

The Gift of Marriage

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“Every good and perfect gift is from above coming down like heavenly lights.” James 1:17

1) Marriage is a _____ created by God and it is _____.
(Genesis 2:18, James 1:17)

2) Marriage is a _____ of the _____.
(Ephesians 5:31-32, Revelation 21:2)

3) We are called to _____ and _____ our marriage. The battle is _____!
(1 Peter 5:8-9 and Titus 2:4)

Put down the gavel of _____ and pick up the magnifying glass of _____.

Never _____. Always _____.

Make _____ your goal.

Weekly Questions:

1. How'd you feel loved this week?
2. What do you have going on next week?
3. How can I pray for you and support you in what you have next week?
4. How can I pursue you more in sex and intimacy?
5. What do you see in me that needs to look more like Jesus?
6. How are you doing on your goals?

Panel Discussion Notes:

Audio Recommendations:

- "Communication and Conflict in Marriage" Leslie and Rob Barry.
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5287>
- "How to Thrive, Not Just Survive, When your Husband's Job is Demanding" with Holly Barnett
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5298>
- "Unmet Expectations in Marriage" with Kristen Kedersha.
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5261>
- "When Marriage Gets Messy" with Kelli Mainz
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5260>
- "Keeping Your Marriage a Priority in the Baby Daze" with Mandy Sisco
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5199>
- "Tending to your Marriage" with Alison Treadaway and Lindsay Loucks
<http://www.watermark.org/message/5007>

Written Recommendations:

1. www.watermark.org/blogs/family-ministry
2. [Love Unending](#) by Becky Thomas
3. [Emptied](#) with Wynter and Jonathan Pitts
4. [Ready or Knot?](#) by Scott Kedersha
5. [Fierce Marriage](#) by Ryan and Selena Frederick
6. [The Meaning of Marriage](#) by Tim Keller



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