

SMALL groups

RECAP:

- What did you learn from Sunday's message?
- Did you have any uncertainties that came to mind?
- How would you describe dating & courtship? What is the difference between the two?

In the message, we were reminded that sex is for the mantle of marriage alone. We learned 10 reasons why waiting is best.

- Did any of this stand out to you?
- Have you seen these benefits your or someone else's relationship?
- How can we help others in the dating and courtship stage to wait and go against current cultural norms?

It's been said, *"Before marriage Satan will do anything to get you in bed with each other and after marriage, he'll do anything to keep you out of bed."* Agree or disagree?

READ: Songs of Solomon 2:8 – 3:5

- Take a look at verse 16. *"My beloved is mine and I am his."* At some point in a healthy relationship you stop thinking about me and start thinking about we. Do you remember when this happened for you?
- Throughout this book, Solomon says, *"Do not arouse or awaken love until it so desires."* This was not easy for Solomon nor was (or is) it likely easy for you. Why does sex matter so much? How does Satan and your own evil desire attack sexual intimacy to this day?

MOVE:

In your relationship, how do you continue to develop a "we" and "us" mentality? How does that effect sexual intimacy?

PRAYER:

Circle up as a group, share how God is working in your life and pray for any needs that you are aware of.