## The Helper And The Saviour

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Once children are grown up and have reached adolescent age, they will start to browse in the field about the secrets of their opposite gender. At the beginning it may be only a matter of curiosity, but afterwards it will become a desire of the flesh, or the urge that makes man searching for a woman, or a woman searching for a man .But man and woman relation in this frame is only a play; a time to spend, a flesh to be satisfied, or just a happening to be experienced.

In the beginning after God created the world, 'The Lord God formed the man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breadth of life, and the man became a living being.' and, 'The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to work and take care of it.' (Genesis 2:7,15) The first man was created by God with the purpose to take care and manage the Garden of Eden, and the same would be applied to every man created on earth. God had blessed the man and honoured him with many responsibilities. But the Lord found the man in need for someone who could give to him a hand of aid and support in his life. 'The Lord God said it is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.' (Genesis 2:18)

The man is in need of a helper, but what criteria of a helper must be? Where should that helper come from? Must come from a rich, known, dignified, or well to do family? There is just one valid answer for this: Should come from above. This is what the psalmist said, 'I lift up my eyes to the hills-where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the maker of the heaven and earth.' (Psalm 121:1) This is the conclusion: that man should accept that he needs help, and that help should come from above.

To manage the Garden of Eden, man needs a helper that ought to share with the burden and responsibility. A helper that man will accept, a helper that man will retain not for times of need only, but in times of prosperity as well. And this is the will of God. If God would take another quantity of dust from the ground and created another man, brought and put with Adam, would Adam accept that new man as a helper? And would that new man want to help Adam? Perhaps they could work together smoothly for sometime but not for long in all circumstances. Ultimately, they would become rivals and foes until they separate and depart from each other, because they would feel that they are stranger to one another. And the plan for procreation or fruit production would have been altered.

God's plan from the beginning is to build a true and healthy family that bears godly offsprings. All what is around: friends, relatives or colleagues are not a life long measure. Notice and remember; girls for fun, women for bed, and concubines for disposable use is not the project of God for your life, and they cannot offer to you any aid. 'But for Adam no suitable helper was found.' (Genesis 2:20) But God's wisdom

has overcome the situation. And what He gave to Adam is the proposal that he did not only accept but has found as the best? 'So the LORD God caused the man to fall into deep sleep; and while he was sleeping. He took one of the man's ribs and closed up the place with flesh. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib He had taken out of the man.' (Genesis 2: 21-22) The woman that God brought to Adam was from himself and he recognized her as one of his belonging. 'The man said, 'This is the bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called woman for she was taken out of man.' (Genesis 2:23) When Adam opened his eyes, he found the woman whom God had sent to him. He Knew everything about the creation beside him and was so familiar with her. He had trust and love towards her, and he found himself accepting her to be a lifelong partner, a helper and a suitable wife. 'For this reason a man will leave his father and mother, and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh.' (Genesis 2:24) The same feelings the woman had for Adam when she opened her eyes and saw the man beside her, she knew that she belonged to him, 'I belong to my lover, and his desire is for me.' (Song of Songs 7:10)

We do not intend any favourites, when we presented the story of Genesis as it is written in the Bible: Man was created first and was brought to the field, then after the woman came into the play. Worthy to mention now that, in out Christian walk, when we received the Lord Jesus Christ and confessed Him as our Lord and Saviour; we believed that He died on the cross for all of our sins as we are all sinners, we received eternal life, and we are all one in Christ so there is no privilege for man or favouritism over the woman.

We understand now how the man should look to his woman and why he should keep her always. And we partially explained why the woman accepted partnership to the man. But, how God made the woman bound to that particular man? The Bible declares that the woman is a weaker partner. 'Husbands, in the same way be considerate as you live with your wives, and treat them with respect as the weaker partner and as heirs with you of the gracious gift of life, so that nothing will hinder your prayers.' (1Peter 3:7) Yes, she is the weaker partner but indispensable to the man who is in need for help. The weaker partner is subject to dangers and pressures that come from outside, and she is in need of a shelter for a refuge, a place to hide and a haven to live. She would shout and say to him, 'Take me away with you-let us hurry! Let the king bring me into his chamber.' (Song of Songs 1:4)

My Dear and Beloved: Jesus Christ is the head for the church, the church is His body, and He is the Saviour for the Church. Always the church is bound to Jesus, and the church can do nothing without Him. The Bible says that the man or the husband is the head of the wife (the woman). She is the body and for her the man is like her saviour's. 'For the husband is the head of the wife as Christ is the head of the church, his body, of which He is the Saviour.' (Ephesians 5:23) This is the initiative for the woman to accept the man and keep living with him. She is in need for a man to physically stand beside her as he is God's provision beside her to aid her and rescue her in times of trouble. God's wisdom endures that the woman He gave will not run away from Adam She will say, 'I am my lover's and my lover is mine.' (Song of Songs 6:3)