

@home marriage on purpose

~ marriage ~

*a covenant between God, a man and a woman,
their families, and the greater community.*

*Marriage is a lifetime commitment to glorify God by
loving each other, working for the common good of both families
and the community, usually to produce and raise children who will
seek to continue the practice and purpose of family and marriage.*

~ singleness ~

*a calling from God in which an individual lives celibate and
does not participate in the pleasures and responsibilities of marriage.
The purpose of singleness is to glorify God
and to work for the common good of community and families.*

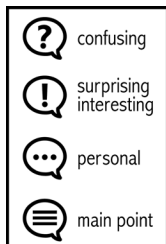
the design of marriage

The man gave names to all livestock and to the birds of the heavens and to every beast of the field. But for Adam there was not found a helper fit for him.

²¹ So the LORD God caused a deep sleep to fall upon the man, and while he slept took one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. ²² And the rib that the LORD God had taken from the man he made into a woman and brought her to the man. ²³ Then the man said, "This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." ²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Genesis 2:20-25

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So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them. ²⁸ And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ³¹ And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

Genesis 1:27-28; 31

The practice of marriage: Love and Respect

...submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ...

³³ However, let each one of you love his wife as himself, and let the wife see that she respects her husband.

Ephesians 5:21,33

Clarify purpose

Learn love and respect

Manage expectations

Resolve to work on your marriage

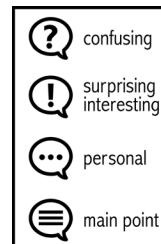
Renew your covenant

next steps

attend...

i-MARRIAGE 3-week large group (OCT 29, NOV 5, NOV 12)
CELEBRATE CALM workshop with Founder Kirk Martin (NOV 6 & 7)
JACOB'S WELL Family Night

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