

# The Purpose of Marriage

Genesis 2:15-25

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# Couple In Conflict

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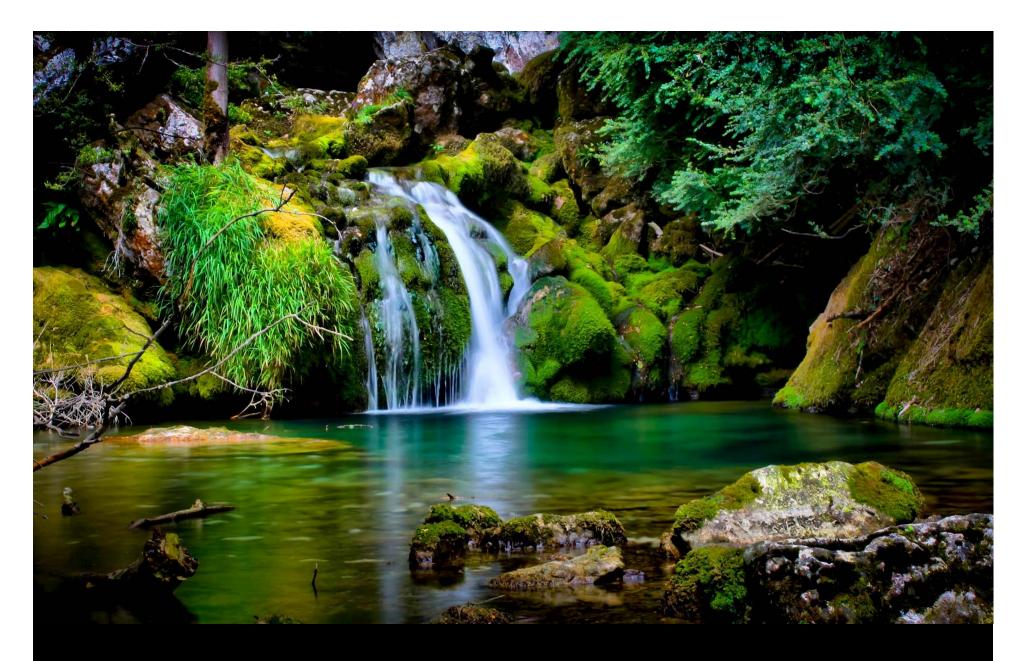
## Merriam-Webster Definition of Marriage

"The state of being united to a person of the opposite sex as husband or wife in a consensual and contractual relationship recognized by law."

## Another Definition of Marriage

"Legal relationship between spouses: a legally recognized relationship established by a civil or religious ceremony between two people who intend to live together as sexual and domestic partners."

# Purpose of Marriage?



## Garden of Eden

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Working In The Garden of Eden



Nothing Was Like Adam

## "It Is Not Good For The Man To Be Alone"

Genesis 1:18



LBAD = "only one, alone, empty"

## "It Is Not Good For The Man To Be Alone"

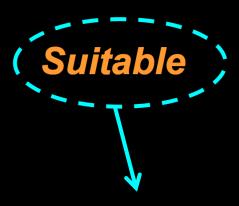
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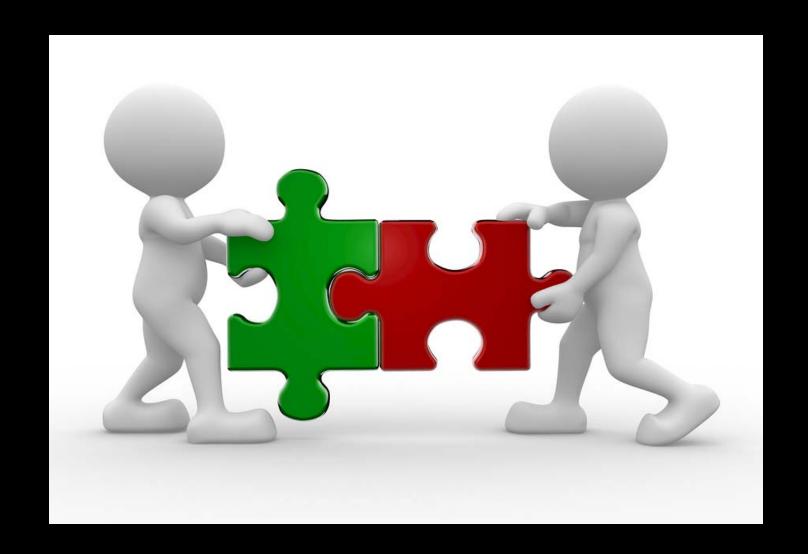
EZER = "one who helps"

## "It Is Not Good For The Man To Be Alone"

Genesis 1:18



NAGAD = "corresponding to"

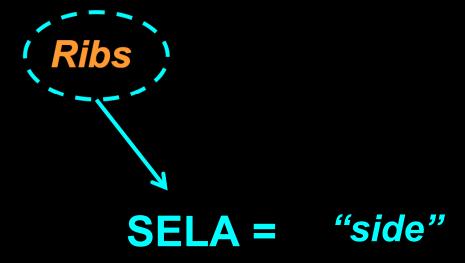


# Jigsaw Puzzle Pieces

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## "God Fashioned The Woman The Rib"

Genesis 1:22



#### IS and ISSA

Genesis 1:23

ISSA = "woman"

IS = "man"

# Purpose of Marriage?

# For Companionship

#### How Shall We Conclude?

- 1<sup>st</sup> Be the right companion to your spouse
- 2<sup>nd</sup> If single,
  - . . . Maybe gift of being single
  - ... Otherwise, marry only in the Lord.