



Sermon Notes

The Way of Agape Part 22 – Mother's Day
May 9, 2021

The importance of a mother's love is undeniable.

God created motherhood.

Genesis 2:7-8

⁷ Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.

⁸ Now the LORD God had planted a garden in the east, in Eden; and there he put the man he had formed.

Genesis 2:15-24

¹⁵ The LORD God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and take care of it. ¹⁶ And the LORD God commanded the man, "You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; ¹⁷ but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, for when you eat from it you will certainly die."

¹⁸ The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him."

¹⁹ Now the LORD God had formed out of the ground all the wild animals and all the birds in the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would name them; and whatever the man called each living creature, that was its name. ²⁰ So the man gave names to all the livestock, the birds in the sky and all the wild animals.

But for Adam no suitable helper was found. ²¹ So the LORD God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep; and while he was sleeping, he took one of the man's ribs and then closed up the place with flesh. ²² Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man.

²³ The man said,

*"This is now bone of my bones
and flesh of my flesh;
she shall be called 'woman,'
for she was taken out of man."*

²⁴ That is why a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.



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Genesis 3:20

²⁰ Adam named his wife Eve, because she would become the mother of all the living.

Why did God create motherhood? Because life must go on.

God is a replenisher.

Psalm 42:1-2, 5

¹ As the deer pants for streams of water,
so my soul pants for you, my God.

² My soul thirsts for God, for the living God.
When can I go and meet with God?

⁵ Why, my soul, are you downcast?
Why so disturbed within me?

Put your hope in God,
for I will yet praise him,
my Savior and my God.

Psalm 46:10

¹⁰ He says, "Be still, and know that I am God

Psalm 63:1

¹ You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you,
my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.

"Though our feelings come and go, God's love for us does not."

C.S. Lewis

Why did God create motherhood? To show His nurturing nature.

3 persons of the Trinity: The Father: *Nurturer*, The Son: *Protector*, The Holy Spirit: *Encourager*



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To nurture:

To feed and protect; to love, encourage, teach, and support, as during the period of training and development; to hold closely. (i.e. mother)

Psalm 147:3

*³ He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.*

Isaiah 25:8

*⁸ ...The Sovereign LORD will wipe away the tears
from all faces*

Isaiah 40:11

*¹¹ He tends his flock like a shepherd:
He gathers the lambs in his arms
and carries them close to his heart;
he gently leads those that have young.*

God made us to be relational.

We were hurt in relationships, and we heal in relationships.

Intimacy is: To know someone and allow yourself to be known by that person.

If we are nurtured by our Mothers early in life, we are more likely to allow ourselves to be nurtured by God.

Proverbs 31:28-31

*²⁸ Her children arise and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:
²⁹ "Many women do noble things,
but you surpass them all."
³⁰ Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.
³¹ Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.*

