

Ex: Oneida Christian Perfectionists (1840's – 1880's)

- NY state
- Create a new Garden of Eden
- Worked together
- One goal-reach religious ecstasy
- By having lots of sex with shared partners
- Older men paired w/young females
- Leader's duty to indoctrinate virgins

B. POLYGYNY=One husband married to more than 1 wife at same time

1. Usually a sign that a man is wealthy and/or has high status

- a. Bride price
- b. More allies
- c. Support wives
- d. Usually has more children
 - To honor him
 - To earn money for him

Ex: Mali (Africa) 3-yr. old children work & earn an income.
Therefore, more children = higher family income= richer man.

- Opposite of U.S.-We often attribute poverty to too many children. More kids=more stretching of \$
- Overpopulation leading to poverty is a culture bound view

2. Any other benefits for polygynous husband?