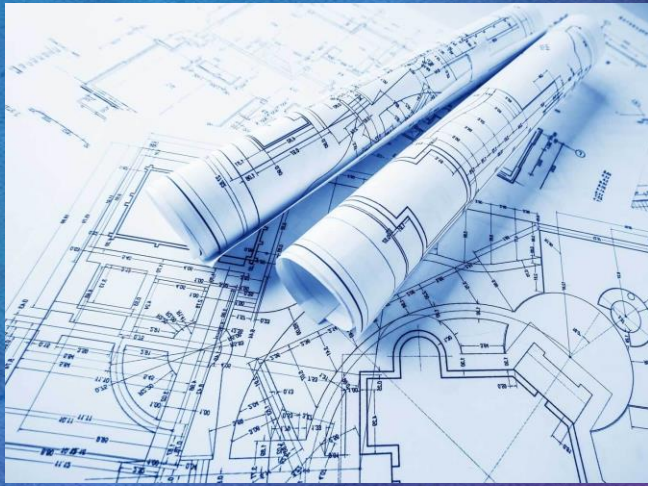




GOD'S
Good
DESIGN

A STUDY IN BIBLICAL
MANHOOD & WOMANHOOD



God's Good Design

Creator and Created

Man's Purpose

Man's Hurdles

Man's Redemption

Woman's Purpose

Woman's Hurdles

Woman's Redemption

Together for the Gospel

Creator and Created

1. Authority comes from the author
2. We are subject to God's authority
3. God is good
4. We are created in God's image



God is good



Creator-Man's Origin

Genesis 2:7

Then the Lord God formed man of dust from the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being....

Sacred Investment of God into Men and Women

We bear the Image of God, "Imago Dei"



God's Design, Intent

Genesis 2:15

Then the Lord God took the man and put him
into the garden of Eden

to *cultivate it* and *keep it*..



Work , Cultivate the Garden

Man was designed for Work

Families Flourish when Men step forward



Headship

For the husband is the head of the wife, as Christ also is the head of the church, He Himself being the Savior of the body.

Ephesians 5



Headship

Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her.....So husbands ought also to love their own wives as their own bodies

Ephesians 5



Headship; 3 tasks

Sacrificial Love

Spiritual Direction

Physical Provision



Psalm 128

*How blessed is everyone who fears the Lord,
Who walks in His ways.*

*When you shall eat of the fruit of your hands,
You will be happy and it will be well with you.*

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine

Within your house,

Your children like olive plants

Around your table.

Behold, for thus shall the man be blessed

Who fears the Lord.



Single Man

*with a Borrowed Authority;
model Sacrificial Love, and Spiritual direction*

*Pursue God's Calling for your life, develop your own
maturity*

*"pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, with those
who call on the Lord from a pure heart"*

II Timothy 2



Men in Christ's Church

"An overseer, then, must be above reproach, the husband of one wife, temperate, prudent, respectable, hospitable, able to teach, not addicted to wine or pugnacious, but gentle, peaceable, free from the love of money."

Timothy 3:2-3



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Men in the Culture



R.E.A.L. Men

*R*ejects Passivity

*E*xpects God Blessing

*A*ccepts Responsibility

*L*eads Courageously



4 Pillars of a Man's Heart

Servant King
Wise Mentor
Tender Warrior
Loving Friend



Men in Christ's Church

"Be on the alert, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love."

"1 Corinthians 16:13-14"

