



God's Gift of Women

Genesis 1:26-27

*"Then **God said**, "Let Us make man in **Our image**, according to **Our likeness**; let **them** have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth. So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; **male and female He created them.**"*

*Women – **AS women** – are created in God's own likeness and image.*

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Today we honor Mothers.

- ❖ *But **before** you are mothers...*
- ❖ *You **are** women. (So was Eve)*
- ❖ *As women – you are **a unique expression of the life of God** that men cannot be.*
- ❖ *God is not limited to, or defined by gender*
- ❖ ***We are**, and it is good*
- ❖ *God declared it to be good **before sin** came*

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*God made women **First** for many things*

***Genesis 2:18**, "And the LORD God said, 'It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a **helper** comparable to him.'"*

- ❖ *Woman was God's **1st** expression and deposit of human relationship!*
- ❖ *She was **given** to aid and help...*
- ❖ *Which means the aid and help were **needed**.*
- ❖ *She was God's **1st** use of a person as **His preferred delivery system** of help to people*
- ❖ *A woman was **1st** at Christ's tomb...*
- ❖ *And the **last** at His cross*

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*Women have **4 primary relational roles**:*

- ❖ ***Daughter***
- ❖ ***Wife***
- ❖ ***Sister***
- ❖ ***Mother***

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*Every woman is a daughter
To God and her parents*

*Every wife is a woman first
And every wife is **an example**
of salvation relationship with
Christ*

Ephesians 5:22-32

*Jesus calls women believers His
sister, **Matt.12:5***

*And a **sister to all who
believe in Him**
Every person since Adam & Eve have
had a Mother*

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*Some **outstanding attributes** seen in
women: (Men would do well to
aspire to)*

- ❖ *A devotional spirit, **Luke 1:38***
- ❖ *Generosity, **Luke 21:3-4***
- ❖ *Wisdom & Virtue, **I Samuel 25***
- ❖ ***Proverbs** refers to wisdom as
“she”...*
- ❖ *The Lord’s helper*

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*Some excellent women:
Eve, before sin – God’s gift and
intention*

- ❖ ***Abigail**, woman of wisdom,
courage and action*
- ❖ ***Mary**, chosen to bring Christ
into the world*
- ❖ ***Anna**, public witness to Jesus*
- ❖ ***Lydia**, primary influence for
Christ in Philippi*

*Thank You Lord, for the many **gifts of
life** in and through women!*