Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. JAMES 5:16

vii. Seek fellowship *Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.* 1 CORINTHIANS 15:33 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. MATTHEW 5:8

## Conclusion: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **Discussion Questions:**

1. In what areas do you feel we are most unified and experiencing oneness?

2. In what areas are we lacking oneness? What can each of us do to bring unity to that area?

3. What safeguards are we taking that you appreciate that protect our marriage and home? What safeguards should we add?

4. Are we aware of a sin problem that needs to be dealt with?



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#### Lesson: GOD'S PURPOSE FOR MARRIAGE, PART 2

Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one flesh. And they were both naked, the man and his wife, and were not ashamed. GENESIS 2:24–25

## Introduction:

1. The purpose of

Quote: "God's purpose for marriage is that one man and one woman be one flesh for one lifetime."-Warren Wiersbe

What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh. 1 CORINTHIANS 6:16

Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. 1 CORINTHIANS 7:3-4

A. The of oneness

So likewise, whosoever he be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple. LUKE 14:33

Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God. EPHESIANS 5:21



For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: and whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it. MATTHEW 16:25

#### B. The of oneness

For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and they two shall be one flesh. EPHESIANS 5:30-31

2. The purpose of

## A. \_\_\_\_\_ is the greatest obstacle to openness

i. Sin is deadly

For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. ROMANS 6:23

Then when lust hath conceived, it bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished, bringeth forth death. JAMES 1:15

ii. Purity must be upheld by partners in order for the relationship to provide a climate for total exposure

iii. Purity is for every \_\_\_\_\_ of marriage

*Neither give place to the devil.* EPHESIANS 4:27

Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life. PROVERBS 4:23

Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; HEBREWS 11:25

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: 1 PETER 5:8

# B. Seven steps to \_\_\_\_\_ in marriage

i. Take for your own behavior

And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, cast out first the beam out of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to pull out the mote that is in thy brother's eye. LUKE 6:41-42

ii. Do not sin for sin

But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you, LUKE 6:27

*Likewise, ye wives, be in subjection to your own husbands; that,* if any obey not the word, they also may without the word be won by the conversation of the wives; While they behold your chaste conversation coupled with fear. 1 PETER 3:1-2

#### iii. Admit vour

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 JOHN 1:9

But he giveth more grace. Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace unto the humble. JAMES 4:6

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent praver of a righteous man availeth much. JAMES 5:16

#### iv.

For if ye forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you: But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. MATTHEW 6:14-15

Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God; lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled: HEBREWS 12:15

- Release the guilty person from personal judgment. Do not keep rehearsing the offense in your mind. Let God be the Judge.
- Love the person who has offended you. Let your behavior reflect your decision to forgive.
- Bless and pray for that person. Bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you. LUKE 6:28
- Do not bring up the hurt in the furture. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he removed our transgressions from us. PSALM 103:12
- Repeat this process as many times as necessary.

v. Speak the truth in

vi. for each other

