



Welcome to...

*Encourage*

*MEN*



# Genesis

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# Manhood

- No chapters dominate the rest of Scripture as the first 3 chapters in the book of Genesis
  - **This is the blueprint !**



**A. Myth is not synonymous  
with fiction.**

THE GENESIS TRUTH





**B. A real myth explains and measures our reality.**

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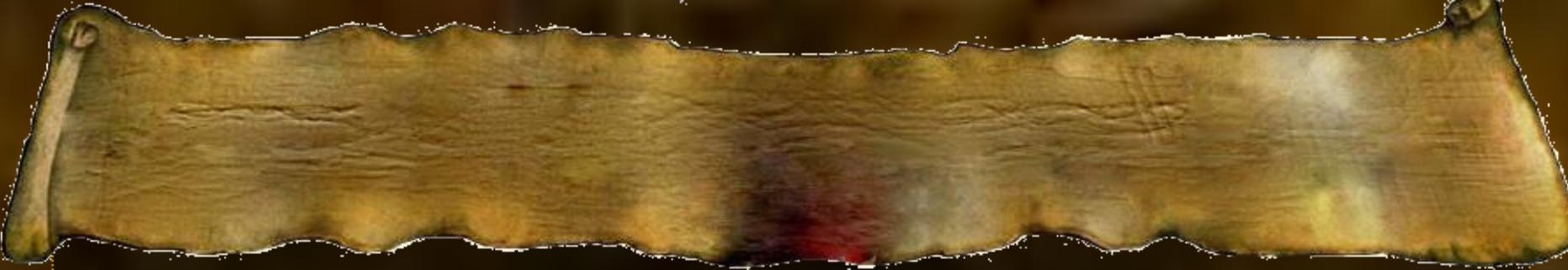




C. Genesis explains and measures manhood, both in its original ideals and in its ongoing fallenness.

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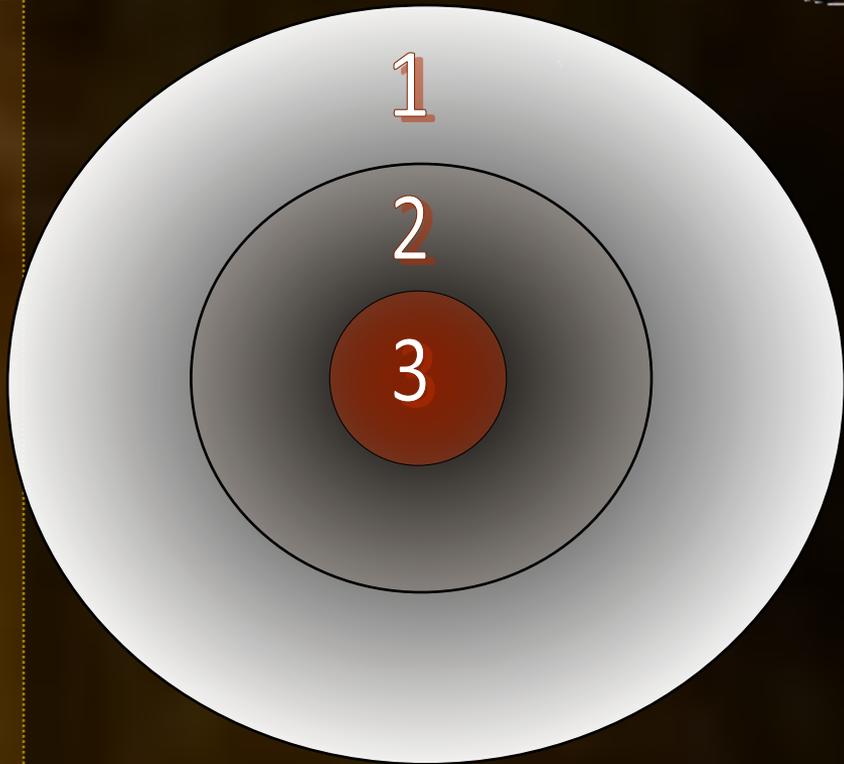
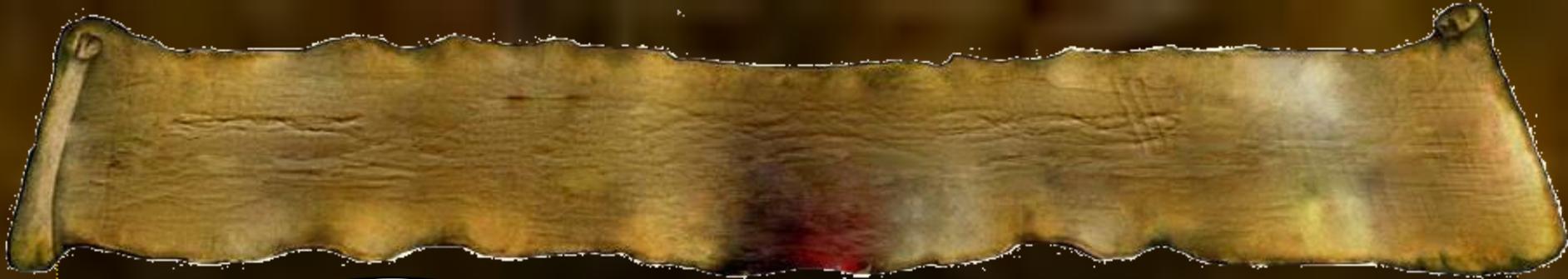




**D. Genesis describes our  
ancestral roots .**

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1. Wide Angle
2. Close Up
3. Tight Focus





**A. It speaks of male and female value.**

GENESIS 1 - Manhood

The image features a dark, textured background. At the top, a piece of aged, yellowish-brown parchment scroll is unrolled, containing white text. Below the scroll, a large, bright yellow rectangular highlight covers the first part of the text. The rest of the text is in white with a drop shadow. At the bottom of the image, there is a dark, shadowy pile of human skulls and bones, suggesting a theme of mortality or the end of life.

Then God said, “Let Us make man  
in Our image, according to Our likeness;  
and let them rule over the fish of the sea  
and over the birds of the sky and over the  
cattle and over all the earth, and over every  
creeping thing that creeps on the earth.”

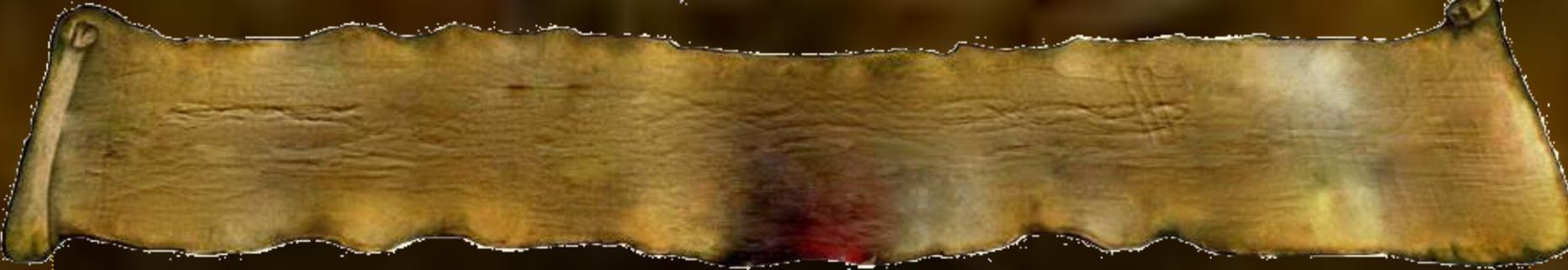
Genesis 1:26



And God created man in His own image,  
in the image of God He created him;  
male and female He created them.

Genesis 1:27





1. Image

2. Equally endowed / equally valuable

3. Unique and special

GENESIS 1 - Manhood





**B. It speaks of male and female calling.**

GENESIS 1 - Manhood





And God blessed them; and said,



Genesis 1:28

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1. Be fruitful / multiply / fill the earth
  2. Subdue the earth
  3. Rule over the earth

Notice: From the Genesis beginning, God gave man:

- ✓ **AUTHORITY**
- ✓ **POWER**

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C. It speaks of a very important  
social structure.



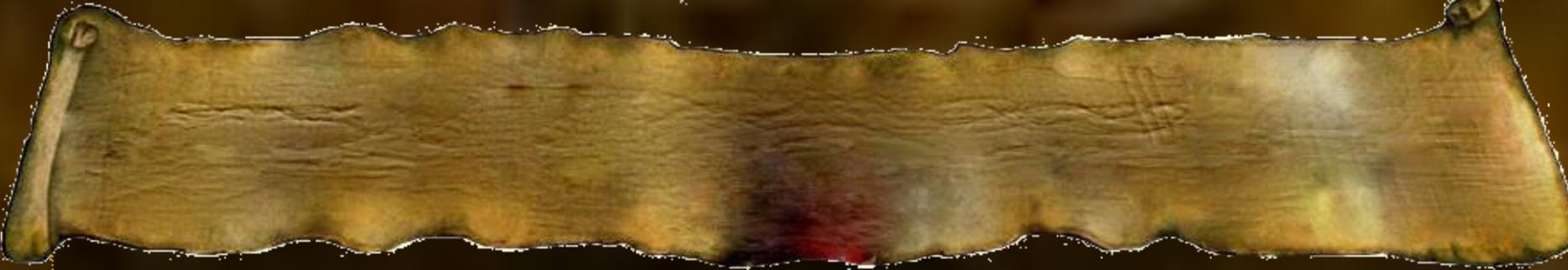
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A. Notice... Adam was created first .

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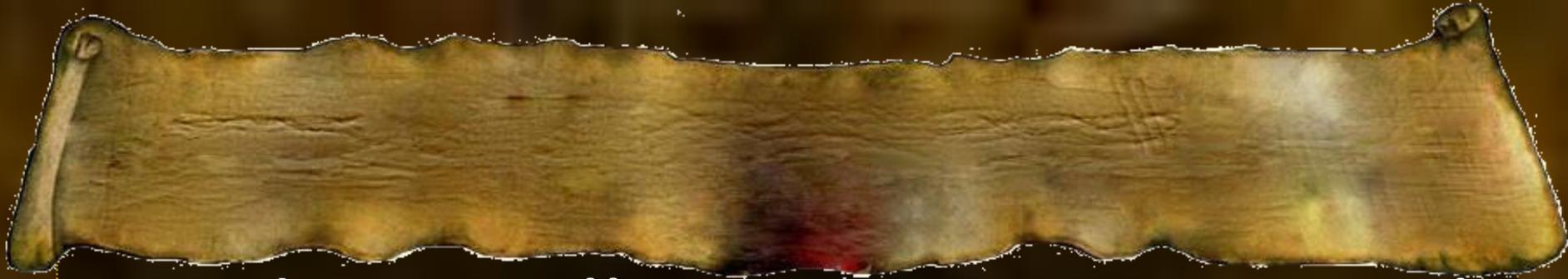




# The question is “why?”

- ‘First’ has major significance because it speaks of preeminence
  - First born, First fruits, First love, seek First . .
- Thousands of years later, Paul was asked why women could not be church leaders





But I do not allow a woman to teach  
or exercise authority over a man,  
but to remain quiet. For it was Adam  
who was first created, and then Eve.

1 Timothy 2:12-13





B. Notice... Adam was given an occupation  
and responsibility before Eve's creation.



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Then the Lord God took the man  
and put him into the garden of Eden  
to cultivate it and keep it.



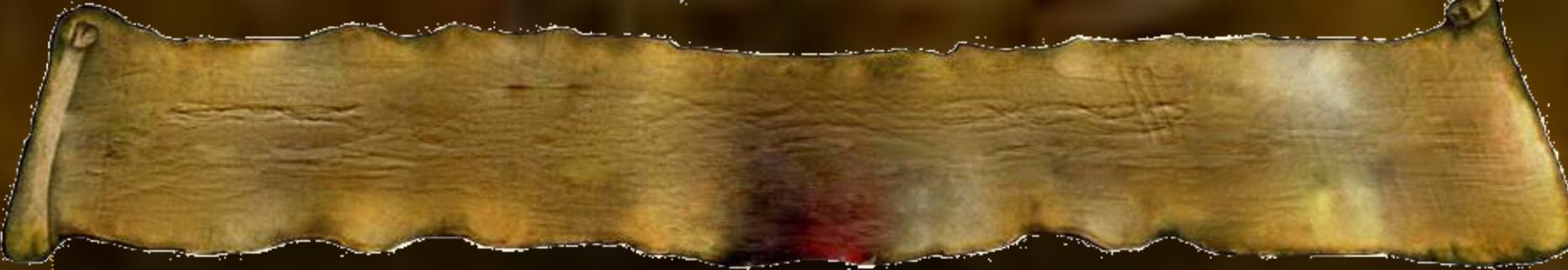
Genesis 2:15



C. Notice... Adam is instructed by God **with**  
**the responsibility** of leading with  
His Word.

GENESIS 2 - Manhood

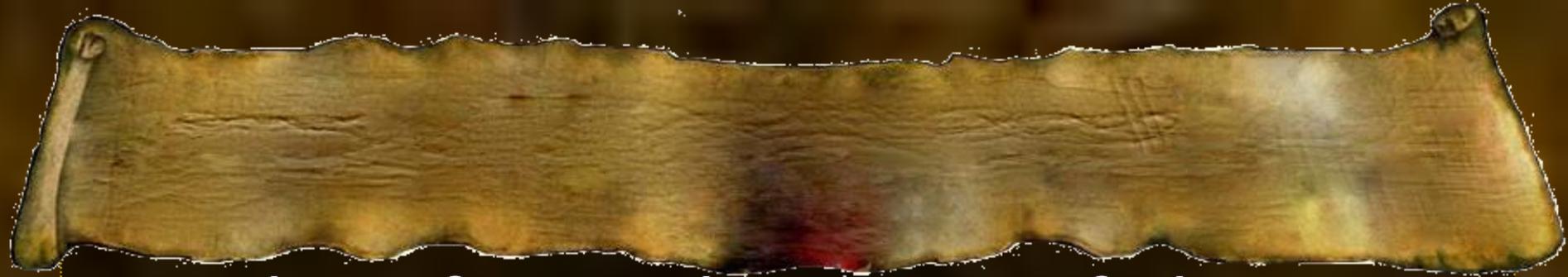




And the Lord God commanded the man,  
saying, "From any tree of the garden  
you may eat freely;

Genesis 2:16

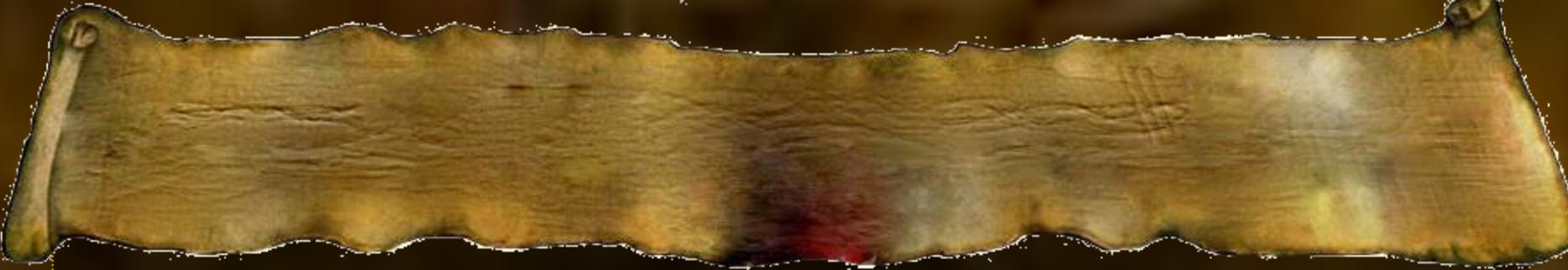




but from the tree of the  
knowledge of good and evil  
you shall not eat, for in the day that  
you eat from it you shall surely die.”

Genesis 2:17

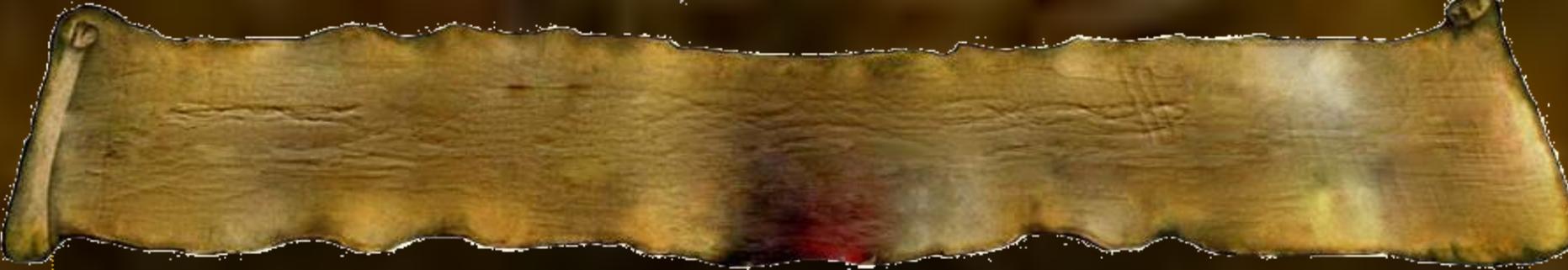




Husbands, love your wives  
Cleanse them with the Word



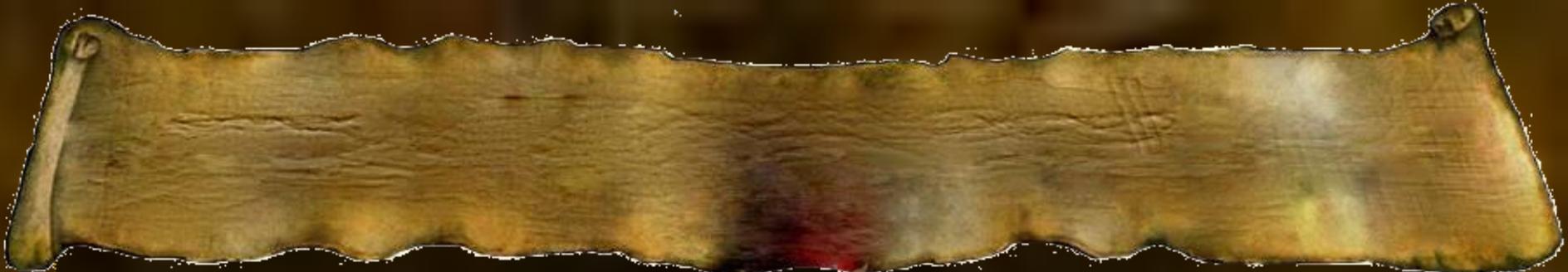
Ephesians 5:25-26



D. Notice... Adam names the animals,  
a signal of his leadership over  
creation.



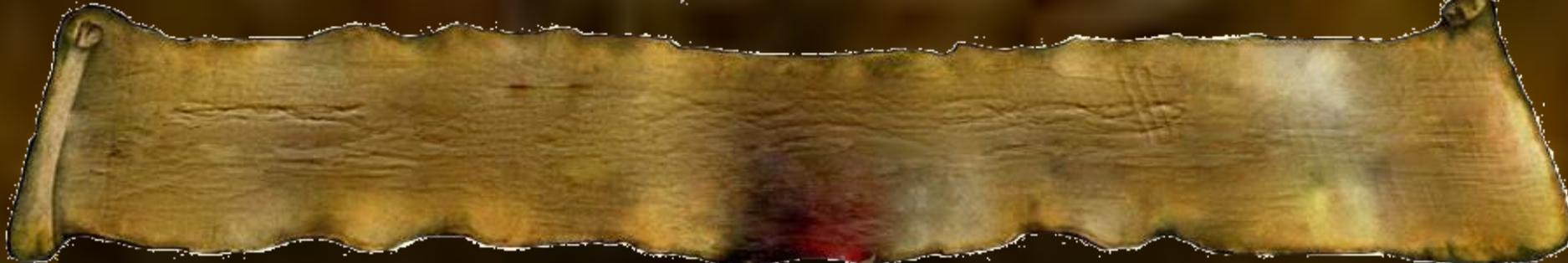
GENESIS 2 - Manhood



And out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the sky; and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called a living creature, that was its name



Genesis 2:19



E. Notice.. Adam is given a "helper suitable for him",  
a title that offers further evidence of God's original  
core social identity for the man and woman

A Team needs a captain, not a boss

A Team

GENESIS 2 - Manhood



Then the Lord God said,  
“It is not good for the man  
to be alone; I will make him  
a helper suitable for him.”



Genesis 2:18



But I want you to understand  
that Christ is the head of every man,  
and the man is the head of a woman,  
and God is the head of Christ.

1 Corinthians 11:3



# A Brief Review

Male domination is  
a personal moral failure,  
not a teaching of the Bible.

# Genesis 2 - Manhood

A. Notice... Adam  
names his helper.



# Genesis 2 - Manhood

**Assigning names is very significant**

- it's a sign of authority or leadership over something.
- **God** named & renamed people
  - Abram to Abraham
  - Sarai to Sarah
  - Saul to Paul
  - Simon to Peter

# Genesis 2 - Manhood

B. Notice... It is the man  
who is told to leave and initiate  
a new household.



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

A. Notice... The temptation seeks to corrupt and reverse God's original social and spiritual order.



# Genesis 3:1

Now the serpent said to the woman, "Indeed, has God said  
You shall not eat from any tree of the garden?"





# Genesis 3:2

The woman said,  
"From the fruit of the trees of the garden  
we may eat;





# Genesis 3:3

but from the fruit of the tree  
which is in the middle of the garden, God has said,  
You shall not eat from it or touch it, or you will die.



# Genesis 3:4-5

The serpent said, "You surely will not die!  
For God knows that in the day you eat from it  
your eyes will be opened,  
and you will be like God, knowing good and evil."



# Genesis 3:6

When the woman saw that the tree was good for food,  
and that it was a delight to the eyes,  
and that the tree was desirable to make one wise,



# Genesis 3:6

continued

she took from its fruit and ate;  
and she gave also to her husband who  
was **with her** and he ate.



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

B. Notice... God holds Adam ,  
not the woman , accountable  
for this first sin.





# Genesis 3:9

Then the LORD God  
called to the man, and said to him,  
"Where are you?"





# 1 Timothy 2:13-14

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Adam was first formed, then Eve.  
Adam was not deceived,  
but the woman being deceived  
fell into transgression.



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

C. Notice... Adam's sin has an unacceptable passivity attached to it.





# Genesis 3:11

And God says to man,  
"Have you eaten from the tree  
I commanded you not to eat?"





Genesis 3:12

And the man said,

"The woman whom You gave me.  
She gave to me and I ate."



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

D. Notice... Adam's curse is based on the reversal of God's original created order.

(Eve's curse is also based on her usurping God's created order)



# Genesis 3:17

To Adam He said,  
"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife,  
and have eaten from the tree  
which I commanded you, saying,  
"You shall not eat from it';



# Genesis 3:17

continued

Cursed is the ground because of you.  
In toil you shall eat of it  
all the days of your life."



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

E. Notice... Adam's sin unleashed  
the destructive curse of  
male domination.



# Genesis 3:16b

"Woman, your desire shall be  
for your husband  
and he shall rule over you."



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

F. Notice... Adam dies.



# Genesis 2:16

And the Lord God commanded the man,  
saying, "From any tree of the garden you  
may eat freely;





# Genesis 2:17

but from the tree of the knowledge  
of good and evil you shall not eat,  
for in the day that you eat from it  
you shall surely die."



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

This judgement of death also extends to all those who come after him. He, not Eve, is charged with the fall of the human race.

Our depraved natures are due to Adam's sin.



# Romans 5:19

Through Adam's disobedience,  
everyone was made a sinner.



# Genesis 3 - Manhood

G. Notice... Adam renamed  
his wife as a continued sign of his  
leadership even after the fall.





# Genesis 3:20

Then Adam named his wife Eve,  
because she would be the mother  
of all who lived.



Most of us have dropped the ball, or perhaps never carried the ball from the beginning our marriage.

As we attempt to fulfill God's plan for leadership in our homes, it will be met with resistance from many of our wives.

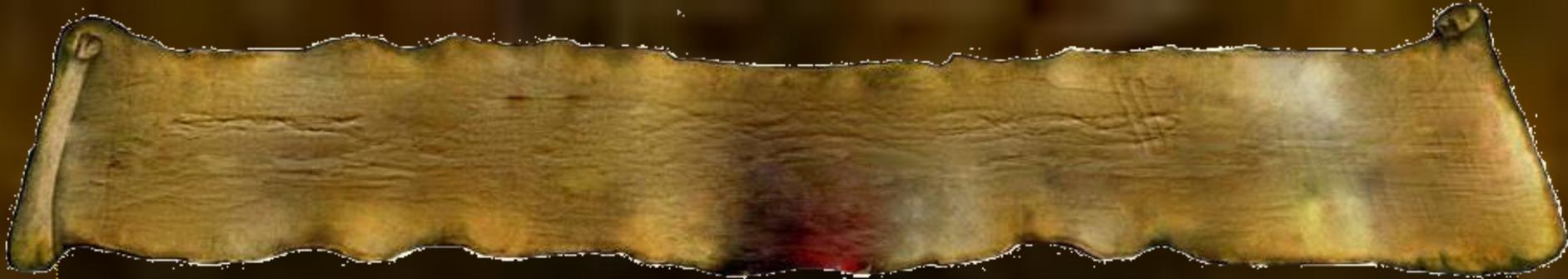
- They remember the times we've failed in leadership
- They remember the times we've said we would change but didn't (perhaps temporarily)
- They've watched us not be the fathers to their children

Before you start ‘Taking over’!!, Tell them what you have been learning and then:

- Acknowledge failure
- Tell them you are sorry for letting them down
- Ask for forgiveness
- Tell them you want to do different and want to honor them by obeying God’s role as husband, father, leader.

If you begin implementing what you are learning without taking these steps, you will become discouraged because of the lack of cooperation at home.

**Even if you take these steps, you will have to prove that you are serious about authentic manhood by your consistency and faithfulness as a Godly man.**



# SMALL GROUP

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