Surprising or Expected?

Genesis 2:18-24; 4:1, 2 tells the story of the origins of the human family. Review the elements of that account that follow. When we look at these elements, some may be surprising while some may not. Mark each of these elements as being expected by you (E) or as being surprising to you (S).

There are no right or wrong answers. What is important is that you can explain why you marked each statement as you did.

- 1. God stated that a life of solitude is not good.
- 2. God created all animals out of the same raw materials with which he created Adam.
- 3. God did not name the animals, but assigned that task to Adam.
- 4. No animal could be a suitable helper/partner for Adam.
- 5. God made Adam sleep while God created Eve.
- 6. God did *not* create Eve from the same raw materials with which he created Adam and the animals.
- 7. Adam immediately identified the reason why Eve was not another animal.
- 8. Marriage is identified as the reason for leaving one's birth family to create a new family unit.
- 9. Man and woman are described as coming from one flesh and desiring to be reunited as one flesh.
- 10. God did not create other people directly, but designed man and woman to be able to do so.
- 11. Eve recognized that God designed her for and helped her through the process of bearing children.
- 12. Members of the first family pursued different interests.

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