



Key Scripture:

Ephesians 1:21 Message
The church is Christ's body,
in which He speaks and acts, by which He fills everything with His presence.

What does partnership with God look like?

Genesis 2:15 CEV

The Lord God put the man in the Garden of Eden to take care of it and to look after it.

- ✓ **Partnership with God...brings responsibility.**
- ✓ **Partnership with God...is working through His given authority.**

Genesis 2:19 NLT

So the Lord God formed from the ground all the wild animals and all the birds of the sky.

He brought them to the man to see what he would call them,
and the man chose a name for each one.

- ✓ **Partnership with God...is about a closer relationship.**

Genesis 2:22 NLT

Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib, and He brought her to the man.

Things that hinder partnership...

- ✓ **Lack of trust: Not taking God at His Word.**

Genesis 3:1 NLT

"Did God really say you must not eat the fruit from any of the trees in the garden?"

- ✓ **Unwilling to surrender: Don't want to give up control.**

Genesis 3:5 Message

God knows that the moment you eat from that tree, you'll see what's really going on.

You'll be just like God, knowing everything, ranging all the way from good to evil."

God is looking for partners.

2 Chronicles 16:9 NLT

The eyes of the Lord search the whole earth

in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to Him.

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The Church

God's Partners

How to partner with God...

1. Love the things He loves.

Matthew 6:20 NLT

Wherever your treasure is, there the desires of your heart will also be.

Luke 19:10 NLT

For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost.

- ✓ **Partnership with God is a heart connection with Him.**

2. Look beyond what you can see.

Mark 6:38 NKJV

But He said to them, "How many loaves do you have? Go and see."

And when they found out they said, "Five, and two fish."

Luke 9:13 NKJV

But He said to them, "You give them something to eat."

- ✓ **When I partner with God...He will not do my part.**

- ✓ **God will not multiply...what has not been given.**

3. Let God have control.

Luke 5:1-4 NLT

1 One day as Jesus was preaching on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, great crowds pressed in on Him to listen to the word of God. 2 He noticed two empty boats at the water's edge, for the fishermen had left them and were washing their nets. 3 Stepping into one of the boats, Jesus asked Simon, its owner, to push it out into the water. So He sat in the boat and taught the crowds from there. 4 When He had finished speaking, He said to Simon,

"Now go out where it is deeper, and let down your nets to catch some fish."

- ✓ **Partnership with God will not always be at your convenience.**

- ✓ **Partnership with God will only go as deep as your obedience.**

- ✓ **God will not fill what has not been prepared.**

- ✓ **My partnership with God...allows me to fulfill my purpose.**

- ✓ **My partnership with God depends on my desire for His presence.**

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