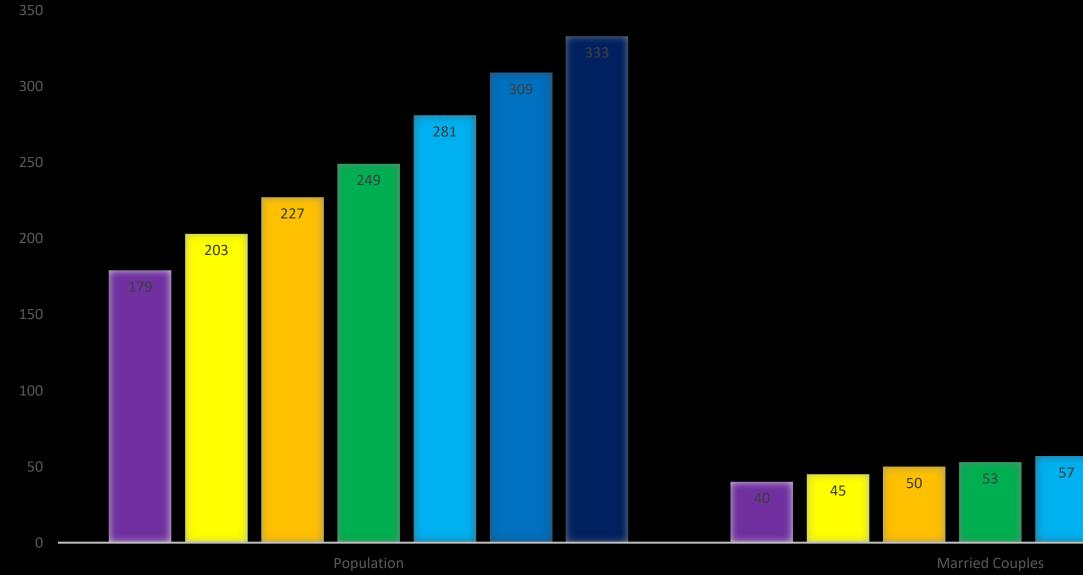


### **POPULATION GROWTH VS MARRIAGES IN** THE UNITED STATES

■ 1960 ■ 1970 ■ 1980 ■ 1990 ■ 2000 ■ 2010 ■ 2020







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https://www.catholicworldreport.com/2012/05/22/gay-marriage-nothing-new-under-the-sun/



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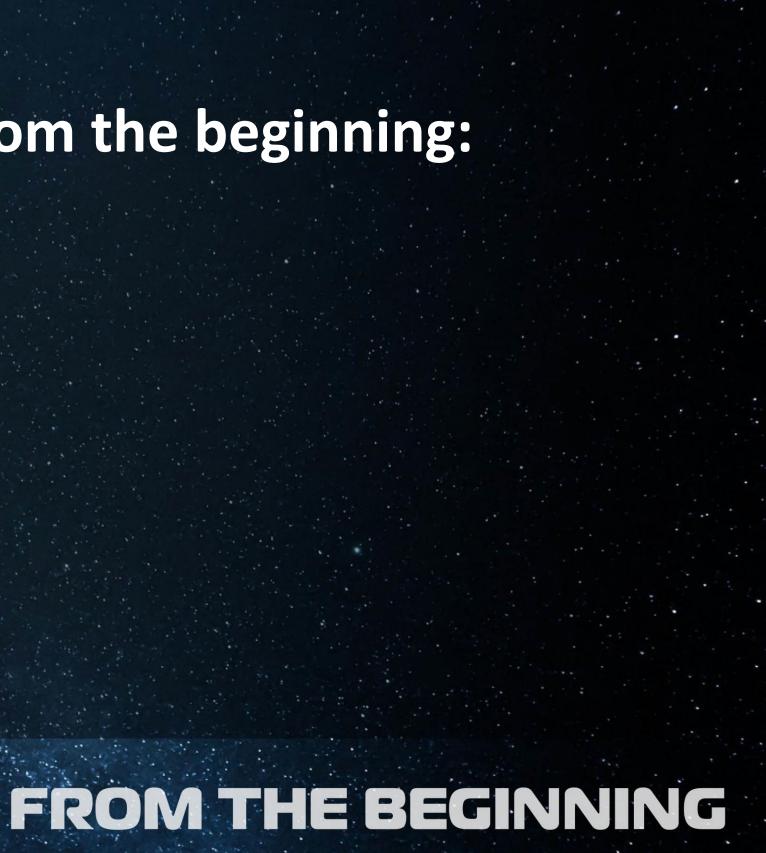
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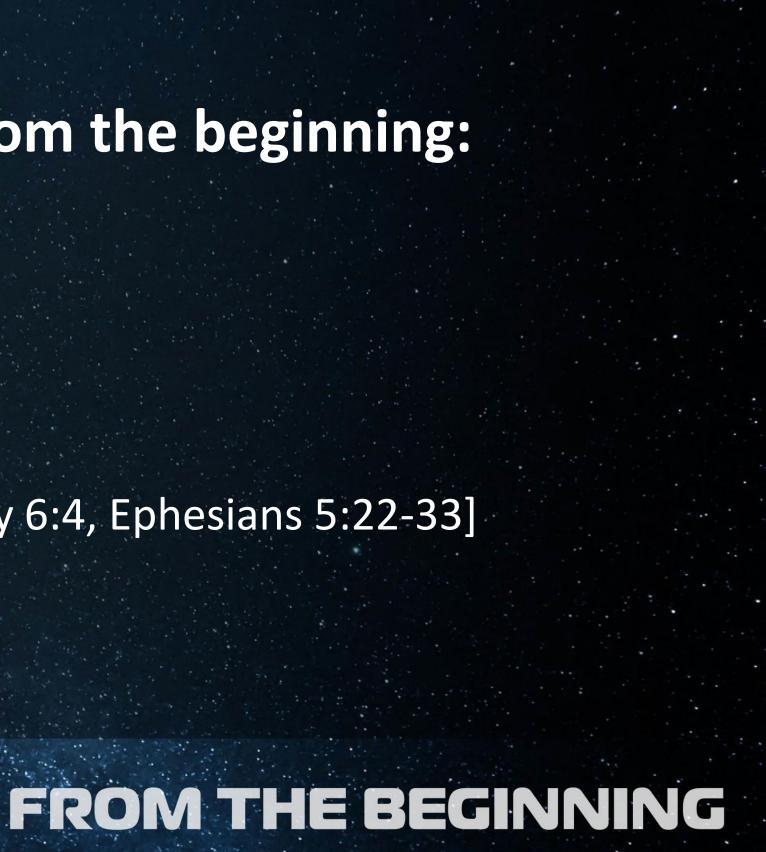
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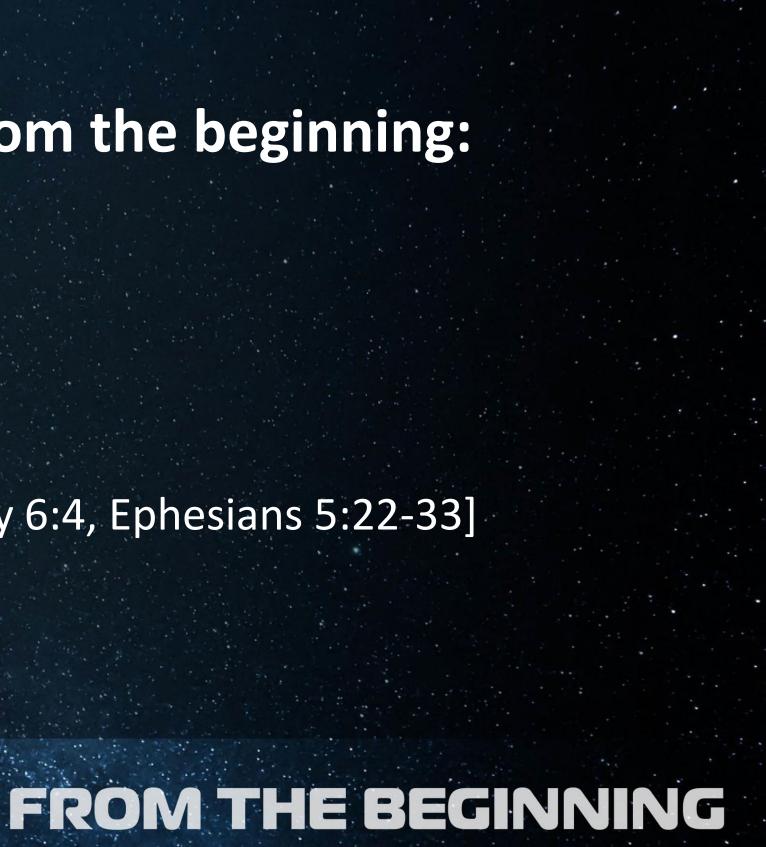
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**Your Challenge:** Do you highly esteem biblical marriage? What do YOU believe about it? How do you speak of it? Think about it? Act within it? Honor God's design for marriage today.