

The Glorious Church

The Type of Eve

Eve Made from Adam's Sleep – The Church Produced Through Christ's "Non-Redemptive Death"

- **Gen. 2:21-22** – And Jehovah God caused a **deep sleep** to fall upon the man, and he slept; and He took one of his **ribs** and closed up the flesh in its place. And Jehovah God built the rib, which He had taken from the man, **into a woman** and brought her to the man.
- God brought forth the church out of the **death of Christ**.
 - Adam's **sleep** typifies the aspect of Christ's death which was **not related to redemption**.
 - This aspect is the **releasing of Himself** for the **creation of the church**.
- Adam's **sleep** was not for Eve's redemption; it was so that a rib could be taken out for her **creation**.
 - Eve was able to **receive life** because Adam slept.
 - Instead of breaking the Lord's bones, the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and **blood and water flowed out**.
 - His side was **not** pierced for redemption, because the piercing occurred *after* His death.
 - Reveals that the work of Christ not only involved the **shedding of His blood** to **redeem** us from sins, but also the **flowing out of water**, typifying the **imparting** of His life to us.
- God used Adam's rib to make Eve; He did not use Adam's blood.
 - In the creation of Eve, blood was not mentioned because **there was no sin**; God saw no sin there.

The Church in God's Plan—Without Sin

- **Eph. 5:25** – Husbands, love your wives even as Christ also loved the church and **gave Himself up for her**.
- Christ gave Himself up for us **because we are the church**.
 - The context of **Ephesians 5** is not that Christ came to die for us because we were sinners, but that He gave Himself up for us because we are the church.
- Christ gave Himself for us **because He loves us**, not because we have sinned.
 - Christ's giving Himself for us is a matter of love.

- Christ gave Himself **for** us in order to give Himself **to** us, **without any question of our sins**.
 - Because He died, **we now have His very life within us**. He Himself has been imparted to us.
- From **God's point of view**, the **church** has **never sinned** and has **never been related to sin**.
- The Old Testament speaks of many women who typified the various aspects of the church.
 - Rebecca – The church being **offered** to Christ
 - Asenath – The church being **chosen** out of the world unto God
 - Zipporah – The church in the **wilderness**
 - Achsah – The church receiving the **inheritance**
 - Ruth – The **redemption** of the church
 - Abigail – The church **enlisted as an army** for warfare
- The Eve that God made came out of Adam, not out of a redeemed sinner.
 - Eve came out of Adam and was wholly for Adam; even so, the church comes out of Christ and is wholly for Christ.
 - From beginning to end, the church is out of God and for God and has never touched sin.

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