

A close-up photograph of two hands, one with dark brown skin and the other with light brown skin, intertwined in a gentle grip. The lighting is soft, highlighting the texture of the skin and the creases in the fingers. The background is dark, making the hands the central focus.

Image *of* God

EXPRESSED IN MARRIAGE

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Myths

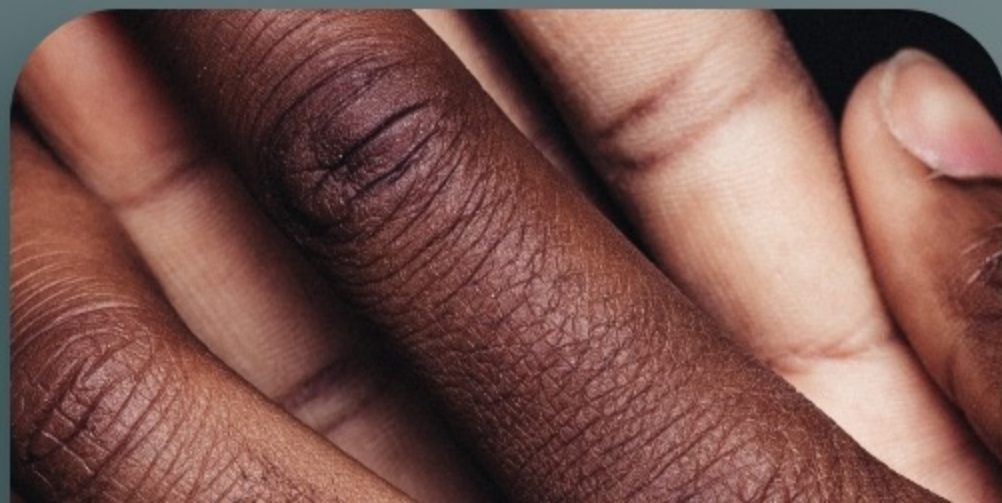
- 1. Widely held but false belief*
- 2. Sacred story that explains the world and mankind's experience*

Image *of* God

1 CREATED IN MEN & WOMEN



2 EXPRESSED IN MARRIAGE



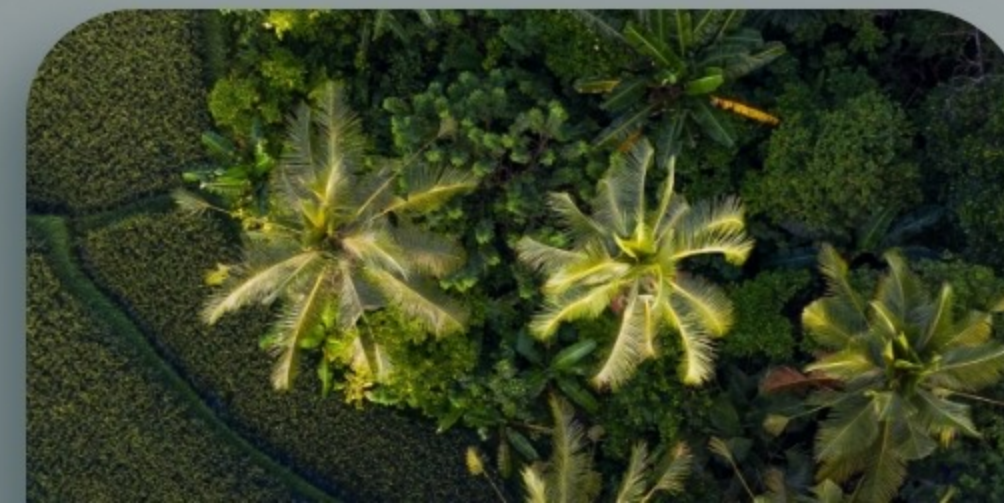
3 FALLEN IN MEN & WOMEN



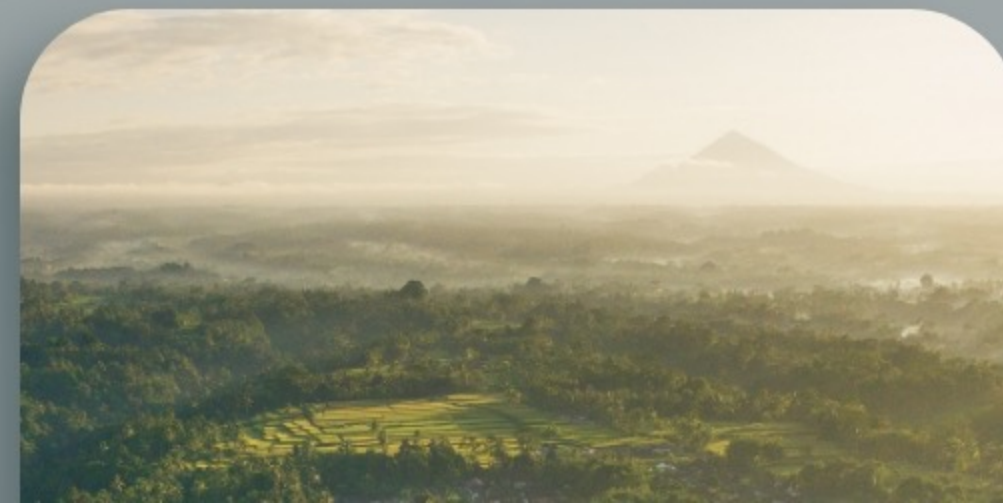
4 EXPRESSED IN WORK



5 PROMISE & PLAN OF RESCUE



6 GOD'S GLOBAL RESCUE PLAN



| Genesis 1 ^{NIV}

v. 1-2a

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.
² Now the earth was formless and empty...

v. 26-28

Then God said, “Let us make **mankind in our image, in our likeness**, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.” ²⁷ So **God created mankind in his own image**, in the image of God he created them; **male and female he created them.** ²⁸ God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over...

v. 31

God saw all that he had made, and **it was very good.** And there was evening, and there was morning—the sixth day.

God's Vision
**True, Good
and Beautiful**



**Sex and gender
are linked.**

Creation of **Men & Women**

Genesis 2:7, 15-17 NIV

⁷ Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being...

¹⁵ The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶ And the Lord God commanded the man, “You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die.”

Creation of Men & Women

Genesis 2:18-19 *NIV*

The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.” ¹⁹ Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name.

Creation of Men & Women

Genesis 2:20-22a *NIV*

So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man...

Creation of Marriage

Genesis 2:22-25 *NIV*

Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. ²³ The man said,

*“This is now bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called ‘woman,’
for she was taken out of man.”*

²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh. ²⁵ Adam and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

God's Vision
**True, Good
and Beautiful**

God-glorifying marriage requires
both a man and a woman, living
in oneness.

God's Vision
**True, Good
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Men and women are created
equally and distinctly.

At Creation

Genesis 1-2

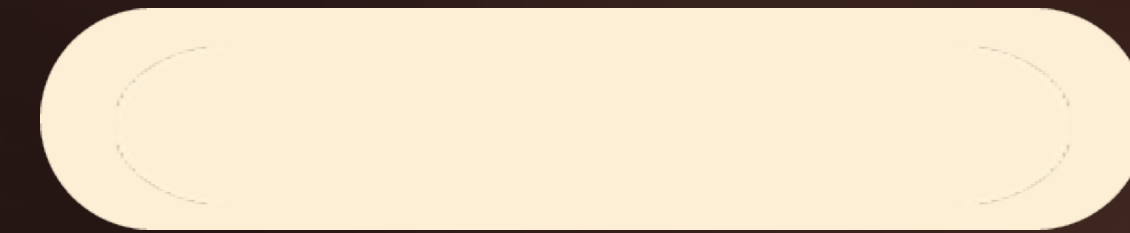
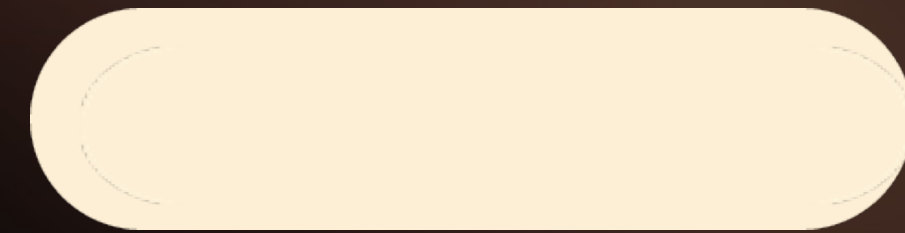


Image reflected
equally and distinctly

At Creation

Genesis 1-2



Initiate | Care



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Respond | Complete

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