

What if Adam Rejected Eve and Asked God for Another Man?

In my last article, we saw how God's ordained day of rest is indispensable, since it was established by the Creator for the good of His creation. Any tampering with that design would spell disastrous consequences. Now we will look at the second pillar of creation: Marriage. The same Creator God who established weekend rest for the good of humankind is the same One who designed a man and a woman to be united equally in marriage, for the good of all creation. In Genesis 2:18, God said: "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." It was God who created a helper who would appropriately correspond to man. It was also God who conducted the first heterosexual marriage in the Garden of Eden. Just as He blessed the Sabbath rest, He also blessed heterosexual marriage as the only acceptable pattern for true fulfillment. The interpersonal fusion of marriage—the wonder of intimacy, the oneness in cleaving to each other—spells out God's design for one man and one woman—no more, no less, no variations. That design, and only that design, brings about God's blessing on His creation. In Matthew 19, Jesus emphasizes the Creator's design when He says: "He who created them from the beginning made them male and female; therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and shall join to his wife and the two shall become one flesh." When God created man first, and then woman, He was in no way implying any form of superiority. Indeed, Genesis 1:27 makes it clear that women were equally created in God's image. That is why a man and a woman complete one another, and together, contribute to a culture that glorifies the Creator. Some time ago, a former media mogul verbally attacked me because of my strong stance on Biblical marriage. I attempted to explain to him that his arguments in favor of same-sex marriage would fall apart once he understood God's purpose in

Creation. I then asked him, "Did God create a man and a woman to anatomically fit, and in every way, complement each other?" The man answered, "Yes." Next, I asked, "If Adam had rejected Eve, and instead, asked God for another man, or if Eve had rejected Adam and asked for another woman, how do you think God would have responded?" I'll paraphrase the man's response to avoid the expletive: "God would have been very unhappy about that." If Adam had shaken his fist at God and made such a demand, he would have vanished in a split second, and God would have started over with a new creation. But now we have five judges on the Supreme Court who are essentially shaking their fists at God and saying, "We have rejected what you instituted in the Garden of Eden." Their decision can only bring our society to ruin. Just because lightning didn't strike after the Court's decision doesn't mean the consequences of rejecting God's created order are not on their way. As I mentioned before, should a handful of individuals legislate a seven-day workweek, it would spell disaster. In the same way, we cannot go against God's created ordinance on marriage without bringing disaster. Therefore, all of Creation must repudiate this wrong-way decision. But not only that, we must ultimately use everything within our power to change the decision and reverse course.