# Marriage 101 "Back to the Basics"

# Session 2: Foundational Principles of Marriage

Marriage is a <u>Divinely</u>-Created Institution

(V 21) So the LORD <u>God caused</u> a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and he slept; then <u>He took</u> one of his ribs and <u>closed up</u> the flesh at that place. (V 22) <u>The LORD God fashioned</u> into a woman the rib which <u>He had taken</u> from the man, <u>and brought her</u> to the man.

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#### Marriage is Complementarian

- •The <u>Biblical</u> Teaching that Men and Women, as God's image bearers (Gen 1:26-27), are ontologically "equal" (that is, in their being or essence), but functionally have "distinct" roles and responsibilities (home life & in the church). These are "complementary" roles.
- •Relevant Texts: Gen 3:16; 1 Cor 11:2-3, 8, 9 (Trinity; Creation); Eph 5:22-33; 1 Tim 2:9-15

"Man and Woman are Equal in the sense that they bear God's Image equally. They are equal, but Different by God's Design. In the partnership of two spiritually equal human beings (man and woman), man bears the primary responsibility to lead the Partnership in a God-Glorifying direction."

"Rediscovering Biblical Manhood and Womanhood"

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- Marriage is Complementarian...

- Marriage is Heterosexual & Monogamous...
  - Genesis 1:27, God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created Him; male and female He created them.

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### Questions/Cries of Outrage?

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