



Woman: The Pinnacle of God's Created Beauty!

Declaring the Glory of Womanhood and Motherhood on Mother's Day

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In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. God created the light and the waters, the day and the night, the vegetation and fruits, the two great lights, the moon and the sun, all the living creatures in the land and in the sea. And God saw that it was good. (Gen 1:1-24)

God formed man of the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and man became a living creature (Gen 2:6). Let us pick up our Text at this point...

Text: Genesis 2:15-24, 3:20

Friends, I'm convinced we serve a **beautiful** God...

One thing have I asked of the LORD, that will I seek after: that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD and to inquire in his temple. (Psa 27:4)

I'm convinced we serve a **loving, merciful** King, who wants us to reflect that beauty...

And let the beauty of the LORD our God be upon us: and establish thou the work of our hands upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it. (Psa 90:17, KJV)

And based on Scripture, I'm convinced that God's creation, as designed, was **beautiful**. Imagine the lush, unstained forests, the colors of the meadows and fields, the unspoiled mountains and seas, and the paradise that was the Garden of Eden.

Into this paradise, God, in love, placed the crowning jewels of His creation, Adam and Eve. And God walked among them in the cool of the day, obviously desiring a loving relationship with His children (Gen 3:8).

Now, this message is titled the way it is because *Woman* is the last creature God created, and in my view, He saved the best for last. :) With all my heart, I believe that *Woman* was created with beauty in mind, to be delightful inside and out, and has a beautiful purpose given by God!

Thoughts on the Text:

1. God put Adam in the garden to work it and keep it. Part of man's purpose is to **labor**. This is how he takes dominion.
2. But man was not **complete**. God wasn't quite finished. Man could not then and cannot now accomplish his dominion purpose without...
3. **Woman**. God said, *"It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helper fit for him."* (Gen 2:18)

4. Here we find the great **purpose** for Woman, and the great purpose is a part of her beauty: *Woman was formed for man, to be a helper fit for him.*
 - Man cannot procreate nor achieve dominion without her!
 - Amazingly, with all creation being “good,” it was NOT good for man to be alone!
5. Again, note that after her creation, God was **finished!** Woman is the last thing God made. **She is the best and brightest stone on the crown of creation, the finishing touch in the mind of God, and designed by God to be a beautifying “corner pillar” fit for a palace.** (Ps 144:12)
6. It was critical that man understand these things. Woman, therefore, was not created in isolation, or independently, *but she was taken from Man.*
7. Indeed, so precious is this pinnacle of beauty, Scripture unfolds a lifetime of care for her. From birth to gray hair, God commands her **protection** and provision.
8. Not only that, but she is given the privilege to be a mother, the one who literally conceives within her womb and brings human life into the world! What is more beautiful than that? (Gen 3:20)

Friends, we all know that Satan works to mar and disfigure everything that God created. His desire is to make the beautiful ugly and the ugly seem beautiful. Nowhere is this more apparent in 2016 than among women. I submit to you that woman, especially the Christian woman is:

1. **Beautiful** in her role as a daughter of **Christ**, reflecting our Lord’s tenderness and care, His patience and tenacity, His submission to and love for His Father.
2. **Beautiful** in her role as an unmarried servant of the Kingdom, making the mission her family and the church her **priority** until she weds.
3. **Beautiful** in her role as wife and mother, taking up her role in the picture of Christ and His church (Eph 5), exalted in her role as the **submitted** bride.
4. **Beautiful** in her role as a **mentor** and discipler of children, pouring daily and exhaustingly into her progeny day after day, crying aloud for them in the secret place as only a mother can.
5. **Beautiful** when she models **modesty**, rejecting the examples of the world and witnessing to all of creation the Christian virtues of propriety, meekness, and humility.

Year after year, I’ve read these quotes:

“Only women can be mothers. Have we forgotten this fundamental? Only a woman can carry in her body an eternal being which bears the very image of God. Only she is the recipient of the miracle of life. Only a woman can conceive and nurture this life using her own flesh and blood, and then deliver a living soul into the world. God has bestowed upon her alone a genuine miracle — the creation of life, and the fusing of an eternal soul with mortal flesh. This fact alone establishes the glory of motherhood. This is one reason why the office of wife and mother is the highest calling to which a woman can aspire. This is the reason why nations that fear the Lord esteem and protect mothers. They glory in the distinctions between men and women, and attempt to build cultures in which motherhood is honored and protected.” – Article from the NCFIC

“At CRCC, we view the role of women and the call to motherhood in such high esteem that our entire church has changed because of it! Why?

1. The first reason is to honor the Scriptures, and therefore be obedient to God’s ordained order: *But I want you to understand that the head of every man is Christ, the head of a wife is her husband, and the head of Christ is God. (1Co 11:3 ESV)* This wonderful Scripture implies...

2. Our second reason: to increase the **love, support, protection, and provision** for the women and children among us!
3. “Women and children first” may sound old fashioned to some of you but not to us. We are calling men to lead not for the sake of *domination*, but for *deliverance*; not to be *served*, but to *serve*; not to be catered to but to be trained to give his life for his wife, sisters, and children.”

The goal in such repetition is to sow something different into hearts and minds, and by God’s mercy, water, cultivate, and see the growth of something **distinctly and biblically beautiful**.

Ladies, you are beautiful in every way, and created for such. You are God’s masterpiece, crowned with glory. (1 Cor 11:15) You are feminine, and strong; modest and anointed...to be women. May God awaken and cultivate these truths in you. May you be humbled by them. And may this next year be the most fruitful in the history of our church among the women of God.

In Jesus Name and for His glory alone, Amen.