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**The Bride in Genesis  
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**FOREWORD**

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.

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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