

WHAT IS A WIFE?

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(Genesis 2:18)

A wife is not a woman who walks down the aisle and says I do. A wife is not a woman who wears an engagement ring. A wife is not a woman who claims to have a man to take care of her. A wife is **NOT** a woman. A wife is a **POSITION!**

A woman is a person whom God created. A wife is a **POSITION GOD ORDAINED**. It may be hard for you to understand that a wife is a position because we've been taught that a wife is a person. This wrongful teaching has been the catalyst for many marriages ending in divorce.

There are many men who are willing to testify how they married the wrong woman whom they thought would be a great wife. If the definition of a wife was a married woman then every man who got married would be

showered with God's favor. History has shown us that this is not the truth.

Unfortunately, an abundance of men became miserable when they got married. They lost more than they attained when they got married. The notion of a married woman becoming a wife is **NOT** true. Qualifying a woman to be a wife is like saying an educated person is a leader. It's not true.

EXAMINE THE HISTORY

Eve was Adam's wife. Genesis 2:24-25 says, "*Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife were not ashamed.*" However, **BEFORE** Eve was labeled Adam's wife **GOD ESTABLISHED A POSITION BEFORE HE CREATED A WOMAN.**

Genesis 2:18 says, *“And the Lord God said, it is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a **HELP MEET** for him.”* Look what came first. **THE POSITION WAS ESTABLISHED BEFORE THE PERSON.** The Lord is very strategic. He knew what he was doing. God understood this wisdom key.

WOMEN DO NOT ATTRACT FAVOR. POSITION ATTRACTS FAVOR.

The Lord wanted Adam to receive exponential favor. Adam was already favored but the Lord wanted to increase it even more. God knew that creating a **NEW POSITION** could draw more goodness to Adam than he could give himself.

THE POWER OF A POSITION

When a person steps into a position of authority they will inherit incentives they **DID NOT** earn. For example, when a person accepts a management position their vacation

time increases, their pay goes up and their start time is flexible. In order for a man to receive exponential favor from the Lord, he needs to have a **POSITION** available for a woman to fill.

God favors a man when he finds a woman who is operating in the position of a wife. No where in the Bible does it mention that women attract the favor of the Lord towards a man.

Proverbs 18:22 says, "Whoso findeth a wife findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favor of the Lord." In other words, the man who finds a **HELP MEET** (position) obtain's favor from the Lord. A help meet is a position. When a person fulfills the needs of a position they are admonished to adhere to a particular criteria.

Holding a position requires you to fulfill certain responsibilities. You are obligated to fulfill certain expectations. It is not easy finding a wife because very

few women understand that a wife is a **POSITION**, not a person.

Women do not become wives when they get married. They become wives when they are **SINGLE**. You can **WORK** as a wife when you are **SINGLE**. You can **THINK** like a wife when you are **SINGLE**. You can **BEHAVE** like a wife when you are **SINGLE**.

You may be thinking, how is this possible? Remember, the job description of a wife is to be a **HELP MEET**. Who are you helping? Who are you assisting? Who are you aiding? Who are you supporting? Women who learn to help others are becoming wives while they're single.

Women who learn to support righteous endeavors are becoming wives while they're single. Women who are giving of their time and resources are learning how to be wives while they're single. A man who marries a woman who **WAS** a help meet and not a dead beat **BEFORE** they got married will obtain favor from the Lord.

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