study	28
Daily Bible Readers	9
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Times of Services:

Sunday
 Bible Study:..... 10:00am
 AM Worship:....11:00am
 PM Worship:.....6:00pm

Wednesday
 Bible Study:.....7:00pm

Radio Program
 Sunday:.....7:30am
 "Back to the Bible"
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**Is a Woman Inferior to a
 Man?**

by Betty Burton Choate



Some people say that a woman is nothing more than a servant to a man, even though he is her husband. She is good only to bear children, to keep the house and to prepare the food. Some religions teach that a woman cannot be saved in the body of a woman. She must be first reborn as a man.

In rejection of this thinking, the Women's Liberation Movement, which has swept through the developed nations of the world, declares that woman is in every way the equal of man. Not only does this movement seek to establish equality, but its ultimate goal is to gain power for the women of the world to upset the established authority of men. This attitude has created a sense of competition between women and men that results in enmity, bitterness and broken homes.

Our concern is to learn what God has to say about the role of woman and her relationship to man. Neither the pagan view nor the Liberation Movement is directed by God. When we turn to the Bible, we can clearly see the work, the role and the position of woman as God intended it to be.

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Prayer List

Sue Ulrey (heart)

Kathy Ellison

Emily Ward

Leroy Kennell

Nancy Howell

Savannah Bedenbauch

Larry & Wanda Pless

Everette & Sandy Adams

Karen, Tulsa & Jolie Adams

Lindy Hiatt

Lanita Canup (fall)

Kendra Mabe (travel)

Kiana Miller

Everette Morefield

Dare Cox (bone cancer)

Steven & Jessica Winters

David & Sandy Boone

Tom Fender (heart attack)

Byron & Gladys Holden

Jean Miller

Laura Stephens

Cody Mullis Family

Clayton Winters

Tosha Miller (job)

Rett Miller

Jim & Amanda Winters

Bill Kirby

Mary Nell Osborne

Harold & Doris Hammons

Mable Vannoy



Announcements

LAWN MOWING SIGN-UP LIST

Rear of Auditorium

PREACH AND EAT

Sunday, August 7, Pot Luck Fellowship Meal Following Morning Worship

MEN'S BUSINESS MEETING

Sunday, August 7, Following Evening Worship

LADIES' BIBLE CLASS

Sunday, August 7, Following Evening Worship

SINGING AT MARGATE REHAB

Monday, August 8, 6:30 pm

Is woman inferior to man? In the first book of the Bible – Genesis – we see the answer to this question. God had created animal life and, last of all, He made man. Then, He “brought them to Adam to see what he would call them. And whatever Adam called each living creature, that was its name. 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” (Genesis 2:19-20 NKJV).

The words “a helper comparable to him” tell us what God intended woman to be: a companion, a helper capable of matching man, a partner to share the experiences and responsibilities of life at his side.

In order to bring woman into existence, “...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. And the rib which the Lord God had taken from man He made [the original language literally says, “He built”] into a woman, and He brought her to the man” (Genesis 2:21-22).

When Adam saw the woman God had made, he 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” (Genesis 2:23). The concluding comment in the Genesis text is, “Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh” (v. 24).

From the facts of this creation scene, we can learn several things. Adam was created first; therefore, he was first before the woman. Whereas Adam was made from the dust of the earth, woman was formed or built from a bone taken from the side of Adam. She, therefore, was literally a part of man. The bone was not taken from his head that she should rule over him, nor was it taken from his foot that the man should trample the woman; rather, it was taken from his side that she should be a partner with him.

God created man and woman literally, physically as two halves of a whole, in concept. Without both halves, there can be no reproduction of humanity. Therefore, both halves are of equal importance and necessary in their contribution to the continuation of the human race. As adult humans, when man and woman commit to each other in marriage, God’s plan from the beginning was that they were to be joined together in a new union so they would be “one flesh” – again, two halves of one whole, physically, emotionally and in the living of life. God intended that the two individuals – the man and the woman – leave other family members in order to form a new family unit.

So from the beginning, God formed woman to complete man, to be a helper together with him. In the development of their lives, their family, their work and their relationships with God and with other humans, the woman was designed to fit together with the man, so that their lives would be complete. In truth, she was literally of the very essence of man, in no way inferior or of lesser quality or value.