



DESIGNED TO GIVE LIFE

Review:

- 1) We were designed to run to perfection.
- 2) We were designed to be holy.
- 3) We were designed to bear His name.
- 4) We were designed to NOT be some things—
not designed to be difficult; not designed to be unforgiving; not designed to hold a grudge.
- 5) We were designed to see the big picture.
- 6) We were designed to carry some things—
influence; our own weight; others' burdens; and the gospel
- 7) We were designed to be covered. Adam and Eve covered themselves but God clothed them better—symbolically, the innocent dying for the guilty.
- 8) We were designed to praise Him.

GENESIS 3:14-20

What God told Eve is a big deal because it promised her that she would be the giver of life. This is important because she had just taken part in mankind's death sentence. The deconstructing of the sexes these days is an attack on a battle that began in the garden. The Bible explicitly states that God made them male and female (Genesis 1:27) for a reason.

God designed women to give life, and we have been doing it since the beginning of the world. However, there is more to it than birthing babies.

1. The _____ of God's Design.

In what order did God speak?

Serpent—represents _____. See John 10:10.
(see chart below)

Woman—represents _____. Gen. 3:20.

Man—represents the _____, the human.

Thief—Greek *klepto* (picture a kleptomaniac; it his nature)

To steal—fine-tuned skill; nearly undetectable

The devil is so cunning in the way he steals. He knows if he does it outright, we'll notice; so he steals it before we even know it's gone. Genesis 3:1-5 . . . 7!

What did he steal? Same thing he steals from us: our peace, our joy, and our beliefs.

To kill—Greek *thuo* (to sacrifice)

If the thief hasn't already walked away with everything you have, he will try to get you to sacrifice everything, simply because he doesn't want you to have it.

To destroy—Greek *apollumi* (carries the idea of something ruined, wasted, trashed, devastated, destroyed)

What the devil doesn't steal from you or convince you to give up, he will try to ruin. He will disguise his voice to make you think God is talking to you. Don't take the bait. Resist the devil.

In your walk with the Lord, you will experience times when the devil pushes your button to keep you bound.

—renner

This gives an understanding of the justice of God. It's a justice that does not merely _____ but also _____.

This begins a long story in which things are set right, beginning with the relationship with the man and the woman.

2. The _____ of God's Design.

They were created to be good for one another. Divine justice forces them to find their good in the other one; not in one's self.

"Thy desire shall be to thy husband" (Genesis 3:16).
Woman can't bear children without the man.
Man has no future without the woman, whom he now realizes is "the mother of all living" (Genesis 3:20).

(depending on punctuation, the sentence below has two different meanings)

Woman without her man is nothing.
Woman without her man is nothing.

What happened was that neither one had appreciated the good in the other one. So now, their most basic needs (life-giving goods) are going to come at a steep

_____:

Food—

Procreation—

She can't have the good of children without

_____.

He can't have children without _____.

The man who had blamed God for "*the woman whom thou gavest to be with me*" now realizes he has no _____ without her.

God is right. "*It is not good that the man to be alone*" (Genesis 2:18). With the woman's seed is a hope for life that defeats death (hooray for Christmas :), which he could not have without her.

Adam's wise naming of Eve (3:20) is the beginning of Divine justice setting things right.

3. The _____ of God's Design.

The "curse" was only to the serpent, not the man and woman. That shows whose side God is on. He's for life, not death.

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Right after the curse on the serpent, God promised life to the woman. It's the woman's seed that will crush the head of the serpent. This represents Jesus' birth by way of a woman. He came to defeat death.

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Proverbs 3:19 says that wisdom is a tree of life. Interesting that it was the tree of life that started this story . . .

The tree of life in the garden of Eden represents wisdom that is no longer theirs for the taking. They will suffer for their wisdom, their knowledge of good and evil, but they will end up learning what is good as they eat food (a daily necessity) and bear children. Their _____ will never let them forget.