



The Quest for Authentic Manhood - Session Fifteen “Genesis and Manhood, Part 2”

I. A Brief Review

Male domination is a personal moral failure, not a teaching of the Bible.

II. What Genesis 2 Says About Manhood (Continued from last week)

- A. Notice... Adam names his helper. (Gen. 2:23)
- B. Notice... It is the man who is told to leave and initiate a new household. (Gen. 2:24)

III. What Genesis 3 Says About Manhood

- A. Notice... The temptation seeks to corrupt and reverse God’s original social and spiritual order. (Gen. 3:1-6)
- B. Notice... God holds Adam, not the woman, accountable for this first sin. (Gen. 3:8-9)
- C. Notice... Adam’s sin has an unacceptable passivity attached to it. (Gen. 3:11-12)
- D. Notice... Adam’s curse is based on the reversal of God’s original created order. (Gen. 3:17) (Eve’s curse is also based on her usurping God’s created order.)
- E. Notice... Adam’s sin unleashes the destructive curse of male domination. (Gen. 3:16b)

F. Notice... Adam dies. (Gen. 2:16-17) This judgment of **death** also extends to all those who come after him. (Rom. 5:19) He, not Eve, is **charged** with the fall of the human race. Our natures are due to Adam's sin.

G. Notice... Adam **renames** his wife as a continued sign of his **leadership** even after the fall. (Gen. 3:20)

QUESTIONS FOR YOUR SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

- How does the Genesis story make you feel as a man? Explain.
- What sense of increased responsibility do you feel from the truths of Genesis? Explain.
- When have you seen the sin of Adam's passivity in your own life? Explain.

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