



# A PROFOUND MYSTERY

Ephesians 5:31-33

# ANOTHER ONE OF THOSE VERSES

- <sup>25</sup> They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator-- who is forever praised. Amen.
- <sup>26</sup> Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones.
- <sup>27</sup> In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error.  
(Rom. 1:25-27 NIV)

# GOD'S PLAN

- *27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.*
- *28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. (Gen. 1:27-28 NIV)*
- Why not create another man, or a group of men, or only women?
- A "suitable helper"
- Gen. 2:24
- God forms us in the womb - Family

# SEED

- Gal. 3:16; 22-29
- *<sup>22</sup> Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for each other, love one another deeply, from the heart.*
- *<sup>23</sup> For you have been born again, not of perishable seed, but of imperishable, through the living and enduring word of God. (1 Pet. 1:22-23 NIV)*
- Seed – word of God – became flesh – Jesus

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- Eph. 1:9; 3:3-6
- Eph. 5:5-31
  - Wives submit to your husband as to the Lord.
  - For the husband is the head of the wife...
  - Husbands love your wives as Christ loved the church, giving himself up for it
  - Husbands love your wives as you love your own body
- Vs. 31-33