CREATED FOR UNION, HEADSHIP, & MARRIAGE SYLLABUS

Exploring God's Design for Male and Female in Creation, Covenant, and Christ

Study Length: 6 Weeks (Ideal for 60–90-minute sessions)

Purpose: To help believers understand the biblical vision for manhood and womanhood, rooted not in social constructs but in covenantal and redemptive purpose. This study traces the themes of complementarity, headship, and union from Genesis to Revelation, with a focus on Christ and the Church as the ultimate picture of covenantal love.

WEEK 1: BONE OF MY BONES - CREATION AND COMPLEMENTARITY

- Key Themes: Original design, shared essence, distinction without hierarchy
- Key Scriptures: Genesis 2:18–25, Genesis 1:26–28, Matthew 19:4–6
- Supporting Paper: From His Side (P)

WEEK 2: THE BRIDE AND THE BODY – TYPOLOGY AND UNION

- Key Themes: Marriage as prophetic image, Christ as Second Adam, covenantal union
- Key Scriptures: Ephesians 5:22-32, Revelation 21:1-2, Romans 5:12-19
- Supporting Paper: From His Side (A)

WEEK 3: HEADSHIP AND HELPMEET - GIFTS, NOT GRASPING

- Key Themes: Servant leadership, willing submission, mutual honor
- Key Scriptures: Ephesians 5:21-33, 1 Corinthians 11:1-16, Philippians 2:1-11
- Supporting Paper: Biblical Complementarianism (P)

WEEK 4: WHEN UNION BREAKS – THE FALL AND ITS EFFECTS

- Key Themes: Distortion of design, blame and control, redemption's need
- Key Scriptures: Genesis 3:1–19, Romans 8:18–25, 1 Timothy 2:13–14
- Supporting Paper: Biblical Complementarianism (A)

WEEK 5: REDEEMING COMPLEMENTARITY - CHRIST AS HEAD AND SERVANT

- Key Themes: Jesus redefines headship, restoration of love and trust
- Key Scriptures: John 13:1–17, Matthew 20:25–28, 1 Peter 3:7
- Supporting Notes: Drawn from Biblical Complementarianism and Gospel narratives

WEEK 6: THE UNION TO COME – MARRIAGE, SINGLENESS, AND ETERNAL PURPOSE

- Key Themes: Eternal union with Christ, marriage as temporary sign, spiritual identity
- Key Scriptures: Matthew 22:23–30, Revelation 19:6–9, 1 Corinthians 7:29–35
- Supporting Paper: From His Side (P), synthesis from all previous sessions

Recommended Resources:

- "From His Side" by D. Gene Williams Jr. (A/P)
- "Biblical Complementarianism" by D. Gene Williams Jr. (A/P)
- Genesis 1–3, Ephesians 5, Revelation 19–22
- Optional: Michael Heiser, *The Unseen Realm*; Andreas Köstenberger, *God, Marriage, and Family*

Format: Each session includes:

- Opening prayer
- Scripture reading
- Teaching segment or summary
- Group discussion questions
- Reflection and application