

The background features a watercolor-style gradient from light blue on the left to deep purple on the right. On the left, there is a light blue silhouette of a man's head in profile, facing right. On the right, there is a purple silhouette of a woman's head in profile, facing left. The two silhouettes appear to be in conversation. The text is centered between them.

GOD'S
Good
DESIGN

A STUDY IN BIBLICAL
MANHOOD & WOMANHOOD

Then the LORD God took the man and put him into the garden of Eden to cultivate it and keep it. The LORD God commanded the man, saying, "From any tree of the garden you may eat freely;

Genesis 2:15-16



but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die." Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone; I will make him a helper suitable for him."

Genesis 2:17-18



God's Good Design

Creator and Created

Man's Purpose

Man's Hurdles &
Redemption

Men's Panel

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Together for the Gospel

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Genesis 2:18



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Exodus 18:4 | Deuteronomy 33:7,33:26, 33:29

Psalms 20:2, 33:20, 70:5, 89:19, 115:9-11, 121:1-2, 124:8, 146:5

Ezekiel 12:14 | Hosea 13:9



suitable for him

- Suitable for him (NASB)
- Fit for (ESV)
- Just right for him (NLT)
- Comparable to him (NKJV & KJV)



A note on equality

So God created man in His own image;
in the image of God He created him;
male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:27



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1 Corinthians 11:11-12



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We are created in God's image

Created in the image of God,
men and women are absolutely equal
in essence, dignity and value,
but are distinct by divine design

A note on submission

Wives, submit to your own husbands, as to the Lord. For the husband is head of the wife, as also Christ is head of the church; and He is the Savior of the body.

Ephesians 5:22-23



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But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ, the head of woman

Ephesians

5:22-23

1 Corinthians

11:3

Title or Position

Single Woman

Wife

Mother

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Phases

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For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
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Identity

For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.
For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3:26-28

REAL Woman

Rejects Worldly Identity

Expects God's Greater Reward

Acts with Strength and Wisdom

Loves Others Boldly



Rejects Worldly Identity

"Many daughters have done well, But you excel them all." Charm is deceitful and beauty is passing, But a woman who fears the LORD, she shall be praised.

Proverbs 31:29-30



Expects God's Greater Reward

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.

Colossians 3: 1-3



Acts with Strength and Wisdom

Go, gather all the Jews who are present in Shushan, and fast for me; neither eat nor drink for three days, night or day. My maids and I will fast likewise. And so I will go to the king, which is against the law; and if I perish, I perish!

Esther 4:16



Loves Others Boldly

I commend to you Phoebe our sister, who is a servant of the church in Cenchrea, that you may receive her in the Lord in a manner worthy of the saints, and assist her in whatever business she has need of you; for indeed she has been a helper of many and of myself also.



Loves Others Boldly

Greet Priscilla and Aquila, my fellow workers in Christ Jesus, who risked their own necks for my life, to whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.

Romans 16:3-4

Acts 18 | 1 Corinthians 16:19 | 2 Timothy 4:19



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Spheres of ministry

Individual

John 1:12-13

2 Corinthians 5:12-21

Home/Family

Joshua 6

Proverbs 31

Church

Titus 2:4-5

Romans 16:1-6

World

Esther

Acts 18

God's Good Design



Rejects Passivity

Expects God's Greater Reward

Accepts Responsibility

Leads Courageously

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