Men: Identity – Excavation of Manhood—Ninefold Created Potential in Man. 11/22/25 @ 9am @ GLC. Background Scripture: Genesis 1:26–2:25

Introduction: Scriptural excavation will deepen our understanding of created identity. This session will identify the "Ninefold creative potential of male-manhood." The future sessions will explore each identity and lesson exercises to enhance each person.

• **Excavation** means to dig out and remove; to expose to view by digging away a covering.

This document is excavated scripture foundational truths about **manhood** and **creative potential** from the book of Genesis.

- "For the word of God is living and active...sharper than any two-edged sword...dividing soul and spirit."
- Hebrews 4:12
- What God speaks and assigns to you will reveal your creative qualities and potential.

Key Terms:

- Created Something brought into existence by God's design.
- Potential Existing in possibility; capable of development into actuality.

As we excavate Genesis 1–2, we discover **nine creative qualities and potentials** embedded in humanity by divine design:

- 1. The ability to be creative.
 - Genesis 1:26-27; cf. 11:5-6
 - Humanity reflects God's image as a creator and innovator.
- 2. The ability to be productive.
 - Genesis 1:28
 - Fruitfulness is not optional—it is a divine expectation.
- 3. The ability to manage properly.
 - Genesis 2:15
 - Stewardship and responsibility define mature manhood.
- 4. The ability to be supervised.
 - Genesis 2:16
 - Submission to divine authority ensures order and growth.
- 5. The ability to make intelligent choices.
 - Genesis 2:17
 - · Wisdom and discernment guard destiny.
- 6. The ability to trust God.
 - Genesis 2:21
 - Trust precedes revelation; Adam rested, and God worked.
- 7. The ability to recognize dignity and quality in another.
 - Genesis 2:23
 - True identity recognizes value in others.
- 8. The ability to be committed in covenant relationship.
 - Genesis 2:24
 - Commitment anchors purpose and unity.
- 9. The ability to be transparent.
 - Genesis 2:25
 - Authenticity sustains intimacy; transparency is strength, not weakness.

Conclusion: Creativity reveals what is **already within us**. Potential, however, requires us to **take responsibility** for its **development**.

We can uncover our **identity and be strengthen** through the **excavation of manhood**—uncovering what God has already placed within.

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