Why God Made Man

*The Purpose for Man*

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You might well agree that many people live without understanding the purpose of their existence, and that does not exclude Christians. As a matter of fact even being a Christian – many Christians do not understand the purpose of them being saved – they think God saved them so they can miss ‘Hell’ or go to ‘Heaven’. The purpose of your creation and that of your salvation (if you are saved) is one and the same.

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)). Note that man was not to rule this restored earth alone. The woman – made from a part of the man and given back to the man for “*an helpmeet*,” 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 of 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 at all. This is a principle which 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; [without Eve, a part of Adam was missing]. The both of them had to rule together – the king (Adam) and the consort queen (Eve) – was the only way Adam could rule the earth and remain within the guidelines which 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’s partaking of this tree? Adam knew exactly what he was doing. 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. Therefore, Adam could no longer rule (fulfill the purpose for which he was created), had he not acted exactly the way he did – he cleaved unto his wife. 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.

Jesus Christ, the Second Man, the Last Adam; cleaved to His wife for the very same reason. He cannot rule apart from His wife – that is God’s established principle and it cannot be violated. Christ, like the first Adam, found His bride in a fallen state, and He acted in complete accord with the established 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.

Start to read the book of Genesis – begin where God began - with this frame of reference, you will be surprised at the difference it makes in the way you see God, see yourself and see Scripture. This is what Satan doesn’t want us to understand and he is doing a very good job in preventing us. He knows if he can “shake the foundation,” the righteous can do nothing.

*If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?* ([Psalms 11:3 KJV](https://www.blueletterbible.org/search/preSearch.cfm?Criteria=Psalms+11.3&t=KJV))