

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Open your group with a prayer. Use this sheet as a guide; select the points you want to discuss.

### GETTING STARTED

1. What was the last wedding you went to? What stood out or impressed you the most about it?
2. Read Genesis 2:18-25.

### DIGGING DEEPER

3. Read 1 Cor 7:7-9 and then comment on God's assessment, "It is not good for man to be alone."
4. What was the animal naming exercise designed to do for Adam?
5. What did 'rib transplant surgery' intend to communicate to Adam? To Eve? What does it communicate about marriage?
6. Read Pss 30:10, 54:4, 118:7. "Helper" means to make up for what's lacking in another. How does it apply to Genesis 2?
7. Gen 2:24 describes 3 aspects of marriage. Name and define each.

8. What does "naked without shame" mean in the context of Adam and Eve's marriage? What shame occurs in marriage today?

### LIVING IT OUT

9. Why is marriage an important institution for society?
10. If you're single, do you feel being alone is "not good?" What can married people learn from singles about relationship and intimacy?
11. "One of the greatest deterrents to a *very good* marriage is believing you ought to have a *perfect* marriage." (F. Schaeffer) Agree or Disagree?
12. What are the biggest threats to Christian marriage today? How can the church help?

### CHANGING YOUR MIND

"For this reason a man will leave his father and mother and be united to his wife, and they will become one flesh."

- Genesis 2:24 NIV

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