

HOW TO HAVE A GREAT MARRIAGE

Genesis 2:15-25

Marriage is _____ - **He designed it**
God designed marriage for _____ **(not hurt)**

*And the LORD God said, It is not good that the man should be **alone**;
(bad) / will make him an help meet for him. Genesis 2:18 (KJV)*

Help- ezer -aid: to surround, i.e., protect
Meet- neged- specifically a counterpart, or mate

A man needs to be rescued because he's _____
*God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man...then He took one of
his ribs (v.21)*

Man and woman together are the _____ **of God**
*God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created
him; male and female He created them. Genesis 1:27*

While waiting, Adam:

1. **Fulfilled his** _____ **(v.19)**
2. **Maintained his** _____ **(v.17)**
3. _____ **(v.21)**

*It is vain for you to rise up early, To retire late, To eat the bread of
painful labors; For He gives to His beloved even in his sleep.
Psalms 127:2*

At the right time _____ **her to the man (v.22)**

At times we all think we married the _____
But the truth is that we all married the _____

Because marriage is _____
*If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take
up his cross daily and follow Me. Luke 9:23*

The 3 "C's" of Great Marriages:

1. **Be** _____ **to your spouse**
*... a man must love his wife as a part of himself; and the wife must
see to it that she deeply respects her husband-obeying, praising,
and honoring him. Ephesians 5:33 (TLB)*

_____ **each other's differences**
*"Accept one another in the Lord, just as Christ has accepted you
Romans 15:7*

Be _____ **to each other**
"Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" Luke 6:31

2. _____ **in love with my spouse**
*Speaking the truth in love we will in all things grow up in Him who is
the head, that is Christ ... "In your anger do not sin. Do not let the
sun go down while you're still angry.26 "Don't give the devil a
foothold. 27... Don't let any unwholesome talk come out of your
mouth but only what is helpful for the building up of others
according to their needs that it may benefit those who listen. 29 "Get
rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, brawling and slander along with
every form of malice. Instead be kind and compassionate to one
another, forgiving each other, just as Christ forgave you .
Ephesians 4:25-32*

*For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto this
mountain, Be thou removed, and be thou cast into the sea; and shall
not doubt in his heart, but shall believe that those things which he
saith shall come to pass; he shall have whatsoever he saith.
Mark 11:23 (KJV)*

3. _____ **to your spouse (v.24)**

*"Unless the Lord builds the house, its builders labor in vain."
Psalms 127:1*

A cord of three strands is not quickly broken. Ecclesiastes 4:12 (NIV)