

# **Marriage 101**

## **“Back to the Basics”**

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# **Role & Responsibilities of WIVES**

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# **Role & Responsibilities of WIVES: LOVER**

- **Titus 2:3-5, “Older women likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips [diabolos!] nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good, (v 4) SO THAT [Content of their Example & Teaching] they may encourage the young women to LOVE THEIR HUSBANDS, to LOVE THEIR CHILDREN [“Fileo” Love], (v 5) to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the Word of God will not be dishonored.”**

# **The Primacy of LOVE for “both” Husbands and Wives**

- Deuteronomy 6:4, “Hear, O Israel! The LORD is our God, the LORD is one!  
(V 5) You shall LOVE the LORD your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might.**

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- **Matt 22:36, “Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?” (V 37) And He said to him, “YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND.’ (V 38) This is the great and foremost [“first” “preeminent”] commandment. (V 39) The second is like it, ‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR AS YOURSELF.’ (V 40) “On these two commandments depend the whole Law and the Prophets.”**

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- **Matt 5:43, “You have heard that it was said, ‘YOU SHALL LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR, and hate your enemy.’ (V 44) But I say to you, LOVE your ENEMIES and pray for those who persecute you, (v 45) so that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and unrighteous. (V 46) For if you love those who love you, what reward to you have? Do not even the tax collectors do the same? (V 47) If you greet only your brothers, what more are you doing than others? Do not even the Gentiles do the same? (V 48) Therefore, you are to be perfect, as your Heavenly Father is perfect...”**

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- **1 Corinthians 13:13, “But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is LOVE.”**

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# **Session 7: God's Beautiful Design of Loving Marital Intimacy**

# **Snapshot of where we're headed...**

- A Warning: FLEE Sexual Immorality...**
- A Basic THEOLOGY of Marital Intimacy...**
- Practical HELPS for Marital Intimacy...**

**A Warning: FLEE Sexual  
Immorality**

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## 1 Corinthians 6:18-20

- “Flee immorality [Imperative/Command, it’s the broad term, “porneia”]. Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body, but the immoral man [“porneia”] sins against his own body.
- (V 19) Or do you not know that your body is a temple [sanctuary] of the Holy Spirit Who is in you, Whom you have from God, and that you are not your own? (V 20) For you have been bought with a price: therefore, glorify God in your body.”

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## **Proverbs 5:1-14**

- **“My son, give attention to my wisdom, Incline your ear to my understanding; (2) That you may observe discretion, And your lips may reserve knowledge. (3) For the lips of an adulteress drip honey, And smoother than oil is on her speech [language of Seduction & Allurement]; (4) But in the end she is bitter as wormwood, Sharp as a two-edged sword. (5) Her feet go down to death, Her steps take hold of Sheol. (6) She does not ponder the path of life; Her ways are unstable, she does not know it.**

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## **Proverbs 5:1-14**

- (7) “Now then, my son, listen to me, And do not depart from the words of my mouth. (8) Keep your way far from her, And do not go near the door of her house, (9) Or you will give your vigor to others, And your years to the cruel one; (10) And strangers will be filled with your strength, And your hard-earned goods will go to the house of an alien; (11) And you groan at your final end, When your flesh and your body are consumed; (12) And you say, ‘How I have hated instruction! And my heart spurned reproof! (13) I have not listened to the voice of my teachers, Nor inclined my ear to my instructors! (14) I was almost in ruin, In the midst of the assembly and congregation.”**

# A Warning: FLEE Sexual Immorality

Hebrews 13:4

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**1 John 1:8-9: Confess & Repent; Resolve to Turn from it!**



# **A Basic Theology of Marital Intimacy**

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- **Marital Intimacy is a GOOD GIFT of GOD!**
- **James 1:17, “Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above [from God!], coming down from the Father of Lights...”**
- **Rooted in the “one flesh” union: Gen 2:24-25, “For this reason a man shall leave his father and his mother, and be joined to his wife; and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed”**

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- Marital Intimacy is “exclusively” FOR MARRIAGE

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- Marital Intimacy is for PROCREATION...

Genesis 1:27-28, “God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. (28) God blessed them; and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth...’”

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**Proverbs 5:15-19**

## **•Marital Intimacy is for Spousal ENJOYMENT...**

**Proverbs 5:15-23, Drink water from your own cistern [singular, i.e., “your ONE cistern!”, And fresh water from your own well. (16) Should your springs be dispersed abroad, Streams of water in the streets? (17) Let them be yours alone, And not for strangers with you. (18) Let your fountain be blessed, And rejoice in the wife of your youth. (19) As a loving hind and a graceful dow, Let her breasts satisfy you at all times; Be exhilarated always with her love.**

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## **• Marital Intimacy is for Spousal ENJOYMENT...**

**Song of Songs 4:10-11, “How beautiful is your love [speaking of Physical Intimacy], my sister, my bride!**

**How much better is your love than wine, and the fragrance of your oils,  
Than all kinds of spices!**

**(11) Your lips, my bride, drip honey; Honey and milk are under your tongue,  
And the fragrance of your garments is like the fragrance of Lebanon.”**

**Song of Songs 5:1, “I have come into my garden, my sister, my bride;  
I have gathered my myrrh along with my balsam. I have eaten my honeycomb  
and my honey; I have drunk my wine and my milk.  
Eat, friends; Drink and imbibe deeply [lit., “become drunk”], O lovers.”**

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- **Marital Intimacy is for INTIMACY...**

**Song of Songs 8:6-7, “Put me like a seal over your heart,  
Like a seal on your arm. For love is as strong as death,  
Jealousy is as severe as Sheol; Its flashes are flashes of fire,  
The very flame of the LORD. (7) Many waters cannot quench  
love, Nor will rivers overflow it; If a man were to give all the  
riches of his house for love, It would be utterly despised.”**

Questions



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