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DAM WAS THE only human in existence. In the beautiful parkland called the Garden of Eden where he lived, he had all the animals he wanted for pets. But they all had mates, and he did not—he was all alone. God had given Adam the task of naming the animals. Adam finished the task very quickly. But then he realized even more how different he was from every one of them, including the apes. None of them could talk to him. None of them could share the times when he talked with God. None of them was a suitable mate for Adam.

A wife for Adam

God knew that Adam was alone and needed a mate. So He did something very, very special. He put Adam into a deep, deep sleep. Then God took one of Adam’s ribs and used it to make the first woman. When Adam woke up, not only was his side all closed up and healed, but there beside him was another person. And she was beautiful! Adam called her Eve, which means ‘life’, because she would become the mother of all people on Earth (Genesis 3:20).
This means that you are related to every person who is living today or who has ever lived. You and they all have the same great, great, great ... great, great, great ... grandmother—Eve. And we all have the same great, great, great ... great, great, great ... grandfather—Adam. This is one huge reason why no-one should ever look down on any other person who may have different-coloured skin, or is different in any other way. We are all related!

Adam and Eve were the very first husband and wife. Marriage of one man to one woman for life is something that God invented. He didn’t want men to marry men, because He didn’t create Adam and Steve. He didn’t want women to marry women, because He didn’t create Tammie and Eve. And God didn’t want a man or a woman to have several partners, because He created only one man and one woman at the beginning.

God’s way for us to live is always best.

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No ape-men ... ever!

Some people have said that, before Adam lived, there were ‘ape-men’. But this is not true. There have never been any half-ape, half-humans, because evolution is not true. God did not make Adam from an ape. The Bible tells us that God made the first humans in His own image and likeness, not in the image and likeness of an ape.

Over the years, people have looked for ‘missing links’ and come up with all sorts of funny ideas. Like Piltdown Man. Someone found a piece of a human skull and the lower jaw of an orangutan at a place called Piltdown, in England, in 1912. For 40 years, evolutionists declared that these bones were a ‘missing link’ between men and apes. Then, in 1953, it was all shown to be a hoax! In 1922, someone in Nebraska, USA, found a tooth. A scientist gave it a scientific name, an artist in England drew a picture of an ape-like man and his wife, and Nebraska Man was created. A few years later, it was found out that the tooth was from an animal like a pig!

In 1974, part of a skeleton, about one metre (3 ft) tall, was found in Ethiopia. The bones were called ‘Lucy’ because, at the time they were found, the loudspeaker at the camp was playing the Beatles’ song ‘Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds’. ‘Lucy’ has been shown in museums looking like an ape-woman, with ape-like face and head, and human-like hands and feet. However, the bones found did not include the upper jaw and most of the skull, or the hand and foot bones. They are just the bones of a kind of ape. There are varieties of apes and of humans. There are no half-way forms. All the ‘missing links’ are still missing—because they never existed!