<u>Top 10 Things We've Learned in (almost) 30 Years of Marriage!</u> Titus 3:3-7

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1. Holiness	We've learned that God is more concerned about our personal holiness than our happiness.
2. <u>Prayer</u>	We've learned that <u>prayer</u> welds our hearts together with the <u>Lord</u> . (Philippians 4:6-7)
3. <u>Changeme</u>	We've learned to stop trying to change <u>each other</u> and focus on <u>changing ourselves</u> . (1 Peter 3:1,7; 1 Peter 2:21-25)
4. Accept	We've learned that God really has <u>designed</u> us differently! (Genesis 1:27; Romans 15:5-7)
5. <u>Real</u>	We've learned to be <u>real</u> with one another. (Psalm 32:3-5)
6. Forgive	We've learned that a lifestyle of forgiveness allows God to build a mature marriage. (Colossians 3:13; Ephesians 4:31-32)
7. <u>Love</u>	We've learned to <u>love</u> each other according to each other's <u>needs</u> . (Ephesians 5:33)
8. <u>Sex</u>	We've learned that a healthy <u>sex life</u> is glorifying to God. (1 Corinthians 7:3-5)
9. Church	We've learned to love the <u>church</u> like Christ. (Ephesians 5:25-27)
10. Empowered	We've learned that all of this is impossible without being <u>empowered</u> by the Holy Spirit through His <u>Word</u> and <u>Prayer</u> . (Romans 12:2; John 15:5; 2 Samuel 7:18)