**SERMON OUTLINE**

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| **SERMON TITLE:** | Celebrate the Difference |
| **SERMON REFERENCE:** | Genesis 2:19-25 |
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1. INTRODUCTION
   1. Who is better: the man or the woman? Yes
      1. The man is superior to a woman at being a man
      2. The woman is superior to a man at being a woman.
      3. God made us different that He might make us one.
      4. Neither man nor woman is superior to the other, but we are very different.
   2. Genesis 2:19-25
      1. Adam had named all of the animals, but he did not have a mate.
         1. There was a certain loneliness about Adam.
      2. God created woman to be a help-meet for Adam.
         1. She was like Adam.
            1. Genesis 2:23
            2. This shows that man was not to cohabitate with beasts.

Bestiality is a sin against Almighty God.

* + - 1. God made a woman, not a man, for Adam.
         1. This tells us that homosexuality is a sin against God.
      2. God created only one woman for Adam, not two.
         1. This tells us that polygamy is a sin against God.
         2. God’s plan is one man and one woman together till death do them part.
  1. When God presented the woman to Adam, Adam liked her not only because she was like him but also because she was not like him.
     1. These differences don’t divide us but unite us.
     2. These differences exist due to divine design.
     3. Today’s message will deal with these wonderful differences in generalities.
        1. For example: even though some women may be stronger than some men, in general, most men are stronger than most women.
        2. Men and women are designed differently to do different tasks.
           1. Neither one is better than the other.

1. BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
   1. 1 Peter 3:7
   2. Women are physically weaker than men; men are physically stronger than women.
      1. God made Adam with a stronger physical frame.
   3. What job did God give to Adam?
      1. To dress the garden and to keep the garden.
         1. Genesis 2:15
      2. Adam was to be the provider and the protector.
         1. He had a physical frame that could protect Eve.
         2. He had the muscles to dig and chop and work the garden.
   4. What did God make Eve to do?
      1. The name “Eve” means life-giver.
      2. God made Eve to nurture and to love.
      3. Because she is physically weaker than Adam does not mean that she is inferior to Adam.
         1. Silk is weaker than canvas, but it is not inferior to canvas.
         2. Porcelain is weaker than steel, but it is not inferior to steel.
   5. The physical makeup of men and women is different.
      1. Men have more muscle mass than women.
      2. Men have almost 50% more blood than women do.
      3. Men have a larger lung capacity than women.
      4. Women have a better immune system than men.
      5. Women have more brittle bones than men.
      6. Men and women are different on a cellular level.
   6. God made man to protect, care and provide for the woman, not to compete with her.
      1. The man, as the stronger vessel, is to give honor to his wife as unto the weaker vessel.
         1. 1 Peter 3:7
         2. Weaker does not mean inferior.
   7. Which is better? Neither is better, just different.
2. THE TORTOISE AND THE HARE
   1. The man is like the hare in that he has a lot more energy; the woman is like the tortoise in that she has more durability.
      1. The man may win the 100-yard dash in life, but the woman will win the marathon.
      2. A man’s body begins to deteriorate at a faster rate than a woman’s body.
   2. A husband should not criticize his wife for not having the same energy level that he may have.
   3. A wife needs to understand the drive and energy level of her husband.
   4. Which is better? Neither is better, just different.
3. THE ROMANTIC AND THE MECHANIC
   1. Adam’s job was to dress the garden and keep it.
   2. The woman’s responsibility was in the home: to love, to nurture and to raise the children.
   3. Husbands, due to how they are designed, will likely not have the romantic side that their wives would wish them to have.
   4. These differences are not learned but encoded.
      1. Look at the books that men and women read.
         1. Men will read material on sports or “How to Remodel Your Garage.”
         2. Women read material on relationships and marriage.
   5. The Song of Solomon exemplifies the differences and the relationship between the sexes.
      1. Song of Solomon 3:1-4
         1. She is filled with romance toward the one she loves.
      2. Song of Solomon 4:1-5
         1. He is captivated by her beauty.
   6. Men should learn to be more romantic, and ladies can keep themselves physically attractive for their husbands.
   7. Which is better? Neither is better, just different.
4. THE RADAR AND THE COMPUTER
   1. The woman is the radar; the man is the computer.
   2. Men and women process information differently.
      1. The left hemisphere of the brain deals primarily with logic, reasoning, calculation, etc.
      2. The right hemisphere of the brain deals primarily with feeling, emotion, sympathy, love, intuition, etc.
      3. Studies have shown that men use primarily the left side of the brain while women tend to use both sides of the brain.
   3. Men tend to be more logical and analytical in their thinking.
   4. While women also think logically and analytically, they are also mixing in emotion at the same time.
   5. Women tend to be more detail-oriented.
      1. Women can also do “spider-web thinking” while men tend to think more linearly.
   6. The left side of the brain works like a computer while the right side works like a radar.
      1. Women can pick up on details that men do not.
         1. Women’s intuition
         2. This is the difference between the radar that’s continually sweeping and a pair of rabbit ears.
   7. Which is better: the computer or the radar? Neither is better, just different.
5. THE CODE SPEAKER AND THE REPORTER
   1. The man uses language primarily to dispense facts, while a woman uses language to express emotion.
      1. Women share; men report.
         1. Listen to what a woman means.
   2. Neither is better, just different.
6. THE LOVER AND THE ACHIEVER
   1. Ephesians 5:33
      1. God tells the man to love his wife.
      2. God tells the wife to reverence and respect her husband.
   2. The deepest need of the wife is to be loved and cherished, while the husband’s greatest need is to be admired and respected.
      1. The wife is the lover while the husband is the achiever.
         1. God gave her a nurturing aspect while God gave him a hard exterior to dress and keep the garden.
      2. A wife receives a blessing when her husband is loving, romantic and tender toward her.
      3. A husband receives a blessing when he is admired by his wife.
   3. Which is better? Neither is better, just different.
7. CONCLUSION
   1. There are two great towers that will keep your home from falling down:
      1. Love for God.
      2. Love for one another.
   2. In addition to this foundation of love, the stability of your home requires flexibility.
   3. Without Jesus Christ, it is impossible to have the kind of home we were designed for.
   4. Do you know Jesus personally? If not, you can pray to Him today by asking Him to come into your life.
   5. Call upon Jesus today. Repent (turn) from your sins, and turn to Jesus. Ask Him to forgive you of your sins, and acknowledge Him as Lord of your life.
      1. Romans 3:23
      2. Romans 10:9-10
      3. Romans 10:13
      4. Acts 16:31
      5. John 3:16