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**Man Created for What Reason?  
Taken from Different Commentaries, mostly Arlen Chitwood's**

Man was created for a specific purpose, revealed at the time of his creation. Immediately following the restoration of the ruined earth ([Genesis 1:2-25](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.2-25&t=NKJV) [2b]) — a ruin resulting from Satan's previous aspirations to "be like the most High" ([Isaiah 14:12-17](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Isaiah+14.12-17&t=NKJV); [Ezekiel 28:14-19](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Ezekiel+28.14-19&t=NKJV)) — God created man to rule the restored domain, in the stead of Satan ([Genesis 1:26-28](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.26-28&t=NKJV)). And man was not to rule this restored domain alone. The woman — made from a part of the man and given back to the man for "a helper," in order that the man might be complete — was to rule alongside the man as consort queen, with the man ruling as king ([Genesis 1:26](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.26&t=NKJV)).

God, prior to creating man, reflecting on the purpose for man's creation, made the statement: "...let them [the man and the woman together] have dominion" ([Genesis 1:26](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.26&t=NKJV)). If man was to rule, then the woman had to rule with him. Both had to rule together, else there could be no rule. This is a principle that God, not man, established at the time God created man; and the principle cannot be violated.

Thus, the “first man,” Adam, could occupy the position for which he had been created through one means alone. He could occupy this position only as a complete being. And for Adam to rule in this manner, Eve — who was bone of his bones, and flesh of his flesh ([Genesis 2:23](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+2.23&t=NKJV)) —had to rule with him. Eve, because she was a part of Adam's very being, completed Adam; and the two of them ruling together — the king, with his consort queen — was the only way Adam could rule the earth and remain within the guidelines that God had established.

Understanding this principle will shed light upon numerous things seen in the opening three chapters of Genesis ([Genesis 1](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1&t=NKJV); [2](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+2&t=NKJV); [3](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+3&t=NKJV)). Why did Adam, though not deceived, partake of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil following Eve partaking of this tree? The answer is the same as the reason why Christ, who knew no sin, was made "sin for us" when He found His bride in the same condition in which Adam found Eve ([Genesis 3:6](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+3.6&t=NKJV); [2 Corinthians 5:21](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=2Corinthians+5.21&t=NKJV); [1 Timothy 2:14](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=1Timothy+2.14&t=NKJV)).

Adam could not rule apart from Eve; and Eve, following the time when she had eaten of the forbidden fruit, was no longer in a position to rule with Adam. Thus, Adam could not have fulfilled the purpose for his creation had he not acted exactly as he did. Adam acted with a view to Eve's redemption, in order that he, as a complete being (Adam, with Eve), might one day fulfill the purpose for man's creation.

Nor can the “Second Man,” the “Last Adam,” rule apart from a wife. He, as the “first Adam,” found His bride in a fallen state. And He acted in complete accord with the established type, with a view to exactly the same thing seen in the type. He Who knew no sin was made "sin for us," with a view to both He and a redeemed wife one day taking the scepter and ascending the throne together.

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Christians live in a world governed and controlled by Satan and his angels. It is a world in which Satan and his angels continue a rule, which they have held since time immemorial, since a time preceding Satan’s fall, along with one-third of his original contingent of angels ruling in lesser positions of power under him. And this, in turn, would date back to the time following the creation of the heavens and the earth when God appointed and placed Satan and his angels in the positions of power that they, since that time, have occupied (cf. [Ezekiel 28:14ff](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Ezekiel+28.14ff&t=NKJV); [Daniel 4:17ff](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Daniel+4.17ff&t=NKJV); [Romans 13:1](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Romans+13.1&t=NKJV)).

Then, since man’s creation and fall 6,000 years ago — an individual created in God’s image, after His likeness, created to take the scepter in the stead of Satan and his angels ([Genesis 1:26-28](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.26-28&t=NKJV) [though the fall, requiring redemption, has delayed man from occupying this position]) — Satan and his angels, continuing to rule, have carried out this rule by and through fallen man, by and through rulers among the nations ([Daniel 10:12-20](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Daniel+10.12-20&t=NKJV)).

And since the bringing into existence of the nation of Israel over two millennia following man’s creation (descendants of Jacob, a special creation, separate from the nations), the rule of Satan and his angels through fallen man has been restricted to the Gentile nations. Israel’s ruling angel is Michael, with undoubtedly a large contingent of angels ruling under him. And Michael, with his angels, is not part of Satan’s kingdom ([Daniel 10:21](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Daniel+10.21&t=NKJV)).

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Following the creation of the heavens and the earth, God placed Satan (in his unfallen state) in the position of provincial ruler over the earth, along with a great host of angels occupying various positions of power and authority under him ([Genesis 1:1](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.1&t=NKJV); [Ezekiel 28:14-15](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Ezekiel+28.14-15&t=NKJV); cf. [Matthew 25:41](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Matthew+25.41&t=NKJV); [Ephesians 6:12](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Ephesians+6.12&t=NKJV); [Revelation 12:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Revelation+12.4&t=NKJV)). But, at a point in time following Satan’s fall and disqualification (which would be following the accompanying ruin and subsequent restoration of the earth, recorded in [Genesis 1:2-25](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.2-25&t=NKJV)), another provincial ruler was brought on the scene to replace the incumbent ruler. But the earth’s second provincial ruler was not of the angelic creation. Rather, an individual created in the image and likeness of God was brought on the scene to take the reins of government ([Genesis 1:26-28](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Genesis+1.26-28&t=NKJV)).

The first provincial ruler, Satan, is not only presently holding the scepter in a rebellious fashion, but his kingdom can only be in disarray. Two thirds of the original contingent of angels, which God appointed in the beginning to rule with Satan ([Revelation 11:4](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Revelation+11.4&t=NKJV)), refused to go along with him in his vain efforts to exalt his throne. Thus, the remaining one-third can only fall far short of the number of angels that God had originally decreed necessary to properly rule the earth.

Man was created to rule in the stead of Satan and his angels. But man, because of his fall, finds himself occupying a position alien to that for which he was created. He can now only rule under the one he was created to replace.

Thus, certain things within the present structure of the earth’s government are completely out of place, and they will remain out of place until the end of the present age. At that time, Satan and his angels will be put down, Christ and His co-heirs will take the kingdom, and a God-ordained number of rulers will once again occupy positions of power and authority.

The [Why did God Create Man?](https://www.koffeekupkandor.com/gods-word-one.php#Why%20did%20God%20Create%20Man?) adds to the subject at hand.