

Genesis 1:26-27; 2:15-25

Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and 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.

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "You may surely eat of every tree of the garden, but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him." she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man."

Therefore, a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

August 4, 2024

Today's Order of Service:

- Corporate Reading: Genesis 1:26-27; 2:15-25
- Doxology Old 100th
- Apostles Creed
- Only a Holy God

Teaching: 1 Timothy 2:1-15 Fulfill God's Design

- Collection of Tithes and Offerings
- Grace Upon Grace
- Solid Rock
- It was Finished
- Now to Him – Jude 24

Upcoming Sermon Topics and Events: (also see website)

Aug 11 – The Necessary Thing: Luke 10:38-42 Doug Helmer

August 18 – Trellis & The Vine: 1 Timothy 3:1-7

August 25 – Trellis & The Vine: 1 Timothy 3:8-13

GROWING TOGETHER SERIES: August 14, 21, 28. We will be taking three Wednesday evenings to talk about our beliefs together as a Church. Join us at 7pm Shepherd of the Hills Church

THE WORKSHOP: Men's Bible Study. This is an ongoing study that meets the FIRST Sunday morning of every month at 7:30 a.m. Meeting location is at Robb Besosa's woodshop: 460 Salt Creek Road. Next Meeting: August 4 at 7:30am. We will be studying Psalm 51. See Kevin Salsbery for assignments and materials.

LIVE STREAMING: If you cannot attend in person, you can join us by clicking the button on our home page at vineandbranch.family

EMAIL LIST: If you attend regularly and want to be kept updated on church information and events by being included on the email list, provide your email to Ian Smith; iansmith@ianlabs.com. These are sent out 2-3 times a month and include prayer requests and announcement.

MISSIONARIES and MINISTRIES:

- **Rajan & Helen Nehemiah**
Agape Christian Mission – India
Agapemissionindia.org
- **John & Brittany Bagatya**
YWAM Hopeland Base, Uganda
Bagatya.wordpress.com
- **40 Days for Life:** 40daysforlife.com

Please check out <https://vineandbranch.family/> for a more detailed calendar, weekly sermon series and study passages, events and to access previous sermons.

2:1-2. **Devote yourselves to prayer and intercessions and Thanksgivings, toward** the incorruptible truth of the gospel to be effective in the world!

Two reasons this should be our mindset and priority (2-4):

1. "That we may lead a peaceable and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way."
2. "This is good, and pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires that all people be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth."

When we **value what God values and invest in what God invests in TOGETHER** = UNITY! (v.5)

- There is **one God**: The unity of God has the power to change our lives and bring us together
- There is **one Mediator**: There are not many roads to God there is One! Jesus Christ
- There is **one Truth**: v.6 "Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures!" (1 Cor 15:3,4)

Timothy's charge:

1. Guard the truth that leads to life
2. Shepherd and **train the men** to guard the truth that leads to life.

Vs. 8 The **MEN** should PRAY and lead in prayer with anger or quarreling.

Relevant Cultural Issue: The issues Paul was addressing were specific to Ephesian culture, **Paul's response was TIMELY**. Yet, the **Apostolic answer** that Paul provides is founded upon the **very laws established in the created order**, and therefore it is also be for all Christians, **everywhere**, for **all time**; **Paul's response was TIMELESS**. "Redemption does not cancel out created order, it gives us the ability to fulfil it."

Men should not quibble but lead and live out their place in God's crated order... **LIKEWISE** (v.9) Women should not be **immodest** (in dress or authority) **but grow in and live out/fulfill their calling in God's created order**.

Modesty in Dress:

1. Immodesty of clothing in church distracts from the truth inside the church and hinders the reputation of truth outside the church.
2. Women **professing Godliness** should be **far more concerned about internal** than **external adornment** (Prv 31:25, 31, Ps 51).
 - the way women can do that is by **adorning themselves with good works**.

Modesty in Authority:

1. "ADORN themselves with character and good works."
2. A women is not to teach or proclaim the Scriptures in a way where she exercises authority over men, rather - in *regards to teaching the Scripture authoritatively* - she should remain quiet.
3. *Yet she will be saved through childbearing*" = "saved" not soul salvation (that is only through Christ) But saved from **maligning or distorting truth, confusing the church, and harming gospel** impact in the World.
4. *Women are "saved" through* perseverance in their role; joyfully, submissively, contentedly (=quiet), faithfully, lovingly, in holiness - living out their unique, valuable, and essential role in God's created order.

APPLICATION:

1. Devote yourself to **teaching, studying, and PRAYING** for the effectiveness of the **incorruptible truth** of the Gospel to go out to the world and bring others to Christ and His Kingdom.
2. **Men, putting away anger or quarreling, lead those around you to sincere prayer**
 - Pray with those who Gather with you in your home
3. **Women, continue to be encouraged, press on, keep going, adorning yourself with character and with good works!**
 - Express gratitude and thanks
 - Observe others and imitate