

“When Sinners Say ‘I DO’”

A look at Marriage (3)

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Text: Genesis 2:24-25; Romans 1:17

“^{24/31}Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ³²This mystery is profound, and I am saying that it refers to Christ and the church” (Genesis 2:24; Ephesians 5:31-32).

MARRIAGE IS GOD’S DESIGN. MARRIAGE IS *ALSO* FOR GOD’S GLORY. It ultimately exists to display His glory in a way that no other event or institution does.

Q. – What pieces blend together to form a godly marriage?

MARRIAGE that God intended is....

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No matter how beautiful or handsome your spouse is....

I can be free from shame/embarrassment because I am perfect and have nothing to be ashamed of OR...

Follow up questions to think through....

“The blueprint for marriage is so important for your health and spiritual vitality. Distortions to God’s design ripple upon both individual family units and society at large...”
How is this true?

What are ways we say or do things that shame/embarrass others (especially a spouse)?

How can you move away from a “works-based” pattern to life toward a “grace-based” model?



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