



beginnings marriage



Genesis 2:18 (NIV)

The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.”

The Problem: alone

Genesis 2:18 (NIV)

The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be **alone**. I will make a helper suitable for him."

Genesis 1:26a (NIV)

Then God said, "Let Us make man in Our image..."

The Problem: alone

Genesis 2:19-20a (NIV)

Now the Lord God had formed out of the ground all the beasts of the field and all the birds of the air. 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.²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beasts of the field.

The Problem: alone
The Solution: woman/helper

Genesis 2:20b-22 (NIV)

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 closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the Lord God made a **woman** from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

“Women were created from the rib of man to be beside him, not from his head to top him, nor from his feet to be trampled by him, but from under his arm to be protected by him, near to his heart to be loved by him.”

- Matthew Henry



Genesis 2:23 (NIV)

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.”

The Vision: oneness

Genesis 2:24 (NIV)

For this reason a **man** will leave his father and mother and be united to his **wife**, and they will **become one** flesh.

The Vision: oneness
The Process:
leave, cleave, weave

Genesis 2:24 (NIV)

For this reason a man will **leave** his father and mother and be **united to** his wife, and they will **become one flesh.** ²⁵ The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.



Insert “Broken Together” Video



Merge

fellowshipnwa.org/merge



re|engage

fellowshipnwa.org/re-engage



**Divine
Portrait**

fellowshipnwa.org/divine-portrait



**Counseling
Services**

fellowshipnwa.org/care