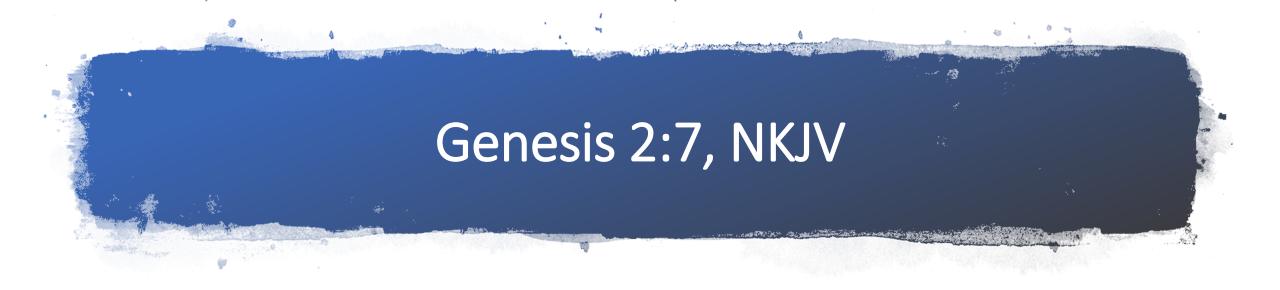
# God of Relationship

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### **Creator God**

- Existed before heavens and earth were made
- Made the heavens and earth (Gen. 1:1)
- Makes things out of what is invisible (Heb. 11:3)
- Word of God always accomplishes His purpose (Isa. 55:10, 11)
- Only LORD, the true God (Isa. 45:18; Jer. 10:10-13)
- Formed the earth to be inhabited (Isa. 45:18)
- Wisdom, understanding, knowledge, power, discretion (Prov. 3:19-20; Jer. 10:10-13)
- Eternal power, divine nature (Rom. 1:19-20)



# And the LORD God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living being.

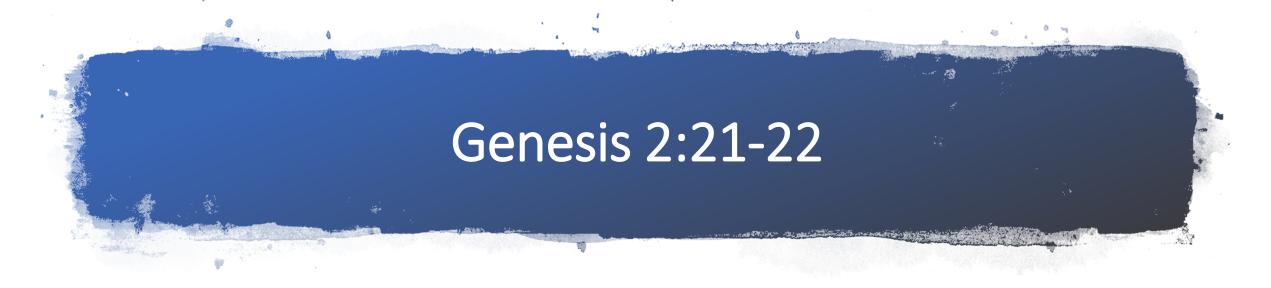
### Adam, the son of God

Luke 3:38b





And the LORD God said, "It is not good that man should be alone; I will make him a helper comparable [corresponding] to him."

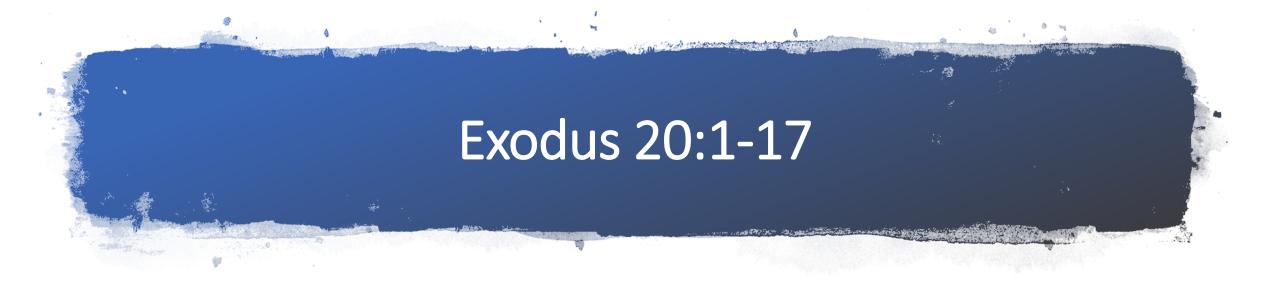


<sup>21</sup> And the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall on Adam, and he slept; and He took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh in its place.

<sup>22</sup> Then the rib which the LORD God had taken from man He made into a woman, and He brought her to the man.



#### Therefore a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and they shall become one flesh.



#### Ten Commandments:

- First 4 commandments about relating to God
- Last 6 commandments about relating to others

And they heard the sound [voice] of the LORD God walking [coming] in the garden in the cool [wind] of the day, and Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

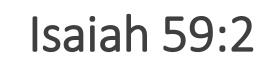
Genesis 3:8

## Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.



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# But your iniquities have separated you from your God; And your sins have hidden *His* face from you, So that He will not hear.



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### Romans 5:10

For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

### John 3:16

For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have everlasting life.

### 2 Corinthians 5:18-19, NIV

<sup>18</sup> All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: <sup>19</sup> that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

# Galatians 3:26, 29

# <sup>26</sup> For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus.

### Romans 8:14-17, NKJV

<sup>14</sup> For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. <sup>15</sup> For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father."

# Romans 8:14-

<sup>16</sup> The Spirit itself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, <sup>17</sup> and if children, then heirs-heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with him, that we may also be glorified together.

### 2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

## Romans 6:5, 8, NKJV

<sup>5</sup> For if we have been united together in the likeness of his [Jesus'] death, certainly we also shall be *in the likeness* of *his* resurrection

<sup>8</sup> Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him

### Revelation 21:3

<sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle [dwelling, abode] of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

## What does this mean to us today?

 God loves YOU to provide for eternal relationship

• You must draw near to God

### James 4:8a

Draw near to God and He will draw near to you.

## Romans 1:19-20, NIV

<sup>19</sup> since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them.<sup>20</sup> For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

# Psalm 63:1 (NKJV)

O God, You *are* my God; Early will I seek You; My soul thirsts for You; My flesh longs for You In a dry and thirsty land Where there is no water.

# Mark 1:35 (NIV)

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place where he prayed.

### James 4:7a

# Submit yourselves, then, to God.

### James 4:8b

Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

### 1 Corinthians 8:6a

Yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live