

Not Yours Week 2

1. Marriage Is God's Design

- Genesis 2:18 – “It is not good for man to be alone.”
- Marriage was God's idea — a **gift**, not just a partnership.
- God united man and woman to become **one flesh** — to **reflect His image** and **glorify Him**.

Marriage is meant to reflect God's character and His covenant love.

2. Marriage Is a Covenant, Not a Contract

- The world treats marriage like a contract — **conditional, mistrusting, breakable**.
- But biblically, marriage is a **covenant** — **unconditional, forgiving, sacrificial, full of grace**.
- Our model: **Jesus and His Church** (Ephesians 5:21–25).

We reflect Christ by loving and serving one another selflessly.

3. Stewarding the Gift of Your Spouse

- **Ephesians 5:21** – “Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.”
- **1 Corinthians 13:4–7** – Defines true, biblical love.
- Stewardship in marriage looks like:
 - Patience & kindness
 - Honor & humility
 - Forgiveness & grace
 - Trust & perseverance

Your marriage may be the greatest display of God's love to a broken world.

Warning

- Satan wants to **destroy marriages** because they reflect God's relationship with His people.
- Don't give him a seat at your table — return to **submission, love, and covenant faithfulness**.

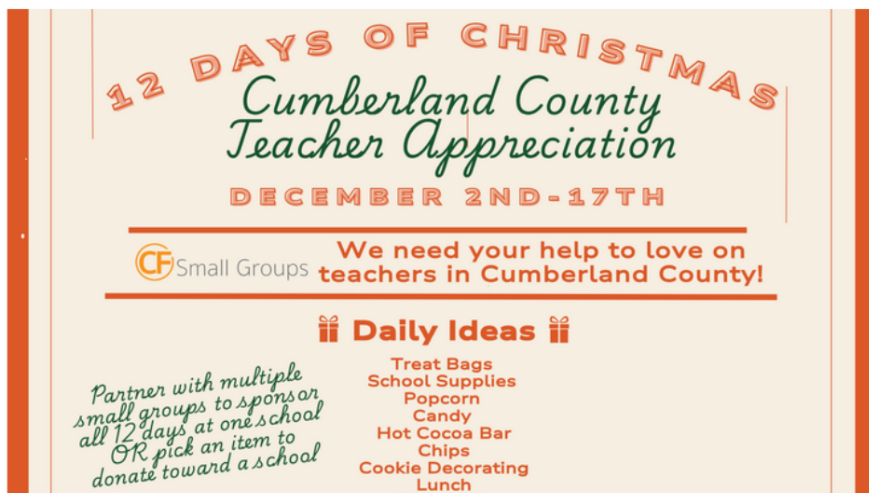
Closing Challenge

- Ephesians 5:25 – “Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her.”
- Christ's love was **sacrificial, selfless, merciful, and undeserved**.
- The way you love your spouse is a **reflection of how you love Jesus**.

“We can't say we love Jesus and not love our spouse the same way.”

Reflection & Notes

- What does it mean for me to *steward* my marriage well?
- Where have I allowed selfishness or pride to take root?
- How can I better reflect Christ in my relationship this week?



Coming up:

- Alaska Build 11/13-11/22
 - Senior Friendsgiving 11/14
 - SG Leadership Summit
 - “Lead like Jesus” Sat 11/15
 - Partners Business Mtg 11/17
- @5pm Sanctuary

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- To Serve
- Submit prayer requests
- Join a small group

TAKE A CLASS

- New Believer’s Class
- Next Steps Class
- My Story Training

