

Marriage Seminar - Part 1

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I. Introduction.

- A. The Bible is the best marriage manual ever written.
- B. Divorce is prominent today—even among prominent Christian leaders.
- C. Keys to marriage.
 - 1. The marriage relationship requires work to develop it.
 - 2. A personal development of one's relationship with God is necessary for a healthy marriage.

II. Husbands and wives should find something that they can enjoy together.

III. Marriage was God's idea. (Genesis 2:18)

- A. Since God developed marriage, it is his desire to have his rightful place in that relationship.
- B. It is important that we understand God.

IV. It is important that we understand our neighbor also.

- A. Spouses are often very different.
- B. Knowing these differences is the beginning of a positive marriage relationship.

V. We should ask God for wisdom about our spouses and pray for deeper love. (Proverbs 24:3-4, Ephesians 4:32)

Application questions:

1. What does it practically look like to have God involved in our relationship?

2. What are some non-gender related differences between you and your spouse?

3. How can you practically get to know your spouse better? Explain.
