

LECTURE #10

BIBLICAL BASICS OF MARRIAGE

INTRODUCTION

A. Why are today's families in trouble?

1. Caused by people marrying for _____.
2. Failure to apply _____ to build a good marriage once married.

B. What attacks the family?

1. _____ view of marriage.
2. _____ of the woman's role.
3. _____.
4. _____ images of masculinity and femininity.
5. _____.
6. _____ view of marriage.

C. What are the cumulative effects?

1. Many young people are unsure about _____.
2. Many in marriage have lost _____.

D. Where are the answers?: The _____!

I. MARRIAGE IS OF _____ (Genesis 2:18)

A. Not a result of _____.

B. But it is a result of the direct creative act of _____...so there is hope!!

II. MARRIAGE IS DESCRIBED BY GOD AS _____ (Genesis 1:31)

Therefore:

- A. Celibacy is not the _____.
- B. Marriage is not to be _____.
- C. Sex is _____.

III. MARRIAGE IS DESIGNED BY GOD FOR _____ AND _____ (Genesis 2:18).

- A. It is not good for man to be _____.

SO THE PURPOSE OF MARRIAGE IS: _____

- B. _____ could not fulfill God's intended purpose.
- C. Neither could..._____, _____, _____, _____, _____, _____, or _____.

IV. MARRIAGE IS DESIGNED BY GOD TO MEET NEEDS (Genesis 2:18)

V. MARRIAGE IS DEFINED BY GOD AS A COMMITMENT (Genesis 2:24)

- A. It is a _____ (Proverbs 2:17 and Malachi 2:14).
- B. It involves _____.
 - 1. Remember the _____ Principle.
 - a. Parents raise their children to _____.
 - b. Husbands and wives stay together after the _____ leave.
 - c. Parents need to make it easy for children to _____ and _____ their families.

2. Your mate's ideas and needs are now more important than your _____.

C. It involves _____.

1. _____ together into "one flesh."

2. Its basis is _____ - not love!

a. First, committed to Christ: to be God's kind of Person, then God's kind of Partner and then God's kind of Parent.

b. Second, commitment to each other:

God does not say...

"Leave and love"

"Leave and be infatuated by"

"Leave and enjoy romance with"

God says...

"Leave and cleave"

D It involves Weaving - "ONE FLESH"

1. This requires _____.

2. This demands _____.

3. This requires a biblical understanding of the marriage _____.

4. Remember, leaving, cleaving, and weaving are not just techniques I do to get a great marriage, they are done in _____ to God.