



## **BROTHERS, PLEASE GET UP AND REPRESENT!**

**(PART 2 OF 3)**

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**GENESIS 1:26-28 NKJV – (26)** Then God said, “**Let Us make man in Our image**”, according to Our likeness; **let them have dominion** over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth.” **(27)** So, God created man in His *own* image; in the image of God He created him; **male and female** He created them. **(28)** Then God blessed them, and **God said to them**, “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it; have dominion over the fish of the sea, over the birds of the air, and over every living thing that moves on the earth.”

When God created the human race, he created the human race to act in history from his vantage point in eternity. It's called in theology, the dominion Covenant, the agreement that he made with mankind. To understand what the male role is and the he female's role, you have to understand the dominion covenant because that's key to understanding what you are about individually and what marriage is about and what purpose is about all lined up in this one agreement that God made with history through mankind.

Read **Genesis 1:26-28**. God established the covenant. Let them rule He said. That means dominion. That's why God breathed into man the breath of life, so that man would have the spirit of God operating in this physical body so that he could manage the physical world from the spiritual reality of God that is the human. That is why God made you, me and us. That is the job of the human race. God did not create man and woman at the same time.

The bible says He created Adam first. And the reason He created Adam first was that he was supposed to be the foundation. He was to be the stabilizing force on which everything else that God made would be. And he put him in the garden (Adam had a job). The garden was the place of God's abiding presence. Then the Lord God said, it is not good for man. To be alone. **I will make him a helper suitable for him. Please note, Adam was not looking for a woman. In other words, a help mate. She was not behind him, but beside him.**

And she was suitable to assist him in accomplishing what God established. She had a role as well, but Adam (man) was responsible as the head. Read **Genesis 3:6** and **9**. Who did God call on though they tried to hide? Look at Adams response to God's question in **verse 12**. He held the serpent, Eve and Adam accountable. **Verse 17** tells us what He said to Adam. Adam heeded his wife's voice. In other words, he listened to her instead to God. Next week we will look at what happens when man doesn't step up as God commanded.

**SCRIPTURE READING: LUKE 10:19**

**THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK:** To not take charge of what God has given, is to rebel against the source and His resources.