

Proclaiming Evidence for Truth

THIS WEEK'S CREATION MOMENT

Why Eve Was Made from Adam's Rib



And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man, made he a woman, and brought her unto the man. – Genesis 2:22

True or false: Women have one more rib than men have. You might be surprised to know how many people believe that men have one less rib because God took a rib out of Adam and used it to make Eve. The fact is that men and women have 12 pairs of ribs in our chest.

However, modern science may now be able to explain why God chose to make Eve by using one of Adam's ribs.

A research team from USC has reported that humans and mice are able to regrow removed ribs within a matter of months. The rib, in fact, is the only bone in our body that can regenerate itself. When the researchers removed rib sections and its surrounding sheath of tissue – called the "perichondrium" – the missing rib sections failed to repair itself even after nine months. However, when they removed the rib – but left its perichondrium – the missing rib entirely repaired itself within one to two months.

As one creationist group explains it, "Many doctors know about this feature of the rib being able to regenerate itself. Quite often they will very carefully remove a rib and use it to rebuild or replace things like damaged jaw bones and eye sockets. Not only does the patient get their face reconstructed, but in time the rib grows back and they are as good as they were before the surgery."

So we see once again that the Bible makes perfect sense down to the very smallest details!

Ref: "We can regenerate! Researchers reveal our ribs regrow if damaged – and say the same could be true for our entire skeleton," *Daily Mail*, 9/16/14. "Why God Chose Adam's Rib," CreationRevolution, 10/7/11. Diagram: Human rib. (PD)

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