

MARRIAGE:

A Foundational Pillar of Family Ministry

Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. The man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.

Genesis 2:24-25 (ESV)

Family Ministry

Family and The Family of families (local church) =
Are God's ordained institutions to carry out His
multi-generational faith-filled plan of flooding His
creation with faithful Christ worshippers.

(Great Commission)

Session One: January 7, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship: "5 Stages in Marriage"

Introduction and stage one:

What are the 5 always moving essentials of marriage found in Genesis 2.24-25?

Over the next 5 weeks we will seek to answer that question as well as trust God to transform us in those five stages. There are always moving because we will not perfect them this side of heaven. The goal is not perfection but meaningful effort/pursuit in growth. Along the way, we will see a comparison of what these five look like in the flesh compared to the spirit. Are you a minister or consumer?

“a man shall leave” – Integrity

“hold fast to his wife” – Commitment

“they shall become one flesh” – Passion

“both naked” – Vulnerability

“not ashamed” – Shared Power

Stage One: Integrity

Conclusion:

Would you be willing to repent of trusting in any source other than God and by His grace move toward depending solely upon Him?

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Session One: January 7, 2018

Sunday Night: “Love and War” – Hope and Vision

Because marriage is hard, sometimes painfully hard, your first great battle is not to lose heart. That begins with rediscovering hope and vision of marriage.

Video Notes:

Small Group Notes:

What I learned tonight about God, me, and marriage?

January 14, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship: Guest Speaker

Sermon Notes:

What I learned about God? Myself?

Session three: January 21, 2018

**Sunday Night Worship: "Love and War" –
The Greatest Gift You Can Give**

"There are all sorts of joy to be found in your marriage, once you stop looking to your spouse to make you happy."

(Love and War handbook, page 35)

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Session Three: January 28, 2018

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Session Three: Passion

Conclusion:

Do you stand in need of God to enable your passion to be God honoring? Would you be willing to rest in Him instead of prowling for fulfillment outside of Him?

Session Four: January 28, 2018

Sunday Night Worship: “Love and War” – Sharing an Adventure and The Enemy is Not Your Spouse.

Despite vows, hopes, and dreams most couples end up living separate lives. Do you have a common mission for your marriage? Another common problem in marriage is assuming that our spouses are the enemy. The foundation of that wrong assumption reveals much about me and my deep desire to gain from others.

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Session five: February 11, 2018

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Session five: Shared Power

Conclusion: Do you find yourself clinching to control or desire to be in control? Are you able to release that desire for God's glory? Do you share the power or do you hoard it in the name of control and safety?

Session six: February 11, 2018

**Sunday Night Worship: "Love and War"
Sex and A Thousand Little Choices**

God has created the human form and the human heart to experience the experience of passion inside the bonds of marriage. It is God who has defined sex! It is God who has ordained sex! It is God who gave sex to His created man and woman! In conclusion, we will look at the thousands of little choices that are made in love.

Video Notes:

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Session Two: January 14, 2018

Sunday Night Worship: “Love and War” – A Perfect Storm

Our mutual brokenness plays off each other so perfectly its frightening. It could be compared to throwing a cat and dog in a tight spot. You ever wondered why God would ordain such a thing as marriage?

Video Notes:

Small Group Notes:

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Stage Two: Commitment

Conclusion:

Would you be willing to reflect upon your commitment to your spouse?

What happens when you consider God's commitment to His spouse?

When you reflect on that comparison what is the proper response?

Will you trust Him and depend on Him to live committed to your spouse?

Session four: February 4, 2018

Sunday Morning Worship: "5 Stages in Marriage"

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Session Four: Vulnerability

Conclusion:

Is there a shift that needs to take place in your life concerning the area of vulnerability? What would it look like for you to move toward Christ in this area? Would you take responsibility and come clean in your struggles to be vulnerable? To be vulnerable portrays the life of one who is trusting wholly in Him?

Session five: February 4, 2018**Sunday Night Worship: "Love and War" - Storm Clouds**

When Crisis hits and something shakes our foundation we look for something to grasp or even something to blame – much like someone drowning. Don't jump to conclusions! Your perspective of what is going on will shape everything that follows.

Video Notes:**Small Group Notes:**

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