

Series: Marriage

Sermon: Sin & Marriage

Bible Passage: Genesis 3:1-16 and Matthew 6:9

1. Genesis 3:16c: You will desire to control your husband and he will rule over you

(a) Two words that needs attention: (Genesis 4:7; Song of Solomon 7:11) and (Genesis 24:2; 45:8 with mean “to rule over”)

(b) Sin brought corruption in marriage relationship—corruption in the willing submission of the wife and loving headship of the husband

(c) The woman desires to control her husband and husband replaces his role with tyranny and domination

(d) What God made as orderly, sin has made it disorderly (John, please add the triangle here)

(e) God was no more part of the marriage team (Genesis 2:23: the Lord God expelled him from the orchard in Eden to cultivate the ground from which he had been taken)

(f) Adam and Eve gave birth to children who reflected their nature (cf. Genesis 4:7)

2. Man’s separation from God continued—which we call the “fall” (define the fall here)

(a) The oneness they enjoyed did not exist anymore (ONENESS: Genesis 2:24 “The man and his wife were both naked, but they were not ashamed”)

(b) “The absence of oneness” is evidenced in their attempt to cover themselves up (Genesis 3:7 Then the eyes of both of them opened, and they knew they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves)—alienated from God and from each other

(c) This alienation is further seen in God providing Adam and Eve with a lasting outfit (Gen 3:21 The Lord God made garments from skin for Adam and his wife, and clothed them)

(d) By this, God also hinted a permanent provision that would one day take care of their alienation

(e) John 3:16 God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life

(f) 1 Timothy 1:15 Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost

3. The solution to corruption and conflict in marriage is the invitation of God back in to marriage through Jesus

(a) Matthew 6:9: Our Father in heaven, may your name be honored, may your kingdom come,

(b) Into the team of marriage, invite God i.e., “God’s Kingdom”—at the disobedience of Adam and Eve, they lost the presence of God. Now, at the obedience of Jesus, they are able to gain the presence of God (John, add the triangle here as well)

(c) Place God’s interest (Kingdom of God) first in your marriage and passionately pursue after it

4. Take Away

Pray the prayer “May your Kingdom come” into your marriage