Your Life Partner

Grace and peace to you from God, our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ who came from heaven so we may have a better life as He had promised, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10) Life to the fullest is the life that is not disturbed by query and doubts. Life to the fullest is the life that is not killed by worries and burdens. Jesus coming from heaven to us is to save us from sin; He died on the cross for us, and He rose from the dead to give us eternal life. Our new life with Him had opened to us a new way of thinking; in managing our life in a better way. In knowing Him we are granted the privilege and the ability to choose the right and to reject the wrong.

Since long time it was my heart desires to write to you about of the important issue; the issue of marriage and what is God's will for you in your life. The word of God in the Bible is rich in that field; in knowing biblical facts it mean knowing the truth and in doing the truth means joy and victory in life.

My dear friend, God's desire on marriage is seeking godly offspring. In marriage, husband and wife become one body, they are no more two but one as it is written, "For this reason man will leave his father and mother and be untied with his wife, and they will become one flesh." (Genesis 2:24) "So they are no longer two, but one. Therefore what God had joined together, let man not separate." (Matthew 19:6)

Yes, God desire from marriage is to bring up godly children but now how you will be having godly children unless your partner knows God and believe in Him. As well as how you discern to choose a godly partner in your life unless you are a godly person; walking with God and seeking always to do His will. Jesus is the only way to reach God, who is the Father in heaven as Jesus said: "I am the way the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." (John 14:6) Through believing in Jesus and following His steps you would be reaching the heart of God and live in peace with Him; He will be walking with you together in this life helping you in every step; holding your right hand and take you in the safe way.

We belong to different countries and nations. We have different customs and traditions. And for each of the above it has its special way in choosing the life partner for marriage. May be that is well for you, but we should remember this: "Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new had come." (2 Corinthians 5:17) Let us forget what our culture tell us in choosing our partners and let us ponder on what the word of God is telling us about that.

When God created everything He took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work for it and take care of it, "So the man gave names to the livestock, the birds of the air and all the beast of the field. But for Adam no suitable helper was found. So the Lord God caused the man into deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's rib and close up the place with flesh. Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man and He brought her to the man." (Genesis 2:20-22) We understand now from the Scripture the following:

- 1- **Each man has only one woman**: From Adam God made only one woman and brought her to him. That is a good start! You're supposed to have only one wife not two or three. God had brought out one woman out of Adam.
- 2- Man and woman become one flesh in marriage: Man and woman are one body; both are complimentary to each other. What you lack you found in the woman that God has put beside you. And what the woman lacks you found in the man that she came out from. As we can see from the biblical pattern, originally God first created the man and out of the man God took one of his ribs and made a woman. God did not make a woman out of the dust but he made her out of the man. Therefore from the beginning they are one and when a man and a woman come together in marriage, they become reunited.

From that conclusion we understand that God himself who created the man, created a woman for him too. Therefore why is man toiling much searching for a woman; as we understand that God created the woman out of the man and he brought her to him, so what is the point that a woman should search for a man.

All cultures, traditions and customs put the presumptions of choosing that man should choose his wife and woman should choose her husband. But from the above study from the Bible we understand that God himself is the one who made man and woman and brings them together. Therefore God Himself is the one who will choose and not the man. It is God Himself who will choose for us and not ourselves. We can say easily that the world population is approximately 6 billions, half of them are men and the other half is women. So out of the 3 billions of women the man has only one wife, and out of the 3 billions of men the woman has only one man. Let me ask you, can a man or a woman be able to choose and to know who really his or her partner is out of the three billion? By all mean no! Therefore truly it is God who will choose for us our partner that we should be untied with for the rest of our life.

We have certain figure and shape to the partner that we may dream to marry. Sometimes we have certain ambitions that go well without traditions and cultures that we grow up with. Man use to marry same level. Rich for rich, educated to educated, much money, same profession, same language, same nationality, etc. well all these points are not wrong but what will you do if God has chosen for you something else? Here the conflicts will be started. What God had chosen fro you and brought beside you to marry may be incompatible with you ambition and dreams; will you still accept that? You have two choices, first, you may refuse and marry someone that God did not choose for you but you will carry the consequences of that. Second, you may accept God's choice for you and will be blessed. Maybe God's offer for you is below your own standard but I encourage you to accept it because through that partner is God's will and God's blessing for you as you agree to pray.

My prayer: Heavenly Father, I come before you in the name of Jesus who died for me on the cross to give me eternal life. Forgive me my sins Lord, humble me Father God, and open my eyes to receive my partner whom you prepared for me, thank You Lord. This is my prayer in Jesus' name, Amen.