

PART 1: THE MYSTERY OF MARRIAGE

INTRODUCTION

Marriage was designed and created by God. We should trust him and follow his instructions and principles for marriage to be healthy, because it's through the gospel that we get both the power and pattern for marriage.

BIBLE VERSES

Ephesians 5:31-33 Ephesians 5:25 Philippians 2:5-8

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. If you are married, how has your perspective about marriage changed from when you were single?
- 2. Pastor Will taught that the decline of marriage comes from our flawed understanding of marriage. Do you agree or disagree? Why?
- 3. Have you ever considered that marriage is God's idea? That He created marriage? How does this truth affect or change your perspective about marriage?
- 4. Read Ephesians 5:32. How would you describe the love Christ has for the church? What does this kind of love look like in a marriage?
- 5. The principle that Pastor Will taught is this: Do for your spouse what God did for you in Jesus, and the rest will follow. What has God done for you in Jesus?
- 6. What are some specific ways you can love your spouse the way God loves you?

MOVING FORWARD

What could be your next step or steps...

- Come back next week for Part 2 of Who Needs Marriage
- Get to know more about the gospel by reading the Bible every day this week
- Talk with your spouse this week about where you are not loving them like God loves you
- Surrender your marriage to God
- Surrender your life to God
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